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<u>Senate</u>	CHAMBER ACTION	<u>House</u>
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11 Senator Kirkpatrick moved the following amendment to amendment
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 14 **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**
 15 On page 44, line 25, delete that line

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 17 and insert:

18 Section 39. Subsection (4) of section 216.136, Florida
 19 Statutes, is amended to read:

20 216.136 Consensus estimating conferences; duties and
 21 principals.--

22 (4) EDUCATION ESTIMATING CONFERENCE.--

23 (a) Duties.--The Education Estimating Conference shall
 24 develop such official information relating to the state public
 25 educational system, including forecasts of student
 26 enrollments, the number of students qualified for state
 27 financial aid programs and the appropriation required to fund
 28 the full award amounts for each program, fixed capital outlay
 29 needs, and Florida Education Finance Program formula needs, as
 30 the conference determines is needed for the state planning and
 31 budgeting system. The conference's initial projections of

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1 enrollments in public schools shall be forwarded by the
2 conference to each school district no later than 2 months
3 prior to the start of the regular session of the Legislature.
4 Each school district may, in writing, request adjustments to
5 the initial projections. Any adjustment request shall be
6 submitted to the conference no later than 1 month prior to the
7 start of the regular session of the Legislature and shall be
8 considered by the principals of the conference. A school
9 district may amend its adjustment request, in writing, during
10 the first 3 weeks of the legislative session, and such amended
11 adjustment request shall be considered by the principals of
12 the conference. For any adjustment so requested, the district
13 shall indicate and explain, using definitions adopted by the
14 conference, the components of anticipated enrollment changes
15 that correspond to continuation of current programs with
16 workload changes; program improvement; program reduction or
17 elimination; initiation of new programs; and any other
18 information that may be needed by the Legislature. For public
19 schools, the conference shall submit its full-time equivalent
20 student consensus estimate to the Legislature no later than 1
21 month after the start of the regular session of the
22 Legislature. No conference estimate may be changed without the
23 agreement of the full conference.

24 (b) Adjustments.--No later than 2 months prior to the
25 start of the regular session of the Legislature, the
26 conference shall forward to each eligible postsecondary
27 education institution its initial projections of the number of
28 students qualified for state financial aid programs and the
29 appropriation required to fund those students at the full
30 award amount. Each postsecondary education institution may
31 request, in writing, adjustments to the initial projection.

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1 Any adjustment request must be submitted to the conference no
2 later than 1 month prior to the start of the regular session
3 of the Legislature and shall be considered by the principals
4 of the conference. For any adjustment so requested, the
5 postsecondary education institution shall indicate and
6 explain, using definitions adopted by the conference, the
7 components of anticipated changes that correspond to
8 continuation of current programs with enrollment changes,
9 program reduction or elimination, initiation of new programs,
10 award amount increases or decreases, and any other information
11 that is considered by the conference. The conference shall
12 submit its consensus estimate to the Legislature no later than
13 1 month after the start of the regular session of the
14 Legislature. No conference estimate may be changed without the
15 agreement of the full conference.

16 (c)(b) Principals.--The Associate Deputy Commissioner
17 for Educational Management, the Executive Office of the
18 Governor, the director of the Division of Economic and
19 Demographic Research of the Joint Legislative Management
20 Committee, and professional staff of the Senate and House of
21 Representatives who have forecasting expertise, or their
22 designees, are the principals of the Education Estimating
23 Conference. The Associate Deputy Commissioner for Educational
24 Management or his or her designee shall preside over sessions
25 of the conference.

26 Section 40. Effective July ~~January~~ 1, 1999, section
27 240.409, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

28 240.409 Florida Public Student Assistance Grant
29 Program; eligibility for grants.--

30 (1) There is hereby created a Florida Public Student
31 Assistance Grant Program. The program shall ~~to~~ be administered

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1 by the participating institutions ~~Department of Education~~ in
2 accordance with rules of the state board.

3 (2)(a) State student assistance grants through the
4 program may be made only to full-time degree-seeking students
5 who meet the general requirements for student eligibility as
6 provided in s. 240.404, except as otherwise provided in this
7 section. Such grants shall be awarded annually for the amount
8 of demonstrated unmet need for the cost of education and may
9 not exceed an amount equal to the average prior academic year
10 cost of ~~tuition and matriculation fees~~ and other registration
11 fees for 30 credit hours at state universities or such other
12 amount as specified in the General Appropriations Act, to any
13 recipient. A demonstrated unmet need of less than \$200 shall
14 render the applicant ineligible for a state student assistance
15 grant. Recipients of such grants must have been accepted at a
16 state university or community college authorized by Florida
17 law. No student may receive an award for more than the
18 equivalent of 9 semesters or 14 quarters of full-time
19 enrollment ~~in a period of not more than 6 consecutive years,~~
20 except as otherwise provided in s. 240.404(3).

21 (b) A student applying for a Florida public student
22 assistance grant shall be required to apply for the Pell
23 Grant. The Pell Grant entitlement shall be considered ~~by the~~
24 ~~department~~ when conducting an assessment of the financial
25 resources available to each student.

26 (c) ~~The criteria and procedure for establishing~~
27 ~~standards of eligibility shall be determined by the~~
28 ~~department. The department is directed to establish a rating~~
29 ~~system upon which to base the approval of grants, and such~~
30 ~~system shall include a certification of acceptability by the~~
31 ~~state university or community college of the applicant's~~

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1 ~~choice and the use of a nationally recognized system of need~~
2 ~~analysis.~~ Priority in the distribution of grant moneys shall
3 be given to students with the lowest total family resources,
4 in accordance with a nationally recognized system of need
5 analysis as determined pursuant to this subsection, taking
6 into consideration the receipt of Pell Grants and student
7 contributions to educational costs. Using the system of need
8 analysis, the department shall establish a maximum expected
9 family contribution. An institution may not make a grant from
10 this program to a student whose expected family contribution
11 exceeds the level established by the department.

12 (d) Each participating institution shall report, to
13 the department by the established date, the eligible students
14 to whom grant moneys are disbursed each academic term. Each
15 institution shall also report to the department necessary
16 demographic and eligibility data for such students. The
17 department is directed to establish, for fall enrollment, an
18 initial application deadline for students attending all
19 eligible institutions and an additional application deadline
20 for community college applicants who apply after the initial
21 application deadline. The second community college deadline
22 shall be at the close of each institution's drop-add period.
23 The department shall reserve an amount to be designated
24 annually in the General Appropriations Act for the purpose of
25 providing awards to community college students who apply for a
26 student assistance grant after the initial application
27 deadline. Community college applicants who apply during the
28 initial application period and are eligible to receive an
29 award, but do not receive an award because of insufficient
30 funds, shall have their applications reconsidered with those
31 community college applicants who apply after the initial

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1 ~~application deadline. The provisions of this paragraph shall~~
2 ~~take effect beginning with the 1990-1991 academic year.~~

3 (3) Based on the unmet financial need of an eligible
4 applicant, the ~~full~~ amount of a Florida public student
5 assistance grant must be between \$200 and the weighted average
6 of the cost of matriculation and other registration fees for
7 30 credit hours at state universities~~\$1,500~~ per academic year
8 or the amount specified in the General Appropriations Act.
9 ~~When funds are not sufficient to make full awards to all~~
10 ~~eligible applicants, the department shall reduce the amount of~~
11 ~~each recipient's grant award pro rata. For any year in which~~
12 ~~a pro rata grant reduction is necessary, such adjustment shall~~
13 ~~be made by reducing the second semester or the second and~~
14 ~~third quarter award disbursements to grant recipients. In~~
15 ~~each such instance, institutions shall notify students of~~
16 ~~award adjustments.~~

17 (4) ~~In the event that a Florida public student~~
18 ~~assistance grant recipient transfers from one institution~~
19 ~~eligible under this section, s. 240.4095, or s. 240.4097 to~~
20 ~~another, his or her eligibility shall be transferable upon~~
21 ~~approval of the department. When approved by the department,~~
22 ~~the amount of the unmet need shall be recalculated for the new~~
23 ~~institution and shall be adjusted accordingly.~~

24 (4)(5)(a) The funds appropriated for the Florida
25 Public Student Assistance Grant shall be distributed to
26 eligible institutions in accordance with a formula recommended
27 by the Department of Education's Florida Council of Student
28 Financial Aid Advisors and reviewed by the Postsecondary
29 Education Planning Commission, the State Board of Community
30 Colleges, and the Board of Regents. The formula shall consider
31 at least the prior year's distribution of funds, the number of

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1 full-time eligible applicants who did not receive awards, the
2 standardization of the expected family contribution, and
3 provisions for unused funds.

4 **(b)** Payment of Florida public student assistance
5 grants shall ~~may~~ be transmitted to the president of the state
6 university or community college ~~which the recipient is~~
7 ~~attending~~, or to his or her representative, in advance of the
8 registration period. Institutions shall notify students of the
9 amount of their awards.

10 ~~(c)(b)~~ Institutions shall certify to the department,
11 ~~within 30 days of the end of regular registration, the~~
12 ~~eligibility status of each awarded student.~~ The eligibility
13 status of each student to receive a disbursement shall be
14 determined by each institution as of the end of its regular
15 registration period, inclusive of a drop-add period.
16 Institutions shall not be required to reevaluate a student's
17 eligibility status after this date for purposes of changing
18 ~~amending~~ eligibility determinations previously made. ~~However,~~
19 ~~an institution shall be required to make refunds for students~~
20 ~~who receive award disbursements and terminate enrollment for~~
21 ~~any reason during the academic term when an institution's~~
22 ~~refund policies permit a student to receive a refund under~~
23 ~~these circumstances.~~

24 ~~(d)(e)~~ Institutions shall certify to the department
25 the amount of funds disbursed to each student and shall remit
26 to the department any undisbursed advances by June 1 of each
27 year ~~within 60 days of the end of regular registration.~~

28 ~~(5)(6)~~ Funds appropriated by the Legislature for state
29 student assistance grants shall be deposited in the State
30 Student Financial Assistance Trust Fund. Notwithstanding the
31 provisions of s. 216.301 and pursuant to s. 216.351, any

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1 balance in the trust fund at the end of any fiscal year that
2 has been allocated to the Florida Public Student Assistance
3 Grant Program shall remain therein and shall be available for
4 carrying out the purposes of this section.

5 ~~(6)(7)~~ The State Board of Education shall establish
6 rules necessary to implement this section.

7 Section 41. Effective July 1, 1999, section 240.4095,
8 Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

9 240.4095 Florida Private Student Assistance Grant
10 Program; eligibility for grants.--

11 (1) There is hereby created a Florida Private Student
12 Assistance Grant Program. The program shall ~~to~~ be administered
13 by the participating institutions ~~Department of Education~~ in
14 accordance with rules of the state board.

15 (2)(a) Florida private student assistance grants from
16 the State Student Financial Assistance Trust Fund may be made
17 only to full-time degree-seeking students who meet the general
18 requirements for student eligibility as provided in s.
19 240.404, except as otherwise provided in this section. Such
20 grants shall be awarded for the amount of demonstrated unmet
21 need for tuition and fees and may not exceed an amount equal
22 to the average matriculation and other registration fees for
23 30 credit hours at state universities plus \$1,000 ~~a total of~~
24 ~~\$1,500~~ per academic year, or as specified in the General
25 Appropriations Act, to any applicant. A demonstrated unmet
26 need of less than \$200 shall render the applicant ineligible
27 for a Florida private student assistance grant. Recipients of
28 such grants must have been accepted at a
29 baccalaureate-degree-granting independent nonprofit college or
30 university, which is accredited by the Commission on Colleges
31 of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, ~~and which~~

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1 ~~has a secular purpose,~~ and which is located in and chartered
2 as a domestic corporation by the state. No student may
3 receive an award for more than the equivalent of 9 semesters
4 or 14 quarters of full-time enrollment in a period of not more
5 ~~than 6 consecutive years,~~ except as otherwise provided in s.
6 240.404(3).

7 (b) A student applying for a Florida private student
8 assistance grant shall be required to apply for the Pell
9 Grant. The Pell Grant entitlement shall be considered ~~by the~~
10 ~~department~~ when conducting an assessment of the financial
11 resources available to each student.

12 (c) ~~The criteria and procedure for establishing~~
13 ~~standards of eligibility shall be determined by the~~
14 ~~department. The department is directed to establish a rating~~
15 ~~system upon which to base the approval of grants, including~~
16 ~~the use of a nationally recognized system of need analysis.~~
17 ~~The system shall include a certification of acceptability by~~
18 ~~the independent nonprofit college or university of the~~
19 ~~applicant's choice.~~ Priority in the distribution of grant
20 moneys shall be given to students with the lowest total family
21 resources, in accordance with a nationally recognized system
22 of need analysis as determined pursuant to this subsection,
23 taking into consideration the receipt of Pell Grants and
24 student contributions to educational costs. Using the system
25 of need analysis, the department shall establish a maximum
26 expected family contribution. An institution may not make a
27 grant from this program to a student whose expected family
28 contribution exceeds the level established by the department.

29 (d) Each participating institution shall report, to
30 the department by the established date, the eligible students
31 to whom grant moneys are disbursed each academic term. Each

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1 institution shall also report to the department necessary
2 demographic and eligibility data for such students.

3 (3) Based on the unmet financial need of an eligible
4 applicant, the ~~full~~ amount of a Florida private student
5 assistance grant must be between \$200 and the average cost of
6 matriculation and other registration fees for 30 credit hours
7 at state universities plus \$1,000~~\$1,500~~ per academic year or
8 the amount specified in the General Appropriations Act. ~~When~~
9 ~~funds are not sufficient to make full awards to all eligible~~
10 ~~applicants, the department shall reduce the amount of each~~
11 ~~recipient's grant award pro rata. For any year in which a pro~~
12 ~~rata grant reduction is necessary, such adjustment shall be~~
13 ~~made by reducing the second semester or the second and third~~
14 ~~quarter award disbursements to grant recipients. In each such~~
15 ~~instance, institutions shall notify students of award~~
16 ~~adjustments.~~

17 ~~(4) In the event that a Florida private student~~
18 ~~assistance grant recipient transfers from one institution~~
19 ~~eligible under this section, s. 240.409, or s. 240.4097 to~~
20 ~~another, his or her eligibility shall be transferable upon~~
21 ~~approval of the department. When approved by the department,~~
22 ~~the amount of the unmet need shall be recalculated for the new~~
23 ~~institution and shall be adjusted accordingly.~~

24 (4)(5)(a) The funds appropriated for the Florida
25 Private Student Assistance Grant shall be distributed to
26 eligible institutions in accordance with a formula recommended
27 by the Department of Education's Florida Council of Student
28 Financial Aid Advisors and reviewed by the Postsecondary
29 Education Planning Commission and the Independent Colleges and
30 Universities of Florida. The formula shall consider at least
31 the prior year's distribution of funds, the number of

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1 full-time eligible applicants who did not receive awards, the
2 standardization of the expected family contribution, and
3 provisions for unused funds.

4 **(b)** Payment of Florida private student assistance
5 grants shall ~~may~~ be transmitted to the president of the
6 college or university ~~which the recipient is attending~~, or to
7 his or her representative, in advance of the registration
8 period. Institutions shall notify students of the amount of
9 their awards.

10 ~~(c)(b)~~ Institutions shall certify to the department,
11 ~~within 30 days of the end of regular registration, the~~
12 ~~eligibility status of each awarded student.~~The eligibility
13 status of each student to receive a disbursement shall be
14 determined by each institution as of the end of its regular
15 registration period, inclusive of a drop-add period.
16 Institutions shall not be required to reevaluate a student's
17 eligibility status after this date for purposes of changing
18 ~~amending~~ eligibility determinations previously made. ~~However,~~
19 ~~an institution shall be required to make refunds for students~~
20 ~~who receive award disbursements and terminate enrollment for~~
21 ~~any reason during the academic term when an institution's~~
22 ~~refund policies permit a student to receive a refund under~~
23 ~~these circumstances.~~

24 ~~(d)(e)~~ Institutions shall certify to the department
25 the amount of funds disbursed to each student and shall remit
26 to the department any undisbursed advances by June 1 of each
27 year ~~within 60 days of the end of regular registration.~~

28 ~~(e)(d)~~ Each institution that receives moneys through
29 the Florida Private Student Assistance Grant Program shall
30 cause to be prepared a biennial report that includes an
31 independent external audit of the institution's administration

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1 of the program and a complete accounting of moneys in the
2 State Student Financial Assistance Trust Fund allocated to the
3 institution for the program. Such report shall be submitted to
4 the department on or before March 1 every other year. The
5 department may conduct its own annual or biennial audit of an
6 institution's administration of the program and its allocated
7 funds in lieu of the required biennial report and independent
8 external audit. The department may suspend or revoke an
9 institution's eligibility to receive future moneys from the
10 trust fund for the program or request a refund of any moneys
11 overpaid to the institution through the trust fund for the
12 program if the department finds that an institution has not
13 complied with the provisions of this section. Any refund
14 requested pursuant to this paragraph shall be remitted within
15 60 days.

16 ~~(5)(6)~~ Funds appropriated by the Legislature for
17 Florida private student assistance grants shall be deposited
18 in the State Student Financial Assistance Trust Fund.
19 Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 216.301 and pursuant to
20 s. 216.351, any balance in the trust fund at the end of any
21 fiscal year that has been allocated to the Florida Private
22 Student Assistance Grant Program shall remain therein and
23 shall be available for carrying out the purposes of this
24 section and as otherwise provided by law.

25 ~~(6)(7)~~ The State Board of Education shall adopt rules
26 necessary to implement this section.

27 Section 42. Effective July 1, 1999, section 240.4097,
28 Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

29 240.4097 Florida Postsecondary Student Assistance
30 Grant Program; eligibility for grants.--

31 (1) There is hereby created a Florida Postsecondary

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1 Student Assistance Grant Program. The program shall to be
2 administered by the participating institutions ~~Department of~~
3 ~~Education~~ in accordance with rules of the state board.

4 (2)(a) Florida postsecondary student assistance grants
5 through the State Student Financial Assistance Trust Fund may
6 be made only to full-time degree-seeking students who meet the
7 general requirements for student eligibility as provided in s.
8 240.404, except as otherwise provided in this section. Such
9 grants shall be awarded for the amount of demonstrated unmet
10 need for tuition and fees and may not exceed an amount equal
11 to the average prior-academic-year cost of matriculation and
12 other registration fees for 30 credit hours at state
13 universities plus \$1,000 ~~a total of \$1,500~~ per academic year,
14 or as specified in the General Appropriations Act, to any
15 applicant. A demonstrated unmet need of less than \$200 shall
16 render the applicant ineligible for a Florida postsecondary
17 student assistance grant. Recipients of such grants must have
18 been accepted at a postsecondary institution that is located
19 in and chartered as a domestic corporation by the state and
20 that is:

- 21 1. A private nursing diploma school approved by the
22 Florida Board of Nursing; or
- 23 2. An institution either licensed by the State Board
24 of Independent Colleges and Universities or exempt from
25 licensure pursuant to s. 246.085(1)(a), excluding those
26 institutions the students of which are eligible to receive a
27 Florida private student assistance grant pursuant to s.
28 240.4095.

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30 No student may receive an award for more than the equivalent
31 of 9 semesters or 14 quarters of full-time enrollment ~~in a~~

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1 ~~period of not more than 6 consecutive years, except as~~
2 otherwise provided in s. 240.404(3).

3 (b) A student applying for a Florida postsecondary
4 student assistance grant shall be required to apply for the
5 Pell Grant. The Pell Grant entitlement shall be considered ~~by~~
6 ~~the department~~ when conducting an assessment of the financial
7 resources available to each student.

8 (c) ~~The criteria and procedure for establishing~~
9 ~~standards of eligibility shall be determined by the~~
10 ~~department. The department is directed to establish a rating~~
11 ~~system upon which to base the approval of grants, including~~
12 ~~the use of a nationally recognized system of need analysis.~~
13 ~~The system shall include a certification of acceptability by~~
14 ~~the school of the applicant's choice. Priority in the~~
15 distribution of grant moneys shall be given to students with
16 the lowest total family resources, in accordance with a
17 nationally recognized system of need analysis as determined
18 pursuant to this subsection, taking into consideration the
19 receipt of Pell Grants and student contributions to
20 educational costs. Using the system of need analysis, the
21 department shall establish a maximum expected family
22 contribution. An institution may not make a grant from this
23 program to a student whose expected family contribution
24 exceeds the level established by the department.

25 (d) Each participating institution shall report, to
26 the department by the established date, the eligible students
27 to whom grant moneys are disbursed each academic term. Each
28 institution shall also report to the department necessary
29 demographic and eligibility data for such students.

30 (3) Based on the unmet financial need of an eligible
31 applicant, the ~~full~~ amount of a Florida postsecondary student

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1 assistance grant must be between \$200 and the average cost of
2 matriculation and other registration fees for 30 credit hours
3 at state universities plus \$1,000\$1,500 per academic year or
4 the amount specified in the General Appropriations Act. ~~When~~
5 ~~funds are not sufficient to make full awards to all eligible~~
6 ~~applicants, the department shall reduce the amount of each~~
7 ~~recipient's grant award pro rata. For any year in which a pro~~
8 ~~rata grant reduction is necessary, such adjustment shall be~~
9 ~~made by reducing the second semester or the second and third~~
10 ~~quarter award disbursements to grant recipients. In each such~~
11 ~~instance, institutions shall notify students of award~~
12 ~~adjustments.~~

13 ~~(4) In the event that a student assistance grant~~
14 ~~recipient transfers from one institution eligible under this~~
15 ~~section, s. 240.409, or s. 240.4095 to another, his or her~~
16 ~~eligibility shall be transferable upon approval of the~~
17 ~~department. When approved by the department, the amount of~~
18 ~~the unmet need shall be recalculated for the new institution~~
19 ~~and shall be adjusted accordingly.~~

20 (4)(5)(a) The funds appropriated for the Florida
21 Postsecondary Student Assistance Grant shall be distributed to
22 eligible institutions in accordance with a formula recommended
23 by the Department of Education's Florida Council of Student
24 Financial Aid Advisors and reviewed by the Postsecondary
25 Education Planning Commission and the Florida Association of
26 Postsecondary Schools and Colleges. The formula shall consider
27 at least the prior year's distribution of funds, the number of
28 full-time eligible applicants who did not receive awards, the
29 standardization of the expected family contribution, and
30 provisions for unused funds.

31 (b) Payment of Florida postsecondary student

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1 assistance grants ~~shall~~ may be transmitted to the president of
2 the eligible institution ~~which the recipient is attending~~, or
3 to his or her representative, in advance of the registration
4 period. Institutions shall notify students of the amount of
5 their awards.

6 ~~(c)(b)~~ Institutions shall certify to the department,
7 ~~within 30 days of the end of regular registration, the~~
8 ~~eligibility status of each awarded student.~~ The eligibility
9 status of each student to receive a disbursement shall be
10 determined by each institution as of the end of its regular
11 registration period, inclusive of a drop-add period.

12 Institutions shall not be required to reevaluate a student's
13 eligibility status after this date for purposes of changing
14 ~~amending~~ eligibility determinations previously made. ~~However,~~
15 ~~an institution shall be required to make refunds for students~~
16 ~~who receive award disbursements and terminate enrollment for~~
17 ~~any reason during the academic term when an institution's~~
18 ~~refund policies permit a student to receive a refund under~~
19 ~~these circumstances.~~

20 ~~(d)(c)~~ Institutions shall certify to the department
21 the amount of funds disbursed to each student and shall remit
22 to the department any undisbursed advances by June 1 of each
23 year ~~within 60 days of the end of regular registration.~~

24 ~~(e)(d)~~ Each institution that receives moneys through
25 the Florida Postsecondary Student Assistance Grant Program
26 shall cause to be prepared a biennial report that includes an
27 independent external audit of the institution's administration
28 of the program and a complete accounting of moneys in the
29 State Student Financial Assistance Trust Fund allocated to the
30 institution for the program. Such report shall be submitted
31 to the department on or before March 1 every other year. The

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1 department may conduct its own annual or biennial audit of an
2 institution's administration of the program and its allocated
3 funds in lieu of the required biennial report and independent
4 external audit. The department may suspend or revoke an
5 institution's eligibility to receive future moneys from the
6 trust fund for the program or request a refund of any moneys
7 overpaid to the institution through the trust fund for the
8 program if the department finds that an institution has not
9 complied with the provisions of this section. Any refund
10 requested pursuant to this paragraph shall be remitted within
11 60 days.

12 ~~(5)(6)~~ Any institution that was eligible to receive
13 state student assistance grants on January 1, 1989, and that
14 is not eligible to receive grants pursuant to s. 240.4095 is
15 eligible to receive grants pursuant to this section.

16 ~~(6)(7)~~ Funds appropriated by the Legislature for
17 Florida postsecondary student assistance grants shall be
18 deposited in the State Student Financial Assistance Trust
19 Fund. Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 216.301 and
20 pursuant to s. 216.351, any balance in the trust fund at the
21 end of any fiscal year that has been allocated to the Florida
22 Postsecondary Student Assistance Grant Program shall remain
23 therein and shall be available for carrying out the purposes
24 of this section and as otherwise provided by law.

25 ~~(7)(8)~~ The State Board of Education shall adopt rules
26 necessary to implement this section.

27 Section 43. Except as otherwise provided in this act,
28 this act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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

2 And the title is amended as follows:

3 On page 46, line 23, after the semicolon

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5 insert:

6 amending s. 216.136, F.S.; providing duties of
7 the Education Estimating Conference; amending
8 s. 240.409, F.S.; authorizing eligibility
9 determination and grant distribution for the
10 Florida Public Student Assistance Grant Program
11 to be conducted by the receiving institution;
12 specifying a dollar value range for grant
13 awards; amending s. 240.4095, F.S.; authorizing
14 eligibility determination and grant
15 distribution for the Florida Private Student
16 Assistance Grant Program to be conducted by the
17 receiving institution; specifying a dollar
18 value range for grant awards; amending s.
19 240.4097, F.S.; authorizing eligibility
20 determination and grant distribution for the
21 Florida Postsecondary Student Assistance Grant
22 Program to be conducted by the receiving
23 institution; specifying a dollar value range
24 for grant awards;

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