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The Committee on Higher Education (Ring) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause

and insert:

Section 1. Section 1009.701, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1009.701 First Generation Matching Grant Program for state universities.--

(1) The First Generation Matching Grant Program for state universities is created to enable each state university to provide donors with a matching grant incentive for contributions that will create grant-based student financial aid for undergraduate students who demonstrate financial need and whose parents, as defined in s. 1009.21(1), have not earned a baccalaureate or higher degree. In the case of any individual who regularly resided with and received support from only one parent, an individual whose only such parent did not complete a baccalaureate or higher degree would also be

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1 eligible.

2 (2) Funds appropriated by the Legislature for the
3 program shall be allocated by the Office of Student Financial
4 Assistance to match private contributions on a
5 dollar-for-dollar basis. Contributions made to a state
6 university and pledged for the purposes of this section are
7 eligible for state matching funds appropriated for this
8 program and are not eligible for any other state matching
9 grant program. Pledged contributions are not eligible for
10 matching prior to the actual collection of the total funds.
11 The Office of Student Financial Assistance shall reserve a
12 proportionate allocation of the total appropriated funds for
13 each state university on the basis of full-time equivalent
14 resident undergraduate enrollment. For the 2007-2008 fiscal
15 year, funds that remain unmatched as of December 1 shall be
16 reallocated to state universities that have remaining
17 unmatched private contributions for the program on the basis
18 of full-time equivalent resident undergraduate enrollment.
19 Beginning with the 2008-2009 fiscal year, funds that remain
20 unmatched as of August 1 shall be reallocated to state
21 universities that have remaining unmatched private
22 contributions for the program on the basis of full-time
23 equivalent resident undergraduate enrollment.

24 (3) Payment of the state matching grant shall be
25 transmitted to the president of each participating institution
26 or his or her representative in advance of the official
27 drop-add deadline as defined by the institution.

28 (4) Each participating state university shall
29 establish an application process, determine student
30 eligibility for initial and renewal awards in conformance with
31 subsection (5), identify the amount awarded to each recipient,

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1 and notify recipients of the amount of their awards. A
 2 university may award grants for summer-term enrollment if
 3 funds are available. Grants for summer-term enrollment may be
 4 used only at the institution awarding the grant. For the
 5 purpose of this subsection, "summer-term enrollment" means
 6 enrollment in the term at the end of the academic year which
 7 is the period of time from one fall term to the next in which
 8 a full-time student is expected to complete the equivalent of
 9 two semesters, two trimesters, or three quarters.

10 (5) In order to be eligible to receive a grant
 11 pursuant to this section, an applicant must:

12 (a) Be a resident for tuition purposes pursuant to s.
 13 1009.21.

14 (b) Be a first-generation college student. For the
 15 purposes of this section, a student is considered "first
 16 generation" if neither of the student's parents, as defined in
 17 s. 1009.21(1), earned a college degree at the baccalaureate
 18 level or higher or, in the case of any individual who
 19 regularly resided with and received support from only one
 20 parent, if that parent did not earn a baccalaureate or higher
 21 degree.

22 (c) Be accepted at a state university.

23 (d) Be enrolled for a minimum of six credit hours per
 24 term as a degree-seeking undergraduate student.

25 (e) Have demonstrated financial need by completing the
 26 Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

27 (f) Meet additional eligibility requirements as
 28 established by the institution.

29 (6) The award amount shall be based on the student's
 30 need assessment after any scholarship or grant aid, including,
 31 but not limited to, a Pell Grant or a Bright Futures

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1 Scholarship, has been applied. An award may not exceed the
 2 institution's estimated annual cost of attendance for the
 3 student to attend the institution.

4 (7) The eligibility status of each student to receive
 5 a disbursement shall be determined by each institution as of
 6 the end of its regular registration period, inclusive of a
 7 drop-add period. An institution shall not be required to
 8 reevaluate a student's eligibility status after this date for
 9 purposes of changing eligibility determinations previously
 10 made. Participating institutions shall verify the continued
 11 eligibility of awarded students, provide for the disbursement
 12 of funds to students, and comply with the department's
 13 reporting requirements. Institutions shall certify to the
 14 department, each academic term within 30 days after the end of
 15 the regular registration period, the student's enrollment,
 16 continued eligibility, and the award amount. Any balance at
 17 the end of a fiscal year that has been disbursed to an
 18 institution for this program shall remain at the institution
 19 and shall be available only to provide grants for returning
 20 and new awardees. Each participating institution shall report
 21 to the Office of Student Financial Assistance by the date
 22 established by the office the eligible students to whom grant
 23 moneys are disbursed each academic term. Each institution
 24 shall certify to the Office of Student Financial Assistance
 25 the amount of funds disbursed to each student and shall remit
 26 to the office any undisbursed advances by June 1 of each year.

27 (8) No later than November 15 ~~July 1~~, each
 28 participating institution shall annually report to the
 29 Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate,
 30 the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Board of
 31 Governors the eligibility requirements for recipients, the

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1 aggregate demographics of recipients, the retention and
2 graduation rates of recipients, and a delineation of funds
3 awarded to recipients in the prior academic year.

4 (9) This section shall be implemented only as
5 specifically funded.

6 Section 2. Section 1009.702, Florida Statutes, is
7 created to read:

8 1009.702 First Generation Matching Grant Program for
9 community colleges.--

10 (1) The First Generation Matching Grant Program for
11 community colleges is created to enable each community
12 college, as defined in s. 1000.21, to provide donors with a
13 matching grant incentive for contributions that will create
14 grant-based student financial aid for undergraduate students
15 who demonstrate financial need and whose parents, as defined
16 in s. 1009.21(1), have not earned a baccalaureate or higher
17 degree. In the case of any individual who regularly resided
18 with and received support from only one parent, an individual
19 whose only such parent did not complete a baccalaureate or
20 higher degree would also be eligible.

21 (2) Funds appropriated by the Legislature for the
22 program shall be allocated by the Office of Student Financial
23 Assistance to match private contributions on a
24 dollar-for-dollar basis. Contributions made to a community
25 college and pledged for the purposes of this section are
26 eligible for state matching funds appropriated for this
27 program and are not eligible for any other state matching
28 grant program. Pledged contributions are not eligible for
29 matching prior to the actual collection of the total funds.
30 The Office of Student Financial Assistance shall reserve a
31 proportionate allocation of the total appropriated funds for

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1 each community college on the basis of full-time equivalent
2 resident enrollment in advanced and professional programs. For
3 the 2007-2008 fiscal year, funds that remain unmatched as of
4 December 1 shall be reallocated to community colleges that
5 have remaining unmatched private contributions for the program
6 on the basis of full-time equivalent resident enrollment in
7 advanced and professional programs. Beginning with the
8 2008-2009 fiscal year, funds that remain unmatched as of
9 August 1 shall be reallocated to community colleges that have
10 remaining unmatched private contributions for the program on
11 the basis of full-time equivalent resident enrollment in
12 advanced and professional programs.

13 (3) Payment of the state matching grant shall be
14 transmitted to the president of each participating institution
15 or his or her representative in advance of the official
16 drop-add deadline as defined by the institution.

17 (4) Each participating community college shall
18 establish an application process, determine student
19 eligibility for initial and renewal awards in conformance with
20 subsection (5), identify the amount awarded to each recipient,
21 and notify recipients of the amount of their awards. A
22 community college may award grants for summer-term enrollment
23 if funds are available. Grants for summer-term enrollment may
24 be used only at the institution awarding the grant. For the
25 purpose of this subsection, "summer-term enrollment" means
26 enrollment in the term at the end of the academic year which
27 is the period of time from one fall term to the next in which
28 a full-time student is expected to complete the equivalent of
29 two semesters, two trimesters, or three quarters.

30 (5) In order to be eligible to receive a grant
31 pursuant to this section, an applicant must:

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1 (a) Be a resident for tuition purposes pursuant to s.
2 1009.21.

3 (b) Be a first-generation college student. For the
4 purposes of this section, a student is considered "first
5 generation" if neither of the student's parents, as defined in
6 s. 1009.21(1), earned a college degree at the baccalaureate
7 level or higher or, in the case of any individual who
8 regularly resided with and received support from only one
9 parent, if that parent did not earn a baccalaureate or higher
10 degree.

11 (c) Be accepted at a community college as defined in
12 s. 1000.21.

13 (d) Be enrolled for a minimum of six credit hours per
14 term as a degree-seeking undergraduate student.

15 (e) Have demonstrated financial need by completing the
16 Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

17 (f) Meet additional eligibility requirements as
18 established by the institution.

19 (6) The award amount shall be based on the student's
20 need assessment after any scholarship or grant aid, including,
21 but not limited to, a Pell Grant or a Florida Bright Futures
22 Scholarship, has been applied. An award may not exceed the
23 institution's estimated annual cost of attendance for the
24 student to attend the institution.

25 (7) The eligibility status of each student to receive
26 a disbursement shall be determined by each institution as of
27 the end of its regular registration period, inclusive of a
28 drop-add period. An institution shall not be required to
29 reevaluate a student's eligibility status after this date for
30 purposes of changing eligibility determinations previously
31 made. Participating institutions shall verify the continued

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1 eligibility of awarded students, provide for the disbursement
 2 of funds to students, and comply with the department's
 3 reporting requirements. Institutions shall certify to the
 4 department, each academic term within 30 days after the end of
 5 the regular registration period, the student's enrollment,
 6 continued eligibility, and the award amount. Any balance at
 7 the end of a fiscal year that has been disbursed to an
 8 institution for this program shall remain at the institution
 9 and shall be available only to provide grants for returning
 10 and new awardees.

11 (8) No later than November 15, each participating
 12 institution shall annually report to the Executive Office of
 13 the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the
 14 House of Representatives, and the State Board of Education the
 15 eligibility requirements for recipients, the aggregate
 16 demographics of recipients, the retention and graduation rates
 17 of recipients, and a delineation of funds awarded to
 18 recipients in the prior academic year.

19 (9) This section shall be implemented only as
 20 specifically funded.

21 Section 3. Section 1009.703, Florida Statutes, is
 22 created to read:

23 1009.703 First Generation Matching Grant Program for
 24 colleges and universities eligible to participate in the
 25 William L. Boyd, IV, Florida Resident Access Grant Program.--

26 (1) The First Generation Matching Grant Program for
 27 colleges and universities eligible to participate in the
 28 William L. Boyd, IV, Florida Resident Access Grant Program is
 29 created to enable each private nonprofit college or university
 30 eligible to participate in the William L. Boyd, IV, Florida
 31 Resident Access Grant Program to provide donors with a

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1 matching grant incentive for contributions that will create
2 grant-based student financial aid for undergraduate students
3 who demonstrate financial need and whose parents, as defined
4 in s. 1009.21(1), have not earned a baccalaureate or higher
5 degree. In the case of any individual who regularly resided
6 with and received support from only one parent, an individual
7 whose only such parent did not complete a baccalaureate or
8 higher degree would also be eligible.

9 (2) Funds appropriated by the Legislature for the
10 program shall be allocated by the Office of Student Financial
11 Assistance to match private contributions on a
12 dollar-for-dollar basis. Contributions made to a qualified
13 college or university and pledged for the purposes of this
14 section are eligible for state matching funds appropriated for
15 this program and are not eligible for any other state matching
16 grant program. Pledged contributions are not eligible for
17 matching prior to the actual collection of the total funds.
18 The Office of Student Financial Assistance shall reserve a
19 proportionate allocation of the total appropriated funds for
20 each qualified college or university on the basis of full-time
21 equivalent resident undergraduate enrollment. For the
22 2007-2008 fiscal year, funds that remain unmatched as of
23 December 1 shall be reallocated to participating colleges and
24 universities that have remaining unmatched private
25 contributions for the program on the basis of full-time
26 equivalent resident undergraduate enrollment. Beginning with
27 the 2008-2009 fiscal year, funds that remain unmatched as of
28 August 1 shall be reallocated to participating colleges and
29 universities that have remaining unmatched private
30 contributions for the program on the basis of full-time
31 equivalent resident undergraduate enrollment.

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1 (3) Payment of the state matching grant shall be
 2 transmitted to the president of each participating institution
 3 or his or her representative in advance of the official
 4 drop-add deadline as defined by the institution.

5 (4) Each participating college or university shall
 6 establish an application process, determine student
 7 eligibility for initial and renewal awards in conformance with
 8 subsection (5), identify the amount awarded to each recipient,
 9 and notify recipients of the amount of their awards. A
 10 participating college or university may award grants for
 11 summer-term enrollment if funds are available. Grants for
 12 summer-term enrollment may be used only at the institution
 13 awarding the grant. For the purpose of this subsection,
 14 "summer-term enrollment" means enrollment in the term at the
 15 end of the academic year which is the period of time from one
 16 fall term to the next in which a full-time student is expected
 17 to complete the equivalent of two semesters, two trimesters,
 18 or three quarters.

19 (5) In order to be eligible to receive a grant
 20 pursuant to this section, an applicant must:

21 (a) Meet the general requirements for student
 22 eligibility for state financial aid, including residency, as
 23 provided in s. 1009.40, except as otherwise provided in this
 24 section.

25 (b) Be a first-generation college student. For the
 26 purposes of this section, a student is considered "first
 27 generation" if neither of the student's parents, as defined in
 28 s. 1009.21(1), earned a college degree at the baccalaureate
 29 level or higher or, in the case of any individual who
 30 regularly resided with and received support from only one
 31 parent, if that parent did not earn a baccalaureate or higher

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1 degree.

2 (c) Be accepted at a private nonprofit college or
3 university eligible to participate in the William L. Boyd, IV,
4 Florida Resident Access Grant Program.

5 (d) Be enrolled for a minimum of six credit hours per
6 term as a degree-seeking undergraduate student.

7 (e) Have demonstrated financial need by completing the
8 Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

9 (f) Meet additional eligibility requirements as
10 established by the institution.

11 (6) The award amount shall be based on the student's
12 need assessment after any scholarship or grant aid, including,
13 but not limited to, a Pell Grant or a Florida Bright Futures
14 Scholarship, has been applied. An award may not exceed the
15 institution's estimated annual cost of attendance for the
16 student to attend the institution.

17 (7) The eligibility status of each student to receive
18 a disbursement shall be determined by each institution as of
19 the end of its regular registration period, inclusive of a
20 drop-add period. An institution shall not be required to
21 reevaluate a student's eligibility status after this date for
22 purposes of changing eligibility determinations previously
23 made. Participating institutions shall verify the continued
24 eligibility of awarded students, provide for the disbursement
25 of funds to students, and comply with the department's
26 reporting requirements. Institutions shall certify to the
27 department, each academic term within 30 days after the end of
28 the regular registration period, the student's enrollment,
29 continued eligibility, and the award amount. Any balance at
30 the end of a fiscal year that has been disbursed to an
31 institution for this program shall remain at the institution

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1 and shall be available only to provide grants for returning
2 and new awardees.

3 (8) No later than November 15, each participating
4 institution shall annually report to the Executive Office of
5 the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the
6 House of Representatives, and the State Board of Education the
7 eligibility requirements for recipients, the aggregate
8 demographics of recipients, the retention and graduation rates
9 of recipients, and a delineation of funds awarded to
10 recipients in the prior academic year.

11 (9) This section shall be implemented only as
12 specifically funded.

13 Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
14 law.

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18 And the title is amended as follows:

19 Delete everything before the enacting clause

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21 and insert:

22 A bill to be entitled
23 An act relating to First Generation Matching
24 Grant Programs; amending s. 1009.701, F.S.,
25 relating to the First Generation Matching Grant
26 Program for state universities; clarifying
27 provisions relating to eligibility for receipt
28 of a grant; revising provisions relating to
29 allocation and reallocation of funds;
30 authorizing the award of grants for summer-term
31 enrollment if funds are available; providing

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1 duties and reporting requirements of
2 institutions participating in the program;
3 providing for the use of balance of funds;
4 creating ss. 1009.702 and 1009.703, F.S.;
5 creating the First Generation Matching Grant
6 Program for community colleges and the First
7 Generation Matching Grant Program for colleges
8 and universities eligible to participate in the
9 William L. Boyd, IV, Florida Resident Access
10 Grant Program; providing for financial aid to
11 eligible undergraduate students who demonstrate
12 financial need and whose parents have not
13 earned a baccalaureate or higher degree;
14 providing for the appropriation, allocation,
15 and distribution of funds; providing
16 eligibility criteria; providing an effective
17 date.

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