CHAPTER 2011-102

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 84

An act relating to community colleges; amending s. 1000.21, F.S.; renaming Gulf Coast Community College as “Gulf Coast State College”; renaming Pensacola Junior College as “Pensacola State College”; renaming St. Johns River Community College as “St. Johns River State College”; renaming Valencia Community College as “Valencia College”; amending ss. 288.8175, 1004.74, and 1004.75, F.S., relating to linkage institutes, the Florida School of the Arts, and the consolidation of certain training schools; conforming provisions; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraphs (i), (t), (v), and (bb) of subsection (3) of section 1000.21, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1000.21 Systemwide definitions.—As used in the Florida K-20 Education Code:

(3) “Florida college” or “community college,” except as otherwise specifically provided, includes all of the following public postsecondary educational institutions in the Florida College System and any branch campuses, centers, or other affiliates of the institution:

(i) Gulf Coast State Community College, which serves Bay, Franklin, and Gulf Counties.

(t) Pensacola State Junior College, which serves Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties.

(v) St. Johns River State Community College, which serves Clay, Putnam, and St. Johns Counties.

(bb) Valencia Community College, which serves Orange and Osceola Counties.

Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (5) of section 288.8175, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

288.8175 Linkage institutes between postsecondary institutions in this state and foreign countries.—

(5) The institutes are:

(b) Florida-Costa Rica Institute (Florida State University and Valencia Community College).

CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words underlined are additions.
Section 3. Subsection (3) of section 1004.74, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1004.74 Florida School of the Arts.—

(3) The Florida School of the Arts is assigned to the District Board of Trustees of the St. Johns River State Community College for purposes of administration and governance; but the Florida School of the Arts, within appropriations and limitations established annually by the Legislature, shall serve as a professional school on a statewide basis for all qualified students.

Section 4. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 1004.75, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1004.75 Training school consolidation pilot projects.—

(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—To consolidate and more efficiently use state and taxpayer resources by combining training programs, pilot training centers are established to provide public criminal justice training in Leon and St. Johns Counties. The following pilot training centers are established:

(b) The Criminal Justice Academy at St. Johns River State Community College.

Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.

Approved by the Governor June 2, 2011.

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