

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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House

Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education (Simmons)
recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 394 - 414

and insert:

Section 6. Present subsection (7) of section 1002.421,
Florida Statutes, is amended and redesignated as subsection
(11), a new subsection (7) and subsections (8), (9), and (10)
are added to that section, and paragraphs (h) and (i) of
subsection (2) and subsections (4) and (5) of that section are
amended, to read:

(1) (a) A Florida private school participating in the

12 Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program established pursuant to
13 s. 1002.395 or an educational scholarship program established
14 pursuant to this chapter must comply with all requirements of
15 this section in addition to private school requirements outlined
16 in s. 1002.42, specific requirements identified within
17 respective scholarship program laws, and other provisions of
18 Florida law that apply to private schools.

19 (b) For purposes of this section, "owner or operator"
20 includes an owner, operator, superintendent, or principal of an
21 eligible private school or a person with equivalent
22 decisionmaking authority over an eligible private school.

23 (2) A private school participating in a scholarship program
24 must be a Florida private school as defined in s. 1002.01(2),
25 must be registered in accordance with s. 1002.42, and must:

26 (h) Employ or contract with teachers who:

27 1. Unless otherwise specified under this paragraph, hold
28 baccalaureate or higher degrees, have at least 3 years of
29 teaching experience in public or private schools, or have
30 objectively identified special skills, knowledge, or expertise
31 that qualifies them to provide instruction in subjects taught.

32 2. Hold baccalaureate or higher degrees from a regionally
33 or nationally accredited college or university in the United
34 States or from a recognized college or university in another
35 country. This subparagraph applies to full-time teachers hired
36 after July 1, 2018, teaching students in grade 2 or above.

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