



State Universities and Private Colleges Appropriations Committee

March 16, 2010
2:15 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
12 House Office Building

ACTION Packet

Larry Cretul
Speaker

William Proctor
Chair

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT
State Universities & Private Colleges Appropriations Committee
3/16/2010 2:15:00PM

Location: 12 HOB

Summary:

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PCB SUPC 10-01 Favorable With Amendments

Yeas: 11 Nays: 0

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Attendance:

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Excused</i>
William Proctor (Chair)	X		
Ronald Brisé	X		
Rachel V. Burgin	X		
Faye Culp	X		
Chris Dorworth	X		
Brad Drake	X		
Luis Garcia		X	
Mia Jones	X		
Kurt Kelly		X	
Seth McKeel	X		
H. Marlene O'Toole	X		
Pat Patterson	X		
Betty Reed	X		
Geraldine Thompson	X		
Totals:	12	2	0

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PCB SUPC 10-01 : Postsecondary Education Funding

Favorable With Amendments

	<i>Yea</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>No Vote</i>	<i>Absentee Yea</i>	<i>Absentee Nay</i>
Ronald Brisé	X				
Rachel V. Burgin	X				
Faye Culp	X				
Chris Dorworth	X				
Brad Drake	X				
Luis Garcia			X		
Mia Jones	X				
Kurt Kelly			X		
Seth McKeel	X				
H. Marlene O'Toole	X				
Pat Patterson	X				
Betty Reed	X				
Geraldine Thompson			X		
William Proctor (Chair)	X				
Total Yeas: 11		Total Nays: 0			

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COUNCIL/COMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	<input type="checkbox"/> (Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<input type="checkbox"/> (Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	<input type="checkbox"/> (Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	<input type="checkbox"/> (Y/N)
OTHER	<input type="checkbox"/>

1 Council/Committee hearing bill: State Universities & Private
 2 Colleges Appropriations Committee
 3 Representative(s) Proctor offered the following:

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 5 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Between lines 344 and 345, insert:

7 Section 14. Paragraphs (a), (b), and (e) of subsection
 8 (16) of section 1009.24, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

9 1009.24 State university student fees.—

10 (16) Each university board of trustees may establish a
 11 tuition differential for undergraduate courses upon receipt of
 12 approval from the Board of Governors. The tuition differential
 13 shall promote improvements in the quality of undergraduate
 14 education and shall provide financial aid to undergraduate
 15 students who exhibit financial need.

16 (a) Seventy percent of the revenues from the tuition
 17 differential shall be expended for purposes of undergraduate
 18 education. Such expenditures may include, but are not limited
 19 to, increasing course offerings, improving graduation rates,

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20 increasing the percentage of undergraduate students who are
21 taught by faculty, decreasing student-faculty ratios, providing
22 salary increases for faculty who have a history of excellent
23 teaching in undergraduate courses, improving the efficiency of
24 the delivery of undergraduate education through academic
25 advisement and counseling, and reducing the percentage of
26 students who graduate with excess hours. This expenditure for
27 undergraduate education may not be used to pay the salaries of
28 graduate teaching assistants. Except as otherwise provided by
29 this subsection, the remaining 30 percent of the revenues from
30 the tuition differential, or the equivalent amount of revenue
31 from private sources, shall be expended to provide financial aid
32 to undergraduate students who exhibit financial need to meet the
33 cost of university attendance. This expenditure for need-based
34 financial aid shall not supplant the amount of need-based aid
35 provided to undergraduate students in the preceding fiscal year
36 from financial aid fee revenues, the direct appropriation for
37 financial assistance provided to state universities in the
38 General Appropriations Act, or from private sources. The total
39 amount of tuition differential exempted under subparagraph (b)7.
40 and the total amount of tuition differential waived under
41 subparagraph (b)9. may be included in calculating the
42 expenditures for need-based aid to undergraduate students
43 required by this subsection.

44 (b) Each tuition differential is subject to the following
45 conditions:

46 1. The tuition differential may be assessed on one or more
47 undergraduate courses or on all undergraduate courses at a state

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48 university.

49 2. The tuition differential may vary by course or courses,
50 campus or center location, and by institution. Each university
51 board of trustees shall strive to maintain and increase
52 enrollment in degree programs related to math, science, high
53 technology, and other state or regional high-need fields when
54 establishing tuition differentials by course.

55 3. For each state university that has total research and
56 development expenditures for all fields of at least \$100 million
57 per year as reported annually to the National Science
58 Foundation, the aggregate sum of tuition and the tuition
59 differential may not be increased by more than 15 percent of the
60 total charged for the aggregate sum of these fees in the
61 preceding fiscal year. For each state university that has total
62 research and development expenditures for all fields of less
63 than \$100 million per year as reported annually to the National
64 Science Foundation, the aggregate sum of tuition and the tuition
65 differential may not be increased by more than 15 percent of the
66 total charged for the aggregate sum of these fees in the
67 preceding fiscal year.

68 4. The aggregate sum of undergraduate tuition and fees per
69 credit hour, including the tuition differential, may not exceed
70 the national average of undergraduate tuition and fees at 4-year
71 degree-granting public postsecondary educational institutions.

72 5. The tuition differential may not be calculated as a
73 part of the scholarship programs established in ss. 1009.53-
74 1009.538.

75 6. Beneficiaries having prepaid tuition contracts pursuant

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76 to s. 1009.98(2)(b) which were in effect on July 1, 2007, and
77 which remain in effect, are exempt from the payment of the
78 tuition differential.

79 7. A student who is awarded a prepaid postsecondary
80 tuition scholarship pursuant to s. 1009.984 is exempt from the
81 payment of the tuition differential while the scholarship
82 remains in effect.

83 ~~8.7.~~ The tuition differential may not be charged to any
84 student who was in attendance at the university before July 1,
85 2007, and who maintains continuous enrollment.

86 ~~9.8.~~ The tuition differential may be waived by the
87 university for students who meet the eligibility requirements
88 for the Florida public student assistance grant established in
89 s. 1009.50.

90 ~~10.9.~~ Subject to approval by the Board of Governors, the
91 tuition differential authorized pursuant to this subsection may
92 take effect with the 2009 fall term.

93 (e) The Board of Governors shall submit a report to the
94 President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of
95 Representatives, and the Governor describing the implementation
96 of the provisions of this subsection no later than January 1,
97 2010, and no later than January 1 each year thereafter. The
98 report shall summarize proposals received by the board during
99 the preceding fiscal year and actions taken by the board in
100 response to such proposals. In addition, the report shall
101 provide the following information for each university that has
102 been approved by the board to assess a tuition differential:

103 1. The course or courses for which the tuition

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104 differential was assessed and the amount assessed.

105 2. The total revenues generated by the tuition
106 differential.

107 3. With respect to waivers authorized under subparagraph
108 (b) ~~9.8-~~, the number of students eligible for a waiver, the
109 number of students receiving a waiver, and the value of waivers
110 provided.

111 4. Detailed expenditures of the revenues generated by the
112 tuition differential.

113 5. Changes in retention rates, graduation rates, the
114 percentage of students graduating with more than 110 percent of
115 the hours required for graduation, pass rates on licensure
116 examinations, the number of undergraduate course offerings, the
117 percentage of undergraduate students who are taught by faculty,
118 student-faculty ratios, and the average salaries of faculty who
119 teach undergraduate courses.

120 6. With respect to the exemption provided under
121 subparagraph (b)7., the number of students eligible for the
122 exemption and the value of the exemptions provided.

123 Section 15. Section 1009.984, Florida Statutes, is amended
124 to read:

125 1009.984 Florida Prepaid Tuition Scholarship Program.—The
126 Florida Prepaid Tuition Scholarship Program is established to
127 provide economically disadvantaged youth with prepaid
128 postsecondary tuition scholarships. A student who is awarded a
129 prepaid postsecondary tuition scholarship under this section is
130 exempt from the payment of the tuition differential assessed
131 pursuant to s. 1009.24(16) while the scholarship remains in

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132 effect. The direct-support organization established pursuant to
133 s. 1009.983 shall administer the program with the assistance and
134 cooperation of the Department of Education to:

135 (1) Provide an incentive for economically disadvantaged
136 youth to improve school attendance and academic performance in
137 order to graduate and pursue a postsecondary education.

138 (2) Obtain the commitment and involvement of private
139 sector entities by virtue of funding matches with a ratio of 50
140 percent provided by the private sector and 50 percent provided
141 by the state.

142 (3) Purchase prepaid tuition scholarships for students
143 certified by the Department of Education to the direct-support
144 organization who meet minimum economic and school requirements
145 and remain drug free and crime free.

146 (a) For the purpose of this subsection, "drug free" means
147 not being convicted of, or adjudicated delinquent for, any
148 violation of chapter 893 after being designated a recipient of a
149 Florida prepaid tuition scholarship.

150 (b) For the purpose of this subsection, "crime free" means
151 not being convicted of, or adjudicated delinquent for, any
152 felony or first degree misdemeanor as defined in ss. 775.08 and
153 775.081 after being designated a recipient of a Florida prepaid
154 tuition scholarship.

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Remove line 49 and insert:

COUNCIL/COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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160 Program; amending ss. 1009.24 and 1009.984, F.S.; providing for
161 certain calculations for need-based financial aid; providing
162 that a student who is awarded a prepaid postsecondary tuition
163 scholarship is exempt from payment of the tuition differential
164 while the scholarship is in effect; repealing s. 1009.5385,
165 F.S., relating to the use