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1	A bill to be entitled					
2	An act relating to the Florida Teachers Classroom					
3	Supply Assistance Program; amending s. 1012.71, F.S.;					
4	authorizing Florida Teachers Classroom Supply					
5	Assistance Program funds to be used to purchase					
6	certain classroom equipment and personal protection					
7	equipment; conforming provisions to changes made by					
8	the act; providing an effective date.					
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10	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:					
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12	Section 1. Subsections (2) and (5) of section 1012.71,					
13	Florida Statutes, are amended to read:					
14	1012.71 The Florida Teachers Classroom Supply Assistance					
15	5 Program					
16	(2) The Legislature, in the General Appropriations Act,					
17	7 shall determine funding for the Florida Teachers Classroom					
18	Supply Assistance Program. The funds appropriated are for					
19	classroom teachers to purchase, on behalf of the school district					
20	or charter school, classroom materials and supplies for the					
21	public school students assigned to them and may not be used to					
22	purchase <u>classroom</u> equipment <u>to supplement the learning</u>					
23	3 experience of students or supplies of personal protection					
24	equipment. The funds appropriated shall be used to supplement					
25	the materials, and supplies, including personal protection					
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26 <u>equipment, and classroom equipment</u> otherwise available to 27 classroom teachers. From the funds appropriated for the Florida 28 Teachers Classroom Supply Assistance Program, the Commissioner 29 of Education shall calculate an amount for each school district 30 based upon each school district's proportionate share of the 31 state's total unweighted FTE student enrollment and shall 32 disburse the funds to the school districts by July 15.

33 (5) The statement must be signed and dated by each 34 classroom teacher before receipt of the Florida Teachers Classroom Supply Assistance Program funds and shall include the 35 36 wording: "I, ... (name of teacher)..., am employed by the ....County District School Board or by the ....Charter School as 37 38 a full-time classroom teacher. I acknowledge that Florida 39 Teachers Classroom Supply Assistance Program funds are 40 appropriated by the Legislature for the sole purpose of 41 purchasing classroom materials, and supplies, including personal 42 protection equipment, and classroom equipment to be used in the 43 instruction of students assigned to me. In accepting custody of 44 these funds, I agree to keep the receipts for all expenditures 45 for no less than 4 years. I understand that if I do not keep the 46 receipts, it will be my personal responsibility to pay any federal taxes due on these funds. I also agree to return any 47 48 unexpended funds to the district school board at the end of the 49 regular school year for deposit into the school advisory council account of the school where I was employed at the time I 50

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51 received the funds or for deposit into the Florida Teachers 52 Classroom Supply Assistance Program account of the school 53 district in which the charter school is sponsored, as 54 applicable." 55 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

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