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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative Smith, C. offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Between lines 837 and 838, insert:

5 Section 14. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
6 1009.40, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

7 1009.40 General requirements for student eligibility for
8 state financial aid awards and tuition assistance grants.-

9 (1)(a) The general requirements for eligibility of
10 students for state financial aid awards and tuition assistance
11 grants consist of the following:

12 1. Achievement of the academic requirements of and
13 acceptance at a state university or Florida College System

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14 institution; a nursing diploma school approved by the Florida
15 Board of Nursing; a Florida college or university which is
16 accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the State
17 Board of Education; a Florida institution the credits of which
18 are acceptable for transfer to state universities; a career
19 center; or a private career institution accredited by an
20 accrediting agency recognized by the State Board of Education.
21 However, a student may not be denied classification as a
22 resident for purposes of receiving state financial aid awards
23 based solely upon his or her immigration status if he or she has
24 been granted deferred action for childhood arrivals status by
25 the United States Department of Homeland Security.

26 2. Residency in this state for no less than 1 year
27 preceding the award of aid or a tuition assistance grant for a
28 program established pursuant to s. 1009.50, s. 1009.505, s.
29 1009.51, s. 1009.52, s. 1009.53, s. 1009.60, s. 1009.62, s.
30 1009.72, s. 1009.73, s. 1009.77, s. 1009.89, or s. 1009.891.
31 Residency in this state must be for purposes other than to
32 obtain an education. Resident status for purposes of receiving
33 state financial aid awards shall be determined in the same
34 manner as resident status for tuition purposes pursuant to s.
35 1009.21.

36 3. Submission of certification attesting to the accuracy,
37 completeness, and correctness of information provided to
38 demonstrate a student's eligibility to receive state financial

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39 aid awards or tuition assistance grants. Falsification of such
40 information shall result in the denial of a pending application
41 and revocation of an award or grant currently held to the extent
42 that no further payments shall be made. Additionally, students
43 who knowingly make false statements in order to receive state
44 financial aid awards or tuition assistance grants commit a
45 misdemeanor of the second degree subject to the provisions of s.
46 837.06 and shall be required to return all state financial aid
47 awards or tuition assistance grants wrongfully obtained.
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51 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

52 Remove line 122 and insert:
53 surcharge; amending s. 1009.40, F.S.; providing that a
54 student may not be denied classification as a resident
55 for purposes of receiving state financial aid awards
56 based on his or her immigration status if certain
57 criteria are met; amending s. 1009.53, F.S.; removing
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