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Senate House

Representative(s) Pickens offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 107 and 108 insert:

Section 5. Section 1011.83, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 1011.83 Financial support of community colleges .--
- (1) Each community college that has been approved by the Department of Education and meets the requirements of law and rules of the State Board of Education shall participate in the Community College Program Fund. However, funds to support workforce education programs conducted by community colleges shall be provided pursuant to s. 1011.80.
- (2) Funding for baccalaureate degree programs approved
 pursuant to s. 1007.33 shall be specified in the General
 Appropriations Act. A student in a baccalaureate degree program
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- approved pursuant to s. 1007.33 who is not classified as a resident for tuition purposes pursuant to s. 1009.21 may not be included in calculations of full-time equivalent enrollments for state funding purposes.
- (3) Funds specifically appropriated by the Legislature for baccalaureate degree programs approved pursuant to s. 1007.33 may be used only for such programs. A community college shall fund the nonrecurring costs related to the initiation of a new baccalaureate degree program under s. 1007.33 without new state appropriations unless special grant funds are appropriated in the General Appropriations Act. A new baccalaureate degree program may not accept students without a recurring legislative appropriation for this purpose.
- (4) State policy for funding baccalaureate degree programs approved pursuant to s. 1007.33 shall be to limit state support for recurring operating purposes to no more than 85 percent of the amount of state expenditures for direct instruction per credit hour in upper-level state university programs. A community college may temporarily exceed this limit due to normal enrollment fluctuations or unforeseeable circumstances or while phasing in new programs. This subsection does not authorize the Department of Education to withhold legislative appropriations to any community college.
- (5) A community college that grants baccalaureate degrees shall maintain reporting and funding distinctions between any baccalaureate degree program approved under s. 1007.33 and any other baccalaureate degree programs involving traditional concurrent-use partnerships.

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Remove line(s) 19 and insert:

Improvement for review; amending s. 1011.83, F.S.; providing a residency requirement for funding baccalaureate degree programs at community colleges; providing requirements for funding nonrecurring and recurring costs associated with such programs; limiting per-student funding to a specified percentage of costs associated with state university baccalaureate degree programs; providing certain reporting and funding requirements; providing an effective date.

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