

House Bill No. 281

An act relating to paperwork reduction in the school districts; requiring the establishment of the Paper Reduction Task Force and providing membership; requiring recommendations to minimize the paperwork burden placed on school districts and school district personnel; requiring a report to the Legislature; providing for abolishment of the task force; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paper Reduction Task Force.—

(1) The Paper Reduction Task Force shall be established for the purpose of recommending strategies to reduce the paperwork required of school districts and school district personnel, with special emphasis given to the reduction of paperwork required of teachers. Recommendations shall include, but not be limited to, methods to improve efficiency by eliminating, reducing, revising, or consolidating paperwork and data collection requirements. The task force shall recommend methods to minimize the paperwork burden being placed on school districts and school district personnel by evaluating the need for information and determining whether access to necessary information is already available.

(2) The task force shall consist of the Commissioner of Education, three members appointed by the President of the Senate, three members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, three members appointed by the Governor, and three teachers appointed by the Commissioner of Education.

(3) The task force shall report its findings and recommendations to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by February 1, 2006, and shall be abolished upon the transmittal of this report.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor May 10, 2005.

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