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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Appropriations Committee on Education (Grall) recommended the following:

1           **Senate Amendment to Amendment (459430) (with title**  
2 **amendment)**

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4           Delete lines 597 - 633  
5 and insert:

6           (18) (a) For every course in a Program of Strategic  
7 Emphasis, or in a state-approved teacher preparation program  
8 identified by the Board of Governors, as identified in  
9 subparagraph 3., in which a student is enrolled, a state  
10 university shall waive 100 percent of the tuition and fees for



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11 an equivalent course in such program for a student who:  
12       1. Is a resident for tuition purposes under s. 1009.21.  
13       2. Has earned at least 60 semester credit hours towards a  
14 baccalaureate degree within 2 academic years after initial  
15 enrollment at a Florida public postsecondary institution.  
16       3. Enrolls in one of 10 Programs of Strategic Emphasis as  
17 adopted by the Board of Governors or in one of two state-  
18 approved teacher preparation programs identified by the Board of  
19 Governors. The Board of Governors shall adopt eight Programs of  
20 Strategic Emphasis in science, technology, engineering, or math;  
21 ~~and~~, beginning with the 2022-2023 academic year, two Programs of  
22 Strategic Emphasis in the critical workforce gap analysis  
23 category; and beginning with the 2023-2024 academic year, two  
24 state-approved teacher preparation programs for which a student  
25 may be eligible to receive the tuition and fee waiver authorized  
26 by this subsection. The programs identified by the board must  
27 reflect the priorities of the state and be offered at a majority  
28 of state universities at the time the Board of Governors  
29 approves the list.  
30       (b) A waiver granted under this subsection is applicable  
31 only for upper-level courses and up to 110 percent of the number  
32 of required credit hours of the baccalaureate degree program for  
33 which the student is enrolled. A student granted a waiver under  
34 this subsection shall continue receiving the waiver until the  
35 student graduates, exceeds the number of allowable credit hours,  
36 or withdraws from an eligible program, regardless of whether the  
37 program is removed from the approved list of eligible programs  
38 subsequent to the student's enrollment.  
39       (c) Upon enrollment in a Program of Strategic Emphasis or



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40 in one of two teacher preparation programs identified by the  
41 Board of Governors, the tuition and fees waived under this  
42 subsection must be reported for state funding purposes under ss.  
43 1009.534 and 1009.535 and must be disbursed to the student. The  
44 amount disbursed to the student must ~~shall~~ be equal to the award  
45 amount the student has received under s. 1009.534(2) or s.  
46 1009.535(2).

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48 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

49 And the title is amended as follows:

50 Delete lines 728 - 730

51 and insert:

52 amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; requiring the Board of  
53 Governors to identify state-approved teacher  
54 preparation programs eligible for a tuition waiver;  
55 providing that certain