Florida Senate - 2025 Bill No. SB 540

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LEGISLATIVE ACTION		
Senate	•	House
Comm: RCS	•	
03/31/2025		
The Committee on Educ	ation Pre-K - 12 (Coll:	ins) recommended the
following:		
Senate Amendment	(with title amendment))
Delete everythin	g after the enacting c	lause
and insert:		
Section 1. This	act may be cited as th	ne "Evin B. Hartsell
Act."		
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11	intensive instruction to expand their knowledge, understanding,	
12	and awareness of individuals with disabilities, the history of	
13	disability, and the disability rights movement. Disability	
14	history may include the events and timelines of the development	
15	and evolution of services to, and the civil rights of,	
16	individuals with disabilities. Disability history may also	
17	include the contributions of specific individuals with	
18	disabilities, including the contributions of acknowledged	
19	national leaders.	
20	1. The Department of Education shall develop the following	
21	curricula for the grade levels specified:	
22	a. For kindergarten through grade 3, an introduction to	
23	physical disabilities and bullying.	
24	b. For grades 4 through 6, autism spectrum disorder.	
25	c. For grades 7 through 9, hearing impairments.	
26	d. For grades 10 through 12, learning styles and	
27	intellectual disabilities.	
28	2. The department may consult with the Evin B. Hartsell	
29	Foundation to further develop the curricula in subparagraph 1.	
30	Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.	
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33	And the title is amended as follows:	
34	Delete everything before the enacting clause	
35	and insert:	
36	A bill to be entitled	
37	An act relating to disability history and awareness	
38	instruction; providing a short title; amending s.	
39	1003.4205, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education	

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40 to develop specified curricula; authorizing the
41 department to consult with the Evin B. Hartsell
42 Foundation to further develop such curricula;
43 providing an effective date.