

1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to school safety; amending s. 30.15,  
3           F.S.; revising requirements for a Coach Aaron Feis  
4           Guardian Program; amending s. 493.6305, F.S.;  
5           providing that special assignment duties include  
6           appointment as a school guardian; creating s.  
7           943.1712, F.S.; requiring the Criminal Justice  
8           Standards and Training Commission to establish  
9           training standards for the Coach Aaron Feis Guardian  
10          Program; authorizing certain persons and entities to  
11          offer skills training for the program; amending s.  
12          1001.212, F.S.; revising the duties of the Office of  
13          Safe Schools; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; requiring  
14          charter schools to be in compliance with certain  
15          provisions relating to school safety; conforming a  
16          cross-reference; amending s. 1002.42, F.S.;  
17          authorizing a private school to employ or contract for  
18          the employment of a school guardian for specified  
19          purposes; amending s. 1003.25, F.S.; providing  
20          requirements for the transfer of certain student  
21          records; amending s. 1006.07, F.S.; revising school  
22          safety specialist duties; revising threat assessment  
23          team duties and procedures; requiring district school  
24          boards to provide certain mental health assistance to  
25          students; providing requirements for such assistance;

26 | amending s. 1006.09, F.S.; requiring school principals  
27 | to designate school personnel for specified purposes  
28 | relating to responses to emergencies; amending s.  
29 | 1006.12, F.S.; revising the requirements for safe-  
30 | school officers in public schools; deleting provisions  
31 | related to school safety officers; authorizing the  
32 | governing board of a charter school to establish a  
33 | Coach Aaron Feis School Guardian Program; providing  
34 | requirements for school guardians and the maintenance  
35 | of certain records; requiring a school guardian to be  
36 | appointed by a district school superintendent or  
37 | charter school governing board; providing that  
38 | specified information relating to school guardians is  
39 | exempt from public records requirements; amending s.  
40 | 1006.13, F.S.; revising requirements for school  
41 | district zero-tolerance policies; providing that  
42 | certain acts do not require reporting to law  
43 | enforcement; providing school principal duties  
44 | relating to zero-tolerance policies; amending s.  
45 | 1006.1493, F.S.; revising provisions for the Florida  
46 | Safe Schools Assessment Tool; providing Department of  
47 | Education responsibilities; revising the contents of a  
48 | required report; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; revising  
49 | requirements for the use of the safe schools  
50 | allocation; providing for retroactive application;

51 requiring the Office of Safe Schools to verify  
 52 compliance with specified provisions before the  
 53 distribution of funds from the allocation; amending s.  
 54 1012.795, F.S.; authorizing the Education Practices  
 55 Commission to impose a fine on specified individuals  
 56 for noncompliance with certain requirements relating  
 57 to safe schools; amending ss. 1002.32, 23.1225, and  
 58 316.640, F.S.; conforming cross-references and  
 59 provisions to changes made by the act; providing  
 60 effective dates.

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62 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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64 Section 1. Paragraph (k) of subsection (1) of section  
 65 30.15, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

66 30.15 Powers, duties, and obligations.—

67 (1) Sheriffs, in their respective counties, in person or  
 68 by deputy, shall:

69 (k) Establish, if the sheriff so chooses, a Coach Aaron  
 70 Feis Guardian Program for purposes of s. 1006.12 ~~to aid in the~~  
 71 ~~prevention or abatement of active assailant incidents on school~~  
 72 ~~premises. A school guardian has no authority to act in any law~~  
 73 ~~enforcement capacity except to the extent necessary to prevent~~  
 74 ~~or abate an active assailant incident on a school premises.~~  
 75 ~~Excluded from participating in the Coach Aaron Feis Guardian~~

76 ~~Program are individuals who exclusively perform classroom duties~~  
 77 ~~as classroom teachers as defined in s. 1012.01(2)(a). This~~  
 78 ~~limitation does not apply to classroom teachers of a Junior~~  
 79 ~~Reserve Officers' Training Corps program, a current~~  
 80 ~~servicemember, as defined in s. 250.01, or a current or former~~  
 81 ~~law enforcement officer, as defined in s. 943.10(1), (6), or~~  
 82 ~~(8).~~ The sheriff who chooses to establish the program shall  
 83 certify ~~appoint~~ as school guardians, without the power of  
 84 arrest, school employees ~~who volunteer and who:~~

- 85 1. Hold a valid license issued under s. 790.06.
- 86 2. Successfully complete skills ~~Complete 132 total hours~~  
 87 ~~of comprehensive firearm safety and proficiency training for~~  
 88 school guardians in accordance with s. 943.1712. ~~conducted by~~  
 89 ~~Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission-certified~~  
 90 ~~instructors, which must include:~~

- 91 ~~a. Eighty hours of firearms instruction based on the~~  
 92 ~~Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission's Law~~  
 93 ~~Enforcement Academy training model, which must include at least~~  
 94 ~~10 percent but no more than 20 percent more rounds fired than~~  
 95 ~~associated with academy training. Program participants must~~  
 96 ~~achieve an 85 percent pass rate on the firearms training.~~
- 97 ~~b. Sixteen hours of instruction in precision pistol.~~
- 98 ~~e. Eight hours of discretionary shooting instruction using~~  
 99 ~~state-of-the-art simulator exercises.~~
- 100 ~~d. Eight hours of instruction in active shooter or~~

101 ~~assailant scenarios.~~

102 ~~e. Eight hours of instruction in defensive tactics.~~

103 ~~f. Twelve hours of instruction in legal issues.~~

104 3. Pass a psychological evaluation administered by a  
105 psychologist licensed under chapter 490 and designated by the  
106 Department of Law Enforcement and submit the results of the  
107 evaluation to the sheriff's office. The Department of Law  
108 Enforcement is authorized to provide the sheriff's office with  
109 mental health and substance abuse data for compliance with this  
110 subparagraph ~~paragraph~~.

111 4. Submit to and pass an initial drug test and subsequent  
112 random drug tests in accordance with the requirements of s.  
113 112.0455 and the sheriff's office.

114 ~~5. Successfully complete ongoing training, weapon~~  
115 ~~inspection, and firearm qualification on at least an annual~~  
116 ~~basis.~~

117 ~~6. Successfully complete at least 12 hours of a certified~~  
118 ~~nationally recognized diversity training program.~~

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120 The sheriff shall issue a school guardian certificate to  
121 individuals who meet the requirements of this paragraph  
122 ~~subparagraph 2~~. The sheriff shall maintain documentation of  
123 weapon and equipment inspections, as well as the training,  
124 certification, inspection, and qualification records of each  
125 school guardian certified ~~appointed~~ by the sheriff.

126 Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 493.6305, Florida  
 127 Statutes, is amended to read:

128 493.6305 Uniforms, required wear; exceptions.—

129 (3) Class "D" licensees who are also Class "G" licensees  
 130 and who are performing limited, special assignment duties may  
 131 carry their authorized firearm concealed in the conduct of such  
 132 duties. Special assignment duties shall include appointment as a  
 133 school guardian under s. 1006.12(2).

134 Section 3. Section 943.1712, Florida Statutes, is created  
 135 to read:

136 943.1712 Skills training for school guardians.—

137 (1) The commission shall establish training standards for  
 138 the Coach Aaron Feis Guardian Program to aid in the prevention  
 139 or abatement of active assailant incidents on school premises.  
 140 The program shall consist of 144 total hours to include:

141 (a) Eighty hours of commission-certified firearms  
 142 instruction. Program participants must achieve an 85 percent  
 143 pass rate on the firearms training.

144 (b) Sixteen hours of instruction in precision pistol.

145 (c) Eight hours of discretionary shooting instruction  
 146 using state-of-the-art simulator exercises.

147 (d) Eight hours of instruction in active shooter or  
 148 assailant scenarios.

149 (e) Eight hours of instruction in defensive tactics.

150 (f) Twelve hours of instruction in legal issues.

151 (g) Twelve hours of a certified nationally recognized  
152 diversity training program.

153 (2) Skills training may be offered by criminal justice  
154 training schools, sheriffs pursuant to s. 30.15, and school  
155 districts that are the employing agency for school resource  
156 officers pursuant to s. 1006.12.

157 Section 4. Section 1001.212, Florida Statutes, is amended  
158 to read:

159 1001.212 Office of Safe Schools.—There is created in the  
160 Department of Education the Office of Safe Schools. The office  
161 is fully accountable to the Commissioner of Education. The  
162 office shall serve as a central repository for best practices,  
163 training standards, and compliance oversight in all matters  
164 regarding school safety and security, including prevention  
165 efforts, intervention efforts, and emergency preparedness  
166 planning. The office shall:

167 (1) Administer the Florida Safe Schools Assessment Tool  
168 (FSSAT) required by s. 1006.1493 ~~Establish and update as~~  
169 ~~necessary a school security risk assessment tool for use by~~  
170 ~~school districts pursuant to s. 1006.07(6). The office shall~~  
171 ~~make the security risk assessment tool available for use by~~  
172 ~~charter schools.~~

173 (2) Provide ongoing professional development opportunities  
174 to school district personnel.

175 (3) Provide a coordinated and interdisciplinary approach

176 to providing technical assistance and guidance to school  
177 districts on their implementation of the strategies and  
178 activities necessary ~~safety and security and recommendations~~ to  
179 address the findings identified as a result of the FSSAT  
180 conducted pursuant to s. 1006.07(6). The office may contract  
181 with security personnel, consulting engineers, architects, or  
182 other safety and security experts that the office deems  
183 necessary to provide such assistance and guidance.

184 (4) Develop and implement a School Safety Specialist  
185 Training Program for school safety specialists appointed  
186 pursuant to s. 1006.07(6). The office shall develop the training  
187 program which shall be based on national and state best  
188 practices on school safety and security and must include active  
189 shooter training. The office shall develop training modules in  
190 traditional or online formats. A school safety specialist  
191 certificate of completion shall be awarded to a school safety  
192 specialist who satisfactorily completes the training required by  
193 rules of the office.

194 ~~(5) Review and provide recommendations on the security~~  
195 ~~risk assessments. The department may contract with security~~  
196 ~~personnel, consulting engineers, architects, or other safety and~~  
197 ~~security experts the department deems necessary for safety and~~  
198 ~~security consultant services.~~

199 (5)-(6) Coordinate with the Department of Law Enforcement  
200 to provide a centralized integrated data repository and data



201 analytics resources to improve access to timely, complete, and  
202 accurate information integrating data from, at a minimum, but  
203 not limited to, the following data sources by August 1, 2019  
204 ~~December 1, 2018~~:

- 205 (a) Social media monitoring tool;
- 206 (b) Department of Children and Families;
- 207 (c) Department of Law Enforcement;
- 208 (d) Department of Juvenile Justice;
- 209 (e) Mobile suspicious activity reporting tool known as  
210 FortifyFL;
- 211 (f) School environment safety incident reports collected  
212 under subsection (9); and
- 213 (g) ~~(e)~~ Local law enforcement.

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215 Data that is exempt or confidential and exempt from public  
216 records requirements retains its exempt or confidential and  
217 exempt status when incorporated into the centralized integrated  
218 data repository. To maintain the confidentiality requirements  
219 attached to the information provided to the centralized  
220 integrated data repository by the various state and local  
221 agencies, data governance and security shall ensure compliance  
222 with all applicable state and federal data privacy requirements  
223 through the use of user authorization and role-based security,  
224 data anonymization and aggregation and auditing capabilities. To  
225 maintain the confidentiality requirements attached to the

226 information provided to the centralized integrated data  
227 repository by the various state and local agencies, each source  
228 agency providing data to the repository shall be the sole  
229 custodian of the data for the purpose of any request for  
230 inspection or copies thereof under chapter 119. The department  
231 shall only allow access to data from the source agencies in  
232 accordance with rules adopted by the respective source agencies.

233 (6) Provide data to support the evaluation of mental  
234 health services pursuant to s. 1004.44.

235 ~~(7) Data that is exempt or confidential and exempt from~~  
236 ~~public records requirements retains its exempt or confidential~~  
237 ~~and exempt status when incorporated into the centralized~~  
238 ~~integrated data repository.~~

239 ~~(8) To maintain the confidentiality requirements attached~~  
240 ~~to the information provided to the centralized integrated data~~  
241 ~~repository by the various state and local agencies, data~~  
242 ~~governance and security shall ensure compliance with all~~  
243 ~~applicable state and federal data privacy requirements through~~  
244 ~~the use of user authorization and role-based security, data~~  
245 ~~anonymization and aggregation and auditing capabilities.~~

246 ~~(9) To maintain the confidentiality requirements attached~~  
247 ~~to the information provided to the centralized integrated data~~  
248 ~~repository by the various state and local agencies, each source~~  
249 ~~agency providing data for the repository shall be the sole~~  
250 ~~custodian of the data for the purpose of any request for~~

251 ~~inspection or copies thereof under chapter 119. The department~~  
252 ~~shall only allow access to data from the source agencies in~~  
253 ~~accordance with rules adopted by the respective source agencies.~~

254 (7) ~~(10)~~ Award grants to schools to improve the safety and  
255 security of school buildings based upon recommendations of the  
256 Florida Safe Schools Assessment Tool ~~security risk assessment~~  
257 ~~developed pursuant to subsection (1).~~

258 (8) ~~(11)~~ Disseminate, in consultation with the Department  
259 of Law Enforcement, to participating schools awareness and  
260 education materials on the School Safety Awareness Program  
261 developed pursuant to s. 943.082.

262 (9) Collect data through school environment safety  
263 incident reports on incidents that occur on school premises, on  
264 school transportation, and at off-campus, school-sponsored  
265 events, committed by students, nonstudents, or unknown  
266 offenders.

267 (10) Define the types of public schools and campuses that  
268 are subject to the requirements of ss. 1006.07 and 1006.12.

269 (11) Verify the accuracy of school safety and discipline  
270 data reported by school districts and report any violation of  
271 the reporting requirements to the Commissioner of Education for  
272 review pursuant to s. 1012.796.

273 Section 5. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (16) of  
274 section 1002.33, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

275 1002.33 Charter schools.—

276 (16) EXEMPTION FROM STATUTES.—

277 (b) Additionally, a charter school shall be in compliance  
 278 with the following statutes:

279 1. Section 286.011, relating to public meetings and  
 280 records, public inspection, and criminal and civil penalties.

281 2. Chapter 119, relating to public records.

282 3. Section 1003.03, relating to the maximum class size,  
 283 except that the calculation for compliance pursuant to s.  
 284 1003.03 shall be the average at the school level.

285 4. Section 1006.07(4) and (6)-(9), relating to school  
 286 safety.

287 ~~5.4.~~ Section 1012.22(1)(c), relating to compensation and  
 288 salary schedules.

289 ~~6.5.~~ Section 1012.33(5), relating to workforce reductions.

290 ~~7.6.~~ Section 1012.335, relating to contracts with  
 291 instructional personnel hired on or after July 1, 2011.

292 ~~8.7.~~ Section 1012.34, relating to the substantive  
 293 requirements for performance evaluations for instructional  
 294 personnel and school administrators.

295 (c) For purposes of subparagraphs (b)4.-8. ~~(b)4.-7.:~~

296 1. The duties assigned to a district school superintendent  
 297 apply to charter school administrative personnel, as defined in  
 298 s. 1012.01(3)(a) and (b), and the charter school governing board  
 299 shall designate at least one administrative person to be  
 300 responsible for such duties.

301           2. The duties assigned to a district school board apply to  
302 a charter school governing board.

303           3. A charter school may hire instructional personnel and  
304 other employees on an at-will basis.

305           4. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary,  
306 instructional personnel and other employees on contract may be  
307 suspended or dismissed any time during the term of the contract  
308 without cause.

309           Section 6. Subsection (18) is added to section 1002.42,  
310 Florida Statutes, to read:

311           1002.42 Private schools.—

312           (18) SCHOOL GUARDIANS.—A private school may employ or  
313 contract for the employment of school guardians in accordance  
314 with s. 1006.12. Individuals who serve as school guardians are  
315 in support of school-sanctioned activities for purposes of s.  
316 790.115.

317           Section 7. Subsection (2) of section 1003.25, Florida  
318 Statutes, is amended to read:

319           1003.25 Procedures for maintenance and transfer of student  
320 records.—

321           (2) The procedure for transferring and maintaining records  
322 of students who transfer from school to school shall be  
323 prescribed by rules of the State Board of Education. The  
324 intradistrict transfer of records shall occur within 1 school  
325 day and the interdistrict transfer of records shall occur within

326 2 school days. The records shall include:

327 (a) Verified reports of serious or recurrent behavior  
328 patterns, including threat assessment evaluations and  
329 intervention services.

330 (b) Psychological evaluations, including therapeutic  
331 treatment plans and therapy or progress notes created or  
332 maintained by school district staff.

333 Section 8. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1), paragraph (a)  
334 of subsection (4), paragraph (a) of subsection (6), and  
335 subsection (7) of section 1006.07, Florida Statutes, are  
336 amended, and subsection (9) is added to that section, to read:

337 1006.07 District school board duties relating to student  
338 discipline and school safety.—The district school board shall  
339 provide for the proper accounting for all students, for the  
340 attendance and control of students at school, and for proper  
341 attention to health, safety, and other matters relating to the  
342 welfare of students, including:

343 (1) CONTROL OF STUDENTS.—

344 (b) Require each student at the time of initial  
345 registration for school in the school district to note previous  
346 school expulsions, arrests resulting in a charge, juvenile  
347 justice actions, and any corresponding referral ~~referrals~~ to  
348 mental health services by the school district ~~the student has~~  
349 ~~had~~, and have the authority as the district school board of a  
350 receiving school district to honor the final order of expulsion

351 or dismissal of a student by any in-state or out-of-state public  
352 district school board or private school, or lab school, for an  
353 act which would have been grounds for expulsion according to the  
354 receiving district school board's code of student conduct, in  
355 accordance with the following procedures:

356 1. A final order of expulsion shall be recorded in the  
357 records of the receiving school district.

358 2. The expelled student applying for admission to the  
359 receiving school district shall be advised of the final order of  
360 expulsion.

361 3. The district school superintendent of the receiving  
362 school district may recommend to the district school board that  
363 the final order of expulsion be waived and the student be  
364 admitted to the school district, or that the final order of  
365 expulsion be honored and the student not be admitted to the  
366 school district. If the student is admitted by the district  
367 school board, with or without the recommendation of the district  
368 school superintendent, the student may be placed in an  
369 appropriate educational program and referred to mental health  
370 services identified by the school district pursuant to s.  
371 1012.584(4), when appropriate, at the direction of the district  
372 school board.

373 (4) EMERGENCY DRILLS; EMERGENCY PROCEDURES.—

374 (a) Formulate and prescribe policies and procedures, in  
375 consultation with the appropriate public safety agencies, for

376 emergency drills and for actual emergencies, including, but not  
377 limited to, fires, natural disasters, active shooter and hostage  
378 situations, and bomb threats, for all students and faculty at  
379 all public schools of the district comprised of grades K-12.  
380 Drills for active shooter and hostage situations shall be  
381 conducted in accordance with requirements of the Office of Safe  
382 Schools ~~at least as often as other emergency drills~~. District  
383 school board policies shall include commonly used alarm system  
384 responses for specific types of emergencies and verification by  
385 each school that drills have been provided as required by law  
386 and fire protection codes. The emergency response policy shall  
387 identify the individuals responsible for contacting the primary  
388 emergency response agency and the emergency response agency that  
389 is responsible for notifying the school district for each type  
390 of emergency.

391 (6) SAFETY AND SECURITY BEST PRACTICES.—Each district  
392 school superintendent shall establish policies and procedures  
393 for the prevention of violence on school grounds, including the  
394 assessment of and intervention with individuals whose behavior  
395 poses a threat to the safety of the school community.

396 (a) Each district school superintendent shall designate a  
397 ~~school administrator as a~~ school safety specialist for the  
398 district. The school safety specialist must earn a certificate  
399 of completion of the school safety specialist training provided  
400 by the Office of Safe Schools within 1 year after appointment



401 and is responsible for the supervision and oversight for all  
402 school safety and security personnel, policies, and procedures  
403 in the school district. The school safety specialist shall:

404 1. Review school district policies and procedures for  
405 compliance with state law and rules, including the district's  
406 timely and accurate submission of incidents to the department.

407 2. Provide the necessary training and resources to  
408 students and school district staff in matters relating to youth  
409 mental health awareness and assistance; emergency procedures,  
410 including active shooter training; and school safety and  
411 security.

412 3. Serve as the school district liaison with local public  
413 safety agencies and national, state, and community agencies and  
414 organizations in matters of school safety and security.

415 4. In collaboration with the appropriate public safety  
416 agencies, as defined in s. 365.171, annually conduct a school  
417 security risk assessment in accordance with s. 1006.1493 at each  
418 public school using the Florida Safe Schools Assessment Tool  
419 ~~school security risk assessment tool~~ developed by the Office of  
420 Safe Schools pursuant to s. 1006.1493. Based on the assessment  
421 findings, the district's school safety specialist shall provide  
422 recommendations to the district school superintendent and the  
423 district school board which identify strategies and activities  
424 that the district school board should implement in order to  
425 address the findings and improve school safety and security.

426 ~~Annually,~~ Each district school board must receive such findings  
427 and the school safety specialist's recommendations at a publicly  
428 noticed district school board meeting to provide the public an  
429 opportunity to hear the district school board members discuss  
430 and take action on the findings and recommendations. Each school  
431 safety specialist shall report such findings and school board  
432 action to the Office of Safe Schools within 30 days after the  
433 district school board meeting.

434 (7) THREAT ASSESSMENT TEAMS.—Each district school board  
435 shall adopt policies for the establishment of threat assessment  
436 teams at each school whose duties include the coordination of  
437 resources and assessment and intervention with individuals whose  
438 behavior may pose a threat to the safety of school staff or  
439 students consistent with s. 1006.13 and the model policies  
440 developed by the Office of Safe Schools. Such policies shall  
441 include procedures for conducting threat assessments using the  
442 instrument developed by the Office of Safe Schools, providing  
443 authorized members of the threat assessment team with access to  
444 school-level and district-level data and the data provided  
445 pursuant to s. 1001.212(6), and making referrals to mental  
446 health services identified by the school district pursuant to s.  
447 1012.584(4), when appropriate.

448 (a) A threat assessment team shall include persons with  
449 expertise in counseling, instruction, school administration, and  
450 law enforcement. The threat assessment teams shall identify

451 members of the school community to whom threatening behavior  
452 should be reported and provide guidance to students, faculty,  
453 and staff regarding recognition of threatening or aberrant  
454 behavior that may represent a threat to the community, school,  
455 or self.

456 (b) Upon a preliminary determination that a student poses  
457 a threat of violence or physical harm to himself or herself or  
458 others, a threat assessment team shall immediately report its  
459 determination to the superintendent or his or her designee. The  
460 superintendent or his or her designee shall immediately attempt  
461 to notify the student's parent or legal guardian. Nothing in  
462 this subsection shall preclude school district personnel from  
463 acting immediately to address an imminent threat.

464 (c) Upon a preliminary determination by the threat  
465 assessment team that a student poses a threat of violence to  
466 himself or herself or others or exhibits significantly  
467 disruptive behavior or need for assistance, authorized members  
468 of the threat assessment team may obtain criminal history record  
469 information pursuant to s. 985.04(1), ~~as provided in s. 985.047.~~  
470 A member of a threat assessment team may not disclose any  
471 criminal history record information obtained pursuant to this  
472 section or otherwise use any record of an individual beyond the  
473 purpose for which such disclosure was made to the threat  
474 assessment team.

475 (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all state

476 and local agencies and programs that provide services to  
477 students experiencing or at risk of an emotional disturbance or  
478 a mental illness, including the school districts, school  
479 personnel, state and local law enforcement agencies, the  
480 Department of Juvenile Justice, the Department of Children and  
481 Families, the Department of Health, the Agency for Health Care  
482 Administration, the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, the  
483 Department of Education, the Statewide Guardian Ad Litem Office,  
484 and any service or support provider contracting with such  
485 agencies, may share with each other records or information that  
486 are confidential or exempt from disclosure under chapter 119 if  
487 the records or information are reasonably necessary to ensure  
488 access to appropriate services for the student or to ensure the  
489 safety of the student or others. All such state and local  
490 agencies and programs shall communicate, collaborate, and  
491 coordinate efforts to serve such students.

492 (e) If an immediate mental health or substance abuse  
493 crisis is suspected, school personnel shall follow policies  
494 established by the threat assessment team to engage behavioral  
495 health crisis resources. Behavioral health crisis resources,  
496 including, but not limited to, mobile crisis teams and school  
497 resource officers trained in crisis intervention, shall provide  
498 emergency intervention and assessment, make recommendations, and  
499 refer the student for appropriate services. Onsite school  
500 personnel shall report all such situations and actions taken to

501 the threat assessment team, which shall contact the other  
502 agencies involved with the student and any known service  
503 providers to share information and coordinate any necessary  
504 followup actions. Upon the student's transfer to a different  
505 school, the threat assessment team shall verify that any  
506 intervention services provided to the student remain in place  
507 until the threat assessment team of the receiving school  
508 independently determines the need for intervention services.

509 (f) Each threat assessment team established pursuant to  
510 this subsection shall report quantitative data on its activities  
511 to the Office of Safe Schools in a format prescribed by  
512 ~~accordance with guidance from~~ the office.

513 (9) MENTAL HEALTH ASSISTANCE.—Provide mental health  
514 assistance to students in accordance with the plan submitted  
515 pursuant to s. 1011.62(16). Students referred for mental health  
516 assistance must be screened or assessed within 45 days after  
517 such referral. School-based interventions must begin within 30  
518 days after the screening or assessment and continue until the  
519 student receives community-based care, when determined to be in  
520 the best interests of the student.

521 Section 9. Subsection (10) is added to section 1006.09,  
522 Florida Statutes, to read:

523 1006.09 Duties of school principal relating to student  
524 discipline and school safety.—

525 (10) Each school principal shall designate school

526 personnel who may declare an emergency in response to an  
 527 incident that threatens school safety and the school personnel  
 528 who must contact the primary emergency response agency in  
 529 accordance with the emergency response policy of the school  
 530 district.

531 Section 10. Section 1006.12, Florida Statutes, is amended  
 532 to read:

533 1006.12 Safe-school officers at each public school.—For the  
 534 protection and safety of school personnel, property, students,  
 535 and visitors, each district school board and school district  
 536 superintendent shall partner with law enforcement agencies to  
 537 establish or assign one or more safe-school officers at each  
 538 public school facility within the district by utilizing  
 539 ~~implementing~~ any combination of the following options which best  
 540 meets the needs of the school district:

541 ~~(1) Establish school resource officer programs, through a~~  
 542 ~~cooperative agreement with law enforcement agencies.~~

543 (1)(a) SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS.—

544 (a) School resource officers shall undergo criminal  
 545 background checks, drug testing, and a psychological evaluation  
 546 and be certified law enforcement officers, as defined in s.  
 547 943.10(1), who are employed by a law enforcement agency as  
 548 defined in s. 943.10(4) or by a district school board.

549 1. If the officer is employed by the district school  
 550 board, the district school board is the employing agency for

551 purposes of chapter 943 and must comply with the provisions of  
552 that chapter. The officer has and shall exercise the power to  
553 make arrests for violations of law on district school board  
554 property and to arrest persons, whether on or off such property,  
555 who violate any law on such property under the same conditions  
556 that deputy sheriffs are authorized to make arrests ~~The powers~~  
557 ~~and duties of a law enforcement officer shall continue~~  
558 ~~throughout the employee's tenure as a school resource officer.~~

559 2.(b) School resource officers employed by a law  
560 enforcement agency shall abide by district school board policies  
561 and shall consult with and coordinate activities through the  
562 school principal, but shall be responsible to the law  
563 enforcement agency in all matters relating to employment,  
564 subject to agreements between a district school board and a law  
565 enforcement agency. Activities conducted by the school resource  
566 officer which are part of the regular instructional program of  
567 the school shall be under the direction of the school principal.  
568 The powers and duties of a law enforcement officer shall  
569 continue throughout the employee's tenure as a school resource  
570 officer.

571 3.(e) School resource officers shall complete mental  
572 health crisis intervention training using a curriculum developed  
573 by a national organization with expertise in mental health  
574 crisis intervention. The training shall improve officers'  
575 knowledge and skills as first responders to incidents involving

576 students with emotional disturbance or mental illness, including  
577 de-escalation skills to ensure student and officer safety.

578 ~~(2) Commission one or more school safety officers for the~~  
579 ~~protection and safety of school personnel, property, and~~  
580 ~~students within the school district. The district school~~  
581 ~~superintendent may recommend, and the district school board may~~  
582 ~~appoint, one or more school safety officers.~~

583 ~~(a) School safety officers shall undergo criminal~~  
584 ~~background checks, drug testing, and a psychological evaluation~~  
585 ~~and be law enforcement officers, as defined in s. 943.10(1),~~  
586 ~~certified under the provisions of chapter 943 and employed by~~  
587 ~~either a law enforcement agency or by the district school board.~~  
588 ~~If the officer is employed by the district school board, the~~  
589 ~~district school board is the employing agency for purposes of~~  
590 ~~chapter 943, and must comply with the provisions of that~~  
591 ~~chapter.~~

592 ~~(b) A school safety officer has and shall exercise the~~  
593 ~~power to make arrests for violations of law on district school~~  
594 ~~board property and to arrest persons, whether on or off such~~  
595 ~~property, who violate any law on such property under the same~~  
596 ~~conditions that deputy sheriffs are authorized to make arrests.~~  
597 ~~A school safety officer has the authority to carry weapons when~~  
598 ~~performing his or her official duties.~~

599 ~~(b)(e)~~ A district school board or governing board of a  
600 charter school may enter into mutual aid agreements with one or



601 more law enforcement agencies as provided in chapter 23. A  
602 school resource ~~safety~~ officer's salary may be paid jointly by  
603 the district school board or governing board of the charter  
604 school and the law enforcement agency, as mutually agreed to.

605 (2)(3) SCHOOL GUARDIANS.—

606 (a) A district school board or governing board of a  
607 charter school may establish a Coach Aaron Feis School Guardian  
608 Program by employing or contracting for the employment of school  
609 guardians to aid in the prevention or abatement of active  
610 assailant incidents on school premises. A school guardian has no  
611 authority to act in any law enforcement capacity except to the  
612 extent necessary to prevent or abate an active assailant  
613 incident on school premises. Individuals who serve as school  
614 guardians are in support of school-sanctioned activities for  
615 purposes of s. 790.115. School guardians shall:

616 1. Hold a valid license issued under s. 790.06 or a Class  
617 "D" and "G" license pursuant to chapter 493;

618 2. Successfully complete the training for school guardians  
619 required under s. 943.1712;

620 3. Pass a psychological evaluation administered by a  
621 psychologist licensed under chapter 490 and designated by the  
622 Department of Law Enforcement and submit the results of the  
623 evaluation to the sheriff's office. The Department of Law  
624 Enforcement is authorized to provide the district school board  
625 or governing board of the charter school with mental health and

626 substance abuse data for compliance with this subparagraph; and  
627 4. Submit to and pass an initial drug test and subsequent  
628 random drug tests in accordance with the requirements of s.  
629 112.0455 and the district school board or governing board of the  
630 charter school.

631 (b) The district school board or governing board of a  
632 charter school shall maintain documentation of weapon and  
633 equipment inspections, as well as the training, certification,  
634 inspection, and qualification records of each school guardian  
635 employed by the district school board or governing board of the  
636 charter school. An individual may not serve as a school guardian  
637 in a school unless the individual is appointed by the district  
638 school superintendent or, if the school is a charter school,  
639 unless the individual is appointed by the charter school  
640 governing board ~~At the school district's discretion, participate~~  
641 ~~in the Coach Aaron Feis Guardian Program if such program is~~  
642 ~~established pursuant to s. 30.15, to meet the requirement of~~  
643 ~~establishing a safe school officer.~~

644 (3)-(4) PUBLIC RECORDS EXEMPTIONS.—Any information that  
645 would identify whether a particular individual has been  
646 appointed as a school guardian ~~safe school officer~~ pursuant to  
647 this section held by a law enforcement agency, school district,  
648 or charter school is exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art.  
649 I of the State Constitution. This subsection is subject to the  
650 Open Government Sunset Review Act in accordance with s. 119.15

651 and shall stand repealed on October 2, 2023, unless reviewed and  
652 saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

653 Section 11. Subsection (1), paragraphs (a), (b), and (c)  
654 of subsection (2), and subsection (4) of section 1006.13,  
655 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

656 1006.13 Policy of zero tolerance for crime and  
657 victimization.—

658 (1) District school boards shall promote a safe and  
659 supportive learning environment in schools by protecting  
660 students and staff from conduct that poses a ~~serious~~ threat to  
661 school safety. A threat assessment team may use alternatives to  
662 expulsion or referral to law enforcement agencies to address  
663 disruptive behavior through restitution, civil citation, teen  
664 court, neighborhood restorative justice, or similar programs.  
665 Zero-tolerance policies may not be rigorously applied to petty  
666 acts of misconduct ~~and misdemeanors, including, but not limited~~  
667 ~~to, minor fights or disturbances~~. Zero-tolerance policies must  
668 apply equally to all students regardless of their economic  
669 status, race, or disability.

670 (2) Each district school board shall adopt a policy of  
671 zero tolerance that:

672 (a) Defines criteria for reporting to a law enforcement  
673 agency any act that poses a threat to school safety that occurs  
674 whenever or wherever students are within the jurisdiction of the  
675 district school board.

676 (b) Defines acts that pose a ~~serious~~ threat to school  
677 safety.

678 (c) Defines petty acts of misconduct which are not a  
679 threat to school safety and do not require consultation with law  
680 enforcement.

681 (4) (a) Each district school board shall enter into  
682 agreements with the county sheriff's office and local police  
683 department specifying guidelines for ensuring that acts that  
684 pose a ~~serious~~ threat to school safety, whether committed by a  
685 student or adult, are reported to a law enforcement agency.

686 (b) The agreements must include the role of school  
687 resource officers, if applicable, in handling reported  
688 incidents, ~~circumstances in which school officials may handle~~  
689 ~~incidents without filing a report with a law enforcement agency,~~  
690 and a procedure requiring for ensuring that school personnel to  
691 consult with school resource officers concerning properly report  
692 appropriate delinquent acts and crimes.

693 ~~(c) Zero tolerance policies do not require the reporting~~  
694 ~~of petty acts of misconduct and misdemeanors to a law~~  
695 ~~enforcement agency, including, but not limited to, disorderly~~  
696 ~~conduct, simple assault or battery, affray, theft of less than~~  
697 ~~\$300, trespassing, and vandalism of less than \$1,000. However,~~  
698 ~~if a student commits more than one misdemeanor, the threat~~  
699 ~~assessment team must consult with law enforcement to determine~~  
700 ~~if the act should be reported to law enforcement.~~

701        ~~(c)-(d)~~ The school principal shall notify ~~ensure that~~ all  
702 school personnel ~~are properly informed~~ as to their  
703 responsibilities regarding incident ~~crime~~ reporting, that  
704 ~~appropriate delinquent~~ acts which pose a threat to school safety  
705 and crimes are properly reported to the school principal, or his  
706 or her designee, and that the disposition of the incident is  
707 ~~actions taken in cases with special circumstances~~ are properly  
708 ~~taken and~~ documented.

709        Section 12. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 1006.1493,  
710 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

711        1006.1493 Florida Safe Schools Assessment Tool.—

712        (1) The department, through the Office of Safe Schools  
713 pursuant s. 1001.212, shall contract with a security consulting  
714 firm that specializes in the development of risk assessment  
715 software solutions and has experience in conducting security  
716 assessments of public facilities to develop, update, and  
717 implement a risk assessment tool, which shall be known as the  
718 Florida Safe Schools Assessment Tool (FSSAT). The FSSAT must be  
719 the primary physical site security assessment tool used by  
720 school officials at each school district and public school site  
721 in the state in conducting security assessments ~~for use by~~  
722 ~~school officials at each school district and public school site~~  
723 ~~in the state~~.

724        (3) The department shall annually:

725        (a) By May 1, provide all public schools, including

726 charter schools, access to the updated FSSAT.

727 (b) Review all FSSAT results submitted before October 1.

728 (c) By December 1, 2018, and annually by that date  
729 ~~thereafter, the department must~~ report to the Governor, the

730 President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of  
731 Representatives on the status of implementation across school  
732 districts and schools. The report must include:

733 1. A summary of any deficiencies identified by the FSSAT  
734 assessments conducted in the prior year, the amount of any funds  
735 used to correct such deficiencies, including the source of such  
736 funds, and the status of such deficiencies as evidenced by the  
737 FSSAT assessments conducted in the current year. ~~the positive~~  
738 ~~school safety measures in place at the time of the assessment~~

739 2. A summary of any noncompliance by schools or school  
740 districts identified by the Office of Safe Schools and any  
741 actions taken by the department to achieve compliance.

742 3. A summary of statewide school safety and discipline  
743 data collected pursuant to s. 1001.212 and quantitative data  
744 submitted by threat assessment teams pursuant to s. 1006.07(7).

745 4. ~~and~~ Any recommendations for policy changes or funding  
746 needed to facilitate continued school safety planning,  
747 improvement, and response at the state, district, or school  
748 levels.

749 Section 13. Subsection (15) of section 1011.62, Florida  
750 Statutes, is amended to read:

751           1011.62 Funds for operation of schools.—If the annual  
752 allocation from the Florida Education Finance Program to each  
753 district for operation of schools is not determined in the  
754 annual appropriations act or the substantive bill implementing  
755 the annual appropriations act, it shall be determined as  
756 follows:

757           (15) SAFE SCHOOLS ALLOCATION.—A safe schools allocation is  
758 created to provide funding to assist school districts in their  
759 compliance with ss. 1006.07-1006.12 ~~s. 1006.07~~, with priority  
760 given to safe-school officers ~~implementing the district's~~  
761 ~~school resource officer program~~ pursuant to s. 1006.12. Each  
762 school district shall receive a minimum safe schools allocation  
763 in an amount provided in the General Appropriations Act. Of the  
764 remaining balance of the safe schools allocation, two-thirds  
765 shall be allocated to school districts based on the most recent  
766 official Florida Crime Index provided by the Department of Law  
767 Enforcement and one-third shall be allocated based on each  
768 school district's proportionate share of the state's total  
769 unweighted full-time equivalent student enrollment. Any  
770 additional funds appropriated to this allocation in the 2018-  
771 2019 fiscal year must ~~to the school resource officer program~~  
772 ~~established pursuant to s. 1006.12~~ shall be used exclusively for  
773 employing or contracting for safe-school ~~school resource~~  
774 officers pursuant to s. 1006.12. This subsection applies  
775 retroactively to July 1, 2018. The amendments to this subsection

776 are intended to be clarifying and remedial in nature, ~~which~~  
777 ~~shall be in addition to the number of officers employed or~~  
778 ~~contracted for in the 2017-2018 fiscal year.~~

779 Section 14. Effective July 1, 2019, subsection (15) of  
780 section 1011.62, Florida Statutes, as amended by this act, is  
781 amended to read:

782 1011.62 Funds for operation of schools.—If the annual  
783 allocation from the Florida Education Finance Program to each  
784 district for operation of schools is not determined in the  
785 annual appropriations act or the substantive bill implementing  
786 the annual appropriations act, it shall be determined as  
787 follows:

788 (15) SAFE SCHOOLS ALLOCATION.—A safe schools allocation is  
789 created to provide funding to assist school districts in their  
790 compliance with ss. 1006.07-1006.12, with priority given to  
791 safe-school officers pursuant to s. 1006.12. Each school  
792 district shall receive a minimum safe schools allocation in an  
793 amount provided in the General Appropriations Act. ~~Of~~ The  
794 remaining balance of the safe schools allocation, ~~two-thirds~~  
795 ~~shall be allocated to school districts based on the most recent~~  
796 ~~official Florida Crime Index provided by the Department of Law~~  
797 ~~Enforcement and one-third~~ shall be allocated based on each  
798 school district's proportionate share of the state's total  
799 unweighted full-time equivalent student enrollment. Beginning on  
800 September 30, 2019, and annually by September 30 thereafter,



801 before the distribution of funds from the safe schools  
802 allocation, the Office of Safe Schools must verify compliance  
803 with s. 1006.07(6)(a)4. ~~Any additional funds appropriated to~~  
804 ~~this allocation in the 2018-2019 fiscal year must be used~~  
805 ~~exclusively for employing or contracting for safe school~~  
806 ~~officers pursuant to s. 1006.12. This subsection applies~~  
807 ~~retroactively to July 1, 2018. The amendments to this subsection~~  
808 ~~are intended to be clarifying and remedial in nature.~~

809 Section 15. Subsection (1) of section 1012.795, Florida  
810 Statutes, is amended to read:

811 1012.795 Education Practices Commission; authority to  
812 discipline.-

813 (1) The Education Practices Commission may suspend the  
814 educator certificate of any instructional personnel or school  
815 administrator, as defined in s. 1012.01(2) or (3), for up to 5  
816 years, thereby denying that person the right to teach or  
817 otherwise be employed by a district school board or public  
818 school in any capacity requiring direct contact with students  
819 for that period of time, after which the person may return to  
820 teaching as provided in subsection (4); may revoke the educator  
821 certificate of any person, thereby denying that person the right  
822 to teach or otherwise be employed by a district school board or  
823 public school in any capacity requiring direct contact with  
824 students for up to 10 years, with reinstatement subject to  
825 subsection (4); may permanently revoke the educator certificate

826 of any person thereby denying that person the right to teach or  
827 otherwise be employed by a district school board or public  
828 school in any capacity requiring direct contact with students;  
829 may suspend a person's educator certificate, upon an order of  
830 the court or notice by the Department of Revenue relating to the  
831 payment of child support; may impose an administrative fine on  
832 school board members, superintendents, and school personnel for  
833 noncompliance with the requirements of the Office of Safe  
834 Schools; or may impose any other penalty provided by law, if the  
835 person:

836 (a) Obtained or attempted to obtain an educator  
837 certificate by fraudulent means.

838 (b) Knowingly failed to report actual or suspected child  
839 abuse as required in s. 1006.061 or report alleged misconduct by  
840 instructional personnel or school administrators which affects  
841 the health, safety, or welfare of a student as required in s.  
842 1012.796.

843 (c) Has proved to be incompetent to teach or to perform  
844 duties as an employee of the public school system or to teach in  
845 or to operate a private school.

846 (d) Has been guilty of gross immorality or an act  
847 involving moral turpitude as defined by rule of the State Board  
848 of Education, including engaging in or soliciting sexual,  
849 romantic, or lewd conduct with a student or minor.

850 (e) Has had an educator certificate or other professional

851 license sanctioned by this or any other state or has had the  
852 authority to practice the regulated profession revoked,  
853 suspended, or otherwise acted against, including a denial of  
854 certification or licensure, by the licensing or certifying  
855 authority of any jurisdiction, including its agencies and  
856 subdivisions. The licensing or certifying authority's acceptance  
857 of a relinquishment, stipulation, consent order, or other  
858 settlement offered in response to or in anticipation of the  
859 filing of charges against the licensee or certificateholder  
860 shall be construed as action against the license or certificate.  
861 For purposes of this section, a sanction or action against a  
862 professional license, a certificate, or an authority to practice  
863 a regulated profession must relate to being an educator or the  
864 fitness of or ability to be an educator.

865 (f) Has been convicted or found guilty of, has had  
866 adjudication withheld for, or has pled guilty or nolo contendere  
867 to a misdemeanor, felony, or any other criminal charge, other  
868 than a minor traffic violation.

869 (g) Upon investigation, has been found guilty of personal  
870 conduct that seriously reduces that person's effectiveness as an  
871 employee of the district school board.

872 (h) Has breached a contract, as provided in s. 1012.33(2)  
873 or s. 1012.335.

874 (i) Has been the subject of a court order or notice by the  
875 Department of Revenue pursuant to s. 409.2598 directing the

876 Education Practices Commission to suspend the certificate as a  
877 result of noncompliance with a child support order, a subpoena,  
878 an order to show cause, or a written agreement with the  
879 Department of Revenue.

880 (j) Has violated the Principles of Professional Conduct  
881 for the Education Profession prescribed by State Board of  
882 Education rules.

883 (k) Has otherwise violated the provisions of law, the  
884 penalty for which is the revocation of the educator certificate.

885 (l) Has violated any order of the Education Practices  
886 Commission.

887 (m) Has been the subject of a court order or plea  
888 agreement in any jurisdiction which requires the  
889 certificateholder to surrender or otherwise relinquish his or  
890 her educator's certificate. A surrender or relinquishment shall  
891 be for permanent revocation of the certificate. A person may not  
892 surrender or otherwise relinquish his or her certificate prior  
893 to a finding of probable cause by the commissioner as provided  
894 in s. 1012.796.

895 (n) Has been disqualified from educator certification  
896 under s. 1012.315.

897 (o) Has committed a third recruiting offense as determined  
898 by the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) pursuant  
899 to s. 1006.20(2)(b).

900 (p) Has violated test security as provided in s. 1008.24.

901           (q) Knowingly failed to comply with the requirements of  
902 the Office of Safe Schools.

903           Section 16. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section  
904 23.1225, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

905           23.1225 Mutual aid agreements.—

906           (1) The term "mutual aid agreement," as used in this part,  
907 refers to one of the following types of agreement:

908           (a) A voluntary cooperation written agreement between two  
909 or more law enforcement agencies, which agreement permits  
910 voluntary cooperation and assistance of a routine law  
911 enforcement nature across jurisdictional lines. The agreement  
912 must specify the nature of the law enforcement assistance to be  
913 rendered, the agency or entity that shall bear any liability  
914 arising from acts undertaken under the agreement, the procedures  
915 for requesting and for authorizing assistance, the agency or  
916 entity that has command and supervisory responsibility, a time  
917 limit for the agreement, the amount of any compensation or  
918 reimbursement to the assisting agency or entity, and any other  
919 terms and conditions necessary to give it effect. Examples of  
920 law enforcement activities that may be addressed in a voluntary  
921 cooperation written agreement include, but are not limited to,  
922 establishing a joint city-county task force on narcotics  
923 smuggling, authorizing school resource ~~safety~~ officers to  
924 enforce laws in an area within 1,000 feet of a school or school  
925 board property, authorizing state university or Florida College

926 System institution police officers to enforce laws within a  
927 specified jurisdictional area as agreed upon in a voluntary  
928 cooperation written agreement, or establishing a joint city-  
929 county traffic enforcement task force.

930 Section 17. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section  
931 316.640, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

932 316.640 Enforcement.—The enforcement of the traffic laws  
933 of this state is vested as follows:

934 (1) STATE.—

935 (a)1.a. The Division of Florida Highway Patrol of the  
936 Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; the Division of  
937 Law Enforcement of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation  
938 Commission; and the agents, inspectors, and officers of the  
939 Department of Law Enforcement each have authority to enforce all  
940 of the traffic laws of this state on all the streets and  
941 highways thereof and elsewhere throughout the state wherever the  
942 public has a right to travel by motor vehicle.

943 b. University police officers may enforce all of the  
944 traffic laws of this state when violations occur on or within  
945 1,000 feet of any property or facilities that are under the  
946 guidance, supervision, regulation, or control of a state  
947 university, a direct-support organization of such state  
948 university, or any other organization controlled by the state  
949 university or a direct-support organization of the state  
950 university, or when such violations occur within a specified

951 jurisdictional area as agreed upon in a mutual aid agreement  
952 entered into with a law enforcement agency pursuant to s.  
953 23.1225(1). Traffic laws may also be enforced off-campus when  
954 hot pursuit originates on or within 1,000 feet of any such  
955 property or facilities, or as agreed upon in accordance with the  
956 mutual aid agreement.

957 c. Florida College System institution police officers may  
958 enforce all the traffic laws of this state only when such  
959 violations occur on or within 1,000 feet of any property or  
960 facilities that are under the guidance, supervision, regulation,  
961 or control of the Florida College System institution, or when  
962 such violations occur within a specified jurisdictional area as  
963 agreed upon in a mutual aid agreement entered into with a law  
964 enforcement agency pursuant to s. 23.1225. Traffic laws may also  
965 be enforced off-campus when hot pursuit originates on or within  
966 1,000 feet of any such property or facilities, or as agreed upon  
967 in accordance with the mutual aid agreement.

968 d. Police officers employed by an airport authority may  
969 enforce all of the traffic laws of this state only when such  
970 violations occur on any property or facilities that are owned or  
971 operated by an airport authority.

972 (I) An airport authority may employ as a parking  
973 enforcement specialist any individual who successfully completes  
974 a training program established and approved by the Criminal  
975 Justice Standards and Training Commission for parking

976 enforcement specialists but who does not otherwise meet the  
977 uniform minimum standards established by the commission for law  
978 enforcement officers or auxiliary or part-time officers under s.  
979 943.12. This sub-sub-subparagraph may not be construed to permit  
980 the carrying of firearms or other weapons, nor shall such  
981 parking enforcement specialist have arrest authority.

982 (II) A parking enforcement specialist employed by an  
983 airport authority may enforce all state, county, and municipal  
984 laws and ordinances governing parking only when such violations  
985 are on property or facilities owned or operated by the airport  
986 authority employing the specialist, by appropriate state,  
987 county, or municipal traffic citation.

988 e. The Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement of the  
989 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services may enforce  
990 traffic laws of this state.

991 f. School resource ~~safety~~ officers may enforce all of the  
992 traffic laws of this state when such violations occur on or  
993 about any property or facilities that are under the guidance,  
994 supervision, regulation, or control of the district school  
995 board.

996 2. Any disciplinary action taken or performance evaluation  
997 conducted by an agency of the state as described in subparagraph  
998 1. of a law enforcement officer's traffic enforcement activity  
999 must be in accordance with written work-performance standards.  
1000 Such standards must be approved by the agency and any collective



1001 bargaining unit representing such law enforcement officer. A  
1002 violation of this subparagraph is not subject to the penalties  
1003 provided in chapter 318.

1004 3. The Division of the Florida Highway Patrol may employ  
1005 as a traffic accident investigation officer any individual who  
1006 successfully completes instruction in traffic accident  
1007 investigation and court presentation through the Selective  
1008 Traffic Enforcement Program as approved by the Criminal Justice  
1009 Standards and Training Commission and funded through the  
1010 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration or a similar  
1011 program approved by the commission, but who does not necessarily  
1012 meet the uniform minimum standards established by the commission  
1013 for law enforcement officers or auxiliary law enforcement  
1014 officers under chapter 943. Any such traffic accident  
1015 investigation officer who makes an investigation at the scene of  
1016 a traffic accident may issue traffic citations, based upon  
1017 personal investigation, when he or she has reasonable and  
1018 probable grounds to believe that a person who was involved in  
1019 the accident committed an offense under this chapter, chapter  
1020 319, chapter 320, or chapter 322 in connection with the  
1021 accident. This subparagraph does not permit the officer to carry  
1022 firearms or other weapons, and such an officer does not have  
1023 authority to make arrests.

1024 Section 18. Paragraph (a) of subsection (10) of section  
1025 1002.32, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1026           1002.32 Developmental research (laboratory) schools.—  
 1027           (10) EXCEPTIONS TO LAW.—To encourage innovative practices  
 1028 and facilitate the mission of the lab schools, in addition to  
 1029 the exceptions to law specified in s. 1001.23(2), the following  
 1030 exceptions shall be permitted for lab schools:  
 1031           (a) The methods and requirements of the following statutes  
 1032 shall be held in abeyance: ss. 316.75; 1001.30; 1001.31;  
 1033 1001.32; 1001.33; 1001.34; 1001.35; 1001.36; 1001.361; 1001.362;  
 1034 1001.363; 1001.37; 1001.371; 1001.372; 1001.38; 1001.39;  
 1035 1001.395; 1001.40; 1001.41; 1001.44; 1001.453; 1001.46;  
 1036 1001.461; 1001.462; 1001.463; 1001.464; 1001.47; 1001.48;  
 1037 1001.49; 1001.50; 1001.51; ~~1006.12(2)~~; 1006.21(3), (4); 1006.23;  
 1038 1010.07(2); 1010.40; 1010.41; 1010.42; 1010.43; 1010.44;  
 1039 1010.45; 1010.46; 1010.47; 1010.48; 1010.49; 1010.50; 1010.51;  
 1040 1010.52; 1010.53; 1010.54; 1010.55; 1011.02(1)–(3), (5);  
 1041 1011.04; 1011.20; 1011.21; 1011.22; 1011.23; 1011.71; 1011.72;  
 1042 1011.73; and 1011.74.  
 1043           Section 19. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this  
 1044 act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law.