

By the Committee on Appropriations

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to higher education; amending s.  
3           464.0195, F.S.; establishing the Florida Center for  
4           Nursing within the University of South Florida;  
5           requiring the center to administer the Linking  
6           Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund; requiring  
7           the center to promote the availability of LINE  
8           funding; requiring the center to publish on its  
9           website guidelines the LINE Fund administration;  
10          amending s. 1009.24, F.S.; revising programs for which  
11          the Board of Governors may establish tuition;  
12          authorizing a university board of trustees to  
13          establish out-of-state fees for nonresident students;  
14          requiring the Board of Governors to ensure a certain  
15          threshold is not exceeded; deleting a provision  
16          requiring that a certain fee not exceed a specified  
17          amount; deleting a requirement for a block tuition  
18          policy for nonresident undergraduate students;  
19          amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; requiring a state  
20          university to waive a student's out-of-pocket expenses  
21          under certain conditions; deleting a requirement for a  
22          certain fee waiver; amending s. 1009.8962, F.S.;  
23          revising legislative intent regarding the  
24          establishment of the LINE Fund; defining the term  
25          "center"; revising the definition of the term "health  
26          care partner"; revising how certain funds may or may  
27          not be used; revising participation requirements for  
28          LINE funding; providing examples of allowable LINE  
29          contributions; providing requirements for accepting

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30 certain contributions; requiring the center, rather  
31 than the Board of Governors, to review and evaluate  
32 proposals; revising criteria for such reviews and  
33 evaluations; authorizing the center to assign priority  
34 consideration for certain grant applications;  
35 requiring the center to notify grant applicants of  
36 certain information; defining terms; providing  
37 requirements for institutions with an approved  
38 proposal; authorizing the center to award funds for up  
39 to 3 academic years; requiring institutions awarded  
40 grant funds to submit a report to the center, rather  
41 than to the Board of Governors; deleting a requirement  
42 for the Board of Governors to adopt regulations and  
43 the State Board of Education to adopt rules; providing  
44 an effective date.

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

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48 Section 1. Section 464.0195, Florida Statutes, is amended  
49 to read:

50 464.0195 Florida Center for Nursing; ~~goals.~~

51 (1) There is established within the University of South  
52 Florida the Florida Center for Nursing to address issues of  
53 supply and demand for nursing, including issues of recruitment,  
54 retention, and utilization of resources that support the state's  
55 nursing ~~nurse~~ workforce ~~resources~~. The Legislature finds that  
56 the center will repay the state's investment by providing an  
57 ongoing strategy for the allocation of the state's resources  
58 directed towards nursing.

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- 59 (2) The primary goals for the center shall be to:
- 60 (a) Develop a strategic statewide plan for nursing manpower
- 61 in this state by:
- 62 1. Conducting a statistically valid biennial data-driven
- 63 gap analysis of the supply and demand of the health care
- 64 workforce. The center shall:
- 65 a. Establish and maintain a database on nursing supply and
- 66 demand in the state, to include current supply and demand.
- 67 b. Analyze the current and future supply and demand in the
- 68 state and the impact of this state's participation in the Nurse
- 69 Licensure Compact under s. 464.0095.
- 70 2. Developing recommendations to increase nurse faculty and
- 71 clinical preceptors, support nurse faculty development, and
- 72 promote advanced nurse education.
- 73 3. Developing best practices in the academic preparation
- 74 and continuing education needs of qualified nurse educators,
- 75 nurse faculty, and clinical preceptors.
- 76 4. Collecting data on nurse faculty, employment,
- 77 distribution, and retention.
- 78 5. Piloting innovative projects to support the recruitment,
- 79 development, and retention of qualified nurse faculty and
- 80 clinical preceptors.
- 81 6. Encouraging and coordinating the development of
- 82 academic-practice partnerships, including partnerships with
- 83 hospitals which provide opportunities for nursing students to
- 84 obtain clinical experience, to support nurse faculty employment
- 85 and advancement.
- 86 7. Developing distance learning infrastructure for nursing
- 87 education and advancing faculty competencies in the pedagogy of

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88 teaching and the evidence-based use of technology, simulation,  
89 and distance learning techniques.

90 (b) Enhance and promote recognition, reward, and renewal  
91 activities for nurses in the state by:

92 1. Promoting nursing excellence programs such as magnet  
93 recognition by the American Nurses Credentialing Center;

94 2. Proposing and creating additional reward, recognition,  
95 and renewal activities for nurses; and

96 3. Promoting media and positive image-building efforts for  
97 nursing.

98 (c) Convene various groups representative of nurses, other  
99 health care providers, business and industry, consumers,  
100 lawmakers, and educators to:

101 1. Review and comment on data analysis prepared for the  
102 center;

103 2. Recommend systemic changes, including strategies for  
104 implementation of recommended changes; and

105 3. Evaluate and report the results of these efforts to the  
106 Legislature and other entities.

107 (3) The Board of Nursing shall include on its initial and  
108 renewal application forms a question asking each nurse to  
109 voluntarily contribute to funding the Florida Center for Nursing  
110 in addition to paying the fees imposed at the time of licensure  
111 and licensure renewal. Revenues collected from nurses over and  
112 above the required fees shall be transferred from the Medical  
113 Quality Assurance Trust Fund to the Grants and Donations Trust  
114 Fund within the Department of Health and shall be used solely to  
115 support and maintain the goals and functions of the center.  
116 Before giving a nurse the opportunity to contribute to funding

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117 the center at the time of licensure renewal, the Board of  
118 Nursing shall provide the nurse with a summary of the center's  
119 work, a link to the center's Internet website, and the following  
120 statement: "The Florida Center for Nursing's operating revenues  
121 are derived in part from your donation. In order for the Florida  
122 Center for Nursing to continue its work on behalf of nurses,  
123 please donate."

124 (4) The center may request from the board, and the board  
125 must provide to the center upon its request, any information  
126 held by the board regarding nurses licensed in this state or  
127 holding a multistate license pursuant to s. 464.0095 or  
128 information reported to the board by employers of such nurses,  
129 other than personal identifying information.

130 (5) The center shall administer the Linking Industry to  
131 Nursing Education (LINE) Fund created by s. 1009.8962.

132 (a) The center shall proactively promote to eligible  
133 institutions the availability of matching funds through the LINE  
134 Fund before the opening of the annual application period.

135 (b) The center shall provide technical assistance to  
136 eligible institutions before, during, and after the award  
137 process to maximize the success of the program statewide.

138 (c) To administer the application, evaluation, and  
139 distribution of LINE Fund grants under s. 1009.8962, the center  
140 shall develop and make publicly available on its website the  
141 guidelines for the LINE Fund administration, including:

142 1. Any application procedures and deadlines.

143 2. The criteria for program eligibility and funding  
144 priorities.

145 3. A preapproval process to assist applicants with planning

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146 for the annual application process.

147 4. A process to ensure the fair evaluation of all submitted  
148 proposals and determination of award recipients.

149 5. The process that each type of eligible institution must  
150 follow to certify the receipt of the pledged contributions from  
151 any partner organizations before receiving any matching state  
152 funds.

153 6. Reporting and accountability standards for grant  
154 recipients that apply for or receive LINE funds, including  
155 actions the center may consider when an institution materially  
156 fails to comply with any program requirements or standards.

157 ~~(6)-(5)~~ No later than each January 10, the center shall  
158 submit a report to the Governor, the President of the Senate,  
159 and the Speaker of the House of Representatives providing  
160 details of its activities during the preceding calendar year in  
161 pursuit of its goals and in the execution of its duties under  
162 subsection (2), including a nursing education program report.  
163 The center shall annually update the report no later than  
164 February 10, to include data related to the NCLEX examination.

165 Section 2. Subsections (4) and (5), paragraph (c) of  
166 subsection (8), and paragraph (a) of subsection (15) of section  
167 1009.24, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

168 1009.24 State university student fees.—

169 (4) (a) Effective July 1, 2014, the resident undergraduate  
170 tuition for lower-level and upper-level coursework shall be  
171 \$105.07 per credit hour.

172 (b) The Board of Governors may establish tuition for  
173 graduate and professional programs ~~and out-of-state fees for all~~  
174 ~~programs. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the sum~~

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175 ~~of tuition and out-of-state fees assessed to nonresident~~  
176 ~~students must be sufficient to offset the full instructional~~  
177 ~~cost of serving such students.~~ However, adjustments to ~~out-of-~~  
178 ~~state fees or~~ tuition for graduate programs and professional  
179 programs may not exceed 15 percent in any year.

180 (c) Each university board of trustees may establish out-of-  
181 state fees for nonresident students. Except as otherwise  
182 provided in this section, the sum of tuition and out-of-state  
183 fees assessed to nonresident students must be sufficient to  
184 offset the full instructional cost of serving such students.

185 (d) Beginning with the 2026-2027 academic year, the Board  
186 of Governors shall ensure that the systemwide threshold for  
187 nonresident student enrollment, excluding the non-resident  
188 student enrollment at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical  
189 University, established pursuant to Regulation 7.006, is not  
190 exceeded.

191 (e) ~~(e)~~ The Board of Governors may consider and approve  
192 flexible tuition policies as requested by a university board of  
193 trustees in accordance with subsection (15) only to the extent  
194 such policies are in alignment with the mission of the  
195 university and do not increase the state's fiscal liability or  
196 obligations, including, but not limited to, any fiscal liability  
197 or obligation for programs authorized under ss. 1009.53-1009.538  
198 and ss. 1009.97-1009.984.

199 (f) ~~(d)~~ The sum of the activity and service, health, and  
200 athletic fees a student is required to pay to register for a  
201 course may not exceed 40 percent of the tuition established in  
202 law or in the General Appropriations Act. No university shall be  
203 required to lower any fee in effect on the effective date of

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204 this act in order to comply with this subsection. Within the 40  
205 percent cap, universities may not increase the aggregate sum of  
206 activity and service, health, and athletic fees more than 5  
207 percent per year unless specifically authorized in law or in the  
208 General Appropriations Act. A university may increase its  
209 athletic fee to defray the costs associated with changing  
210 National Collegiate Athletic Association divisions. Any such  
211 increase in the athletic fee may exceed both the 40 percent cap  
212 and the 5 percent cap imposed by this subsection. Any such  
213 increase must be approved by the athletic fee committee in the  
214 process outlined in subsection (12) and may not exceed \$2 per  
215 credit hour. Notwithstanding ss. 1009.534, 1009.535, and  
216 1009.536, that portion of any increase in an athletic fee  
217 pursuant to this subsection which causes the sum of the activity  
218 and service, health, and athletic fees to exceed the 40 percent  
219 cap or the annual increase in such fees to exceed the 5 percent  
220 cap may not be included in calculating the amount a student  
221 receives for a Florida Academic Scholars award, a Florida  
222 Medallion Scholars award, or a Florida Gold Seal Vocational  
223 Scholars award. Notwithstanding this paragraph and subject to  
224 approval by the board of trustees, each state university may  
225 exceed the 5-percent cap on the annual increase to the aggregate  
226 sum of activity and service, health, and athletic fees for the  
227 2010-2011 fiscal year. Any such increase may not exceed 15  
228 percent or the amount required to reach the 2009-2010 fiscal  
229 year statewide average for the aggregate sum of activity and  
230 service, health, and athletic fees at the main campuses,  
231 whichever is greater. The aggregate sum of the activity and  
232 service, health, and athletic fees may not exceed 40 percent of



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233 tuition. Any increase in the activity and service fee, health  
234 fee, or athletic fee must be approved by the appropriate fee  
235 committee pursuant to subsection (10), subsection (11), or  
236 subsection (12).

237 (g)~~(e)~~ This subsection does not prohibit a university from  
238 increasing or assessing optional fees related to specific  
239 activities if payment of such fees is not required as a part of  
240 registration for courses.

241 (5) A university may implement a differential out-of-state  
242 fee ~~in accordance with regulations developed by the Board of~~  
243 ~~Governors~~ for the following:

244 (a) A student from another state that borders the service  
245 area of the university.

246 (b) A graduate student who has been determined to be a  
247 nonresident for tuition purposes pursuant to s. 1009.21 and has  
248 a .25 full-time equivalent appointment or greater as a graduate  
249 assistant, graduate research assistant, graduate teaching  
250 assistant, graduate research associate, or graduate teaching  
251 associate.

252 (c) A graduate student who has been determined to be a  
253 nonresident for tuition purposes pursuant to s. 1009.21 and is  
254 receiving a full fellowship.

255 (8)

256 (c) The fee may not exceed 10 percent of the tuition for  
257 resident students ~~or 10 percent of the sum of tuition and out-~~  
258 ~~of-state fees for nonresident students.~~ The fee for resident  
259 students shall be limited to an increase of \$2 per credit hour  
260 over the prior year. The Capital Improvement Trust Fund fee may  
261 be used to fund any project or real property acquisition that

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262 meets the requirements of chapter 1013. The Division of Bond  
263 Finance of the State Board of Administration shall analyze any  
264 proposed reductions to the Capital Improvement Trust Fund fee to  
265 ensure consistency with prudent financial management of the bond  
266 program associated with the revenues from the fee. The Board of  
267 Governors shall approve any proposed fee reductions provided  
268 that no such reduction reduces the fee below the level  
269 established in paragraph (a).

270 (15) (a) The Board of Governors may approve:

271 1. A proposal from a university board of trustees to  
272 establish a new student fee that is not specifically authorized  
273 by this section.

274 2. A proposal from a university board of trustees to  
275 increase the current cap for an existing fee authorized pursuant  
276 to paragraphs (14) (a)-(g).

277 3. A proposal from a university board of trustees to  
278 implement flexible tuition policies, such as undergraduate or  
279 graduate block tuition, block tuition differential, or market  
280 tuition rates for graduate-level online courses or graduate-  
281 level courses offered through a university's continuing  
282 education program. A block tuition policy for resident  
283 undergraduate students or undergraduate-level courses shall be  
284 based on the per-credit-hour undergraduate tuition established  
285 under subsection (4). ~~A block tuition policy for nonresident~~  
286 ~~undergraduate students shall be based on the per-credit-hour~~  
287 ~~undergraduate tuition and out-of-state fee established under~~  
288 ~~subsection (4).~~ Flexible tuition policies, including block  
289 tuition, may not increase the state's fiscal liability or  
290 obligation.

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291 Section 3. Paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (18) of  
292 section 1009.26, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

293 1009.26 Fee waivers.—

294 (18) (a) For every course in a Program of Strategic  
295 Emphasis, or in a state-approved teacher preparation program  
296 identified by the Board of Governors, as identified in  
297 subparagraph 3., in which a student is enrolled and has out-of-  
298 pocket expenses for tuition and fees after all other federal,  
299 state, and institutional gift aid is applied, a state university  
300 shall waive 100 percent of the student's out-of-pocket expenses  
301 for tuition and fees for an equivalent course in such program  
302 for a student who:

303 1. Is a resident for tuition purposes under s. 1009.21.

304 2. Has earned at least 60 semester credit hours toward  
305 ~~towards~~ a baccalaureate degree within 2 academic years after  
306 initial enrollment at a Florida public postsecondary  
307 institution.

308 3. Enrolls in one of 10 Programs of Strategic Emphasis as  
309 adopted by the Board of Governors or a state-approved teacher  
310 preparation program. The Board of Governors shall adopt eight  
311 Programs of Strategic Emphasis in science, technology,  
312 engineering, or math; beginning with the 2022-2023 academic  
313 year, two Programs of Strategic Emphasis in the critical  
314 workforce gap analysis category; and beginning with the 2023-  
315 2024 academic year, two state-approved teacher preparation  
316 programs for which a student may be eligible to receive the  
317 tuition and fee waiver authorized by this subsection. The  
318 programs identified by the board must reflect the priorities of  
319 the state and be offered at a majority of state universities at

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320 the time the Board of Governors approves the list.

321 ~~(c) Upon enrollment in a Program of Strategic Emphasis or a~~  
322 ~~state-approved teacher preparation program, the tuition and fees~~  
323 ~~waived under this subsection must be reported for state funding~~  
324 ~~purposes under ss. 1009.534 and 1009.535 and must be disbursed~~  
325 ~~to the student. The amount disbursed to the student must be~~  
326 ~~equal to the award amount the student has received under s.~~  
327 ~~1009.534(2) or s. 1009.535(2).~~

328 Section 4. Present paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of  
329 subsection (3) of section 1009.8962, Florida Statutes, are  
330 redesignated as paragraphs (b), (c), and (d), respectively, a  
331 new paragraph (a) is added to that subsection, and subsection  
332 (2), present paragraph (a) of subsection (3), and subsections  
333 (4) through (10) of that section are amended, to read:

334 1009.8962 Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE)  
335 Fund.—

336 (2) Recognizing that the state has a persistent and growing  
337 nursing shortage, it is the intent of the Legislature to address  
338 this critical workforce need by incentivizing collaboration  
339 between nursing education programs and health care partners  
340 through the establishment of the LINE Fund. This fund is  
341 intended to meet local, regional, and state workforce demand by  
342 recruiting faculty and clinical preceptors, increasing the  
343 capacity of high-quality nursing education programs, and  
344 increasing the number of nursing education program graduates who  
345 are prepared and licensed to enter the workforce.

346 (3) As used in this section, the term:

347 (a) "Center" means the Florida Center for Nursing within  
348 the University of South Florida, established by s. 464.0195.

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349        (b) ~~(a)~~ "Health care partner" means a health care provider  
350 as defined in s. 768.38(2) which is licensed to operate in this  
351 state. The center may also consider any of the following types  
352 of organizations that are connected to nursing education or the  
353 nursing workforce as a "health care partner" for the purpose of  
354 evaluating an institution's proposal and a pledged contribution  
355 for matching LINE funds.

356        1. An organization that manufactures or sells durable  
357 medical equipment or simulation equipment that demonstrably  
358 enhances or supplements a nursing student's education.

359        2. An organization that provides educational materials or  
360 instruction related to preparation to pass a nationally  
361 recognized nursing licensure examination.

362        3. A health care organization active in this state which  
363 employs or uses licensed nurses to deliver direct patient care.

364        4. A nonprofit organization or fund with a 501(c)(3)  
365 designation registered in this state for at least 2 years before  
366 the date of the initial LINE grant application which is  
367 organized primarily, or which makes other reportable charitable  
368 contributions, to support the health care workforce of this  
369 state through training or the continuing education of health  
370 care professionals.

371        (4) The LINE Fund shall be administered by the center ~~Board~~  
372 ~~of Governors for state universities and the Department of~~  
373 ~~Education for all other institutions.~~

374        (5) Subject to available funds and the approval of an  
375 application by the center, for every dollar contributed to an  
376 institution by a health care partner, the fund shall provide a  
377 dollar-to-dollar match to the participating institution to

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378 implement the activities outlined in the institution's approved  
379 proposal.

380 (6) (a) Funds may be used for student scholarships;;  
381 recruitment of additional faculty and preceptors; increasing  
382 program enrollment, program completion, and licensure exam  
383 passage rates; ; equipment;; ~~and~~ simulation centers; internships;  
384 and other related activities determined by the center to advance  
385 high-quality nursing education programs and to expand the  
386 qualified nursing workforce throughout the state.

387 (b) Funds may not be used for the construction of new  
388 buildings but may be used to expand, retrofit, or upgrade  
389 existing facilities if the proposal will result in increased  
390 program enrollments or improved or modernized educational or  
391 simulation space for nursing education students.

392 (7) (a) To participate, an institution must submit a timely  
393 and completed proposal to the center ~~Board of Governors or~~  
394 ~~Department of Education,~~ in a standardized format developed  
395 under s. s. 464.0195(5) ~~prescribed by the Board of Governors or~~  
396 ~~Department of Education,~~ as applicable.

397 (b) The proposal must identify the specific a health care  
398 partner ~~located and licensed to operate in the state~~ whose  
399 monetary or nonmonetary contributions will be matched by the  
400 fund on a dollar-to-dollar basis if the proposal is approved by  
401 the center.

402 1. Examples of allowable nonmonetary LINE contributions  
403 from health care partners include, but are not limited to, the  
404 value of the donated use of health care partner employees as  
405 nursing program instructors or preceptors; the value of the  
406 donated use of a health care partner's space or equipment by a

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407 nursing education program; or the value of donated goods and  
408 services, such as educational or simulation equipment, licensure  
409 exam preparation materials and instruction, or other similar  
410 quantifiable donated goods and services deemed by the center to  
411 be good faith contributions that support the goals of the LINE  
412 Fund.

413 2. To accept nonmonetary contributions as health care  
414 partner matching funds, the applicant and the center must  
415 quantify the value of the contribution in dollars and certify  
416 that the proposed contribution directly supports the goals of  
417 the LINE Fund outlined in subsection (1).

418 (8) (a) ~~The center Board of Governors or Department of~~  
419 ~~Education, as applicable,~~ must review and evaluate each  
420 completed and timely submitted proposal according to the  
421 following minimum criteria, where applicable:

422 1.(a) Whether funds committed by the health care partner  
423 will contribute to an eligible purpose.

424 2.(b) How the institution plans to use the funds, including  
425 how such funds will be utilized to increase student enrollment,  
426 and program completion, or licensure exam test-takers or passage  
427 rates.

428 3.(c) How the health care partner will onboard and retain  
429 graduates or otherwise improve the likelihood that graduates  
430 will successfully join the state or local workforce.

431 4.(d) How the funds will expand the institution's nursing  
432 education programs to meet local, regional, or state workforce  
433 demands. ~~If applicable, this shall include~~

434 5. How the proposal will enhance opportunities to pursue  
435 and complete advanced ~~education~~ nursing education programs.

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436 6. ~~and~~ How the funds will increase the number of faculty  
437 and clinical preceptors and planned efforts to utilize the  
438 clinical placement process established in s. 14.36.

439 (b) The center may assign priority consideration for grant  
440 applications that will improve services in underserved  
441 geographic areas or for programs and partnerships that address  
442 the greatest workforce needs or gaps identified under s.  
443 464.0195.

444 (c) After reviewing and evaluating each timely submitted  
445 proposal, the center must notify each applicant regarding which  
446 of the following categories each of the institution's proposals  
447 has been classified into, and provide a brief explanation for  
448 the center's principal reason or reasons for reaching its  
449 determination:

- 450 1. Approved;
- 451 2. Provisionally Approved;
- 452 3. Approved, Pending Available Funding; or
- 453 4. Denied for Funding.

454 (d) As used in this subsection, the term:

455 1. "Approved" means the center agrees that the  
456 institution's proposal meets the criteria and intent of this  
457 section and the proposal will receive matching LINE funding upon  
458 certification of the receipt of the health care partner's  
459 contribution.

460 2. "Provisionally Approved" means the center agrees that  
461 the institution's proposal makes a good faith effort to meet the  
462 criteria and intent of this section, but the center determined  
463 that additional information or amendments to the proposal are  
464 necessary to bring the proposal into full compliance with the



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465 requirements of this section.

466 a. The center may offer technical assistance to the  
467 applying institution to ensure its resubmitted application meets  
468 the full program requirements for funding.

469 b. A "Provisionally Approved" proposal, if timely  
470 resubmitted, may immediately move to an "Approved" proposal if  
471 the center determines that the resubmitted proposal meets the  
472 full requirements of this section, that sufficient LINE funds  
473 are available to match the proposal, and that the proposal  
474 addresses a high priority need for the state, such as serving  
475 underserved geographic areas or closing identified workforce  
476 gaps.

477 3. "Approved, Pending Available Funding" means that the  
478 center agrees that the institution's proposal, or resubmitted  
479 proposal, meets the criteria and intent of this section but the  
480 proposal will not receive matching LINE funds unless additional  
481 LINE funding becomes available later in the fiscal year. The  
482 availability of LINE Fund dollars to match proposals classified  
483 as "Approved, Pending Available Funding" may result from:

484 a. The failure of another approved awardee to timely  
485 certify the actual receipt of a health care partner's pledged  
486 contributions.

487 b. Additional savings identified by the center from  
488 previously appropriated LINE funds.

489 c. A balance in the LINE Fund due to a lack of approved  
490 proposals from a type of nursing education program or  
491 institution for which a specified amount of LINE funds was  
492 identified in the General Appropriations Act for a particular  
493 fiscal year. The center may set a date on or after February 1 of

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494 each year when the center determines that an insufficient number  
495 of approved or provisionally approved proposals exist from the  
496 institutions provided priority consideration by the Legislature  
497 in that fiscal year. After the noticed date, the center may  
498 redistribute any remaining LINE funds to highly ranked approved,  
499 pending available funding proposals from any type of program or  
500 institution that can certify, before June 30, the receipt of its  
501 health care partner's contribution.

502 4. "Denied for Funding" means the institution's proposal  
503 does not meet the full criteria or intent of this section or  
504 that the institution has not timely certified the receipt of an  
505 allowable health care partner's contribution.

506 (9) (a) Each institution with an approved proposal must  
507 certify to the center in a manner prescribed under s.  
508 464.0195(5) the shall notify the Board of Governors or  
509 Department of Education, as applicable, upon receipt of the  
510 health care partner's contribution partner provided funds  
511 identified in the approved proposal. The center may Board of  
512 Governors or Department of Education, as applicable, shall  
513 release grant funds, on a dollar-for-dollar basis, up to the  
514 amount of the contribution certified as funds received by the  
515 institution, including certifications made on a rolling or  
516 periodic basis.

517 (b) If deemed to meet the long-term goals of the LINE Fund,  
518 the center may, but is not required to, award funds for an  
519 approved proposal for up to 3 academic years immediately  
520 following the academic year within which the initial approval is  
521 granted. If the center approves a multiyear award to an  
522 institution, it must notify the recipient that the award amount

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523 in subsequent years is subject to a LINE Fund appropriation and  
524 the continued certification of the health care partner's  
525 contribution to match the multiyear award of state funds.

526 (c)(b) Annually, by February 1, each institution awarded  
527 grant funds in the previous fiscal year shall submit a report to  
528 the center which ~~Board of Governors or Department of Education,~~  
529 ~~as applicable, that~~ demonstrates the expansion as outlined in  
530 the proposal and the use of funds. At minimum, the report must  
531 include, by program level, the number of additional nursing  
532 education students enrolled; if scholarships were awarded using  
533 grant funds, the number of students who received scholarships  
534 and the average award amount; and the outcomes of students as  
535 reported by the Office of Reimagining Education and Career Help  
536 pursuant to s. 14.36(3)(1).

537 ~~(10) The Board of Governors shall adopt regulations and the~~  
538 ~~State Board of Education shall adopt rules to administer the~~  
539 ~~fund, establish dates for the submission and review of~~  
540 ~~proposals, award funds, and other regulations and rules~~  
541 ~~necessary to implement this section.~~

542 Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.