

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to the First Generation Matching Grant  
 3           Program; amending s. 1009.701, F.S.; including  
 4           participation in the program by certain independent  
 5           colleges and universities; providing student eligibility  
 6           requirements; providing an appropriation; providing an  
 7           effective date.

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

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 11           Section 1. Subsections (1), (2), and (4) and paragraphs  
 12           (a) and (c) of subsection (5) of section 1009.701, Florida  
 13           Statutes, are amended to read:

14           1009.701 First Generation Matching Grant Program.--

15           (1) The First Generation Matching Grant Program is created  
 16           to enable each state university and each independent nonprofit  
 17           college or university eligible to participate in the William L.  
 18           Boyd, IV, Florida Resident Access Grant Program under s. 1009.89  
 19           to provide donors with a matching grant incentive for  
 20           contributions that will create grant-based student financial aid  
 21           for undergraduate students who demonstrate financial need and  
 22           whose parents, as defined in s. 1009.21(1), have not earned a  
 23           baccalaureate degree. In the case of any individual who  
 24           regularly resided with and received support from only one  
 25           parent, an individual whose only such parent did not complete a  
 26           baccalaureate degree would also be eligible.

27           (2) Funds appropriated by the Legislature for the program  
 28           shall be allocated by the Office of Student Financial Assistance

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29 | to match private contributions on a dollar-for-dollar basis.  
30 | Contributions made to a state university or independent college  
31 | or university qualified under this section and pledged for the  
32 | purposes of this section are eligible for state matching funds  
33 | appropriated for this program and are not eligible for any other  
34 | state matching grant program. Pledged contributions are not  
35 | eligible for matching prior to the actual collection of the  
36 | total funds. The Office of Student Financial Assistance shall  
37 | reserve a proportionate allocation of the total appropriated  
38 | funds for each state university or qualified independent college  
39 | or university on the basis of full-time equivalent enrollment.  
40 | Funds that remain unmatched as of December 1 shall be  
41 | reallocated to state universities or qualified independent  
42 | colleges or universities that have remaining unmatched private  
43 | contributions for the program on the basis of full-time  
44 | equivalent enrollment.

45 |       (4) Each participating state university or qualified  
46 | independent college or university shall establish an application  
47 | process, determine student eligibility for initial and renewal  
48 | awards in conformance with subsection (5), identify the amount  
49 | awarded to each recipient, and notify recipients of the amount  
50 | of their awards.

51 |       (5) In order to be eligible to receive a grant pursuant to  
52 | this section, an applicant must:

53 |       (a) Be a resident for tuition purposes pursuant to s.  
54 | 1009.21 or meet the eligibility requirements of s. 1009.89(4).

55 |       (c) Be accepted at a state university or independent  
56 | college or university qualified under this section.

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57           Section 2. There is appropriated from the General Revenue  
58 Fund to the Department of Education for the First Generation  
59 Matching Grant Program for fiscal year 2007-2008 and each fiscal  
60 year thereafter the sum of \$3 million to provide state matching  
61 funds to independent colleges and universities qualified to  
62 participate in the program under s. 1009.701, Florida Statutes,  
63 as amended by this act.

64           Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.