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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to graduation requirements for English  
3       for Speakers of Other Languages program students;  
4       amending s. 1003.433, F.S.; authorizing certain  
5       English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) program  
6       students to meet the Algebra I end-of-course  
7       assessment requirements in a specified manner;  
8       providing an effective date.

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

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12       Section 1. Paragraph (c) is added to subsection (3) of  
13       section 1003.433, Florida Statutes, to read:

14       1003.433 Learning opportunities for out-of-state and out-  
15       of-country transfer students and students needing additional  
16       instruction to meet high school graduation requirements.—

17       (3) Students who have been enrolled in an ESOL program for  
18       less than 2 school years and have met all requirements for the  
19       standard high school diploma except for passage of any must-pass  
20       assessment under s. 1003.4282 or s. 1008.22 or alternate  
21       assessment may:

22       (c) Beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, meet the  
23       requirement to pass the statewide, standardized Algebra I end-  
24       of-course assessment by satisfactorily demonstrating grade-level  
25       expectations on formative assessments, in accordance with state  
26       board rule.

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