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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Education Appropriations
 2 Subcommittee

3 Representative Fresen offered the following:

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 5 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Between lines 664 and 665, insert:

7 Section 19. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
 8 1009.40, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

9 1009.40 General requirements for student eligibility for
 10 state financial aid awards and tuition assistance grants.—

11 (1)

12 (b)1. Eligibility for the renewal of undergraduate or
 13 career certificate financial aid awards shall be evaluated at
 14 the end of the second semester or third quarter of each academic
 15 year. As a condition for renewal, a student shall:

16 a. Have earned a minimum cumulative grade point average of
 17 2.0 on a 4.0 scale; and

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18 b. Have earned, for undergraduate full-time study, 12
19 credits per term or the equivalent for the number of terms for
20 which aid was received or have earned, for career certificate
21 study, at least the equivalent in clock hours of 6 semester
22 credit hours per term or the equivalent for the number of terms
23 for which aid was received.

24 2. A student who earns the minimum number of credits
25 required for renewal, but who fails to meet the minimum 2.0
26 cumulative grade point average, may be granted a probationary
27 award for up to the equivalent of 1 academic year and shall be
28 required to earn a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 on a
29 4.0 scale by the end of the probationary period to be eligible
30 for subsequent renewal. A student who receives a probationary
31 award and who fails to meet the conditions for renewal by the
32 end of his or her probationary period shall be ineligible to
33 receive additional awards for the equivalent of 1 academic year
34 following his or her probationary period. Each such student may,
35 however, reapply for assistance during a subsequent application
36 period and may be eligible for an award if he or she has earned
37 a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale. No
38 student shall be granted more than one probationary award.

39 3. A student who meets the minimum 2.0 cumulative grade
40 point average, but ~~A student~~ who fails to earn the minimum
41 number of credits required for renewal, may be granted a
42 probationary award for up to the equivalent of 1 academic year
43 and shall be required to earn the minimum number of credits

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44 during the probationary period, while maintaining at least a 2.0
45 cumulative grade point average on a 4.0 scale, to be eligible
46 for subsequent renewal shall lose his or her eligibility for
47 renewal for a period equivalent to 1 academic year. A student
48 who receives a probationary award and who fails to meet the
49 conditions for renewal by the end of his or her probationary
50 period shall be ineligible to receive additional awards for the
51 equivalent of 1 academic year following his or her probationary
52 period. However, the student may reapply during a subsequent
53 application period and may be eligible for an award if he or she
54 has earned a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 on a
55 4.0 scale. No student shall be granted more than one
56 probationary award.

57 4. Students who receive state student aid and subsequently
58 fail to meet state academic progress requirements due to
59 verifiable illness or other emergencies may be granted an
60 exception from the academic requirements. Such students shall
61 make a written appeal to the institution. The appeal shall
62 include a description and verification of the circumstances.
63 Verification of illness or other emergencies may include but not
64 be limited to a physician's statement or written statement of a
65 parent or college official. The institution shall recommend
66 exceptions with necessary documentation to the department. The
67 department may accept or deny such recommendations for exception
68 from the institution.

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69 Section 20. Section 1009.50, Florida Statutes, is amended
70 to read:

71 1009.50 Florida Public Student Assistance Grant Program;
72 eligibility for grants.—

73 (1) There is hereby created a Florida Public Student
74 Assistance Grant Program. The program shall be administered by
75 the participating institutions in accordance with rules of the
76 state board.

77 (2) (a) State student assistance grants through the program
78 may be made only to degree-seeking students who enroll in at
79 least 6 semester hours, or the equivalent per term, and who meet
80 the general requirements for student eligibility as provided in
81 s. 1009.40, except as otherwise provided in this section. The
82 grants shall be awarded annually for the amount of demonstrated
83 unmet need for the cost of education after the expected family
84 contribution and all other aid available to the student is
85 accounted for and may not exceed an amount equal to the average
86 prior academic year cost of tuition fees and other registration
87 fees for 30 credit hours ~~at state universities~~ or such other
88 amount as specified in the General Appropriations Act, to any
89 recipient. A demonstrated unmet need of less than \$600\$200 after
90 the expected family contribution and all other aid available to
91 the student is accounted for shall render the applicant
92 ineligible for a state student assistance grant. Recipients of
93 the grants must have been accepted at a state university or
94 Florida College System institution authorized by Florida law. A

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95 student is eligible for the award for 110 percent of the number
96 of credit hours required to complete the program in which
97 enrolled, except as otherwise provided in s. 1009.40(3).

98 (b) A student applying for a Florida public student
99 assistance grant shall be required to apply for the Pell Grant.
100 ~~The Pell Grant entitlement shall be considered when conducting~~
101 ~~an assessment of the financial resources available to each~~
102 ~~student.~~

103 (c) Institutions awarding grant moneys must conduct an
104 assessment of all of the financial resources available to each
105 student, including, but not limited to:

- 106 1. Pell Grants and other federal aid;
- 107 2. State grants and scholarships, including merit awards;
- 108 3. Institutional awards for merit or need;
- 109 4. Prepaid tuition contracts;
- 110 5. Private awards for merit or need; and
- 111 6. Any other grant or scholarship available to the student

112 for use toward the cost of education.

113
114 Institutions that provide preliminary award packages prior to
115 the final student eligibility determinations for state grants
116 and scholarships, including merit awards, from the department
117 shall reassess each student's award package after the allocation
118 of funds and final student eligibility determinations are
119 received from the department.

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120 (d) Priority in the distribution of grant moneys shall be
121 given to students with the highest unmet need after the
122 assessment of available financial resources required in
123 paragraph (c) is conducted ~~lowest total family resources~~, in
124 accordance with a nationally recognized system of need analysis.
125 Using the system of need analysis, the department shall
126 establish a minimum ~~maximum~~ expected family contribution equal
127 to 150 percent of the expected family contribution established
128 for the Pell grant. An institution may not make a grant from
129 this program to a student whose expected family contribution
130 exceeds the level established by the department. An institution
131 may not impose additional criteria to determine a student's
132 eligibility to receive a grant award.

133 (e) ~~(d)~~ Each participating institution shall report, to the
134 department by the established date, the eligible students for
135 the program for ~~to whom grant moneys are disbursed~~ each academic
136 term. Each institution shall also report in a manner and date as
137 prescribed by ~~to~~ the department necessary demographic and
138 eligibility data for such students as well as the expected
139 family contributions, other grant, scholarship and aid awards,
140 prepaid contracts and student loans received by the students.

141 ~~(3) — Based on the unmet financial need of an eligible~~
142 ~~applicant, the amount of a Florida public student assistance~~
143 ~~grant must be between \$200 and the weighted average of the cost~~
144 ~~of tuition and other registration fees for 30 credit hours at~~

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145 ~~state universities per academic year or the amount specified in~~
146 ~~the General Appropriations Act.~~

147 ~~(4)~~(a) The funds appropriated for the Florida Public
148 Student Assistance Grant shall be distributed to eligible
149 institutions in accordance with a formula approved by the State
150 Board of Education. The formula shall equally weight ~~consider at~~
151 ~~least~~ the prior year's distribution of funds and ~~7~~ the number of
152 full-time eligible applicants who did not receive awards, ~~the~~
153 ~~standardization of the expected family contribution, and~~
154 ~~provisions for unused funds.~~

155 (b) Payment of Florida public student assistance grants
156 shall be transmitted to the president of the state university or
157 Florida College System institution, or to his or her
158 representative, in advance of the registration period.
159 Institutions shall notify students of the amount of their
160 awards.

161 (c) The eligibility status of each student to receive a
162 disbursement shall be determined by each institution as of the
163 end of its regular registration period, inclusive of a drop-add
164 period. Institutions shall not be required to reevaluate a
165 student's eligibility status after this date for purposes of
166 changing eligibility determinations previously made.

167 (d) Institutions shall certify to the department the
168 amount of funds disbursed to each student and shall remit to the
169 department any advances by June 1 of each year.

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170 ~~(4)~~(5) Funds appropriated by the Legislature for state
171 student assistance grants may be deposited in the State Student
172 Financial Assistance Trust Fund. Notwithstanding the provisions
173 of s. 216.301 and pursuant to s. 216.351, any balance in the
174 trust fund at the end of any fiscal year which has been
175 allocated to the Florida Public Student Assistance Grant Program
176 shall remain therein and shall be available for carrying out the
177 purposes of this section.

178 ~~(5)~~(6) The State Board of Education shall establish rules
179 necessary to implement this section.

180 Section 21. Section 1009.505, Florida Statutes, is amended
181 to read:

182 1009.505 Florida Public Postsecondary Career Education
183 Student Assistance Grant Program.—

184 (1) There is created a Florida Public Postsecondary Career
185 Education Student Assistance Grant Program. The program shall be
186 administered by the participating institutions in accordance
187 with rules of the State Board of Education.

188 (2) For purposes of this section, the term:

189 (a) "Average annual cost of tuition and registration fees"
190 means the average cost for the prior academic year of tuition
191 and registration fees for the equivalent in clock hours at a
192 public postsecondary career certificate program of 30 semester
193 credit hours ~~at a state university~~.

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194 (b) "Half-time" means the equivalent in clock hours at a
195 public postsecondary career certificate program of 6 semester
196 credit hours at a Florida College System institution.

197 (c) "Public postsecondary career certificate program"
198 means a postsecondary program that consists of 450 or more clock
199 hours, is offered by a Florida College System institution
200 authorized by Florida law or by a career center operated by a
201 district school board under s. 1001.44, and terminates in a
202 career certificate.

203 (3) (a) Student assistance grants through the program may
204 be made only to certificate-seeking students enrolled at least
205 half-time in a public postsecondary career certificate program
206 who meet the general requirements for student eligibility as
207 provided in s. 1009.40, except as otherwise provided in this
208 section. The grants shall be awarded annually to any recipient
209 for the amount of demonstrated unmet need for the cost of
210 education after the expected family contribution and all other
211 aid available to the student is accounted for and may not exceed
212 the average annual cost of tuition and registration fees or such
213 other amount as specified in the General Appropriations Act. A
214 demonstrated unmet need of less than \$600 ~~\$200~~ after the
215 expected family contribution and all other aid available to the
216 student is accounted for shall render the applicant ineligible
217 for a grant under this section. Recipients of the grants must
218 have been accepted at a Florida College System institution
219 authorized by Florida law or a career center operated by a

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220 district school board under s. 1001.44. A student is eligible
221 for the award for 110 percent of the number of clock hours
222 required to complete the program in which enrolled.

223 (b) A student applying for a Florida public postsecondary
224 career education student assistance grant shall be required to
225 apply for the Pell Grant. ~~A Pell Grant entitlement shall be
226 considered when conducting an assessment of the financial
227 resources available to each student; however, a Pell Grant
228 entitlement shall not be required as a condition of receiving a
229 grant under this section.~~

230 (c) Institutions awarding grant moneys must conduct an
231 assessment of all of the financial resources available to each
232 student, including, but not limited to:

- 233 1. Pell Grants and other federal aid;
- 234 2. State grants and scholarships, including merit awards;
- 235 3. Institutional awards for merit or need;
- 236 4. Prepaid tuition contracts;
- 237 5. Private awards for merit or need; and
- 238 6. Any other grant or scholarship available to the student
239 for use toward the cost of education.

240
241 Institutions that provide preliminary award packages prior to
242 the final student eligibility determinations for state grants
243 and scholarships, including merit awards, from the department
244 shall reassess each student's award package after the allocation

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245 of funds and final student eligibility determinations are
246 received from the department.

247 (d) Priority in the distribution of grant moneys shall be
248 given to students with the highest unmet need after the
249 assessment of available financial resources required in
250 paragraph (c) is conducted in accordance with a nationally
251 recognized system of need analysis. Using the system of need
252 analysis, the department shall establish a minimum expected
253 family contribution equal to 150 percent of the expected family
254 contribution established for the Pell grant. An institution may
255 not make a grant from this program to a student whose expected
256 family contribution exceeds the level established by the
257 department. An institution may not impose additional criteria to
258 determine a student's eligibility to receive a grant award.

259 (e) ~~(e)~~ Each participating institution shall report, to the
260 department by the established date, the eligible students for
261 the program for ~~to whom grant moneys are disbursed~~ each
262 academic term. Each institution shall also report in a manner
263 and date as prescribed by ~~to~~ the department necessary
264 demographic and eligibility data for such students as well as
265 the expected family contributions, other grant, scholarship and
266 aid awards, prepaid contracts and student loans received by the
267 students.

268 (4) (a) The funds appropriated for the Florida Public
269 Postsecondary Career Education Student Assistance Grant Program
270 shall be distributed to eligible Florida College System

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271 institutions and district school boards in accordance with a
272 formula approved by the department as required in subsection (3)
273 of section 1009.50.

274 (b) Payment of Florida public postsecondary career
275 education student assistance grants shall be transmitted to the
276 president of the Florida College System institution or to the
277 district school superintendent, or to the designee thereof, in
278 advance of the registration period. Institutions shall notify
279 students of the amount of their awards.

280 (c) The eligibility status of each student to receive a
281 disbursement shall be determined by each institution as of the
282 end of its regular registration period, inclusive of a drop-add
283 period. Institutions shall not be required to reevaluate a
284 student's eligibility status after this date for purposes of
285 changing eligibility determinations previously made.

286 (d) Participating institutions shall certify to the
287 department the amount of funds disbursed to each student and
288 shall remit to the department any undisbursed advances by June 1
289 of each year.

290 (5) The State Board of Education shall establish rules
291 necessary to implement this section.

292 (6) This section shall be implemented only to the extent
293 specifically funded and authorized by law.

294 Section 22. Section 1009.51, Florida Statutes, is amended
295 to read:

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296 1009.51 Florida Private Student Assistance Grant Program;
297 eligibility for grants.—

298 (1) There is created a Florida Private Student Assistance
299 Grant Program. The program shall be administered by the
300 participating institutions in accordance with rules of the State
301 Board of Education.

302 (2) (a) Florida private student assistance grants from the
303 State Student Financial Assistance Trust Fund may be made only
304 to full-time degree-seeking students who meet the general
305 requirements for student eligibility as provided in s. 1009.40,
306 except as otherwise provided in this section. Such grants shall
307 be awarded for the amount of demonstrated unmet need after the
308 expected family contribution and all other aid available to the
309 student is accounted for tuition and fees and may not exceed an
310 amount equal to the average tuition and other registration fees
311 for 30 credit hours at state universities plus \$1,000 per
312 academic year, or as specified in the General Appropriations
313 Act, to any applicant. A demonstrated unmet need of less than
314 \$600 ~~\$200~~ after the expected family contribution and all other
315 aid available to the student is accounted for shall render the
316 applicant ineligible for a Florida private student assistance
317 grant. Recipients of such grants must have been accepted at a
318 baccalaureate-degree-granting independent nonprofit college or
319 university, which is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of
320 the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and which is
321 located in and chartered as a domestic corporation by the state.

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322 No student may receive an award for more than the equivalent of
323 9 semesters or 14 quarters of full-time enrollment, except as
324 otherwise provided in s. 1009.40(3).

325 (b) A student applying for a Florida private student
326 assistance grant shall be required to apply for the Pell Grant.
327 ~~The Pell Grant entitlement shall be considered when conducting~~
328 ~~an assessment of the financial resources available to each~~
329 ~~student.~~

330 (c) Institutions awarding grant moneys must conduct an
331 assessment of all of the financial resources available to each
332 student, including, but not limited to:

- 333 1. Pell Grants and other federal aid;
334 2. State grants and scholarships, including merit awards;
335 3. Institutional awards for merit or need;
336 4. Prepaid tuition contracts;
337 5. Private awards for merit or need; and
338 6. Any other grant or scholarship available to the student
339 for use toward the cost of education.

340
341 Institutions that provide preliminary award packages prior to
342 the final student eligibility determinations for state grants
343 and scholarships, including merit awards, from the department
344 shall reassess each student's award package after the allocation
345 of funds and final student eligibility determinations are
346 received from the department.

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347 (d)~~(e)~~ Priority in the distribution of grant moneys shall
348 be given to students with the highest unmet need after the
349 assessment of available financial resources required in
350 paragraph (c) is conducted ~~lowest total family resources~~, in
351 accordance with a nationally recognized system of need analysis.
352 Using the system of need analysis, the department shall
353 establish a minimum ~~maximum~~ expected family contribution equal
354 to 150 percent of the expected family contribution established
355 for the Pell grant. An institution may not make a grant from
356 this program to a student whose expected family contribution
357 exceeds the level established by the department. An institution
358 may not impose additional criteria to determine a student's
359 eligibility to receive a grant award.

360 (e)~~(d)~~ Each participating institution shall report, to the
361 department by the established date, the eligible students for
362 the program for ~~to whom grant moneys are disbursed~~ each academic
363 term. Each institution shall also report in a manner and date as
364 prescribed by ~~to~~ the department necessary demographic and
365 eligibility data for such students as well as the expected
366 family contributions, other grant, scholarship and aid awards,
367 prepaid contracts and student loans received by the students.

368 ~~(3) Based on the unmet financial need of an eligible~~
369 ~~applicant, the amount of a Florida private student assistance~~
370 ~~grant must be between \$200 and the average cost of tuition and~~
371 ~~other registration fees for 30 credit hours at state~~

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372 ~~universities plus \$1,000 per academic year or the amount~~
373 ~~specified in the General Appropriations Act.~~

374 ~~(4)(a) The funds appropriated for the Florida Private~~
375 ~~Student Assistance Grant shall be distributed to eligible~~
376 ~~institutions in accordance with a formula approved by the State~~
377 ~~Board of Education. The formula shall equally weight ~~consider at~~~~

378 ~~least the prior year's distribution of funds and 7 the number of~~
379 ~~full-time eligible applicants who did not receive awards, ~~the~~~~
380 ~~standardization of the expected family contribution, and~~
381 ~~provisions for unused funds.~~

382 (b) Payment of Florida private student assistance grants
383 shall be transmitted to the president of the college or
384 university, or to his or her representative, in advance of the
385 registration period. Institutions shall notify students of the
386 amount of their awards.

387 (c) The eligibility status of each student to receive a
388 disbursement shall be determined by each institution as of the
389 end of its regular registration period, inclusive of a drop-add
390 period. Institutions shall not be required to reevaluate a
391 student's eligibility status after this date for purposes of
392 changing eligibility determinations previously made.

393 (d) Institutions shall certify to the department the
394 amount of funds disbursed to each student and shall remit to the
395 department any undisbursed advances by June 1 of each year.

396 (e) Each institution that receives moneys through the
397 Florida Private Student Assistance Grant Program shall prepare a

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398 biennial report that includes a financial audit, conducted by an
399 independent certified public accountant, of the institution's
400 administration of the program and a complete accounting of
401 moneys in the State Student Financial Assistance Trust Fund
402 allocated to the institution for the program. Such report shall
403 be submitted to the department by March 1 every other year. The
404 department may conduct its own annual or biennial audit of an
405 institution's administration of the program and its allocated
406 funds in lieu of the required biennial report and financial
407 audit report. The department may suspend or revoke an
408 institution's eligibility to receive future moneys from the
409 trust fund for the program or request a refund of any moneys
410 overpaid to the institution through the trust fund for the
411 program if the department finds that an institution has not
412 complied with the provisions of this section. Any refund
413 requested pursuant to this paragraph shall be remitted within 60
414 days.

415 (4)~~(5)~~ Funds appropriated by the Legislature for Florida
416 private student assistance grants may be deposited in the State
417 Student Financial Assistance Trust Fund. Notwithstanding the
418 provisions of s. 216.301 and pursuant to s. 216.351, any balance
419 in the trust fund at the end of any fiscal year which has been
420 allocated to the Florida Private Student Assistance Grant
421 Program shall remain therein and shall be available for carrying
422 out the purposes of this section and as otherwise provided by
423 law.

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424 (5)~~(6)~~ The State Board of Education shall adopt rules
425 necessary to implement this section.

426 Section 23. Section 1009.52, Florida Statutes, is amended
427 to read:

428 1009.52 Florida Postsecondary Student Assistance Grant
429 Program; eligibility for grants.—

430 (1) There is created a Florida Postsecondary Student
431 Assistance Grant Program. The program shall be administered by
432 the participating institutions in accordance with rules of the
433 State Board of Education.

434 (2) (a) Florida postsecondary student assistance grants
435 through the State Student Financial Assistance Trust Fund may be
436 made only to full-time degree-seeking students who meet the
437 general requirements for student eligibility as provided in s.
438 1009.40, except as otherwise provided in this section. Such
439 grants shall be awarded for the amount of demonstrated unmet
440 need after the expected family contribution and all other aid
441 available to the student is accounted for tuition and fees and
442 may not exceed an amount equal to the average prior academic
443 year cost of tuition and other registration fees for 30 credit
444 hours at state universities plus \$1,000 per academic year, or as
445 specified in the General Appropriations Act, to any applicant. A
446 demonstrated unmet need of less than \$600 ~~\$200~~ after the
447 expected family contribution and all other aid available to the
448 student is accounted for shall render the applicant ineligible
449 for a Florida postsecondary student assistance grant. Recipients

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450 of such grants must have been accepted at a postsecondary
451 institution that is located in the state and that is:

452 1. A private nursing diploma school approved by the
453 Florida Board of Nursing; or

454 2. A college or university licensed by the Commission for
455 Independent Education, excluding those institutions the students
456 of which are eligible to receive a Florida private student
457 assistance grant pursuant to s. 1009.51.

458
459 No student may receive an award for more than the equivalent of
460 9 semesters or 14 quarters of full-time enrollment, except as
461 otherwise provided in s. 1009.40(3).

462 (b) A student applying for a Florida postsecondary student
463 assistance grant shall be required to apply for the Pell Grant.
464 ~~The Pell Grant entitlement shall be considered when conducting~~
465 ~~an assessment of the financial resources available to each~~
466 ~~student.~~

467 (c) Institutions awarding grant moneys must conduct an
468 assessment of all of the financial resources available to each
469 student, including, but not limited to:

- 470 1. Pell Grants and other federal aid;
471 2. State grants and scholarships, including merit awards;
472 3. Institutional awards for merit or need;
473 4. Prepaid tuition contracts;
474 5. Private awards for merit or need; and

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475 6. Any other grant or scholarship available to the student
476 for use toward the cost of education.

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478 Institutions that provide preliminary award packages prior to
479 the final student eligibility determinations for state grants
480 and scholarships, including merit awards, from the department
481 shall reassess each student's award package after the allocation
482 of funds and final student eligibility determinations are
483 received from the department.

484 (d)-(e) Priority in the distribution of grant moneys shall
485 be given to students with the highest unmet need after the
486 assessment of available financial resources required in
487 paragraph (c) is conducted ~~lowest total family resources~~, in
488 accordance with a nationally recognized system of need analysis.
489 Using the system of need analysis, the department shall
490 establish a minimum ~~maximum~~ expected family contribution equal
491 to 150 percent of the expected family contribution established
492 for the Pell grant. An institution may not make a grant from
493 this program to a student whose expected family contribution
494 exceeds the level established by the department. An institution
495 may not impose additional criteria to determine a student's
496 eligibility to receive a grant award.

497 (e)-(d) Each participating institution shall report, to the
498 department by the established date, the eligible students for
499 the program for ~~to whom grant moneys are disbursed~~ each academic
500 term. Each institution shall also report in a manner and date as

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501 prescribed by ~~to~~ the department necessary demographic and
502 eligibility data for such students as well as the expected
503 family contributions, other grant, scholarship and aid awards,
504 prepaid contracts and student loans received by the students.

505 (3) ~~Based on the unmet financial need of an eligible~~
506 ~~applicant, the amount of a Florida postsecondary student~~
507 ~~assistance grant must be between \$200 and the average cost of~~
508 ~~tuition and other registration fees for 30 credit hours at state~~
509 ~~universities plus \$1,000 per academic year or the amount~~
510 ~~specified in the General Appropriations Act.~~

511 ~~(4)~~(a) The funds appropriated for the Florida
512 Postsecondary Student Assistance Grant shall be distributed to
513 eligible institutions in accordance with a formula approved by
514 the State Board of Education. The formula shall equally weight
515 ~~consider at least~~ the prior year's distribution of funds and ~~and~~
516 the number of full-time eligible applicants who did not receive
517 awards, ~~the standardization of the expected family contribution,~~
518 ~~and provisions for unused funds.~~

519 (b) Payment of Florida postsecondary student assistance
520 grants shall be transmitted to the president of the eligible
521 institution, or to his or her representative, in advance of the
522 registration period. Institutions shall notify students of the
523 amount of their awards.

524 (c) The eligibility status of each student to receive a
525 disbursement shall be determined by each institution as of the
526 end of its regular registration period, inclusive of a drop-add

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527 | period. Institutions shall not be required to reevaluate a
528 | student's eligibility status after this date for purposes of
529 | changing eligibility determinations previously made.

530 | (d) Institutions shall certify to the department the
531 | amount of funds disbursed to each student and shall remit to the
532 | department any undisbursed advances by June 1 of each year.

533 | (e) Each institution that receives moneys through the
534 | Florida Postsecondary Student Assistance Grant Program shall
535 | prepare a biennial report that includes a financial audit,
536 | conducted by an independent certified public accountant, of the
537 | institution's administration of the program and a complete
538 | accounting of moneys in the State Student Financial Assistance
539 | Trust Fund allocated to the institution for the program. Such
540 | report shall be submitted to the department by March 1 every
541 | other year. The department may conduct its own annual or
542 | biennial audit of an institution's administration of the program
543 | and its allocated funds in lieu of the required biennial report
544 | and financial audit report. The department may suspend or revoke
545 | an institution's eligibility to receive future moneys from the
546 | trust fund for the program or request a refund of any moneys
547 | overpaid to the institution through the trust fund for the
548 | program if the department finds that an institution has not
549 | complied with the provisions of this section. Any refund
550 | requested pursuant to this paragraph shall be remitted within 60
551 | days.

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552 ~~(4)(5)~~ Any institution that was eligible to receive state
553 student assistance grants on January 1, 1989, and that is not
554 eligible to receive grants pursuant to s. 1009.51 is eligible to
555 receive grants pursuant to this section.

556 ~~(5)(6)~~ Funds appropriated by the Legislature for Florida
557 postsecondary student assistance grants may be deposited in the
558 State Student Financial Assistance Trust Fund. Notwithstanding
559 the provisions of s. 216.301 and pursuant to s. 216.351, any
560 balance in the trust fund at the end of any fiscal year which
561 has been allocated to the Florida Postsecondary Student
562 Assistance Grant Program shall remain therein and shall be
563 available for carrying out the purposes of this section and as
564 otherwise provided by law.

565 ~~(6)(7)~~ The State Board of Education shall adopt rules
566 necessary to implement this section.

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

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Remove line 49 and insert:

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programs; amending s. 1009.40, F.S.; revising provisions

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relating to requirements for student eligibility for state

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financial aid awards and tuition assistance grants; amending s.

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1009.50, F.S.; revising provisions relating to eligibility for

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578 all of the financial resources available to each student;
579 amending s. 1009.505, F.S.; revising the program standards for
580 the Florida Public Postsecondary Career Education Student
581 Assistance Grant Program; amending s. 1009.51, F.S.; revising
582 provisions relating to eligibility for the Florida Private
583 Student Assistance Grant Program; amending s. 1009.52, F.S.;
584 revising provisions relating to eligibility for the Florida
585 Postsecondary Student Assistance Grant Program; amending ss.
586 1009.53, 1009.532, and