

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

Comm: RCS 04/07/2009

The Policy and Steering Committee on Ways and Means (Lynn) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 855 - 964 and insert:

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Section 21. Effective upon this act becoming a law subsection (5) of section 1011.32, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 1011.32 Community College Facility Enhancement Challenge Grant Program. -
- (5) A project may not be initiated unless all private funds for planning, construction, and equipping the facility have been

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received and deposited in the direct-support organization's matching account for this purpose and the state's share for the minimum amount of funds needed to begin the project has been appropriated by the Legislature. However, this requirement does not preclude the community college or direct-support organization from expending available funds from private sources to develop a prospectus, including preliminary architectural schematics or models, for use in its efforts to raise private funds for a facility and for site preparation, planning, and construction. Such facilities are not eligible to be submitted for state support for operations until the state matching funds have been provided. The Legislature may appropriate the state's matching funds in one or more fiscal years for the planning, construction, and equipping of an eligible facility. Each community college shall notify all donors of private funds of a substantial delay in the availability of state matching funds for this program. However, these requirements shall not preclude the community college or direct-support organization from expending available funds from private sources to develop a prospectus, including preliminary architectural schematics and/or models, for use in its efforts to raise private funds for a facility. Additionally, any private sources of funds expended for this purpose are eligible for state matching funds should the project materialize as provided for in this section.

Section 22. Subsection (4) of section 1011.83, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 1011.83 Financial support of community colleges.-
- (4) State policy for funding for baccalaureate degree programs approved pursuant to s. 1007.33 shall be as provided in

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the General Appropriations Act 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.

Section 23. Subsection (12) is added to section 1011.85, Florida Statutes, to read:

- 1011.85 Dr. Philip Benjamin Matching Grant Program for Community Colleges. -
- (12) Each community college shall notify all donors of private funds of a substantial delay in the availability of state matching funds for this program.

Section 24. Subsection (7) is added to section 1011.94, Florida Statutes, to read:

- 1011.94 University Major Gifts Program. -
- (7) Each university shall notify all donors of private funds of a substantial delay in the availability of state matching funds for this program.

Section 25. Section 1012.83, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 1012.83 Contracts with administrative and instructional staff.-
- (1) Each person employed in an administrative or instructional capacity in a community college shall be entitled to a contract as provided by rules of the State Board of



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(2) A community college board of trustees may not enter into an employment contract that requires the community college to pay an employee an amount from appropriated state funds in excess of 1 year of the employee's annual salary for termination, buy-out, or any other type of contract settlement. This subsection does not prohibit the payment of leave and benefits accrued by the employee in accordance with the community college's leave and benefits policies before the contract terminates.

Section 26. Effective upon this act becoming a law subsection (5) of section 1013.79, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1013.79 University Facility Enhancement Challenge Grant Program.-

(5) A project may not be initiated unless all private funds for planning, construction, and equipping the facility have been received and deposited in the separate university program account designated for this purpose. However, these requirements do not preclude the university from expending funds derived from private sources to develop a prospectus, including preliminary architectural schematics or models, for use in its efforts to raise private funds for a facility, and for site preparation, planning, and construction. Such facilities are not eligible to be submitted for state support for operations until the state matching funds have been provided and the state's share for the minimum amount of funds needed to begin the project has been appropriated by the Legislature. The Board of Governors shall establish a method for validating the receipt and deposit of



private matching funds. The Legislature may appropriate the state's matching funds in one or more fiscal years for the planning, construction, and equipping of an eligible facility. Each university shall notify all donors of private funds of a substantial delay in the availability of state matching funds for this program. However, these requirements shall not preclude the university from expending available funds from private sources to develop a prospectus, including preliminary architectural schematics or models, for use in its efforts to raise private funds for a facility. Additionally, any private sources of funds expended for this purpose are eligible for state matching funds should the project materialize as provided for in this section.

Section 27. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2009.

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Program; providing effective dates.