



LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Senator Gaetz moved the following:

1 **Senate Amendment**

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3 Delete lines 807 - 834

4 and insert:

5 enrolled full time in a public school and is enrolled and in
6 attendance, unless excused for illness or other good cause, in
7 one of the following:

8 1. A home education program;

9 2. A personalized education program; or

10 3. A private school.

11 (c) The parent of a student enrolled at a private school



12 may authorize the private school to satisfy the requirement in
13 paragraph (b) on behalf of the parent by attesting that the
14 student is enrolled in and in attendance at the private school.
15 The private school and the organization must maintain records of
16 the parental authorization, which must be renewed each school
17 year and may be included as part of the parent's approval of the
18 funds transfer authorized pursuant to subparagraph (6)(b)1. An
19 improper attestation may be investigated as fraud pursuant to
20 subparagraph (10)(a)6., and the private school may be liable to
21 the state for payments made in violation of this subsection and,
22 if found liable, must reimburse the state for funds improperly
23 paid to the private school.

24 (d) The organization may not make any payment into a
25 student's account prior to a parent's acceptance of a
26 scholarship award, upon notification that the student is
27 enrolled in a public school unless the organization can verify
28 the student's eligibility, or for any period of time prior to
29 the department's verification of the student's eligibility. An
30 organization is liable to the state for payments made in
31 violation of this subsection and must reimburse the state for
32 funds that were improperly awarded which cannot be recovered.

33 (e) For a student who was enrolled in a public school prior
34 to participation in the scholarship program as determined by the
35 department, the organization must receive proof that the parent
36 submitted the standard withdrawal form to the public school
37 where the student was previously enrolled or, if the withdrawal
38 occurred prior to the creation of the standard withdrawal form,
39 another form of proof of withdrawal from the public school.