



Bill that passed that impact Education

HB 37 – School Bus Safety by Zika. Increases the minimum civil penalty for failure to stop for a school bus from \$100 to \$200. For a subsequent offense within five years, DHSMV must suspend the driver license of the driver for not less than six months and not more than one year. The bill also increases the minimum civil penalty for passing a school bus on the side that children enter and exit from \$200 to \$400. For a subsequent offense within five years, DHSMV must suspend the driver license of the driver for not less than one year and not more than two years.

SB 70 – Alert Systems in Public Schools by Book. Creates “Alyssa’s Law. Requires each public school, beginning with the 2021-2022 school year, to implement a mobile panic alert system, known as “Alyssa’s Alert”, capable of connecting diverse emergency services technologies to ensure real-time coordination between multiple first responders. • For the 2020-2021 fiscal year, subject to legislative appropriation, requires the Department of Education, in consultation with the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Commission and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, to develop a competitive solicitation for a mobile panic alert system, which will be optional for districts to use.

HB 81 - Medicaid School-based Services by Andrade. Revises provisions relating to reimbursement of school-based services by AHCA to certain school districts & private & charter schools; specifies that U.S. Department of Health & Human Services is authorized to waive certain school-based provider qualifications.

HB 163 – Homelessness. Provides requirements for continuum of care catchment areas & lead agencies; requires continuums of care to create continuum of care plans; revises requirements for certain grants; establishes grant-in-aid program to help continuums of care prevent & end homelessness; provides program requirements.

HB 171 - Postsecondary Education for Certain Military Personnel. Requiring the Board of Governors and the State Board of Education, in consultation with the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to create a process for the uniform award of postsecondary credit or career education clock hours to certain service members and veterans of the United States Armed Forces; requiring specified postsecondary institutions to waive the transcript fee for active duty members of the United States Armed Forces, certain veterans, and their spouses and dependents.

SB 434 - Designation of School Grades by Montford. Modifies the high school acceleration component of the school grading model to add to the calculation students who complete career certificate dual enrollment courses resulting in 300 or more clock hours that are identified by the State Board of Education (SBE).

HB 641 - Articulated Acceleration Mechanisms in Education. Removing a limitation on the number of semester credit hours a student may be awarded in certain programs; revising the annual allocation to school districts to include an additional calculation of full-time equivalent membership for students who earn a College Board Advanced Placement Capstone Diploma beginning in a specified fiscal year, creating the Teacher Salary Allocation, deleting the Best and Brightest Program, allowing a delay of the ELA authorizing instructional materials adoption.

SB 662 - School Grading System by Wright. Gives greater flexibility to transitioning students from military families by considering a student a resident of the school district at the point in time in which the parent is transferred or pending transfer to a military installation within the state, for purposes of enrollment and preferential treatment in special programs. The bill also modifies the school grading model for high schools by adding to the calculation the percentage of students who earn a Category II Armed Forces Qualification Test score or higher on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery and have earned a minimum of two credits in Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps courses from the same branch of the United States Armed Forces as a school grade college and career acceleration component.

SB 664 - Verification of Employment Eligibility. Requires public employers and their contractors and subcontractors to use E-Verify by January 1, 2021.

SB 738 – Jury Service. Requiring that full-time students who meet specified criteria be excused from jury service upon request.

HB 1213 - Holocaust Education by Fine. Including certain instruction related to anti-Semitism in the required instruction relating to the Holocaust; providing school district and Department of Education requirements relating to such instruction; authorizing the department to seek input from certain entities for specified purposes relating to such

instruction; authorizing the department to contract with specified entities to develop specified training and resources relating to such instruction.

[HB 5007](#) - State-administered Retirement Systems. Revises required employer retirement contribution rates for each membership class & subclass of FRS.

[HB 7011](#) - K-12 Student Athletes. Revises provisions relating to automated external defibrillators on school grounds, training related to CPR & defibrillators, FHSAA student athlete safety policies, & specified medical evaluations.

[HB 7067](#) - K-12 Scholarship Programs. Revising initial scholarship eligibility criteria for the Family Empowerment Scholarship Program; requiring that priority be given to students whose household income levels do not exceed a specified amount or who are in foster care or out-of-home; requiring a scholarship-funding organization to refer students who did not receive a scholarship because of lack of funds to another scholarship-funding organization.

[HB 7097](#) – Taxation – Requires sharing capital outlay surtaxes with eligible charter schools for referendums approved after July 1, 2020. Establishes a back-to-school sales tax holiday from August 7 to August 9, 2020.