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1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to Collegiate Purple Star Campuses; 3 creating s. 1004.071, F.S.; defining the term "military student"; requiring the State Board of 4 5 Education to adopt rules and the Board of Governors to 6 adopt regulations to establish the Collegiate Purple 7 Star Campuses program; specifying program criteria for participating Florida College System institutions, 8 9 state universities, and career centers; providing an effective date. 10 11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 12 13 Section 1. Section 1004.071, Florida Statutes, is created 14 15 to read: 16 1004.071 Collegiate Purple Star Campuses.-(1) As used in this section, the term "military student" 17 18 means a student who is: 19 (a) Enrolled in a Florida College System institution, 20 state university, or career center. 21 (b) A dependent of a current member of the United States 22 military serving on active duty in, or a dependent of a former 23 member of, the Army, Navy, Air Force, Space Force, Marine Corps, 24 or Coast Guard; a reserve component of any branch of the United 25 States military; or the Florida National Guard.

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(2) (a) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules, and the Board of Governors shall adopt regulations, to establish the Collegiate Purple Star Campuses program. At a minimum, the program must require a participating Florida College System institution, state university, or career center to:

- 1. Designate a staff member as a military liaison.
- 2. Maintain a web page on the Florida College System institution or state university's website which includes resources for military students and their families.

- 3. Maintain a student-led transition program that assists military students in transitioning to the Florida College System institution or state university.
- 4. Offer professional development training opportunities for staff members on issues relating to military students.
- 5. Provide priority course registration for military students.
- (b) The State Board of Education and the Board of
  Governors may establish additional criteria to identify Florida
  College System institutions and career centers, or state
  universities, respectively, that demonstrate a commitment to or
  provide critical transition supports for military-connected
  families, such as hosting an annual military recognition event,
  partnering with a school liaison officer from a military
  installation, supporting projects that connect the Florida
  College System institution, state university, or career center

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52	parents and their childre	n.				

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

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