



# **Committee on K-12**

## **ACTION PACKET REVISED**

**Meeting**  
**Tuesday, March 13, 2007**  
**10:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m.**  
**212 Knott Building**

# COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

## Committee on K-12

3/13/2007 10:00:00AM

**Location:** 212 Knott Building

**Attendance:**

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Excused</i>
Anitere Flores (Chair)	X		
Gary Aubuchon	X		
Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall			X
Marti Coley	X		
Will Kendrick	X		
Curtis Richardson	X		
Garrett Richter	X		
Shelley Vana	X		
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

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# COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

## Committee on K-12

3/13/2007 10:00:00AM

Location: 212 Knott Building

HB 215 : Tax on Sales, Use, and Other Transactions

Favorable With Amendments (1)

	Yea	Nay	No Vote	Absentee Yea	Absentee Nay
Gary Aubuchon	X				
Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall			X		
Marti Coley	X				
Will Kendrick			X		
Curtis Richardson	X				
Garrett Richter	X				
Shelley Vana	X				
Anitere Flores (Chair)	X				
<b>Total Yeas: 6</b>		<b>Total Nays: 0</b>			

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# COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

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Location: 212 Knott Building

HB 355 : Florida Teachers Lead Program Stipend

	Yea	Nay	No Vote	Absentee Yea	Absentee Nay
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Favorable With Amendments (1)					
Gary Aubuchon	X				
Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall			X		
Marti Coley	X				
Will Kendrick	X				
Curtis Richardson	X				
Garrett Richter	X				
Shelley Vana	X				
Anitere Flores (Chair)	X				
	<b>Total Yeas: 7</b>	<b>Total Nays: 0</b>			

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Location: 212 Knott Building

HB 575 : School Safety

Favorable With Amendments (1)

	Yea	Nay	No Vote	Absentee Yea	Absentee Nay
Gary Aubuchon	X				
Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall			X		
Marti Coley	X				
Will Kendrick	X				
Curtis Richardson	X				
Garrett Richter	X				
Shelley Vana	X				
Anitere Flores (Chair)	X				
<b>Total Yeas: 7</b>		<b>Total Nays: 0</b>			

### Appearances:

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Miami Florida 33139

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# COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

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Location: 212 Knott Building

HB 1201 : Building Designations

Favorable With Amendments (2)

	Yea	Nay	No Vote	Absentee Yea	Absentee Nay
Gary Aubuchon	X				
Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall			X		
Marti Coley	X				
Will Kendrick			X		
Curtis Richardson	X				
Garrett Richter	X				
Shelley Vana	X				
Anitere Flores (Chair)	X				
<b>Total Yeas: 6</b>		<b>Total Nays: 0</b>			

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**Other Business Appearance:**

Option to Divide School Districts  
Wayne Blanton (Lobbyist) (General Public) - Opponent  
Florida School Boards Association  
203 S. Monroe St.  
Tallahassee Florida 32301

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**Location:** 212 Knott Building

### **Summary:**

#### **Committee on K-12**

*Tuesday March 13, 2007 10:00 am*

HB 215	Favorable With Amendments (1)	Yeas: 6	Nays: 0
HB 355	Favorable With Amendments (1)	Yeas: 7	Nays: 0
HB 575	Favorable With Amendments (1)	Yeas: 7	Nays: 0
HB 1201	Favorable With Amendments (2)	Yeas: 6	Nays: 0

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Amendment No. (1)

Bill No. 0215

COUNCIL/COMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED                                    — (Y/N)  
ADOPTED AS AMENDED                   — (Y/N)  
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION               Y (Y/N)  
FAILED TO ADOPT                       — (Y/N)  
WITHDRAWN                              — (Y/N)  
OTHER                                    —

1 Council/Committee hearing bill: Committee on K-12  
2 Representative(s) Coley offered the following:

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4           **Amendment**

5           Remove lines 17-31 and insert:

6 price of \$50 or less per item during the period from 12:01 a.m.,  
7 August 4, 2007, through midnight, August 13, 2007.

8           2. As used in this paragraph, the term:

9           a. "Book" means a set of printed sheets bound together and  
10 published in a volume. For purposes of this paragraph, the term  
11 "book" does not include newspapers, magazines, or other  
12 periodicals.

13           b. "Clothing" means any article of wearing apparel,  
14 including all footwear, except skis, swim fins, roller blades,  
15 and skates, intended to be worn on or about the human body. For  
16 purposes of this paragraph, the term "clothing" does not include  
17 watches, watchbands, jewelry, umbrellas, or handkerchiefs.

18           (b)1. School supplies having a sales price of \$10 or less  
19 per item during the period from 12:01 a.m., August 4, 2007,  
20 through midnight, August 13, 2007.

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Amendment No. 1

Bill No. HB 355

COUNCIL/COMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	—	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	—	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u>Y</u>	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	—	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	—	(Y/N)
OTHER	_____	

Council/Committee hearing bill: K-12

Representative(s) Flores offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Section 1012.71, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1012.71 The Florida Teachers Lead Program Stipend.--

(1) Funding for the Florida Teachers Lead Program Stipend shall be as determined by the Legislature in the General Appropriations Act. Funds appropriated for the Florida Teachers Lead Program Stipend are provided to purchase classroom materials and supplies used in the instruction of students in ~~kindergarten~~ prekindergarten through grade 12 of the public school system who are funded through the Florida Education Finance Program, including charter schools. From the funds appropriated, the Commissioner of Education shall calculate an amount for each school district by prorating the total of each school district's share of the total ~~K-12~~ unweighted FTE student enrollment in prekindergarten through grade 12, who are funded through the Florida Education Finance Program.

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22 (2) From the funds allocated to each district, the  
23 district school board shall calculate an identical amount for  
24 each classroom teacher which is his or her proportionate share  
25 of the amount allocated to the district for the total number of  
26 classroom teachers in the district- , including charter schools.  
27 A job-share classroom teacher is to receive his or her prorated  
28 share of a regular full time classroom teacher's proportionate  
29 share of the stipend. The district school board shall provide  
30 the funds no later than September 30 of each year directly to  
31 each classroom teacher or charter school as a stipend to  
32 purchase, on behalf of the school district or charter school,  
33 classroom materials and supplies to be used in the instruction  
34 of students assigned to the teacher. Each classroom teacher  
35 shall have sole discretion regarding which classroom materials  
36 and supplies best meet the needs of the students, when they are  
37 needed, and where they are acquired. The funds expended by  
38 individual classroom teachers shall not be subject to state or  
39 local competitive bidding requirements. Disbursement of Florida  
40 Teachers Lead Program Stipend funds directly to each classroom  
41 teacher, or charter school, shall complete the school district's  
42 expenditure of these funds- , and disbursement to the charter  
43 school classroom teacher shall complete the charter school's  
44 expenditure of these funds.

45 (3) Each classroom teacher shall sign a statement  
46 acknowledging receipt of the funds, agreeing to keep receipts to  
47 show the expenditure of the funds used to purchase classroom  
48 materials and supplies for use in the instruction of the  
49 students assigned to them, and agreeing to return any unused  
50 funds by the end of the regular school year. The statement to be  
51 signed and dated by each classroom teacher for receipt of the  
52 Florida Teachers Lead Program Stipend shall include the wording:

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53 "I, (Name of teacher) , am employed by the \_\_\_\_\_ County District  
54 School Board or by the \_\_\_\_\_ Charter School as a regular full-  
55 time or job-share classroom teacher. I acknowledge that Florida  
56 Teachers Lead Program Stipend funds are appropriated by the  
57 Legislature for the sole purpose of purchasing classroom  
58 materials and supplies to be used in the instruction of students  
59 assigned to me. In accepting custody of these funds, I agree to  
60 keep receipts for all expenditures. I understand that if I do  
61 not keep receipts showing these funds were spent to purchase  
62 classroom materials and supplies for use with my students, it  
63 will be my personal responsibility to pay any federal taxes due  
64 on these funds. I also agree to return any unused funds to the  
65 district school board at the end of the regular school year for  
66 deposit into the School Advisory Council account of the school  
67 at which I was employed at the time of the receipt of the  
68 funds." or for deposit into the district's Teachers Lead Program  
69 account of the district in which the charter school is  
70 sponsored, as applicable."

71 (4) Florida Teachers Lead Program Stipend funds shall be  
72 provided to each classroom teacher in addition to any other  
73 funds appropriated for public school operations.

74 (5) Any unused funds which are returned to the district  
75 school board shall be deposited into the School Advisory Council  
76 account of the school at which the classroom teacher returning  
77 the funds was employed at the time of the receipt of the  
78 funds, or deposited into the Teachers Lead Program account of  
79 the district in which the charter school is sponsored, as  
80 applicable.

81 (6) For purposes of this section, the term "classroom  
82 teacher" includes certified teachers employed on or before  
83 September 1 of each year whose regular full-time or job-share

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84 ~~job~~ responsibility is the classroom instruction of students in  
85 ~~kindergarten~~ prekindergarten through grade 12, who are funded  
86 through the Florida Education Finance Program, and full-time  
87 media specialists and guidance counselors who serve such  
88 students, including charter schools. A job-share classroom  
89 teacher is a teacher who shares a full-time position with two or  
90 more other classroom teachers. in kindergarten through grade 12.  
91 Only school district and charter school personnel employed in  
92 these positions are eligible for the classroom materials and  
93 supply stipend from funds appropriated to implement the  
94 provisions of this section.

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96 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.

97 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

98 Remove the entire title and insert:

99 An act relating to the Florida Teachers Lead Program Stipend;  
100 amending s. 1012.71, F.S.; extending the stipend to certain  
101 teachers of prekindergarten students, job-share classroom  
102 teachers, and charter school teachers; providing an effective  
103 date.

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Amendment No. (1)

Bill No. 0575

COUNCIL/COMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	___	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	___	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u>Y</u>	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	___	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	___	(Y/N)
OTHER	_____	

1 Council/Committee hearing bill: Committee on K-12  
 2 Representative(s) N. Thompson offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

5 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

6 Section 1. Section 1006.147, Florida Statutes, is created  
 7 to read:

8 1006.147 Bullying and harassment prohibited.--

9 (1) This section may be cited as the "Jeffrey Johnston  
 10 Stand Up for All Students Act."

11 (2) Bullying or harassment is prohibited:

12 (a) Against any student or employee of a public K-12  
 13 educational institution.

14 (b) During any education program or activity conducted by  
 15 a public K-12 educational institution;

16 (c) During any school-related or school-sponsored program  
 17 or activity or on a school bus of a public K-12 educational  
 18 institution; or

19 (d) Through the use of data or computer software that is  
 20 accessed through a computer, computer system, or computer  
 21 network of a public K-12 educational institution.

22 (3) For purposes of this section:

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23           (a) "Bullying" means systematically and chronically  
24 inflicting physical hurt or psychological distress on one or  
25 more students and may involve:

- 26           1. Teasing;
- 27           2. Social exclusion;
- 28           3. Threat;
- 29           4. Intimidation;
- 30           5. Stalking;
- 31           6. Physical violence;
- 32           7. Theft;
- 33           8. Sexual, religious, or racial harassment;
- 34           9. Public humiliation; or
- 35           10. Destruction of property.

36           (b) "Harassment" means any threatening, insulting, or  
37 dehumanizing gesture, use of data or computer software, or  
38 written, verbal, or physical conduct directed against a student  
39 or school employee that:

- 40           1. Places a student or school employee in reasonable fear  
41 of harm to his or her person or damage to his or her property;
- 42           2. Has the effect of substantially interfering with a  
43 student's educational performance, opportunities, or benefits;  
44 or
- 45           3. Has the effect of substantially disrupting the orderly  
46 operation of a school.

47           (c) Definitions in s. 815.03 relating to computer crimes  
48 and s. 784.048 relating to stalking are applicable to this  
49 section.

50           (d) The definitions of "bullying" and "harassment"  
51 include:

- 52           1. Retaliation against a student or school employee by  
53 another student or school employee for asserting or alleging an

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54 act of bullying or harassment. Reporting an act of bullying or  
55 harassment that is not made in good faith is considered  
56 retaliation.

57 2. Perpetuation of conduct listed in paragraph (a) or  
58 paragraph (b) by an individual or group with intent to demean,  
59 dehumanize, embarrass, or cause physical harm to a student or  
60 school employee by:

61 a. Incitement or coercion;

62 b. Accessing or knowingly causing or providing access to  
63 data or computer software through a computer, computer system,  
64 or computer network within the scope of the district school  
65 system; or

66 c. Acting in a manner that has an effect substantially  
67 similar to the effect of bullying or harassment.

68 (4) By December 1, 2007, each school district shall adopt  
69 a policy prohibiting bullying and harassment against any student  
70 or employee of a public K-12 educational institution. Each  
71 school district's policy shall be in substantial conformity with  
72 the Department of Education's model policy mandated in  
73 subsection (5). The school district bullying and harassment  
74 policy shall afford all students the same protection regardless  
75 of their status under the law. The school district may establish  
76 separate discrimination policies that include categories of  
77 students. The school district shall involve students, parents,  
78 teachers, administrators, school staff, school volunteers,  
79 community representatives, and local law enforcement agencies in  
80 the process of adopting the policy. The school district policy  
81 must be implemented in a manner that is ongoing throughout the  
82 school year and integrated with a school's curriculum, a  
83 school's discipline policies, and other violence prevention

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84 efforts. The school district policy must contain, at a minimum,  
85 the following components:

86 (a) A statement prohibiting bullying and harassment.

87 (b) A definition of bullying and a definition of  
88 harassment that include the definitions listed in this section.

89 (c) A description of the type of behavior expected from  
90 each student and school employee.

91 (d) The consequences for a student or employee of a public  
92 K-12 educational institution who commits an act of bullying or  
93 harassment.

94 (e) The consequences for a student or employee of a public  
95 K-12 educational institution who is found to have wrongfully and  
96 intentionally accused another of an act of bullying or  
97 harassment.

98 (f) A procedure for reporting an act of bullying or  
99 harassment, including provisions that permit a person to  
100 anonymously report such an act. However, this paragraph does not  
101 permit formal disciplinary action to be based solely on an  
102 anonymous report.

103 (g) A procedure for the prompt investigation of a report  
104 of bullying or harassment and the persons responsible for the  
105 investigation. The investigation of a reported act of bullying  
106 or harassment is deemed to be a school-related activity and  
107 begins with a report of such an act.

108 (h) A process to investigate whether a reported act of  
109 bullying or harassment is within the scope of the district  
110 school system and, if not, a process for referral of such an act  
111 to the appropriate jurisdiction.

112 (i) A procedure for providing immediate notification to  
113 the parents of a victim of bullying or harassment of all local

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114 agencies where criminal charges may be pursued against the  
115 perpetrator.

116 (j) A procedure to refer victims and perpetrators of  
117 bullying or harassment for counseling.

118 (k) A procedure for including incidents of bullying or  
119 harassment in the school's report of safety and discipline data  
120 required under s. 1006.09(6). The report must include each  
121 incident of bullying or harassment and the resulting  
122 consequences, including discipline and referrals. The report  
123 must include in a separate section each reported incident of  
124 bullying or harassment that does not meet the criteria of a  
125 prohibited act under this section with recommendations regarding  
126 such incidents. The Department of Education shall aggregate  
127 information contained in the reports.

128 (l) A procedure for providing instruction to students,  
129 parents, teachers, school administrators, counseling staff, and  
130 school volunteers on identifying, preventing, and responding to  
131 bullying or harassment.

132 (m) A procedure for regularly reporting to a victim's  
133 parents the actions taken to protect the victim.

134 (n) A procedure for publicizing the policy, which must  
135 include its publication in the code of student conduct required  
136 under s. 1006.07(2) and in all employee handbooks.

137 (5) To assist school districts in developing policies  
138 prohibiting bullying and harassment, the Department of Education  
139 shall develop a model policy that shall be provided to school  
140 districts no later than October 1, 2007.

141 (6) A school employee, school volunteer, student, or  
142 parent who promptly reports in good faith an act of bullying or  
143 harassment to the appropriate school official designated in the  
144 school district's policy and who makes this report in compliance

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145 with the procedures set forth in the policy is immune from a  
146 cause of action for damages arising out of the reporting itself  
147 or any failure to remedy the reported incident.

148 (7)(a) The physical location or time of access of a  
149 computer-related incident cannot be raised as a defense in any  
150 disciplinary action initiated under this section.

151 (b) This section does not apply to any person who uses  
152 data or computer software that is accessed through a computer,  
153 computer system, or computer network when acting within the  
154 scope of his or her lawful employment or investigating a  
155 violation of this section in accordance with school district  
156 policy.

157 (8) Distribution of safe schools funds to a school  
158 district provided in the 2008-2009 General Appropriations Act is  
159 contingent upon and payable to the school district upon the  
160 Department of Education's approval of the school district's  
161 bullying and harassment policy. The department's approval of  
162 each school district's bullying and harassment policy shall be  
163 granted upon certification by the department that the school  
164 district's policy has been submitted to the department and is in  
165 substantial conformity with the department's model bullying and  
166 harassment policy as mandated in subsection (5). Distribution of  
167 safe schools funds provided to a school district in fiscal year  
168 2009-2010 and thereafter shall be contingent upon and payable to  
169 the school district upon the school district's compliance with  
170 all reporting procedures contained in this section.

171 (9) On or before January 1 of each year, the Commissioner  
172 of Education shall report to the Governor, the President of the  
173 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on the  
174 implementation of this section. The report shall include data  
175 collected pursuant to paragraph (4)(k).

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176           (10) Nothing in this section shall be construed to abridge  
177 the rights of students or school employees that are protected by  
178 the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

179           Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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182 ===== T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T =====

183           Remove the entire title and insert:

184                           A bill to be entitled

185           An act relating to school safety; creating s. 1006.147,  
186           F.S.; providing a short title; prohibiting bullying and  
187           harassment against any student or employee of a public K-  
188           12 educational institution; providing definitions;  
189           requiring each school district to adopt a policy  
190           prohibiting such bullying and harassment; providing  
191           minimum requirements for the contents of the policy;  
192           requiring the Department of Education to develop a model  
193           policy; providing immunity; providing restrictions with  
194           respect to defense of an action and application of the  
195           section; requiring department approval of a school  
196           district's policy and school district compliance with  
197           reporting procedures as prerequisites to receipt of safe  
198           schools funds; requiring a report on implementation;  
199           providing an effective date.

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Amendment No. (1)

Bill No. 1201

COUNCIL/COMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	—	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	—	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u>Y</u>	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	—	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	—	(Y/N)
OTHER	—	

1 Council/Committee hearing bill: Committee on K-12  
 2 Representative(s) Richardson offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between line(s) 17 and 18 insert:

6 Section 2. William DeWitt Rogers Administration Building  
 7 designated; Department of Management Services to erect suitable  
 8 markers.--

9 (1) The Florida State Hospital Administration Building at  
 10 100 West Main Street in the city of Chattahoochee in Gadsden  
 11 County is designated as the "William DeWitt Rogers  
 12 Administration Building."

13 (2) The Department of Management Services is directed to  
 14 erect suitable markers designating the William DeWitt Rogers  
 15 Administration Building as described in subsection (1).

===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

18 Remove line(s) 6 and insert:  
 19 markers; designating the Administration Building at the Florida  
 20 State Hospital as the William DeWitt Rogers Administration

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21 Building; directing the Department of Management Services to  
22 erect suitable markers; providing an effective date.

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Amendment No. (2)

Bill No. HB 1201

COUNCIL/COMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	___	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	___	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u>Y</u>	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	___	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	___	(Y/N)
OTHER	_____	

1 Council/Committee hearing bill: Committee on K-12  
 2 Representative Coley offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

5 Remove line 18 and insert:

6 Section 2. Florida Barbara B. Lumpkin Center for Nursing  
7 designated; Department of Health to erect suitable markers.--

8 (1) The Florida Center for Nursing, created by section  
9 464.0195, Florida Statutes, and located in Orlando, is  
10 designated as the "Florida Barbara B. Lumpkin Center for  
11 Nursing."

12 (2) The Department of Health is directed to erect suitable  
13 markers designating the Florida Barbara B. Lumpkin Center for  
14 Nursing as described in subsection (1).

15 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.

17 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

18 Remove line 6 and insert:

19 markers; designating the Florida Center for Nursing as the  
20 "Florida Barbara B. Lumpkin Center for Nursing"; directing



HOUSE AMENDMENT FOR COUNCIL/COMMITTEE PURPOSES

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21 the Department of Health to erect suitable markers;  
22 providing an effective date.

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# The Florida House of Representatives

## Schools & Learning Council

### Committee on K-12

Marco Rubio  
Speaker

Anitere Flores  
Chair

March 13, 2007

Honorable Joe Pickens  
Chair, Schools & Learning Council  
214 Capitol  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1300

Dear Chair Pickens,

The House Committee on K-12 met on Tuesday, March 13, 2007, and voted on recommended language for a proposed council bill with regards to Idea 27 of the "100 Ideas." Transmitted herewith is the proposed language recommended by the committee.

The proposed language is in the form of a joint resolution. If the joint resolution passes both houses of the legislature, it would be put before the voters at our next general election for approval. If approved by the voters, implementing legislation will be required. The joint resolution clearly recognizes the need for implementing legislation and states that "provision may be made by law for the division of a school district into two or more school districts, each having fewer than 25,000 students, when approved by a vote of the county's electors."

Concern has arisen as to whether the implementing language would *require* that districts over 50,000 put the issue to their voters at a general or special election, or whether the implementing language will establish a process whereby the electors in the district could, through their own initiative (if they so desired), place the matter on the ballot.

We would prefer that the districts not be required to vote regarding this issue, but simply be given the opportunity to put the matter on the ballot, if enough local interest is expressed. Accordingly, we look forward to working with you to clarify this issue in the joint resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

Handwritten signature of Anitere Flores in cursive.

Anitere Flores, Chair  
House Committee on K-12

CC: Vice Chair Traviesa, Members of the Committee on K-12, Lynn Cobb, Marleen Ahearn

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House Joint Resolution

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of Article IX of the State Constitution to option to divide school districts.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

That the following amendment to Section 4 of Article IX of the State Constitution is agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the next general election or at an earlier special election specifically authorized by law for that purpose:

ARTICLE IX

Education

SECTION 4. School districts; school boards.--

a) Each county shall constitute a school district; provided, two or more contiguous counties, upon vote of the electors of each county pursuant to law, may be combined into one school district. In each school district there shall be a school board composed of five or more members chosen by vote of the electors in a nonpartisan election for appropriately staggered terms of four years, as provided by law.

b) The school board shall operate, control, and supervise all free public schools within the school district and determine the rate of school district taxes within the limits prescribed herein. Two or more school districts may operate and finance joint educational programs.

c) Provision may be made by law for the division of a school district into two or more school districts, each having no

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30 fewer than 25,000 students, when approved by a vote of the  
 31 county's electors. School district taxes for the school districts  
 32 created pursuant to this subsection shall be imposed countywide  
 33 and distributed to the school districts in an equitable and  
 34 nondiscriminatory manner as provided by law. The rate of school  
 35 district taxes shall be determined by a board consisting of an  
 36 equal number of school board members from each school district in  
 37 the county as provided by law.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following statement be  
 39 placed on the ballot:

40 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

41 ARTICLE IX SECTION 4

42 AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT INTO TWO OR  
 43 MORE SCHOOL DISTRICTS.--Proposing an amendment to the State  
 44 Constitution to provide that school districts may be divided into  
 45 two or more school districts, each having no fewer than 25,000  
 46 students, as provided by law and upon a vote of the county's  
 47 electors; to provide that school district taxes shall be imposed  
 48 countywide and distributed to the school districts in an  
 49 equitable and nondiscriminatory manner as provided by law; and to  
 50 provide that the rate of school district taxes shall be  
 51 determined by a board consisting of an equal number of school  
 52 board members from each school district in the county as provided  
 53 by law.

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**House of Representatives  
Committee Recommendations Worksheet  
Proposed Council Bills**

Committee on K-12

Meeting Date March 13, 2007 Time 10:00am-12:00pm Place 212 Knott

Subject Option to Divide School Districts

Motion:

to recommend a proposed council bill with respect to Idea 27  
(subject)

to recommend proposed council bill \_\_\_\_\_ relating to \_\_\_\_\_  
(PCB #)

Other action: \_\_\_\_\_

Vote On Recommendations		MEMBERS								
Yea	Nay		Yeas	Nays	Yeas	Nays	Yeas	Nays	Yeas	Nays
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		Bendross-Mindingall								
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Coley								
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Kendrick								
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6	1	<b>Totals</b>								

**Appearance Record**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Address</u>