

Amendment No. 03 (for drafter's use only)

	<u>Senate</u>	CHAMBER ACTION	<u>House</u>
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11 The Committee on Child & Family Security offered the
12 following:

14 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

15 On page 6, between lines 7 and 8 of the bill

17 insert:

18 Section 4. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section
19 240.235, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

20 240.235 Fees.--

21 (5)(a) Any student for whom the state is paying a
22 foster care board payment pursuant to s. 409.145(3) or parts
23 II and III of chapter 39, for whom the permanency planning
24 goal pursuant to part III of chapter 39 is long-term foster
25 care or independent living, who is or was at the time he or
26 she turned 18 years old in the custody of a relative under s.
27 39.5085, or who is adopted from the Department of Children and
28 Family Services after May 5, 1997, shall be exempt from the
29 payment of all undergraduate fees, including fees associated
30 with enrollment in college-preparatory instruction or
31 completion of college-level communication and computation

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1 skills testing programs. Before a fee exemption can be given,
2 the student shall have applied for and been denied financial
3 aid, pursuant to s. 240.404, which would have provided, at a
4 minimum, payment of all undergraduate fees. Such exemption
5 shall be available to any student who was in the custody of a
6 relative under s. 39.5085 at the time he or she turned 18
7 years old or was adopted from the Department of Children and
8 Family Services after May 5, 1997; however, the exemption
9 shall be valid for no more than 4 years after the date of
10 graduation from high school.

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14 And the title is amended as follows:

15 On page 1, line 18, following the semicolon

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17 insert:

18 amending s. 240.235, F.S.; exempting certain
19 children in the custody of a relative at the
20 time of reaching age 18 from payment of
21 postsecondary undergraduate fees;

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