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The Committee on Education K-20 recommends the following:

Committee Substitute

Remove the entire bill and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to student financial assistance;
prohibiting certain funds from being used to provide
financial assistance to certain postsecondary education
students who are citizens of specified countries;
requiring the reallocation of funds to certain students;
providing nonapplicability to certain persons; providing
an effective date.

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

Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to
the contrary, no funds from general revenue, the lottery, or
financial aid fee revenues shall be used to provide student
financial assistance in the form of scholarships, fellowships,
grants, loans, tuition or fee waivers, or other financial
assistance to any nonresident alien student who is enrolled in a
Florida public postsecondary educational institution and who is
a citizen of any country that is identified by the United States



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29 | Department of State as terrorist or supporting terrorism. For
30 | purposes of this act, nonresident alien student means a
31 | nonimmigrant student who is not a citizen or national of the
32 | United States and who has been admitted to the United States
33 | temporarily for a specific purpose in either the F-1 or M-1 visa
34 | categories and who is admitted for duration of status and does
35 | not have the right to remain in this country indefinitely. A
36 | student's country of citizenship shall be determined at the time
37 | of a student's enrollment. A nonresident alien student who has
38 | been determined ineligible pursuant to the provisions of this
39 | section shall remain ineligible for such assistance while
40 | enrolled in a Florida public postsecondary educational
41 | institution. However, if a student's country of citizenship is
42 | removed from the United States Department of State list of
43 | identified countries, such student shall become eligible for
44 | student financial assistance pursuant to the provisions of this
45 | section.

46 | Section 2. The amount of student financial assistance
47 | provided by Florida public postsecondary educational
48 | institutions to students specified in section 1 of this act
49 | during fiscal year 2001-2002 from general revenue, lottery
50 | funds, or financial aid fee revenues shall be reallocated by the
51 | institutions to eligible students who are both United States
52 | citizens and Florida residents.

53 | Section 3. This act shall not apply to a nonresident of
54 | the state who is eligible to apply for residence under the Cuban
55 | Adjustment Act of 1966, Pub. L. No. 89-732.

56 | Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003.