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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

Appropriations Subcommittee on Education (Perry) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 105 - 135

and insert:

(7) The articulation agreement must specifically provide for a reverse transfer agreement for Florida College System students enrolled in courses creditable toward an associate in arts degree who transfer to a state university before earning an associate in arts degree pursuant to s. 1007.25.

Section 3. Present subsection (12) of section 1007.25,



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11 Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (13), a new
12 subsection (12) is added to that section, and subsection (11) of
13 that section is amended, to read:

14 1007.25 General education courses; common prerequisites;
15 other degree requirements.-

16 (11) Students at state universities may request associate
17 in arts degrees ~~certificates~~ if they have successfully completed
18 the minimum requirements for the degree of associate in arts
19 (A.A.). ~~The university must grant the student an associate in~~
20 ~~arts degree if the student has successfully completed minimum~~
21 ~~requirements for college-level communication and computation~~
22 ~~skills adopted by the State Board of Education and 60 academic~~
23 ~~semester hours or the equivalent within a degree program area,~~
24 ~~including 36 semester hours in general education courses in the~~
25 ~~subject areas of communication, mathematics, social sciences,~~
26 ~~humanities, and natural sciences, consistent with the general~~
27 ~~education requirements of this section and those specified in~~
28 ~~the articulation agreement pursuant to s. 1007.23. Each student~~
29 ~~enrolled in a university must be awarded an A.A. degree as~~
30 ~~follows:~~

31 (a) If the student completed at least 25 percent of the
32 required semester hours toward the A.A. degree at a Florida
33 College System institution, the university must notify the
34 Florida College System institution of the student's eligibility.
35 The institution shall verify eligibility, accept the credits
36 required for the A.A. degree, and award the degree.

37 (b) If the student did not complete at least 25 percent of
38 the required semester hours for the A.A. degree at a Florida
39 College System institution but completed at least 25 percent of



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40 the semester hours toward the A.A. degree at the state
41 university, the state university must award the degree.

42 (12) If a student was previously enrolled in a state
43 university and has successfully completed the minimum
44 requirements for the A.A. degree as determined by the state
45 university, upon the student's failure to enroll before his or
46 her graduation in a fall or spring semester, the student must be
47 awarded an A.A. degree, unless the student declines to receive
48 the degree. Each state university student who qualifies under
49 this subsection must be awarded an A.A. degree as follows:

50 (a) If the student completed at least 25 percent of the
51 required semester hours toward the A.A. degree at a Florida
52 College System institution, the university must notify that
53 Florida College System institution of the student's eligibility.
54 The institution must verify eligibility, accept the credits
55 required for the A.A. degree, and award the degree.

56 (b) If the student did not complete at least 25 percent of
57 the required semester hours for the A.A. degree at a Florida
58 College System institution, but completed at least 25 percent of
59 the required semester hours toward the A.A. degree at the state
60 university, the state university must award the degree.

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

63 And the title is amended as follows:

64 Delete lines 14 - 17

65 and insert:

66 reverse transfer agreement; amending s. 1007.25, F.S.;

67 revising requirements for the award of a degree of

68 associate in arts;