

Committee on K-12

Action Packet

Tuesday, March 11, 2008 10:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m. Morris Hall

Speaker Marco Rubio

Chair Anitere Flores

Committee on K-12

3/11/2008 10:00:00AM

Location: Morris Hall (17 HOB)

Print Date: 3/11/2008 12:42 pm

Attendance:

| | Present | Absent | Excused |
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| Anitere Flores (Chair) | . x | | |
| Gary Aubuchon | . X | | |
| Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall | X | | |
| Stan Jordan | X | | |
| Kurt Kelly | · x | | |
| Will Kendrick | X | | |
| John Legg | X | | |
| Curtis Richardson | x | | |
| Garrett Richter | X | | |
| Shelley Vana | X | | |
| Totals: | 10 | 0 | 0 |

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Location: Morris Hall (17 HOB)

HB 207 : Educator Certification Requirements

| | Yea | Nay | No Vote | Absentee Yea | Absentee Nay |
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| Gary Aubuchon | X | | | | |
| Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall | | | | X | |
| Stan Jordan | X | | | | |
| Kurt Kelly | | | Х | | |
| Will Kendrick | X | | | | |
| John Legg | | | X | | |
| Curtis Richardson | X | | | | |
| Garrett Richter | X | | | | |
| Shelley Vana | X | | | | |
| Anitere Flores (Chair) | X | | | | |
| | Total Yeas: 7 | Total Nays: | 0 | | |

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Location: Morris Hall (17 HOB) HB 669 : School Safety

| | Yea | Nay | No Vote | Absentee | Absentee |
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| | | , | | Yea | Nay |
| Gary Aubuchon | X | | | | |
| Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall | X | | | | |
| Stan Jordan | X | | | | |
| Kurt Kelly | X | | | | |
| Will Kendrick | X | | | | |
| John Legg | X | | | | |
| Curtis Richardson | X | | | | |
| Garrett Richter | X | | | | |
| Shelley Vana | X | | | | |
| Anitere Flores (Chair) | X | | | | |
| | Total Yeas: 10 | Total Nays: 0 |) | | |

Appearances:

HB 669

John Cerra (Lobbyist) - Proponent Florida Association of School Psychologists 206-B South Monroe St. Tallahassee FL 32301

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School Safety

Larry Spalding (Lobbyist) - Proponent Legislative Counsel, American Civil Liberties Union 314 W. Jefferson St. Tallahassee FL 32301

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Mallory Wells (Lobbyist) - Information Only Florida Safe Schools Coalition 946 N. Mills Ave.

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Summary:

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HB 207 Favorable With Amendments

Yeas: 7 Nays: 0

HB 669 Favorable

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Yeas: 10 Nays: 0

HOUSE AMENDMENT FOR COUNCIL/COMMITTEE PURPOSES Amendment No. (for drafter's use only)

Bill No. HB 207

COUNCIL/COMMITTEE ACTION ADOPTED __ (Y/N) ADOPTED AS AMENDED __ (Y/N) ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION __ (Y/N) FAILED TO ADOPT __ (Y/N) WITHDRAWN __ (Y/N) OTHER

Council/Committee hearing bill: Committee on K-12

Representative(s) Sachs offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

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Section 1. Subsection (4) of section 1012.56, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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1012.56 Educator certification requirements.--

10 11 (4) MASTERY OF SUBJECT AREA KNOWLEDGE. -- Acceptable means of demonstrating mastery of subject area knowledge are:

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(a) Achievement of passing scores on subject area examinations required by state board rule, which may include, but need not be limited to, world languages in Arabic, Chinese, Farsi, French, German, Greek, Haitian Creole, Hebrew, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian, and Spanish;

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(b) Completion of a bachelor's degree or higher and verification of the attainment of an oral proficiency interview score above the intermediate level and a written proficiency score above the intermediate level on a test administered by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages for which there is no Florida-developed examination;

| 23 | (c) (b) Completion of the subject area specialization |
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| 24 | requirements specified in state board rule and verification of |
| 25 | the attainment of the essential subject matter competencies by |
| 26 | the district school superintendent of the employing school |
| 27 | district or chief administrative officer of the employing state- |
| 28 | supported or private school for a subject area for which a |
| 29 | subject area examination has not been developed and required by |
| 30 | state board rule; |
| 31 | (d) (e) Completion of the subject area specialization |
| 32 | requirements specified in state board rule for a subject |
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- (d) (e) Completion of the subject area specialization requirements specified in state board rule for a subject coverage requiring a master's or higher degree and achievement of a passing score on the subject area examination specified in state board rule;
- (e) (d) A valid professional standard teaching certificate issued by another state; or
- $\underline{(f)}$ (e) A valid certificate issued by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards or a national educator credentialing board approved by the State Board of Education.

School districts are encouraged to provide mechanisms for those middle school teachers holding only a K-6 teaching certificate to obtain a subject area coverage for middle grades through postsecondary coursework or district add-on certification.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.

TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove the entire title and insert:

A bill to be entitled

HOUSE AMENDMENT FOR COUNCIL/COMMITTEE PURPOSES Amendment No. (for drafter's use only)

| An act relating to educator certification requirements; |
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| amending s. 1012.56, F.S.; requiring subject area |
| examinations in specified foreign languages for the |
| purpose of demonstrating mastery of that subject area |
| knowledge; providing an effective date. |