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MEMORANDUM

TO: School District Superintendents

FROM: Pam Stewart

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SUBJECT: **Governor Signs Senate Bill 1096, *Repeal of Education Provisions***

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On April 29, 2013, Governor Scott signed Senate Bill 1096, Repeal of Education Provisions, into law. We appreciate the input provided by school district superintendents about unnecessary or obsolete reporting requirements that helped shape this bill. Below is a summary of the sections affecting school districts. The full bill can be viewed at

<http://www.flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2013/1096/BillText/er/PDF>.

Section 1. amends S. 403.7032, Florida Statutes (F.S.), *Recycling*, to

- Delete the requirement that K-12 public schools must report annually to their county regarding recycled materials.

Section 3. repeals S. 1001.435, F.S., *K-12 foreign language curriculum; plan submittal*, to

- Delete the requirement that each district submit a K-12 foreign language curriculum plan by June 30, 2004.

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Section 4. amends S. 1002.23, F.S., *Family and School Partnership for Student Achievement Act, to*

- Repeal subsection (4) to eliminate the requirement to establish a parent response center.
- Repeal subsection (6) to eliminate the requirement for districts to submit rules on parent involvement to the department.
- Repeal subsection (9) to eliminate the requirement for the State Board of Education to annually review district compliance with this section.

Section 6. repeals S. 1002.361, F.S., *Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind; direct-support organization; authority, to*

- Eliminate the authority for the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind to establish a direct-support organization.

Section 7. repeals S. 1002.375, F.S., *Alternative credit for high school courses; pilot project, to*

- Eliminate this obsolete pilot project.

Section 8. amends S. 1003.4285, F.S., *Standard high school diploma designations, to*

- Repeal subsection (1) regarding diploma designations for a student's major area of interest.

Section 9. repeals S. 1003.43, F.S., *General requirements for high school graduation, to*

- Remove obsolete requirements for high school graduation.

Section 11. amends S. 1003.453, F.S., *School wellness and physical education policies; nutrition guidelines, to*

- Repeal subsection (2) requiring each school district to provide the department with a copy of its wellness and physical education policy, and requiring the department to post links to these policies on its website for public view.

Section 12. repeals S. 1003.496, F.S., *High School to Business Career Enhancement Program, to*

- Eliminate this optional program.

Section 13. repeals S. 1004.05, F.S., *Substance abuse training programs, to*

- Eliminate express permission for state universities and Florida College System institutions to develop courses designed for public school teachers, counselors, physicians, law enforcement personnel and other professionals to assist in recognizing symptoms of substance abuse.

Section 18. repeals S. 1006.02, F.S., *Provision of information to students and parents regarding school-to-work transition, to*

- Eliminate the requirement of K-12 schools to document the manner in which they have prepared students to enter the workforce, assess students' preparation to enter the workforce and provide information to parents or guardians.

Section 19. repeals S. 1006.035, F.S., *Dropout reentry and mentor project, to*

- Eliminate this project.

Section 20. repeals S. 1006.051, F.S., *Sunshine Workforce Solutions Grant Program, to*

- Eliminate this grant program.

Section 21. amends S. 1006.09, F.S., *Duties of school principal relating to student discipline and school safety, to*

- Repeal paragraph (d) of subsection (1) which reads, "The principal or the principal's designee shall include an analysis of suspensions and expulsions in the annual report of school progress."

Section 22. repeals SS. 1006.17 and 1006.70, F.S., *Sponsorship of athletic activities similar to those for which scholarships offered; rulemaking, to*

- Eliminate the requirement for school districts or Florida College System institutions that sponsor an athletic activity or sport that is similar to a sport for which a Florida College System institution or state university offers an athletic scholarship to sponsor the athletic activity or sport for which the scholarship is offered.

Section 24. repeals S. 1007.21, F.S., *Readiness for postsecondary education and the workplace, to*

- Eliminate the requirement for students to develop a post-high school plan that is addressed in another section of statute.

Section 26. amends S. 1008.31, F.S., *Florida's K-20 education performance accountability system; legislative intent; mission, goals, and systemwide measures; data quality improvements, to*

- Repeal paragraphs (d) and (e) of subsection (3) to eliminate the department's annual requirement to review district paperwork burdens and prepare a report.

Section 30. amends S. 1012.71, F.S., *The Florida Teachers Lead Program*, to

- Repeal subsection (6), which authorized for 2009-10 a pilot program for managing this program through a centralized electronic system.

Section 32. repeals S. 1013.32, F.S., *Exception to recommendations in educational plant survey*, to

- Eliminate exceptions to plant survey policy.

Section 33. repeals S. 1013.42, F.S., *School Infrastructure Thrift (SIT) Program Act*, and S. 1013.72, F.S., *SIT Program award eligibility; maximum cost per student station of educational facilities; frugality incentives; recognition awards*, to

- Eliminate SIT program and award eligibility.

Section 34. repeals S. 1013.502, F.S., *A Business-Community (ABC) school facilities; standards*, and S. 1013.721, F.S., *A Business-Community (ABC) School Program*, to

- Eliminate ABC school program and ABC school facilities program.

Section 35. amends S. 1013.64, F.S., *Funds for comprehensive educational plant needs; construction cost maximums for school district capital projects*, to

- Eliminate subsection (7), which repeals the requirement for the school districts of Wakulla, Liberty and Calhoun counties to contribute ad valorem taxes for special facilities projects.
- This change takes effect on July 1, 2013.

Section 36. repeals S. 1013.73, F.S., *Effort index grants for school district facilities*, to

- Remove effort index grants for school district facilities.