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**Representative Nicholas X. Duran's HB 173 Passes in  
Education & Employment Committee**

**Tallahassee, FL** – Earlier today, **HB 173** passed with unanimous bipartisan support in the Education & Employment Committee. **HB 173** standardizes measures for students with epilepsy or seizure disorders by allowing families to create and submit individualized seizure action plans (ISAP) to their schools, and also provides free online training for school employees relating to the care of students.

“This important piece of legislation will give parents peace of mind knowing that when their child is at school or attending a school-related function, staff will understand appropriate protocols in the event their student has a seizure. HB 173 ensures students with epilepsy and seizure disorders receive appropriate care while attending school or school-related functions. I am happy this bill was able to make it out of committee and is on its way to becoming law,” said **Representative Duran (D-Miami)**.

“With the successful implementation of this bill, Florida students impacted by epilepsy or seizure disorders can be assured that the individuals they interact with on a day-to-day basis at school are trained to provide a high level of seizure care and safety,” said **Karen Egozi**, president & CEO of Epilepsy Florida. “The epilepsy community thanks Representative Duran and Senator Garcia for advocating legislation that supports our students and families.”

Having passed favorably, the bill has been added to the Second Reading Calendar.

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