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CHAMBER ACTION

<u>Senate</u>	.	<u>House</u>
Comm: RE	.	
4/2/2008	.	
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1 The Committee on Finance and Tax (Storms) recommended the
2 following **amendment**:

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4 **Senate Amendment (with directory and title amendments)**

5 Delete line(s) 85-97

6 and insert:

7 (b) Received a scholarship from an eligible nonprofit
8 scholarship-funding organization or from the State of Florida
9 during the previous school year; or

10 (c) Is eligible to enter kindergarten or first grade; or

11 (d) Is currently placed, or during the previous state
12 fiscal year was placed, in foster care as defined in s. 39.01.

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14 Contingent upon available funds, a student may continue in the
15 scholarship program as long as the student's household family
16 income level does not exceed 200 percent of the federal poverty
17 level. A sibling of a student who is continuing in the program
18 and resides in the same household as the student shall also be
19 eligible as a first-time corporate income tax credit scholarship
20 recipient as long as the student's and sibling's household income
21 level does not exceed 200 percent of the federal poverty level.
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23 For purposes of continuity of education choice, a student shall
24 remain eligible for the scholarship even if the student in foster
25 care is subsequently placed in relative or non-relative care, is
26 adopted, or returns to the custody of the birth parent and is no
27 longer considered a foster child pursuant to s. 39.01.

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29 Family income for purposes of a student who is currently in
30 foster care as defined in s. 39.01 shall consist only of the
31 income that may be considered in determining whether he or she
32 qualifies for free or reduced-price school lunches under the
33 National School Lunch Act.

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37 And the title is amended as follows:

38 Delete line(s) 5-6

39 and insert:

40 that specified students who are currently or have been in
41 foster care are eligible for participation in the program;
42 providing that siblings of certain students are eligible
43 for participation in the program; providing income
44 criteria for continuation of scholarships for students in
45 foster care; revising provisions