

By Senator Soto

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to the William L. Boyd, IV, Florida  
3       Resident Access Grant Program; amending s. 1009.89,  
4       F.S.; providing that an independent college or  
5       university that was a successor by merger to certain  
6       independent colleges or universities is eligible to  
7       receive William L. Boyd, IV, Florida resident access  
8       grant payments; providing an effective date.

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

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12       Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 1009.89, Florida  
13       Statutes, is amended to read:

14       1009.89 The William L. Boyd, IV, Florida resident access  
15       grants.—

16       (3) The department shall issue through the program a  
17       William L. Boyd, IV, Florida resident access grant to any full-  
18       time degree-seeking undergraduate student registered at an  
19       independent nonprofit college or university which is located in  
20       and chartered by the state; which is accredited by the  
21       Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges  
22       and Schools; which grants baccalaureate degrees; which is not a  
23       state university or Florida College System institution; and  
24       which has a secular purpose, so long as the receipt of state aid  
25       by students at the institution would not have the primary effect  
26       of advancing or impeding religion or result in an excessive  
27       entanglement between the state and any religious sect. Any  
28       independent college or university that was eligible to receive  
29       tuition vouchers on January 1, 1989, and which continues to meet

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30 the criteria under which its eligibility was established, or  
31 that on July 1, 2013, was a successor by merger to an  
32 independent college or university that was eligible to receive  
33 access grant payments under this section, shall remain eligible  
34 to receive William L. Boyd, IV, Florida resident access grant  
35 payments.

36 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.