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### OVERVIEW

The Legislature held its fifth week of session, March 31 – April 4, 2025.

#### **Educational bill topics on the move related to BCPS:**

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| • Academics      | • Athletics                     | • Attendance               |
| • CTACE          | • Curriculum                    | • Diversity and Observance |
| • ESE            | • Facility Planning/Real Estate | • Information Systems      |
| • Mental Health  | • Prevention                    | • Safety and Security      |
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### TRENDING- IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

- [Instead of ‘fixing’ education, support Florida public schools and teachers](#) (*Miami Herald*)
- [Senate Targets ‘High Stakes’ Testing](#) (*Tallahassee Reports*)
- [Florida Senate tries again to alter testing, teacher contract laws](#) (*Tampa Bay Times*)



**FLORIDA HOUSE of  
REPRESENTATIVES**

**Please find below a summary of the House Committee & Subcommittee hearings and sessions this past week.**

### **Careers & Workforce Subcommittee**

*Met on 3/31/2025, at 4:00 PM*

[Committee Packet](#)

- **HB 1113 - Mathematics Education Requirements** by Representative Susan L. Valdés

The proposed bill aims to enhance mathematics education in teacher preparation and certification by revising core curricula to include instruction in elementary mathematical topics such as numbers, operations, fractions, algebraic reasoning, measurement, geometric reasoning, and data analysis; requiring at least 6 credit hours dedicated to mathematics content; updating postsecondary educator preparation programs to incorporate similar content; and mandating that competency-based professional learning certification programs align with specified teaching standards and practices. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; now in Education & Employment Committee

- *SB 1112 - Mathematics Instruction (No committee activity)*

### **Human Services Subcommittee**

*Met on 4/1/2025, at 12:30 PM*

[Committee Packet](#)

- **HB 969 - Reporting of Student Mental Health Outcomes** by Representative Hillary Cassel

The bill requires the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) to assess school districts' compliance with mental health programs and evaluate student mental health services. OPPAGA must submit initial and final evaluations by December 31, 2025, and December 1, 2026, respectively, covering areas such as treatment outcomes, system capacity, and performance. The Department of Education, school district coordinators, and the Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute are tasked with providing necessary data to support these evaluations. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; now in Education & Employment Committee

- **SB 1310 - Reporting of Student Mental Health Outcomes** by Senator Jennifer Bradley (*Comparable Bill*)

*Status: Now in Fiscal Policy*

### **PreK-12 Budget Subcommittee**

*Met on 4/1/2025, at 12:30 PM*

[Committee Packet](#)

- **HB 257 - Exceptional Students and Video Cameras in Public Schools** by Representative Kevin D. Chambliss

The bill mandates that Florida school districts, except those in fiscally constrained counties, install video cameras in self-contained classrooms upon a parent's request, with specific rules for video recording, management, and privacy protections. It outlines guidelines for the use of video recordings in investigations, restricts continuous monitoring, and ensures compliance with student privacy laws, while allowing for appeals to the State Board of Education for violations. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; now in Education & Employment Committee

- *SB 1006 - Video Cameras in Public School Classrooms (No committee activity)*

- **HB 447 - Disability History and Awareness Instruction** by Representative Michelle Salzman

The bill, named the "Evin B. Hartsell Act," updates disability history and awareness instruction in Florida schools, requiring specific topics to be taught at different grade levels, including bullying and physical disabilities in K-3, autism in grades 4-6, hearing impairments in grades 7-9, and learning/intellectual disabilities in grades 10-12. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed, now in Education & Employment Committee

- **SB 540 - Disability History and Awareness Instruction** by Senator Jay Collins (*Comparable Bill*)

*Status: Now in Rules*

- **HB 1255 – Education** by Representative Dana Trubulsky





The bill revises various education policies in Florida, including renaming "critical teacher shortage areas" to "high-demand teacher needs areas," updating financial audit requirements, and postponing the repeal of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children to 2028. It mandates K-12 health education on human embryologic development, prohibits spending on discriminatory organizations or political activism, allows schools to purchase emergency opioid antagonists, and requires parental consent for corporal

punishment policies. It also defines "evidence-based" instruction for certain students and repeals sections related to the Florida School for Competitive Academics. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed, now in Education & Employment Committee

- [SB 1618 - Prekindergarten Through Grade 12 Education](#) by Senator Alexis Calatayud (*Comparable Bill*) **Status:** On Committee agenda - Fiscal Policy, 04/08/25, 2:00 PM
- [HB 1403 - Safety of Students](#) by Representatives Bradford Troy Yeager and Christine Hunschofsky  
The bill expands and revises Florida's school guardian system to include child care facilities, requiring sheriffs to establish guardian programs upon request and ensuring specific training for school security guards. It outlines financial responsibilities for training, certification standards, and ongoing evaluations, while mandating detailed reporting to the Department of Law Enforcement. Childcare facilities must collaborate with law enforcement to assign safe-school officers, and safety protocols must be provided to substitute teachers before they begin teaching. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed, now in Education & Employment Committee

- [SB 1470 - School Safety](#) by Senator Danny Burgess (*Comparable Bill*)
- [SB 1472 - Public Records/School Security Guards](#) by Senator Danny Burgess (*Comparable Bill*)  
**Status:** Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/09/25

### **Student Academic Success Subcommittee**

*Met on 4/1/2025, at 4:00 PM*

[Committee Packet](#)

- [HB 1483 – Education](#) by Representative Susan L. Valdés  
The bill expands and revises Florida's educational requirements to improve student performance and engagement, including updating the early warning system for K-8 students, ensuring parental notification for reading and math deficiencies, and requiring report cards to include school performance data. It mandates the development of a book collection and grant program for classroom libraries and adjusts intervention criteria for students with academic deficiencies from K-3 to K-8. Additionally, it outlines a phased enhancement of school grading scales through 2034 to ensure ongoing educational improvement. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed: now in PreK-12 Budget Subcommittee

- [HB 1565 - Educational Choice](#) by Representatives Wyman Duggan and Erika Booth  
The bill expands the use of funds from the Family Empowerment Scholarship and Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Programs to include tuition and fees for home education and customized instructional programs. It defines these programs and sets requirements for nonprofit scholarship organizations, including background checks and hiring procedures. The bill also establishes processes for scholarship applications, renewals, and fund management, specifying how funds can be used for educational expenses like tuition, curriculum, and testing fees. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed: now in PreK-12 Budget Subcommittee

- *SB 1440 - Educational Choice (No committee activity)*

### **Budget Committee**

Met on 4/2/2025, at 8:00 AM

Committee Packet

- **HB 591 - Children with Developmental Disabilities** by Representative Randall Maggard  
The bill expands and revises programs for children with autism and developmental disabilities, including extending eligibility for the Early Steps Program to children over 3 years old and creating the Early Steps Extended Option for transition services. It establishes the University of Florida Center for Autism and Neurodevelopment to manage grants and guidelines for specialized educational environments. The bill also sets requirements for specialized summer programs for children with autism and mandates professional training for educators to support students with autism as part of their renewal certificates. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*  
**Status:** Passed; now in Education & Employment Committee
  - **SB 112 - Children with Developmental Disabilities** by Senator Gayle Harrell (*Comparable Bill*)  
**Status:** *Passed in Senate Session on 3/12/2025*
- **HB 5101 – Education** by Representative Jenna Persons-Mulicka  
The bill modifies student funding forecasting, data reporting, and scholarship accountability processes. It revises the data provided to the Education Estimating Conference, requiring more detailed information on scholarships and full-time equivalent students. The final forecast must be approved by school districts and nonprofit scholarship organizations. It also prioritizes low-income families for the Family Empowerment Scholarship and revises fund usage. New responsibilities are established for data collection and verification, and the bill includes procedures for recovering improperly received scholarship funds and reallocating adjusted funds. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*  
**Status:** Passed; placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/09/25
  - *SB 1440 (No committee activity)*
  - *SB 2500 (Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/09/25)*
  - **SB 2510 Prekindergarten Through Grade 12 Education** (*Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/09/25*)
  - **SB 7030 Educational Scholarship Programs** (*Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/09/25*)

**Education Administration Subcommittee**

Met on 4/2/2025, at 1:30 PM

Committee Packet

- **HB 37 - Educator Certifications and Training** by Representative Dan Daley  
The bill mandates that all state-approved teacher preparation programs in Florida incorporate mass casualty incident training into their curricula. It requires postsecondary institutes to include this training for program approval and adjusts educator eligibility criteria to ensure mandatory mass casualty incident training for all certified educators, including those holding adjunct teaching certificates. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*  
**Status:** Passed
  - *SB 204 - Educator Certifications and Training (No committee activity)*
- **HB 679 - Term Limits for Members of County Commissions and District School Boards** by Representative Michelle Salzman  
The bill introduces term limits for county commissioners and school board members, restricting them to eight years of service. It exempts terms beginning on or before November 3, 2026, for county commissioners and terms starting before November 8, 2022, for school board members. The amendment only affects future terms and proposes a constitutional amendment for ballot placement regarding these term limits. *Effective 7/1/25*  
**Status:** Passed; now in State Affairs Committee
  - **SB 802 - Term Limits for Members of Boards of County Commissioners and District School Boards** by Senator Blaise Ingoglia (*Comparable Bill*)  
**Status:** *Now in Community Affairs*

- **HB 809 - School Social Workers** by Representatives Christine Hunschofsky and Vicki L. Lopez  
Provides that persons employed as school social workers are exempt from specified educator certification requirements. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*  
**Status:** Passed; now in Education & Employment Committee
  - **SB 1150 - School Social Workers** by Senator Alexis Calatayud (*Comparable Bill*)  
**Status:** Now in Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education
- **HB 1197 - Anaphylaxis in Public Schools** by Representatives Jennifer Harris and Jessica Baker  
Requires each district school board to ensure that certain emergency action plans are effective & that school personnel & employees & contracted personnel of before-school & after-school programs receive certain training relating to allergic reactions & anaphylaxis; & requires that at least one member of school personnel with such training be on school grounds for specified purposes. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*  
**Status:** Passed
  - **SB 1514 - Anaphylaxis in Public Schools** by Senator Carlos Smith (*Comparable Bill*)  
**Status:** Now in Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education
- **HB 1237 - Human Trafficking Awareness** by Representatives Erika Booth and Tobin Overdorf  
Requires public schools to designate member of administrative personnel to provide annual training regarding human trafficking awareness to specified employees; requires employees who receive such training to submit acknowledgment to school; requires schools to keep acknowledgments filed electronically; requires each school district to provide curriculum for such training & to submit such curriculum to DOE for approval; provides requirements for training. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*  
**Status:** Passed; now in Education & Employment Committee
  - **SB 444 - Human Trafficking Awareness** by Senator Bryan Ávila (*Comparable Bill*)  
**Status:** Now in Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education
- **HB 1539 - Materials Harmful to Minors** by Representative Douglas Bankson.  
Defines "harmful to minors"; revises list of materials used in classroom which are subject to objection process by parents or residents. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*  
**Status:** Passed
  - **SB 1692 - Material that is Harmful to Minors** by Senator Stan McClain (*Comparable Bill*)  
**Status:** Temporarily Postponed by Education Pre-K - 12
- **HB 439 - K-12 Instructional Personnel Salary Compression** by Representative Karen Gonzalez Pittman  
Requires school district & charter school salary distribution plans to address salary compression; & requires such plans to address salary compression for specified instructional personnel. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*  
**Status:** Passed
  - **SB 136 - Public School Personnel Salary Schedules** (*No committee activity*)
- **HB 1009 - Religious and Patriotic Expression in the Public School System** by Representative Kimberly Daniels  
Requires specified information to be provided to certain persons relating to religious expression & liberties in public schools; revises requirements for display of state motto, "In God We Trust," in certain schools & buildings. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*  
**Status:** Passed
  - **SB 1504 - Religious Expression and Classroom Requirements in K-12 Schools** (*No committee activity*)
- **HB 1287 - School District Personnel and Volunteers** by Representative William Robinson  
Authorizes certain volunteers to undergo a specified background screening at the discretion of specified entities; requires district school boards to adopt policy to temporarily remove instructional personnel from classroom; revises offenses committed by certain educational employees that law enforcement must report to specified educational entities; requires instructional personnel & administrative personnel to self-report certain arrests & final judgements within specified time. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*



**Status:** Passed

- [\*\*SB 1374 - School District Reporting Requirements\*\*](#) by Senator Clay Yarborough (*Comparable Bill*)  
**Status:** On Committee agenda - Rules, 04/08/25, 9:00 AM

## **Education & Employment Committee**

*Met on 4/2/2025, at 4:00 PM*

[Committee Packet](#)

- [\*\*HB 597 - Diabetes Management in Schools\*\*](#) by Representative David Smith

The bill allows schools to acquire, store, and administer undesignated glucagon for students with diabetes, with provisions for obtaining it through suppliers, donations, or grants. It authorizes prescriptions from health departments and practitioners and requires emergency assistance and parental notification after use. The bill also provides liability immunity for involved parties and mandates rule adoption by the State Board of Education. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/09/25

- [\*\*SB 772 - Diabetes Management in Schools\*\*](#) by Senator Alexis Calatayud (*Comparable Bill*)  
**Status:** On Committee agenda - Rules, 04/08/25, 9:00 AM

- [\*\*HB 949 - Wireless Communications Devices on School Grounds\*\*](#) by Representative Demi Busatta

Prohibits students from using wireless communications devices during school day, rather than during instructional time; requires district school boards to designate locations within school buildings for students to use wireless communications devices during school day. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

- [\*\*SB 1296 - Use of Wireless Communications Devices in Schools\*\*](#) by Senator Danny Burgess (*Comparable Bill*)  
**Status:** Now in Children, Families, and Elder Affairs

- [\*\*HB 981 - Athlete Representation and Compensation\*\*](#) by Representative Yvette Benarroch

The bill limits athlete agents' compensation from student athletes' name, image, or likeness to a specified percentage and establishes a public database for athlete agents. It allows high school athletes to earn compensation for their name, image, or likeness with parental consent for those under a certain age. It prohibits certain contracts and activities, defines "name, image, and likeness collective," and permits student athletes to consult with authorized advisors, with parental consent required for minors. Schools must comply with related responsibilities and requirements. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed

- *SB 1584 - Agents of Student Athletes (No committee activity)*

- [\*\*HB 1111 - Certificates of Completion\*\*](#) by Representative Susan L. Valdés

Provides that only students with disabilities may earn certificate of completion; revises learning opportunities available to certain students. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

- *SB 1698 - Certificates of Completion (No committee activity)*

- [\*\*HB 1309 - Reading Interventions and Instruction\*\*](#) by Representative John Snyder

Revises requirements relating to Just Read, Florida! Office, Florida Center for Reading Research, school district reading instruction plans, & school district professional learning system to include specified training & instruction related to reading interventions & instruction; & creates reading coach allocation.

**Status:** Passed; placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

- *SB 442 - Reading Instruction (No committee activity)*

- [\*\*HB 1367 - School Attendance\*\*](#) by Representatives Erika Booth and Dana Trabulsy

The bill prohibits out-of-school suspensions based on attendance and requires in-school suspensions and certain extracurricular activities to count as attendance. It mandates a statewide attendance policy, improves reporting



of absences, and requires schools to address unexcused absences with family involvement. It also excises absences for religious observances and family bereavement, while refining attendance and truancy definitions.

**Status:** Passed; placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

- *SB 938 - Student Absences* (*No committee activity*)

- **HB 1135 - Electrocardiograms for Student Athletes** by Representative Jason Shoaf



The bill requires students to undergo yearly medical checks and, if necessary, an electrocardiogram (ECG) through healthcare providers or school arrangements. Starting in the 2028-2029 school year, high school athletes must complete an ECG screening. Parents can exempt students based on religious beliefs, with immunity for undetected conditions. The Florida High School Athletic Association must prevent athletes with abnormal ECG results from participating until cleared by a doctor. School districts are encouraged to partner for low-cost ECGs, exempting students if such options are unavailable.  
*Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; referred to House Calendar

- **SB 1070 - Electrocardiograms for Student Athletes** by Senator Corey Simon (*Comparable Bill*)

*Status:* Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/09/25

### **House Session**

*Met on 4/3/2025, at 12:30 PM*

- **HB 1145 - Workforce Education** by Representative Jason Shoaf

Expands eligibility for the Workforce Development Capitalization Incentive Grant Program to include charter schools alongside school districts and Florida College System institutions. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed House Session

- **SB 742 - Workforce Education** by Senator Corey Simon (*Comparable Bill*)

*Status:* Now in Appropriations Committee on Higher Education

- **HB 431 - Background Screening of Athletic Coaches** by Representatives Dana Trabulsy and Christine Hunschofsky

Revises date upon which certain background screenings of athletic coaches must be conducted. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Temporarily Postponed on Second Reading

- **SB 1546 - Background Screening of Athletic Coaches** by Senator Erin Grall (*Comparable Bill*)

*Status:* On Committee agenda - Rules, 04/08/25, 9:00 AM

- **HB 259 - Special Observances** by Representative Anne Gerwig

Designates August 21 of each year as "Fentanyl Awareness & Education Day"; encourages specified entities & public schools to sponsor events to promote awareness of dangers of fentanyl & potential overdoses, including education on specified topics. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed House Session

- **SB 214 - Special Observances/Fentanyl Awareness and Education Day** by Senator Tina Polsky (*Comparable Bill*)

*Status:* Now in Health Policy

- **HB 355 - Emergency Opioid Antagonists in Public K-12 Schools and Postsecondary Educational Institutions** by Representative Jose Alvarez and Fabián Basabe

Authorizes public schools to purchase, use, & maintain supply of emergency opioid antagonists that meet specified criteria, rather than only naloxone; & revises definition of term "emergency opioid antagonist." *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed House Session

- **HB 549 - Gulf of America** by Representative Juan Porras



Requires state agencies to update geographic materials to reflect new federal designation of "Gulf of Mexico" as "Gulf of America"; & requires instructional materials & library media center collections adopted or acquired by certain entities on or after specified date to reflect new federal designation of "Gulf of Mexico" as "Gulf of America". *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed House Session

- [SB 1058 - Gulf of America](#) by Senator Joe Gruters (*Comparable Bill*)

**Status:** Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/09/25



## The Florida Senate

Please find below a summary of the Senate Committee & Subcommittee hearings and sessions this past week.

### Community Affairs

*Met on 3/31/2025, at 4:00 PM*

[Committee Packet](#)

- [SB 140 - Charter Schools](#) by Senator Don Gaetz

The bill expands opportunities for charter schools, especially job engine charters, by revising eligibility for conversion charters and requiring denial notices from colleges or universities. It allows municipalities to apply for job engine charter designations and modifies student enrollment preferences to include children of employees from job-producing entities. It also prohibits district school boards from charging rent to conversion charter schools and includes charter schools in the Workforce Development Capitalization Incentive Grant Program. The bill requires district school boards to approve 5-year property use plans and introduces regulations for surplus school property disposal, prioritizing community uses. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; now in Rules

- [HB 123 – Education](#) by Representative Robert Andrade (*Comparable Bill*)

**Status:** Now in Education & Employment Committee

- [SB 482 - Impact Fees](#) by Senator Nick DiCeglie

The bill amends Florida statutes to set new requirements for handling impact fee increases by local governments. It defines "plan-based methodology" for using localized data to project growth and required improvements and introduces "extraordinary circumstances" for developments needing mitigation outside current fee structures. The bill mandates a demonstrated-need study before approving fee increases and sets specific criteria for both transportation and non-transportation fees. It requires public workshops and a two-thirds governing body approval for increases and prohibits fee hikes if no adjustments were made in the past five years, except after hurricanes. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; now in Finance and Tax

- [HB 665 - Local Government Impact Fees and Development Permits and Orders](#) by Representative Kevin M. Steele (*Comparable Bill*)

**Status:** Now in Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee

## Senate Education Pre-K – 12

*Met on 3/31/2025, at 4:00 PM*

[Committee Packet](#)

- **SB 822 – Education by Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez**

The bill updates Florida statutes to allow charter school governing boards to adopt their own student conduct codes, as long as they meet or exceed sponsor standards. It authorizes charter schools to increase enrollment if not under corrective plans, with notification by March 1. High-performing charter schools can take over other schools' charters, expand grade levels, and consolidate. The bill prohibits charter school landlords' affiliates from serving on the governing board, except for schools authorized by municipalities. It also requires sponsors to provide certain services, limits fee, ensures transparency through reporting, and clarifies that charter schools must comply with public records, meetings, and student welfare laws. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; now in Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education

- **HB 443 - Charter Schools by Representative John Snyder**  
(Comparable Bill)

**Status:** Now in Education & Employment Committee

- **SB 1702 - Education by Senator Danny Burgess**

Specifying sufficient notice and prior warning for immediate arrest and prosecution for school bus trespassing; authorizing a private school in a county that meets certain criteria to construct new facilities on certain property; requiring a charter school sponsor to use a standard monitoring tool to monitor and review a charter school; specifying that certain participation in marching band satisfies the physical education or performing arts credit requirement for a standard high school diploma. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; now in Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education

- **SB 1708 – Education by Senator Alexis Calatayud**

The bill revises the definition of "persistently low-performing schools" and strengthens schools of hope in Florida by allowing nonprofit entities to report directly to the Department of Education. It sets requirements for facility standards, maintenance costs, and co-location with other public schools. The bill prohibits rental fees for certain district facilities and empowers the State Board of Education to resolve disputes involving schools of hope. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; now in Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education

- **HB 1267 – Education** (No committee activity)



## Senate Rules

*Met on 4/1/2025, at 9:00 AM*

[Committee Packet](#)

- **SB 248 - Student Participation in Interscholastic and Interscholastic Extracurricular Sports by Senator Corey Simon**

Providing that an activity or a sport must meet specified requirements; specifying conditions for a home education student to participate in interscholastic athletics; revising the criteria a private school student must meet to participate in a sport at a Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) member school, etc. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/09/25

- **HB 151 - Interscholastic Activities by Representatives Shane G. Abbott and Kimberly Daniels**  
(Comparable Bill)

**Status:** Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

### Senate Transportation

Met on 4/1/2025, at 4:00 PM

[Committee Packet](#)

- **[SB 1188 - Local Governing Authorities](#) by Senator Stan McClain**

The bill exempts certain construction projects on public school grounds from concurrency requirements and allows charter schools to receive similar exemptions from local governments. It enables developers to negotiate contributions with school districts or charter schools instead of paying education impact fees, with conditions for approval. The bill also prohibits local authorities from enforcing stacking ordinances against schools during school hours that impact enrollment and restricts additional building requirements or site restrictions on startup charter schools beyond state educational and building codes. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; now in Rules

- **[HB 569 - Construction and Facilities](#) by Representative Kim Kendall (*Comparable Bill*)**

**Status:** Now in State Affairs Committee

### Senate Appropriations

Met on 4/3/2025, at 9:00 AM

[Committee Packet](#)

- **[SB 2510 - Prekindergarten Through Grade 12 Education](#)**

Authorizing a school district to report a full-time equivalent student for credit earned by a student who is enrolled in a virtual instruction course during the summer; deleting language providing that students who earn certain career and professional education (CAPE) certificates are eligible for full-time equivalent membership; revising the CAPE Industry Certification Funding List; revising the procedure for the calculation of additional full-time equivalent membership for certain students, etc. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*



**Status:** Passed; Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/09/25

### Senate Fiscal Policy

Met on 4/2/2025, at 9:00 AM

[Committee Packet](#)

- **[SB 958 - Type 1 Diabetes Early Detection Program](#) by Senator Mack Bernard**

Requiring the Department of Health, in collaboration with school districts throughout the state, to develop informational materials; requiring early learning coalitions to notify parents and guardians of the availability of specified informational materials. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/09/25

- **[HB 723 - Type 1 Diabetes Early Detection Program](#) by Representative Allison Tant (*Comparable Bill*)**

**Status:** Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

- **[SB 1402 - Students Enrolled in Dropout Retrieval Programs](#) by Senator Clay Yarborough**

Revising assessment and accountability requirements for a virtual instruction program provider; providing that dropout retrieval programs serve a specified group of students; requiring a dropout retrieval program to choose to receive a school grade or school improvement rating. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed; placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/09/25

- [\*\*HB 1079 - Students Enrolled in Dropout Retrieval Programs\*\*](#) by Representative Adam Botana  
(Comparable Bill)

**Status:** Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

### **Senate Session**

*Met on 4/3/2025, at 9:00 AM*

- [\*\*SB 166 - Administrative Efficiency in Public Schools\*\*](#) by Senator Corey Simon

The bill exempts district school boards from certain rule adoption requirements and removes the mandate for hiring an internal auditor in some cases. It requires innovation schools of technology to offer both annual and multiyear contracts for instructional personnel. The bill revises district school board attendance policies for Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Programs and updates assessment requirements for high school diploma eligibility. It also introduces new criteria for using advanced degrees to set salary schedules for instructional personnel and administrators hired after a specified date and changes eligibility requirements for the Teacher Apprenticeship Program. *Effective Date: July 1, 2025*

**Status:** Passed Senate Session

