

1                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to state funding for medical student  
 3           education; requiring state funding for medical student  
 4           education at state university colleges of medicine using a  
 5           funding methodology that provides a base level of state  
 6           support on a per-student basis; providing requirements for  
 7           the funding methodology to be determined by the Board of  
 8           Governors of the State University System in consultation  
 9           with the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government  
 10          Accountability; requiring an annual update of the funding  
 11          methodology; providing for startup funding for new medical  
 12          schools; authorizing supplemental funding; requiring  
 13          maintenance of college accreditation; providing an  
 14          effective date.

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

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 18           Section 1. Apportionment of state funds for medical  
 19           student education.--

20           (1) To provide appropriate and equitable funding for  
 21           medical student education, the state shall use a funding  
 22           methodology that provides a consistent base level of state  
 23           support on a per-student basis at all colleges of medicine at  
 24           state universities regardless of which public institution the  
 25           student attends. The funding methodology shall be based on costs  
 26           associated with the 4-year Doctor of Medicine degree as  
 27           determined by the Board of Governors of the State University  
 28           System in consultation with the Office of Program Policy

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29 Analysis and Government Accountability. The funding methodology  
30 shall be updated annually based on inflation and the cost of  
31 other policy adjustments.

32 (2) New medical schools that may be authorized by the  
33 Legislature may receive startup funding that is not provided on  
34 a per-student basis until such time as the first class has  
35 graduated.

36 (3) In addition to the per-student, base-level funding,  
37 any college of medicine at a state university may be provided a  
38 per-student supplement to support its unique mission or other  
39 policy initiatives of the Legislature. Supplemental per-student  
40 funding shall be determined by the Board of Governors of the  
41 State University System in consultation with the Office of  
42 Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability.

43 (4) In order for a college of medicine at a state  
44 university to receive funding pursuant to this section, the  
45 college of medicine must maintain its accreditation.

46 (5) A college of medicine at a state university may seek  
47 nonstate funds to augment funds received under the provisions of  
48 this section.

49 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.