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Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education (Clemens)
recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 467 - 510

and insert:

burden on the citizens of the state. ~~Because the William L. Boyd, IV, Florida Resident Access Grant Program is not related to a student's financial need or other criteria upon which financial aid programs are based, it is the intent of the Legislature that the William L. Boyd, IV, Florida Resident Access Grant Program not be considered a financial aid program~~



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11 ~~but rather a tuition assistance program for its citizens.~~

12 (2) The William L. Boyd, IV, Effective Access to Student
13 Education Florida Resident Access Grant Program shall be
14 administered by the Department of Education. The State Board of
15 Education shall adopt rules for the administration of the
16 program.

17 (3) The department shall issue through the program a
18 William L. Boyd, IV, Effective Access to Student Education
19 ~~Florida resident access~~ grant to any full-time degree-seeking
20 undergraduate student registered at an independent nonprofit
21 college or university which is located in and chartered by the
22 state; which is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the
23 Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; which grants
24 baccalaureate degrees; which is not a state university or
25 Florida College System institution; and which has a secular
26 purpose, so long as the receipt of state aid by students at the
27 institution would not have the primary effect of advancing or
28 impeding religion or result in an excessive entanglement between
29 the state and any religious sect. Any independent college or
30 university that was eligible to receive tuition vouchers on
31 January 1, 1989, and which continues to meet the criteria under
32 which its eligibility was established, shall remain eligible to
33 receive William L. Boyd, IV, Effective Access to Student
34 Education Florida resident access grant payments.

35 (4) A person is eligible to receive such William L. Boyd,
36 IV, Effective Access to Student Education Florida resident
37 ~~access~~ grant if:

38 (a) He or she meets the general requirements, including
39 residency, for student eligibility as provided in s. 1009.40,



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40 except as otherwise provided in this section; and

41 (b)1. He or she is enrolled as a full-time undergraduate
42 student at an eligible college or university;

43 2. He or she is not enrolled in a program of study leading
44 to a degree in theology or divinity; and

45 3. He or she is making satisfactory academic progress as
46 defined by the college or university in which he or she is
47 enrolled.

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49 Priority in awarding Effective Access to Student Education
50 grants must be given to eligible students who demonstrate a
51 financial need.

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

54 And the title is amended as follows:

55 Delete line 48

56 and insert:

57 Resident Access Grant Program; deleting a provision
58 relating to the legislative intent; requiring students
59 who demonstrate a financial need to be given priority
60 in receiving grant payments; amending s. 1009.893,