

By Senator Siplin

19-00019-12

2012106__

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to postsecondary student fees;
3 providing an exemption from payment of nonresident
4 tuition at a state university or a Florida College
5 System institution for a student who meets specified
6 requirements; requiring that the Board of Governors of
7 the State University System adopt regulations and the
8 State Board of Education adopt rules; providing an
9 effective date.

10
11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

12
13 Section 1. Nonresident tuition exemption.—

14 (1) Beginning with the 2012 fall term, a student, other
15 than a nonimmigrant alien within the meaning of 8 U.S.C. s.
16 1101(a)(15), is exempt from paying nonresident tuition at a
17 state university or a Florida College System institution if the
18 student:

19 (a) Attended high school in the state for 3 or more
20 consecutive or nonconsecutive years;

21 (b) Graduated from a high school in the state or attained a
22 high school equivalency diploma pursuant to s. 1003.435, Florida
23 Statutes;

24 (c) Registered as an entering student or is currently
25 enrolled at a state university or a Florida College System
26 institution; and

27 (d) In the case of a student without lawful immigration
28 status, files an affidavit with the state university or the
29 Florida College System institution stating that the student has

19-00019-12

2012106__

30 filed an application to legalize his or her immigration status
31 or will file an application as soon as he or she is eligible to
32 do so.

33 (2) The Board of Governors shall adopt regulations and the
34 State Board of Education shall adopt rules to administer this
35 section.

36 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.