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AMENDMENT #1

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TO: HCS CSSB 221(FIN), Draft Version "M"

1 Page 3, lines 11 - 16:

2 Delete all material and insert:

3 ** Sec. 3. AS 14.43.410 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

4 (c) The commission shall annually distribute an amount that is not less than 30
5 percent of the aggregate amount appropriated for payment of scholarship awards under
6 AS 14.43.825. If available funding from appropriations and other sources is less than
7 that amount, the commission shall distribute the full amount available in grant awards
8 on behalf of eligible students under AS 14.43.415. Payments shall be made directly to
9 the postsecondary or lending institution if feasible. If available funds are insufficient
10 to fully fund grants to eligible students, the commission shall distribute funds to
11 eligible applicants on a pro rata basis.

12 * Sec. 4. AS 14.43.415(a) is amended to read:

13 (a) For an applicant to be eligible for a grant under AS 14.43.400 - 14.43.420,
14 the applicant must be

15 (1) a resident of this state;

16 (2) enrolled or about to be enrolled

17 (A) at an institution [APPROVED TO PARTICIPATE IN
18 FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS UNDER 20 U.S.C. 1070 - 1099c-
19 2, AS AMENDED,] located in this state that

20 (i) is approved to participate in federal financial aid
21 programs under 20 U.S.C. 1070 - 1099c-2, as amended; or

22 (ii) has been included on a list of certified career and
23 technical school programs approved and published by the

Department of Labor and Workforce Development; and

(B) on at least a half-time basis; and

(3) able to demonstrate financial need in accordance with standards for determining financial need established by the commission under 20 U.S.C. 1070c-2, as amended.

* **Sec. 5.** AS 14.43.415(b) is repealed and reenacted to read:

(b) The commission shall give an applicant eligible under (a) of this section priority for a grant award if that applicant is, or is about to be, enrolled in a postsecondary education program that prepares the applicant for employment in an occupation or profession for which there is a severe shortage of trained individuals in the state. In this subsection,

(1) "occupation or profession" means a job for which specific postsecondary certification is a prerequisite for entry-level placement;

(2) "severe shortage" means a current or recurring job vacancy rate of 15 percent or greater, as determined by the Department of Labor and Workforce Development or by another workforce data source determined reliable by the commission.

* **Sec. 6.** AS 14.43.420(a) is amended to read:

(a) A grant made under AS 14.43.400 - 14.43.420 may not be in an amount less than \$1,000 [\$500] nor more than \$5,000 [\$2,000] for each school year.

* **Sec. 7.** AS 14.43.420(c) is amended to read:

(c) A student may receive not more than a total of \$20,000 [\$8,000] in grants awarded under AS 14.43.400 - 14.43.420."

Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

Page 7, line 28:

Delete "sec. 5"

Insert "sec. 8"

Page 8, line 10:

1 Delete "secs. 1, 2, 5, 7, and 8"

2 Insert "secs. 1, 2, 8, 10, and 11"

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4 Page 13, line 3:

5 Delete "Section 11"

6 Insert "Section 14"

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8 Page 13, line 4:

9 Delete "Sections 3, 4, 6, and 8 - 11"

10 Insert "Sections 6, 7, 9, and 11 - 14"

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12 Page 13, line 6:

13 Delete "sec. 13"

14 Insert "sec. 16"



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1 Page 4, following line 25:

2 Insert a new subsection to read:

3 "(c) Notwithstanding the requirements under (a)(3) and (4) of this section, the
4 department shall adopt, in regulation, alternative standards to the curriculum and grade
5 point average requirements that demonstrate preparedness for attendance at a qualified
6 postsecondary institution for an otherwise eligible student. The standards may include
7 minimum scores for a general education diploma and alternative curriculum standards
8 for vocational or other courses relating to a postsecondary course of study."
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10 Page 5, line 6, following "regulation.":

11 Insert "The regulations must allow for an extension of time for a student who meets
12 alternative eligibility standards adopted under AS 14.43.820(c)."

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1 Page 4, line 26:

2 Delete "**Maximum awards.** (a) The maximum" ✓

3 Insert "**Maximum annual awards.** (a) The maximum annual"

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5 Page 7, line 9, following "students":

6 Insert "each year" ✓

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1 Page 3, line 13:

2 Delete "\$3,000"

3 Insert "\$4,000"

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5 Page 3, following line 10:

6 Insert a new bill section to read:

7 "* **Sec. 3.** AS 14.43.415(b) is amended to read:

8 (b) The commission **may, if sufficient funding is available,** [SHALL] give
9 an applicant eligible under (a) of this section priority for a grant award if that applicant
10 is, or is about to be, enrolled in a program of study that is preparatory for employment
11 in an occupation or profession for which the Department of Labor and Workforce
12 Development, or another workforce data source selected as reliable by the
13 commission, indicates there is a severe shortage of trained individuals in this state.
14 Additionally, the commission may give an applicant priority for a grant award if that
15 applicant has participated in a secondary education program of study that can be
16 demonstrated to the commission to be a predictor for success at the postsecondary
17 education level for a program of study described in this subsection. For purposes of
18 this subsection,

19 (1) "occupation or profession" means a job for which specific
20 postsecondary certification is a prerequisite for entry-level placement;

21 (2) "severe shortage" means a current or recurring job vacancy rate of
22 15 percent or greater, as determined by the Department of Labor and Workforce
23 Development or by another workforce data source determined reliable by the

1 commission."

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14 Delete "Section 11"

15 Insert "Section 12"

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