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An act relating to education; repealing s. 1003.429, F.S., relating to accelerated high school graduation options; amending ss. 1007.261 and 1009.531, F.S.; conforming cross references; providing an effective date.

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

- Section 1. <u>Section 1003.429</u>, <u>Florida Statutes</u>, is repealed.
- Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 1007.261, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1007.261 State universities; admissions of students.--Each university board of trustees is authorized to adopt rules governing the admission of students, subject to this section and rules of the State Board of Education.

- (1) Minimum academic standards for undergraduate admission to a university include:
- (a) Each student must have received a high school diploma pursuant to $\frac{1003.429 \text{ or}}{1003.429 \text{ or}} \text{ s. } 1003.43$, or its equivalent, except as provided in s. $\frac{1007.271(2)}{(5)}$ or completed a home education program according to s. $\frac{1002.41}{(5)}$.
- Section 3. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 1009.531, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 1009.531 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program; student eligibility requirements for initial awards.--
- (1) To be eligible for an initial award from any of the three types of scholarships under the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program, a student must:

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(b) Earn a standard Florida high school diploma or its equivalent as described in $\frac{1003.429}{5}$, s. 1003.437, or s. 1003.435 unless:

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- 1. The student is enrolled full time in the early admission program of an eligible postsecondary education institution or completes a home education program according to s. 1002.41; or
- 2. The student earns a high school diploma from a non-Florida school while living with a parent or guardian who is on military or public service assignment away from Florida.
 - Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.

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