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Senate Bill 1712

Summary: The 2008 Florida Legislature passed, and Governor Crist signed, Senate Bill 1712, the Ethics in Education Act. This legislation became effective July 1, 2008, and amends multiple sections of the Florida Statutes and creates new statutory sections. These changes will have a significant impact upon the Florida public school districts, charter schools, the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind and private schools that accept scholarship students.

Primarily, this legislation establishes a set of requirements for employment and certification of educators, disciplinary actions and reporting of educator misconduct. The implementation of this Act will require districts and schools to review multiple procedures in the employment process and establish policies and procedures for compliance.

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