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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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Senator Clemens moved the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 671 - 714

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



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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,  
40 except as otherwise provided in this section; and



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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 William L. Boyd, IV, Effective Access to  
50 Student Education grants must be given to eligible students who  
51 demonstrate a 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 74

56 and insert:

57 Florida Resident Access Grant Program; requiring that  
58 students who demonstrate a financial need be given  
59 priority in the awarding of grants; amending s.