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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the Florida Bright Futures
3	Scholarship Program; amending s. 1009.53, F.S.;
4	requiring public high schools to establish a Bright
5	Futures Scholarship mentorship program for students;
6	providing requirements for such program; providing an
7	effective date.
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9	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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11	Section 1. Subsection (12) is added to section 1009.53,
12	Florida Statutes, to read:
13	1009.53 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program.—
14	(12) Each public high school shall establish a Bright
15	Futures Scholarship mentorship program for students enrolled in
16	the school. The mentorship program:
17	(a) Must provide students with access to a certified
18	school counselor. The school counselor shall provide students
19	with information about the eligibility requirements for each
20	Florida Bright Futures Scholarship award and which awards the
21	student is on track to be eligible for.
22	(b) Must include a comprehensive outreach campaign through
23	social media and the school's website. The campaign may include
24	the success stories of students who were awarded a scholarship
25	through the program, application tips, and question and answer

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26	sessions for students and parents.
27	(c) May connect students with mentors who have received an
28	award through the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program.
29	Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.
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