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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to wireless communications devices on
3	school grounds; amending s. 1003.32, F.S.; conforming
4	provisions to changes made by the act; amending s.
5	1006.07, F.S.; prohibiting students from using
6	wireless communications devices during the school day,
7	rather than during instructional time; requiring
8	district school boards to designate locations within
9	school buildings for students to use wireless
10	communications devices during the school day under
11	certain circumstances; providing an effective date.
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13	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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(1) In accordance with this section and within the
framework of the district school board's code of student
conduct, teachers and other instructional personnel shall have
the authority to undertake any of the following actions in
managing student behavior and ensuring the safety of all
students in their classes and school and their opportunity to
learn in an orderly and disciplined classroom:

33 (a) Establish classroom rules of conduct, including
 34 designating an area for wireless communications devices during
 35 instructional time.

36 Section 2. Paragraph (f) of subsection (2) of section
 37 1006.07, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

38 1006.07 District school board duties relating to student 39 discipline and school safety.—The district school board shall 40 provide for the proper accounting for all students, for the 41 attendance and control of students at school, and for proper 42 attention to health, safety, and other matters relating to the 43 welfare of students, including:

(2) CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT.-Adopt a code of student conduct for elementary schools and a code of student conduct for middle and high schools and distribute the appropriate code to all teachers, school personnel, students, and parents, at the beginning of every school year. Each code shall be organized and written in language that is understandable to students and parents and shall be discussed at the beginning of every school

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51 year in student classes, school advisory council meetings, and 52 parent and teacher association or organization meetings. Each 53 code shall be based on the rules governing student conduct and 54 discipline adopted by the district school board and shall be 55 made available in the student handbook or similar publication. 56 Each code shall include, but is not limited to:

57 (f) Notice that use of a wireless communications device 58 includes the possibility of the imposition of disciplinary action by the school or criminal penalties if the device is used 59 60 in a criminal act. A student may possess a wireless 61 communications device while the student is on school property or 62 in attendance at a school function; however, a student may not 63 use a wireless communications device during the school day 64 instructional time, except when expressly directed by a teacher 65 solely for educational purposes. A teacher shall designate an 66 area for wireless communications devices during instructional 67 time. Each district school board shall adopt rules governing the 68 use of a wireless communications device by a student while the 69 student is on school property or in attendance at a school 70 function, including designating locations within school 71 buildings where a student may use his or her wireless 72 communications device with the express permission of a school 73 administrator. 74 This act shall take effect July 1, 2025. Section 3.

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