



1           Section 1. Section 1009.701, Florida Statutes, is  
2 amended to read:

3           1009.701 First Generation Matching Grant Program for  
4 state universities.--

5           (1) The First Generation Matching Grant Program for  
6 state universities is created to enable each state university  
7 to provide donors with a matching grant incentive for  
8 contributions that will create grant-based student financial  
9 aid for undergraduate students who demonstrate financial need  
10 and whose parents, as defined in s. 1009.21(1), have not  
11 earned a baccalaureate or higher degree. In the case of any  
12 individual who regularly resided with and received support  
13 from only one parent, an individual whose only such parent did  
14 not complete a baccalaureate or higher degree would also be  
15 eligible.

16           (2) Funds appropriated by the Legislature for the  
17 program shall be allocated by the Office of Student Financial  
18 Assistance to match private contributions on a  
19 dollar-for-dollar basis. Contributions made to a state  
20 university and pledged for the purposes of this section are  
21 eligible for state matching funds appropriated for this  
22 program and are not eligible for any other state matching  
23 grant program. Pledged contributions are not eligible for  
24 matching prior to the actual collection of the total funds.  
25 The Office of Student Financial Assistance shall reserve a  
26 proportionate allocation of the total appropriated funds for  
27 each state university on the basis of full-time equivalent  
28 resident undergraduate enrollment. For the 2007-2008 fiscal  
29 year, funds that remain unmatched as of December 1 shall be  
30 reallocated to state universities that have remaining  
31 unmatched private contributions for the program on the basis

1 of full-time equivalent resident undergraduate enrollment.  
2 Beginning with the 2008-2009 fiscal year, funds that remain  
3 unmatched as of August 1 shall be reallocated to state  
4 universities that have remaining unmatched private  
5 contributions for the program on the basis of full-time  
6 equivalent resident undergraduate enrollment.

7 (3) Payment of the state matching grant shall be  
8 transmitted to the president of each participating institution  
9 or his or her representative in advance of the official  
10 drop-add deadline as defined by the institution.

11 (4) Each participating state university shall  
12 establish an application process, determine student  
13 eligibility for initial and renewal awards in conformance with  
14 subsection (5), identify the amount awarded to each recipient,  
15 and notify recipients of the amount of their awards. A  
16 university may award grants for summer-term enrollment if  
17 funds are available. Grants for summer-term enrollment may be  
18 used only at the institution awarding the grant. For the  
19 purpose of this subsection, the term "summer-term enrollment"  
20 means enrollment in the term at the end of the academic year  
21 which is the period of time from one fall term to the next in  
22 which a full-time student is expected to complete the  
23 equivalent of two semesters, two trimesters, or three  
24 quarters.

25 (5) In order to be eligible to receive a grant  
26 pursuant to this section, an applicant must:

27 (a) Be a resident for tuition purposes pursuant to s.  
28 1009.21.

29 (b) Be a first-generation college student. For the  
30 purposes of this section, a student is considered "first  
31 generation" if neither of the student's parents, as defined in

1 s. 1009.21(1), earned a college degree at the baccalaureate  
2 level or higher or, in the case of any individual who  
3 regularly resided with and received support from only one  
4 parent, if that parent did not earn a baccalaureate or higher  
5 degree.

6 (c) Be accepted at a state university.

7 (d) Be enrolled for a minimum of six credit hours per  
8 term as a degree-seeking undergraduate student.

9 (e) Have demonstrated financial need by completing the  
10 Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

11 (f) Meet additional eligibility requirements as  
12 established by the institution.

13 (6) The award amount shall be based on the student's  
14 need assessment after any scholarship or grant aid, including,  
15 but not limited to, a Pell Grant or a Bright Futures  
16 Scholarship, has been applied. An award may not exceed the  
17 institution's estimated annual cost of attendance for the  
18 student to attend the institution.

19 (7) The eligibility status of each student to receive  
20 a disbursement shall be determined by each institution as of  
21 the end of its regular registration period, inclusive of a  
22 drop-add period. An institution is not required to reevaluate  
23 a student's eligibility status after this date for purposes of  
24 changing eligibility determinations previously made.  
25 Participating institutions shall verify the continued  
26 eligibility of awarded students, provide for the disbursement  
27 of funds to students, and comply with the department's  
28 reporting requirements. Institutions shall certify to the  
29 department, each academic term within 30 days after the end of  
30 the regular registration period, the student's enrollment,  
31 continued eligibility, and the award amount. Any balance at

1 the end of a fiscal year that has been disbursed to an  
2 institution for this program must remain at the institution  
3 and be available only to provide grants for returning and new  
4 awardees. Each participating institution shall report to the  
5 Office of Student Financial Assistance by the date established  
6 by the office the eligible students to whom grant moneys are  
7 disbursed each academic term. Each institution shall certify  
8 to the Office of Student Financial Assistance the amount of  
9 funds disbursed to each student and shall remit to the office  
10 any undisbursed advances by June 1 of each year.

11 (8) No later than November 15 ~~July 1~~, each  
12 participating institution shall annually report to the  
13 Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate,  
14 the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Board of  
15 Governors the eligibility requirements for recipients, the  
16 aggregate demographics of recipients, the retention and  
17 graduation rates of recipients, and a delineation of funds  
18 awarded to recipients in the prior academic year.

19 (9) This section shall be implemented only as  
20 specifically funded.

21 Section 2. Section 1009.702, Florida Statutes, is  
22 created to read:

23 1009.702 First Generation Matching Grant Program for  
24 community colleges.--

25 (1) The First Generation Matching Grant Program for  
26 community colleges is created to enable each community  
27 college, as defined in s. 1000.21, to provide donors with a  
28 matching grant incentive for contributions that will create  
29 grant-based student financial aid for undergraduate students  
30 who demonstrate financial need and whose parents, as defined  
31 in s. 1009.21(1), have not earned a baccalaureate or higher

1 degree. In the case of any individual who regularly resided  
2 with and received support from only one parent, an individual  
3 whose only such parent did not complete a baccalaureate or  
4 higher degree would also be eligible.

5 (2) Funds appropriated by the Legislature for the  
6 program shall be allocated by the Office of Student Financial  
7 Assistance to match private contributions on a  
8 dollar-for-dollar basis. Contributions made to a community  
9 college and pledged for the purposes of this section are  
10 eligible for state matching funds appropriated for this  
11 program and are not eligible for any other state matching  
12 grant program. Pledged contributions are not eligible for  
13 matching before the actual collection of the total funds. The  
14 Office of Student Financial Assistance shall reserve a  
15 proportionate allocation of the total appropriated funds for  
16 each community college on the basis of full-time equivalent  
17 resident enrollment in advanced and professional programs. For  
18 the 2007-2008 fiscal year, funds that remain unmatched as of  
19 December 1 shall be reallocated to community colleges that  
20 have remaining unmatched private contributions for the program  
21 on the basis of full-time equivalent resident enrollment in  
22 advanced and professional programs. Beginning with the  
23 2008-2009 fiscal year, funds that remain unmatched as of  
24 August 1 shall be reallocated to community colleges that have  
25 remaining unmatched private contributions for the program on  
26 the basis of full-time equivalent resident enrollment in  
27 advanced and professional programs.

28 (3) Payment of the state matching grant shall be  
29 transmitted to the president of each participating institution  
30 or his or her representative in advance of the official  
31 drop-add deadline as defined by the institution.

1           (4) Each participating community college must  
2 establish an application process, determine student  
3 eligibility for initial and renewal awards in conformance with  
4 subsection (5), identify the amount awarded to each recipient,  
5 and notify recipients of the amount of their awards. A  
6 community college may award grants for summer-term enrollment  
7 if funds are available. Grants for summer-term enrollment may  
8 be used only at the institution awarding the grant. For the  
9 purpose of this subsection, the term "summer-term enrollment"  
10 means enrollment in the term at the end of the academic year  
11 which is the period of time from one fall term to the next in  
12 which a full-time student is expected to complete the  
13 equivalent of two semesters, two trimesters, or three  
14 quarters.

15           (5) In order to be eligible to receive a grant  
16 pursuant to this section, an applicant must:

17           (a) Be a resident for tuition purposes pursuant to s.  
18 1009.21.

19           (b) Be a first-generation college student. For the  
20 purposes of this section, a student is considered "first  
21 generation" if neither of the student's parents, as defined in  
22 s. 1009.21(1), earned a college degree at the baccalaureate  
23 level or higher or, in the case of any individual who  
24 regularly resided with and received support from only one  
25 parent, if that parent did not earn a baccalaureate or higher  
26 degree.

27           (c) Be accepted at a community college as defined in  
28 s. 1000.21.

29           (d) Be enrolled for a minimum of six credit hours per  
30 term as a degree-seeking undergraduate student.

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1           (e) Have demonstrated financial need by completing the  
2 Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

3           (f) Meet additional eligibility requirements as  
4 established by the institution.

5           (6) The award amount shall be based on the student's  
6 need assessment after any scholarship or grant aid, including,  
7 but not limited to, a Pell Grant or a Florida Bright Futures  
8 Scholarship, has been applied. An award may not exceed the  
9 institution's estimated annual cost of attendance for the  
10 student to attend the institution.

11           (7) The eligibility status of each student to receive  
12 a disbursement shall be determined by each institution as of  
13 the end of its regular registration period, inclusive of a  
14 drop-add period. An institution is not required to reevaluate  
15 a student's eligibility status after this date for purposes of  
16 changing eligibility determinations previously made.  
17 Participating institutions shall verify the continued  
18 eligibility of awarded students, provide for the disbursement  
19 of funds to students, and comply with the department's  
20 reporting requirements. Institutions shall certify to the  
21 department, each academic term within 30 days after the end of  
22 the regular registration period, the student's enrollment,  
23 continued eligibility, and the award amount. Any balance at  
24 the end of a fiscal year that has been disbursed to an  
25 institution for this program shall remain at the institution  
26 and shall be available only to provide grants for returning  
27 and new awardees.

28           (8) No later than November 15, each participating  
29 institution shall annually report to the Executive Office of  
30 the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the  
31 House of Representatives, and the State Board of Education the

1 eligibility requirements for recipients, the aggregate  
2 demographics of recipients, the retention and graduation rates  
3 of recipients, and a delineation of funds awarded to  
4 recipients in the prior academic year.

5 (9) This section shall be implemented only as  
6 specifically funded.

7 Section 3. Section 1009.703, Florida Statutes, is  
8 created to read:

9 1009.703 First Generation Matching Grant Program for  
10 colleges and universities eligible to participate in the  
11 William L. Boyd, IV, Florida Resident Access Grant Program.--

12 (1) The First Generation Matching Grant Program for  
13 colleges and universities eligible to participate in the  
14 William L. Boyd, IV, Florida Resident Access Grant Program is  
15 created to enable each private nonprofit college or university  
16 eligible to participate in the William L. Boyd, IV, Florida  
17 Resident Access Grant Program to provide donors with a  
18 matching grant incentive for contributions that will create  
19 grant-based student financial aid for undergraduate students  
20 who demonstrate financial need and whose parents, as defined  
21 in s. 1009.21(1), have not earned a baccalaureate or higher  
22 degree. In the case of any individual who regularly resided  
23 with and received support from only one parent, an individual  
24 whose only such parent did not complete a baccalaureate or  
25 higher degree would also be eligible.

26 (2) Funds appropriated by the Legislature for the  
27 program shall be allocated by the Office of Student Financial  
28 Assistance to match private contributions on a  
29 dollar-for-dollar basis. Contributions made to a qualified  
30 college or university and pledged for the purposes of this  
31 section are eligible for state matching funds appropriated for

1 this program and are not eligible for any other state matching  
2 grant program. Pledged contributions are not eligible for  
3 matching before the actual collection of the total funds. The  
4 Office of Student Financial Assistance shall reserve a  
5 proportionate allocation of the total appropriated funds for  
6 each qualified college or university on the basis of full-time  
7 equivalent resident undergraduate enrollment. For the  
8 2007-2008 fiscal year, funds that remain unmatched as of  
9 December 1 shall be reallocated to participating colleges and  
10 universities that have remaining unmatched private  
11 contributions for the program on the basis of full-time  
12 equivalent resident undergraduate enrollment. Beginning with  
13 the 2008-2009 fiscal year, funds that remain unmatched as of  
14 August 1 shall be reallocated to participating colleges and  
15 universities that have remaining unmatched private  
16 contributions for the program on the basis of full-time  
17 equivalent resident undergraduate enrollment.

18 (3) Payment of the state matching grant shall be  
19 transmitted to the president of each participating institution  
20 or his or her representative in advance of the official  
21 drop-add deadline as defined by the institution.

22 (4) Each participating college or university shall  
23 establish an application process, determine student  
24 eligibility for initial and renewal awards in conformance with  
25 subsection (5), identify the amount awarded to each recipient,  
26 and notify recipients of the amount of their awards. A  
27 participating college or university may award grants for  
28 summer-term enrollment if funds are available. Grants for  
29 summer-term enrollment may be used only at the institution  
30 awarding the grant. For the purpose of this subsection, the  
31 term "summer-term enrollment" means enrollment in the term at

1 the end of the academic year which is the period of time from  
2 one fall term to the next in which a full-time student is  
3 expected to complete the equivalent of two semesters, two  
4 trimesters, or three quarters.

5 (5) In order to be eligible to receive a grant  
6 pursuant to this section, an applicant must:

7 (a) Meet the general requirements for student  
8 eligibility for state financial aid, including residency, as  
9 provided in s. 1009.40, except as otherwise provided in this  
10 section.

11 (b) Be a first-generation college student. For the  
12 purposes of this section, a student is considered "first  
13 generation" if neither of the student's parents, as defined in  
14 s. 1009.21(1), earned a college degree at the baccalaureate  
15 level or higher or, in the case of any individual who  
16 regularly resided with and received support from only one  
17 parent, if that parent did not earn a baccalaureate or higher  
18 degree.

19 (c) Be accepted at a private nonprofit college or  
20 university eligible to participate in the William L. Boyd, IV,  
21 Florida Resident Access Grant Program.

22 (d) Be enrolled for a minimum of six credit hours per  
23 term as a degree-seeking undergraduate student.

24 (e) Have demonstrated financial need by completing the  
25 Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

26 (f) Meet additional eligibility requirements as  
27 established by the institution.

28 (6) The award amount shall be based on the student's  
29 need assessment after any scholarship or grant aid, including,  
30 but not limited to, a Pell Grant or a Florida Bright Futures  
31 Scholarship, has been applied. An award may not exceed the

1 institution's estimated annual cost of attendance for the  
2 student to attend the institution.

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4 a disbursement shall be determined by each institution as of  
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16 the end of a fiscal year that has been disbursed to an  
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20 (8) No later than November 15, each participating  
21 institution shall annually report to the Executive Office of  
22 the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the  
23 House of Representatives, and the State Board of Education the  
24 eligibility requirements for recipients, the aggregate  
25 demographics of recipients, the retention and graduation rates  
26 of recipients, and a delineation of funds awarded to  
27 recipients in the prior academic year.

28 (9) This section shall be implemented only as  
29 specifically funded.

30 Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
31 law.

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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN  
COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SB 848

The committee substitute revises the First Generation Matching Grant Program to clarify that the program is for state universities, revise dates for reporting and reallocation of funds, and remove the requirement that undisbursed funds must be remitted to the Department of Education.

The bill creates first-generation-in-college programs for public community colleges and private postsecondary institutions that are eligible for the William L. Boyd, IV, Florida Resident Access Grant Program.