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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to education in correctional  
3       facilities for licensed professions; amending s.  
4       944.801, F.S.; requiring the Correctional Education  
5       Program to develop a plan in conjunction with the  
6       boards of professions regulated by the Department of  
7       Business and Professional Regulation for inmates to  
8       take classes for credit toward licensure requirements;  
9       providing an effective date.

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11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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13       Section 1. Paragraph (m) is added to subsection (3) of  
14       section 944.801, Florida Statutes, to read:

15       944.801 Education for state prisoners.—

16       (3) The responsibilities of the Correctional Education  
17       Program shall be to:

18       (m) Design and implement a plan, in coordination with the  
19       relevant professional boards regulated by the Department of  
20       Business and Professional Regulation, to ensure that inmates in  
21       a correctional institution who take classes that meet the  
22       necessary curriculum requirements as determined by the  
23       applicable laws and rules for those professions shall receive  
24       credit toward licensure requirements for the successful  
25       completion of those classes.

26       Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.