House



LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate Comm: RCS 03/11/2021

The Committee on Appropriations (Rodrigues) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Before line 45 insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (5) of section 1004.6495, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1004.6495 Florida Postsecondary Comprehensive Transition Program and Florida Center for Students with Unique Abilities.-

(5) CENTER RESPONSIBILITIES.—The Florida Center for Students with Unique Abilities is established within the University of Central Florida. At a minimum, the center shall:

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(b) Coordinate, facilitate, and oversee the statewide implementation of this section. At a minimum, the director shall:

14 1. Consult and collaborate with the National Center and the Coordinating Center, as identified in 20 U.S.C. s. 1140q, 15 16 regarding guidelines established by the center for the effective 17 implementation of the programs for students with disabilities 18 and for students with intellectual disabilities which align with 19 the federal requirements and with standards, quality indicators, 20 and benchmarks identified by the National Center and the Coordinating Center. 21

2. Consult and collaborate with the Florida Talent Development Council to identify meaningful credentials for FPCTPs and to engage businesses and stakeholders to promote experiential training and employment opportunities for students with intellectual disabilities.

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3. Establish requirements and timelines for the:

a. Submission and review of an application.

b. Approval or disapproval of an initial or renewal application.

c. Implementation of an FPCTP, which must begin no later than the academic year immediately following the academic year during which the approval is granted.

4. Administer scholarship funds.

5. Administer FPCTP start-up and enhancement grants. From funds appropriated in the 2016-2017 fiscal year for the FPCTP, \$3 million shall be used for such grants. Thereafter, funds appropriated for the FPCTP may only be used for such grants <u>as</u> if specifically authorized in the General Appropriations Act. Florida Senate - 2021 Bill No. PCS (684342) for CS for SB 52



40	 The maximum annual start-up and enhancement grant award shall be
41	\$300,000 per institution.
42	6. Report on the implementation and administration of this
43	section by planning, advising, and evaluating approved degree,
44	certificate, and nondegree programs and the performance of
45	students and programs pursuant to subsection (8).
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48	And the title is amended as follows:
49	Between lines 2 and 3
50	insert:
51	s. 1004.6495, F.S.; revising grant specifications;
52	requiring funds appropriated for the Florida
53	Postsecondary Comprehensive Transition Program to only
54	be used for certain grants as specifically authorized
55	in the General Appropriations Act; removing a cap on
56	grant awards; amending