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Representative Grall offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove lines 477-486 and insert: the civil penalty as an administrative penalty.

(b) In the absence of enforcement by the Board of Governors or the State Board of Education, as applicable, the Attorney General or the Chief Financial Officer may bring a civil action to enforce this section. If such action is successful, the Attorney General or the Chief Financial Officer, as applicable, is entitled to reasonable attorney fees and costs.

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gift to the appropriate inspector general may also report such undisclosed foreign gift to the Attorney General or the Chief Financial Officer and retain whistle-blower protection under s. 112.3188. Such whistle-blower shall be entitled to receive a reward in the amount of 25 percent of any penalty recovered by the Board of Governors, the State Board of Education, the Attorney General, or the Chief Financial Officer under this section. The Chief Financial Officer is authorized to incur expenditures to provide such reward from the penalty recovery. The reward may be paid through an intermediary attorney or trustee designated by the whistle-blower.

TITLE AMENDMENT

28 Remove lines 65-69 and insert:

penalty be deposited in a specified fund; authorizing the Attorney General or the Chief Financial Officer to bring a civil action under certain circumstances; providing for attorney fees and costs; authorizing a whistle-blower to report an undisclosed foreign gift to the Attorney General or the Chief Financial Officer; providing that such whistle-blower retains certain protections and is entitled to a reward; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to incur

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38	expenditures to provide such reward from the penalty
39	recovery; authorizing payment of such reward through
40	an intermediary attorney or trustee designated by the
41	whistle-blower;

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