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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 (Calatayud) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 547 - 647

and insert:

adopted by the State Board of Education.

(b) The principal of the endowment fund shall be derived from any legislative appropriations that may be made to the endowment, and such bequests, gifts, grants, and donations as may be solicited for such purpose by the foundation from public or private sources.



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(c) The board of directors of the foundation shall establish the operating account and shall deposit therein the moneys transmitted. Moneys in the operating account shall be available to carry out the purposes of subsection (6).

(d) Funds received from state sources shall be accounted for separately from bequests, gifts, grants, and donations, which may be solicited for such purposes by the foundation from public or private sources. Earnings on funds received from state sources and funds received from public or private sources shall be accounted for separately.

(5) ORGANIZATION, POWERS, AND DUTIES.—Within the limits prescribed in this section or by rule of the State Board of Education:

(a) The board may solicit and receive bequests, gifts, grants, donations, goods, and services. Where gifts are restricted as to purpose, they may be used only for the purpose or purposes stated by the donor. The board may transmit monetary gifts to the State Board of Administration for deposit in the endowment fund principal.

(b) The board may enter into contracts with the Federal Government, state or local agencies, early learning coalitions, private entities, or individuals to carry out the purposes of this section.

(c) The board may identify, initiate, and fund new and creative programs to carry out the purposes of this section, utilizing existing organizations, early learning coalitions, associations, and agencies to carry out such early learning programs and purposes wherever possible.

(d) The board may make gifts or grants to all of the



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following:

1. The state or any political subdivision thereof, or any public agency of state or local government.

2. An early learning coalition for administration of direct services to children identified by the board.

3. The division for purposes of program recognition and marketing, public relations, and education.

(e) The board may advertise and solicit applications for funding and shall evaluate applications and program proposals submitted thereto. Funding shall be awarded only where the evaluation is positive and the proposal meets both the guidelines for use established in subsection (6) and such evaluation criteria as the State Board of Education may prescribe by rule.

(f) The board shall monitor, review, and annually evaluate funded programs to determine whether funding should be continued, terminated, reduced, or increased.

(g) The board shall establish an operating account as provided in paragraph (4) (c).

(h) The board may take additional actions, including the hiring of necessary staff, as are deemed necessary and appropriate to administer this section, subject to rules of the State Board of Education.

(6) DISTRIBUTION OF MONEYS.—The board shall use the moneys in the operating account to provide for:

(a) Direct services to children in accordance with an allocation methodology proposed by the Division of Early Learning to an early learning coalition approved by the board.

1. The parent or guardian of a child receiving direct



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services from an early learning coalition shall choose from providers under a contract with an early learning coalition pursuant to s. 1002.88.

2. Unless otherwise specified by the donor, the early learning coalition shall apply a parent copay based on family income pursuant to s. 1002.84(9) or s. 1002.935(2)(b).

3. The early learning coalition shall reimburse a provider serving a child using direct service funds from the early learning endowment at the same reimbursement rate allowed pursuant to s. 1002.84(17)(a).

4. Each early learning coalition providing direct services must comply with the same administrative requirements under this part.

(b) Programs designed to support early learning as identified by donors, gifts, or grants.

Any allocation of funds made for programs pursuant to paragraph (b) or for advertising or consulting is subject to a competitive solicitation process. State funds may not be used to fund events for private sector donors or potential donors or to honor supporters.

(7) ANNUAL REPORT.—The Division of Early Learning shall include information in its report of activities pursuant to s. 1002.82(7) summarizing the performance of the endowment fund for the previous fiscal year, summarizing the foundation's fundraising activities and performance, and detailing the activities and programs supported by the endowment principal or earnings on the endowment principal and the activities and programs supported by private sources, bequests, gifts, grants,



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donations, and other valued goods and services received. The  
report must also include all of the following:

(a) Financial data, by service type, including expenditures  
for administration and the provision of services by each early  
learning coalition.

(b) The amount of funds spent on administrative expenses  
and fundraising and the amount of funds raised from private  
sources.

(c) Outcome data, including the number of children served  
and any child outcomes.

(8) RULES.—The State Board of Education shall adopt rules  
to implement

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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 58

and insert:

activities; requiring the State Board of Education to