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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate . House

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Senator Gaetz moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 332 - 365

and insert:

(1) SCHOOL DISTRICT STABILIZATION.—To maintain the stability of the operations of public schools, including charter schools, in each school district, the department may use funds in either of the following ways:

(a) To distribute to school districts if the state funds appropriated for the current operation of school districts in the Florida Education Finance Program are not sufficient to pay

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the state requirement in full pursuant to s. 1011.62(15).

(b) To provide supplemental payments to school districts as needed. Any supplemental funds provided pursuant to this paragraph may not be added to the district's total Florida Education Finance Program funds for any future calculation.

(2) FAMILY EMPOWERMENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.—To maintain scholarship award amounts, the department shall use funds as appropriated to ensure that funding is available if the number of full-time equivalent students enrolled in the scholarship program is greater than the amount appropriated in the General Appropriations Act in the educational scholarship categorical fund established under s. 1011.687.

================ T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ================

And the title is amended as follows:

Delete lines 16 - 19

and insert:

authorizing the department to distribute funds to school districts under specified conditions; authorizing the department to provide supplemental payments to school districts; requiring the department to