

HB 0119 2003

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to determination of resident status for tuition purposes; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; classifying specified students as residents for tuition purposes; providing an effective date.

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

- Section 1. Paragraph (k) is added to subsection (10) of section 1009.21, Florida Statutes, to read:
- 1009.21 Determination of resident status for tuition purposes.—Students shall be classified as residents or nonresidents for the purpose of assessing tuition in community colleges and state universities.
- (10) The following persons shall be classified as residents for tuition purposes:
 - (k) Students who meet the following requirements:
- 1. Have resided in Florida for at least 3 consecutive years immediately preceding the date the student received a high school diploma or its equivalent and have attended a Florida high school for at least 3 consecutive school years during such time.
- 2. Have provided to a community college or a state university an affidavit stating that the student will file an application to become a permanent resident of the United States at the earliest opportunity he or she is eligible to do so.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003.