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LEGISLATIVE ACTION Senate House Comm: RCS 02/07/2023

The Committee on Education Pre-K -12 (Burgess) recommended the following:

Senate Substitute for Amendment (188764) (with title amendment)

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online availability. The material must include age-appropriate and developmentally appropriate instruction on social media safety for students in grades 6 through 12 and focus on the social, emotional, and physical effects of social media and promote best practices in digital citizenship. For purposes of



this requirement, "digital citizenship" means the norms of appropriate, responsible, and healthy behavior related to social media, including digital literacy, ethics, etiquette, and security. The social media safety instruction must include:

- 1. The advantages of social media use. Such instruction may only include career and resume building for future academic or employment opportunities, sharing information with familiar family and friends, and safely connecting with other users with like interests.
- 2. The risks of social media, including, but not limited to, social media addiction, publication of misinformation, negative effects on mental health, and the permanent nature of content shared online.
- 3. How to safely use social media, including, but not limited to, maintaining personal security, preventing oversharing of personal information, identifying predatory behavior and human trafficking, and reporting suspicious behavior.

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The State Board of Education is encouraged to adopt standards and pursue assessment of the requirements of this subsection. Instructional programming that incorporates the values of the recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor and that is offered as part of a social studies, English Language Arts, or other schoolwide character building and veteran awareness initiative meets the requirements of paragraph (t).

Section 1. Section 1006.1494, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

1006.1494 Prohibiting student access to social media



platforms.—Each school district shall prohibit and prevent students from accessing social media platforms through the use of Internet access provided by the school district.

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======== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========== And the title is amended as follows:

Delete lines 2 - 10

47 and insert:

> An act relating to student use of social media platforms; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.; requiring members of the instructional staff of public schools to provide instruction on social media safety; defining the term "social media"; requiring the Department of Education to make social media safety instructional material available online; requiring district school boards to notify parents of the availability of the instructional material; providing requirements for the instructional material developed by the department; defining the term "digital citizenship"; specifying required components of the instructional material; creating s. 1006.1494, F.S.; requiring each school district to prohibit and prevent students from accessing social media platforms through the use of Internet access provided by the school district; providing an effective date.