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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Senator Legg moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 243.52, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

243.52 Definitions.—As used in ss. 243.50-243.77, the term:

(3) "Project" means a structure suitable for use as a
dormitory or other housing facility, dining hall, student union,
administration building, academic building, library, laboratory,
research facility, classroom, athletic facility, health care



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12 facility, and maintenance, storage, or utility facility, and
13 other structures or facilities related thereto, or required
14 thereto, or required or useful for the instruction of students,
15 or the conducting of research, or the operation of an
16 institution of higher education, including parking and other
17 facilities or structures, essential or convenient for the
18 orderly conduct of such institution of higher education and
19 shall also include equipment and machinery and other similar
20 items necessary or convenient for the operation of a particular
21 facility or structure in the manner for which its use is
22 intended but shall not include such items as books, fuel,
23 supplies or other items which are customarily deemed to result
24 in a current operating charge. The term also ~~dormitory, student~~
25 ~~service facility, parking facility, administration building,~~
26 ~~academic building, or library~~ and includes a loan in
27 anticipation of tuition revenues by an institution of higher
28 education, as defined in subsection (6).

29 Section 2. Subsection (15) of section 1001.03, Florida
30 Statutes, is amended to read:

31 1001.03 Specific powers of State Board of Education.—

32 (15) FLORIDA COLLEGE SYSTEM INSTITUTION BACCALAUREATE
33 DEGREE PROGRAMS.—The State Board of Education shall provide for
34 the review and approval of proposals by Florida College System
35 institutions to offer baccalaureate degree programs pursuant to
36 s. 1007.33. A Florida College System institution, as defined in
37 s. 1000.21, that is approved to offer baccalaureate degrees
38 pursuant to s. 1007.33 remains under the authority of the State
39 Board of Education and the Florida College System institution's
40 board of trustees. The State Board of Education may not approve



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41 Florida College System institution baccalaureate degree program
42 proposals from March 31, 2014, through May 31, 2015.

43 Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 1004.32, Florida
44 Statutes, is amended and subsection (4) is added to that section
45 to read:

46 1004.32 New College of Florida.—

47 (1) MISSION AND GOALS.—New College of Florida with a campus
48 in Sarasota County serves a distinctive mission as the ~~4-year~~
49 ~~residential~~ liberal arts honors college of the State of Florida.
50 To maintain this mission, New College of Florida has the
51 following goals:

52 (a) To provide a quality education to students of high
53 ability who, because of their ability, deserve a program of
54 study that is both demanding and stimulating.

55 (b) To engage in ~~undergraduate~~ educational reform by
56 combining educational innovation with educational excellence.

57 (c) To provide programs of study that allow students to
58 design their educational experience as much as possible in
59 accordance with their individual interests, values, and
60 abilities.

61 (d) To challenge students ~~undergraduates~~ not only to master
62 existing bodies of knowledge but also to extend the frontiers of
63 knowledge through original research.

64 (4) MASTER IN DATA SCIENCE AND ANALYTICS.—New College of
65 Florida shall establish a 2-year master's degree program in data
66 science and analytics upon approval from the Board of Governors.
67 This subsection shall be implemented to the extent funding is
68 provided in the General Appropriations Act.

69 Section 4. Subsection (4) of section 1007.33, Florida



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70 Statutes, is amended to read:

71 1007.33 Site-determined baccalaureate degree access.—

72 (4) A Florida College System institution may:

73 (a) Offer specified baccalaureate degree programs through
74 formal agreements between the Florida College System institution
75 and other regionally accredited postsecondary educational
76 institutions pursuant to s. 1007.22.

77 (b) Offer baccalaureate degree programs that were
78 authorized by law prior to July 1, 2009.

79 (c) Beginning July 1, 2009, establish a first or subsequent
80 baccalaureate degree program for purposes of meeting district,
81 regional, or statewide workforce needs if approved by the State
82 Board of Education under this section.

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84 Beginning July 1, 2009, the Board of Trustees of the St.
85 Petersburg College is authorized to establish one or more
86 bachelor of applied science degree programs based on an analysis
87 of workforce needs in Pinellas, Pasco, and Hernando Counties and
88 other counties approved by the Department of Education. For each
89 program selected, St. Petersburg College must offer a related
90 associate in science or associate in applied science degree
91 program, and the baccalaureate degree level program must be
92 designed to articulate fully with at least one associate in
93 science degree program. The college is encouraged to develop
94 articulation agreements for enrollment of graduates of related
95 associate in applied science degree programs. The Board of
96 Trustees of the St. Petersburg College is authorized to
97 establish additional baccalaureate degree programs if it
98 determines a program is warranted and feasible based on each of



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99 the factors in paragraph (5)(d). However, the Board of Trustees
100 of the St. Petersburg College may not establish any new
101 baccalaureate degree programs from March 31, 2014, through May
102 31, 2015. Prior to developing or proposing a new baccalaureate
103 degree program, St. Petersburg College shall engage in need,
104 demand, and impact discussions with the state university in its
105 service district and other local and regional, accredited
106 postsecondary providers in its region. Documentation, data, and
107 other information from inter-institutional discussions regarding
108 program need, demand, and impact shall be provided to the
109 college's board of trustees to inform the program approval
110 process. Employment at St. Petersburg College is governed by the
111 same laws that govern Florida College System institutions,
112 except that upper-division faculty are eligible for continuing
113 contracts upon the completion of the fifth year of teaching.
114 Employee records for all personnel shall be maintained as
115 required by s. 1012.81.

116 Section 5. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section
117 1009.531, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

118 1009.531 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program;
119 student eligibility requirements for initial awards.-

120 (2)

121 (c) A student graduating from high school in the 2012-2013
122 academic year and thereafter is eligible to accept an initial
123 award for 2 years following high school graduation and to accept
124 a renewal award for 5 years following high school graduation. A
125 student who applies for an award by high school graduation and
126 who meets all other eligibility requirements, but who does not
127 accept his or her award, may reapply during subsequent



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128 application periods up to 2 years after high school graduation.
129 For a student who enlists in the United States Armed Forces
130 immediately after completion of high school, the 2-year
131 eligibility period for his or her initial award and the 5-year
132 renewal period shall begin upon the date of separation from
133 active duty. For a student who is receiving a Florida Bright
134 Futures Scholarship award and discontinues his or her education
135 to enlist in the United States Armed Forces, the remainder of
136 his or her 5-year renewal period shall commence upon the date of
137 separation from active duty. For a student who is unable to
138 accept an initial award immediately after completion of high
139 school due to a full-time religious or service obligation for at
140 least 18 months, the 2-year eligibility period for his or her
141 initial award and the 5-year renewal period begin upon the
142 completion of his or her religious or service obligation. The
143 full-time religious or service obligation must be documented in
144 writing and verified by the entity for which the student
145 completed such obligation. If a course of study is not completed
146 after 5 academic years, an exception of 1 year to the renewal
147 timeframe may be granted due to a verifiable illness or other
148 documented emergency pursuant to s. 1009.40(1)(b)4.

149 Section 6. Subsection (1) of section 1009.534, Florida
150 Statutes, is amended to read:

151 1009.534 Florida Academic Scholars award.—

152 (1) A student is eligible for a Florida Academic Scholars
153 award if he or she ~~the student~~ meets the general eligibility
154 requirements for the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program
155 and ~~the student~~:

156 (a) Has achieved a 3.5 weighted grade point average as



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157 calculated pursuant to s. 1009.531, or its equivalent, in high
158 school courses that are designated by the State Board of
159 Education as college-preparatory academic courses, and has
160 attained at least the score required under ~~pursuant to~~ s.
161 1009.531(6) (a) on the combined verbal and quantitative parts of
162 the Scholastic Aptitude Test, the Scholastic Assessment Test, or
163 the recentered Scholastic Assessment Test of the College
164 Entrance Examination, or an equivalent score on the ACT
165 Assessment Program;

166 (b) Has attended a home education program according to s.
167 1002.41 during grades 11 and 12, ~~or~~ has completed the
168 International Baccalaureate curriculum but failed to earn the
169 International Baccalaureate Diploma, or has completed the
170 Advanced International Certificate of Education curriculum but
171 failed to earn the Advanced International Certificate of
172 Education Diploma, and has attained at least the score required
173 under ~~pursuant to~~ s. 1009.531(6) (a) on the combined verbal and
174 quantitative parts of the Scholastic Aptitude Test, the
175 Scholastic Assessment Test, or the recentered Scholastic
176 Assessment Test of the College Entrance Examination, or an
177 equivalent score on the ACT Assessment Program;

178 (c) Has been awarded an International Baccalaureate Diploma
179 from the International Baccalaureate Office or an Advanced
180 International Certificate of Education Diploma from the
181 University of Cambridge International Examinations Office;

182 (d) Has been recognized by the merit or achievement
183 programs of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation as a
184 scholar or finalist; or

185 (e) Has been recognized by the National Hispanic



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186 Recognition Program as a scholar recipient.

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188 The A student must complete a program of volunteer community
189 service work, as approved by the district school board, the
190 administrators of a nonpublic school, or the Department of
191 Education for home education program students, which must shall
192 include a minimum of 75 hours of service work for high school
193 students graduating in the 2010-2011 academic year and 100 hours
194 of service work for high school students graduating in the 2011-
195 2012 academic year and thereafter. The student , and must
196 identify a social or civic issue or a professional area problem
197 that interests him or her, develop a plan for his or her
198 personal involvement in addressing the issue or learning about
199 the area problem, and, through papers or other presentations,
200 evaluate and reflect upon his or her experience. The student may
201 not receive remuneration or academic credit for the volunteer
202 service work performed. Such work may include, but is not
203 limited to, a business or government internship, work for a
204 nonprofit community service organization, or activity on behalf
205 of a candidate for public office. The hours of service work must
206 be documented in writing, and the document must be signed by the
207 student, the student's parent or guardian, and a representative
208 of the organization for which the student performed the service
209 work.

210 Section 7. Subsection (1) of section 1009.535, Florida
211 Statutes, is amended to read:

212 1009.535 Florida Medallion Scholars award.—

213 (1) A student is eligible for a Florida Medallion Scholars
214 award if he or she ~~the student~~ meets the general eligibility



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215 requirements for the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program
216 and ~~the student~~:

217 (a) Has achieved a weighted grade point average of 3.0 as
218 calculated pursuant to s. 1009.531, or the equivalent, in high
219 school courses that are designated by the State Board of
220 Education as college-preparatory academic courses; and has
221 attained at least the score required under ~~pursuant to~~ s.
222 1009.531(6) (b) on the combined verbal and quantitative parts of
223 the Scholastic Aptitude Test, the Scholastic Assessment Test, or
224 the recentered Scholastic Assessment Test of the College
225 Entrance Examination, or an equivalent score on the ACT
226 Assessment Program;

227 (b) Has completed the International Baccalaureate
228 curriculum but failed to earn the International Baccalaureate
229 Diploma or has completed the Advanced International Certificate
230 of Education curriculum but failed to earn the Advanced
231 International Certificate of Education Diploma, and has attained
232 at least the score required under ~~pursuant to~~ s. 1009.531(6) (b)
233 on the combined verbal and quantitative parts of the Scholastic
234 Aptitude Test, the Scholastic Assessment Test, or the recentered
235 Scholastic Assessment Test of the College Entrance Examination,
236 or an equivalent score on the ACT Assessment Program;

237 (c) Has attended a home education program according to s.
238 1002.41 during grades 11 and 12 and has attained at least the
239 score required under ~~pursuant to~~ s. 1009.531(6) (b) on the
240 combined verbal and quantitative parts of the Scholastic
241 Aptitude Test, the Scholastic Assessment Test, or the recentered
242 Scholastic Assessment Test of the College Entrance Examination,
243 or an equivalent score on the ACT Assessment Program, if the



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244 student's parent cannot document a college-preparatory
245 curriculum as described in paragraph (a);

246 (d) Has been recognized by the merit or achievement program
247 of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation as a scholar or
248 finalist but has not completed the a program of volunteer
249 community service work required under as provided in s.
250 1009.534; or

251 (e) Has been recognized by the National Hispanic
252 Recognition Program as a scholar, but has not completed the a
253 program of volunteer community service work required under as
254 provided in s. 1009.534.

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256 The A high school student graduating in the 2011-2012 academic
257 year and thereafter must complete at least 75 hours a program of
258 volunteer community service work approved by the district school
259 board, the administrators of a nonpublic school, or the
260 Department of Education for home education program students. The
261 student, which shall include a minimum of 75 hours of service
262 work, and must identify a social or civic issue or professional
263 area problem that interests him or her, develop a plan for his
264 or her personal involvement in addressing the issue or learning
265 about the area problem, and, through papers or other
266 presentations, evaluate and reflect upon his or her experience.
267 The student may not receive remuneration or academic credit for
268 the volunteer service work performed. Such work may include, but
269 is not limited to, a business or government internship, work for
270 a nonprofit community service organization, or activity on
271 behalf of a candidate for public office. The hours of service
272 work must be documented in writing, and the document must be



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273 signed by the student, the student's parent or guardian, and a
274 representative of the organization for which the student
275 performed the service work.

276 Section 8. Subsection (1) of section 1009.536, Florida
277 Statutes, is amended to read:

278 1009.536 Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars award.—The
279 Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars award is created within
280 the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program to recognize and
281 reward academic achievement and career preparation by high
282 school students who wish to continue their education.

283 (1) A student is eligible for a Florida Gold Seal
284 Vocational Scholars award if he or she ~~the student~~ meets the
285 general eligibility requirements for the Florida Bright Futures
286 Scholarship Program and ~~the student~~:

287 (a) Completes the secondary school portion of a sequential
288 program of studies that requires at least three secondary school
289 career credits. On-the-job training may not be substituted for
290 any of the three required career credits.

291 (b) Demonstrates readiness for postsecondary education by
292 earning a passing score on the Florida College Entry Level
293 Placement Test or its equivalent as identified by the Department
294 of Education.

295 (c) Earns a minimum cumulative weighted grade point average
296 of 3.0, as calculated pursuant to s. 1009.531, on all subjects
297 required for a standard high school diploma, excluding elective
298 courses.

299 (d) Earns a minimum unweighted grade point average of 3.5
300 on a 4.0 scale for secondary career courses that compose
301 ~~comprising~~ the career program.



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302 (e) Beginning with high school students graduating in the
303 2011-2012 academic year and thereafter, completes at least 30
304 hours a program of volunteer community service work approved by
305 the district school board, the administrators of a nonpublic
306 school, or the Department of Education for home education
307 program students. The student must identify, which shall include
308 a minimum of 30 hours of service work, and identifies a social
309 or civic issue or a professional area problem that interests him
310 or her, develop develops a plan for his or her personal
311 involvement in addressing the issue or learning about the area
312 problem, and, through papers or other presentations, evaluate
313 evaluates and reflect reflects upon his or her experience. The
314 student may not receive remuneration or academic credit for the
315 volunteer service work performed. Such work may include, but is
316 not limited to, a business or government internship, work for a
317 nonprofit community service organization, or activity on behalf
318 of a candidate for public office. The hours of service work must
319 be documented in writing, and the document must be signed by the
320 student, the student's parent or guardian, and a representative
321 of the organization for which the student performed the service
322 work.

323 Section 9. Subsection (1) and paragraph (a) of subsection
324 (2) of section 1009.55, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

325 1009.55 Rosewood Family Scholarship Program.—

326 (1) There is created a Rosewood Family Scholarship Program
327 for the direct descendants of the Rosewood families, not to
328 exceed 50 ~~25~~ scholarships per year.

329 (2) The Rosewood Family Scholarship Program shall be
330 administered by the Department of Education. The State Board of



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331 Education shall adopt rules for administering this program which
332 shall at a minimum provide for the following:

333 (a) The annual award to a student shall be up to \$6,100
334 ~~\$4,000~~ but should not exceed an amount in excess of tuition and
335 registration fees.

336 Section 10. Paragraph (n) of subsection (21) of section
337 1007.271, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

338 1007.271 Dual enrollment programs.—

339 (21) Each district school superintendent and Florida
340 College System institution president shall develop a
341 comprehensive dual enrollment articulation agreement for the
342 respective school district and Florida College System
343 institution. The superintendent and president shall establish an
344 articulation committee for the purpose of developing the
345 agreement. Each state university president may designate a
346 university representative to participate in the development of a
347 dual enrollment articulation agreement. A dual enrollment
348 articulation agreement shall be completed and submitted annually
349 by the Florida College System institution to the Department of
350 Education on or before August 1. The agreement must include, but
351 is not limited to:

352 (n) A funding provision that delineates costs incurred by
353 each entity. School districts shall pay the standard tuition
354 rate per credit hour from funds provided in the Florida
355 Education Finance Program to the institution providing
356 instruction when such instruction takes place on the
357 postsecondary campus to cover instructional and support costs
358 incurred by the postsecondary institution. When dual enrollment
359 is provided on the high school site by postsecondary institution



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360 faculty, the school district shall reimburse the costs
361 associated with the proportion of salary and benefits and other
362 actual costs of the postsecondary institution to provide the
363 instruction. When dual enrollment is provided on the high school
364 site by school district faculty, the school district shall be
365 responsible only for the postsecondary institution's actual
366 costs associated with offering the program. A school district
367 may not pay for any costs incurred under this paragraph for
368 summer term dual enrollment courses. A postsecondary institution
369 may enter into an agreement with the school district to
370 authorize teachers who teach dual enrollment courses at the high
371 school site or the postsecondary institution. A school district
372 may not deny a student access to dual enrollment unless the
373 student is ineligible to participate in the program subject to
374 provisions specifically outlined in this section.

375 Section 11. The amendments to ss. 1001.03 and 1007.33,
376 Florida Statutes, made by this act shall take effect upon this
377 act becoming a law and shall apply retroactively to March 31,
378 2014.

379 Section 12. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
380 act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon
381 this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1,
382 2014.

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384 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====
385 And the title is amended as follows:

386 Delete everything before the enacting clause
387 and insert:

388 A bill to be entitled



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389 An act relating to postsecondary education; amending
390 s. 243.52, F.S.; expanding the definition of the term
391 "project" as it relates to the Higher Educational
392 Facilities Financing Act; amending s. 1001.03, F.S.;
393 prohibiting the State Board of Education from
394 approving Florida College System institution
395 baccalaureate degree program proposals between
396 specified dates; amending s. 1004.32, F.S.; revising
397 the mission and goals of the New College of Florida;
398 requiring the New College of Florida to establish a
399 specified master's degree program; amending s.
400 1007.33, F.S.; prohibiting the Board of Trustees of
401 the St. Petersburg College from establishing new
402 baccalaureate degree programs between specified dates;
403 amending s. 1009.531, F.S.; providing that the initial
404 award and renewal period for students who are unable
405 to accept an initial award immediately after
406 completion of high school due to a full-time religious
407 or service obligation begins upon the completion of
408 the religious or service obligation; requiring
409 verification from the entity for which the student
410 completed such obligation; amending ss. 1009.534,
411 1009.535, and 1009.536, F.S.; requiring a student, as
412 a prerequisite for the Florida Academic Scholars
413 award, the Florida Medallion Scholars award, or the
414 Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars award, to
415 identify a social or civic issue or a professional
416 area of interest and develop a plan for his or her
417 personal involvement in addressing the issue or



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418 learning about the area; prohibiting the student from
419 receiving remuneration or academic credit for the
420 volunteer service work performed; providing examples
421 of volunteer service work; requiring that the hours of
422 volunteer service work performed be documented in
423 writing and the document be signed by the student, the
424 student's parent or guardian, and a representative of
425 the organization for which the student performed the
426 volunteer service work; deleting obsolete provisions;
427 amending s. 1009.55, F.S.; increasing the annual
428 maximum number of scholarships that may be awarded in
429 the Rosewood Family Scholarship Program; increasing
430 the annual maximum award amount per student; amending
431 s. 1007.271, F.S.; prohibiting a school district from
432 paying for any costs incurred for summer term dual
433 enrollment courses; providing for retroactive
434 application; providing effective dates.