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1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to enrollment of dependent children of 3 active duty military personnel in the Florida Virtual 4 School; amending s. 1002.37, F.S.; requiring the 5 Florida Virtual School to give enrollment priority to 6 dependent children of active duty military personnel; 7 authorizing the Florida Virtual School to use a 8 specified form to determine residency and to serve 9 specified students directly; providing for funding for certain students; amending s. 1003.05, F.S.; requiring 10 that dependent children of active duty military 11 12 personnel be given first preference for admission to 13 the Florida Virtual School; providing an effective 14 date. 15 16 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 17 18 Section 1. Subsection (10) of section 1002.37, Florida 19 Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (11), paragraph (b) of subsection (1) is amended, and a new subsection (10) is added to 20 21 that section, to read: 1002.37 The Florida Virtual School.-22 23 (1)The mission of the Florida Virtual School is to 24 (b) 25 provide students with technology-based educational opportunities Page 1 of 3

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26 to gain the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed. The 27 school shall serve any student in the state who meets the 28 profile for success in this educational delivery context and 29 shall give priority to: 30 1. Students who need expanded access to courses in order to meet their educational goals, such as home education students 31 32 and students in inner-city and rural high schools who do not have access to higher-level courses. 33 Students seeking accelerated access in order to obtain 34 2. 35 a high school diploma at least one semester early. 36 Dependent children of active duty military personnel 3. 37 not stationed in the state whose home of record is Florida or whose State of Legal Residence Certificate, DD Form 2058, lists 38 39 Florida. 40 The board of trustees of the Florida Virtual School shall 41 42 identify appropriate performance measures and standards based on 43 student achievement that reflect the school's statutory mission 44 and priorities, and shall implement an accountability system for 45 the school that includes assessment of its effectiveness and 46 efficiency in providing quality services that encourage high 47 student achievement, seamless articulation, and maximum access. 48 (10) For purposes of the enrollment of a dependent child of active duty military personnel as a part-time or full-time 49 50 student in the Florida Virtual School, the Florida Virtual

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51 School may use the State of Legal Residence Certificate, DD Form 52 2058, to verify residency for the child and may serve the 53 student directly. Funding for such students shall be provided in 54 accordance with subsection (3). 55 Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 1003.05, Florida 56 Statutes, is amended to read: 57 1003.05 Assistance to transitioning students from military families.-58 Dependent children of active duty military personnel 59 (3) 60 who otherwise meet the eligibility criteria for special academic programs offered through public schools shall be given first 61 62 preference for admission to such programs even if the program is being offered through a public school other than the school to 63 64 which the student would generally be assigned. If such a program 65 is offered through a public school other than the school to which the student would generally be assigned, the parent or 66 67 guardian of the student must assume responsibility for 68 transporting the student to that school. For purposes of this 69 subsection, special academic programs include the Florida 70 Virtual School, magnet schools, advanced studies programs, 71 advanced placement, dual enrollment, Advanced International 72 Certificate of Education, and International Baccalaureate. 73 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.

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