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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to postsecondary education tuition;  
3 amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; providing that a dependent  
4 child who lived in the state with a parent before the  
5 parent's death and who continues to live in the state  
6 with an adult who is not the child's parent while  
7 completing the requirements for a high school diploma  
8 may qualify as a resident for tuition purposes  
9 regardless of whether a parent who does not live in  
10 the state claims the minor as a dependent pursuant to  
11 federal income tax provisions; providing an effective  
12 date.

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

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16 Section 1. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (2) of  
17 section 1009.21, Florida Statutes, to read:

18 1009.21 Determination of resident status for tuition  
19 purposes.—Students shall be classified as residents or  
20 nonresidents for the purpose of assessing tuition in  
21 postsecondary educational programs offered by charter technical  
22 career centers or career centers operated by school districts,  
23 in Florida College System institutions, and in state  
24 universities.

25 (2)

26 (d) The legal residence of a dependent child who lived in  
27 this state with a parent before the parent's death and who  
28 continues to live in this state with an adult who is not the  
29 child's parent while completing the requirements for a high

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30 school diploma may qualify as a resident for tuition purposes  
31 regardless of whether a parent who does not live in this state  
32 claims the minor as a dependent pursuant to federal income tax  
33 provisions.

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