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3 HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS EDUCATION COMMITTEE AMENDMENT TO THE
4 SUBSTITUTE FOR SB309

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9 On page 17, line 10, delete "vendors,"

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11 On page 17, line 14, delete "by clear and convincing
12 evidence"

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14 On page 29, line 4, after "1975" insert the
15 following:

16 , and finally assessed liabilities for taxes owed to
17 the state

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19 On page 55, line 16, delete "STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT"
20 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

21 GRADUATE RETENTION STIPEND

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23 On page 58, line 20, delete "Student Loan Repayment"
24 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

25 Graduate Retention Stipend

1 On page 58, line 24, delete "loan repayment" and
2 insert in lieu thereof the following:

3 retention stipend
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5 On page 59, after line 7, insert the following new
6 Section 16-33D-3 as follows and renumber subsequent Sections
7 accordingly:

8 §16-33D-3. Disposition of Alabama Education Lottery
9 Proceeds.

10 (a) Proceeds from the Alabama Education Lottery
11 shall be appropriated annually by and through an independent
12 supplemental appropriation bill, for the following purposes:

13 (1) Up to 20% for the Alabama Graduate Retention and
14 Development (Alabama GRADs) Two-year College Scholarship
15 Program established pursuant to this act.

16 (2) Up to 10% for the Alabama Graduate Retention and
17 Development (Alabama GRADs) Four-year College Scholarship
18 Program established pursuant to this act.

19 (3) Not less than 70% for the Alabama Graduate
20 Retention and Development (Alabama GRADs) Four-year College
21 Graduate Stipend Program established pursuant to this act.

22 (b) Actual award and stipend amounts prescribed in
23 this chapter may be adjusted based upon the availability of
24 funds.

25 (c) No appropriation from the Education Trust Fund
26 or revenues to the Education Trust Fund may be used or
27 diverted to support these programs without unanimous consent

1 of the Finance Director, Chair of the House Ways and
2 Means-Education Committee, and the Chair of the Senate Finance
3 and Taxation-Education Committee and subsequently appropriated
4 by an act of the Legislature.

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6 On page 60, lines 1 and 2, delete subdivision (2) in
7 its entirety and renumber the subsequent subdivision
8 accordingly

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10 On page 60, lines 10 and 11, delete paragraph b. in
11 its entirety and renumber the subsequent paragraph accordingly

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13 On page 62, line 3, delete "seven" and insert in
14 lieu thereof the following:

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17 On page 62, delete lines 9 and 10 in its entirety
18 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

19 (a) An Alabama GRADs two-year college scholarship at
20 an eligible postsecondary institution shall be equal to the
21 amount appropriated for the scholarship by the Legislature
22 pursuant to Section 65(i) of the Alabama Constitution of 1901,
23 less ACHE's reasonable administrative costs (not to exceed two
24 percent of the amount appropriated by the Legislature pursuant
25 to Section 65(i)(1)(b) of the Alabama Constitution of 1901),
26 divided by the total number of eligible recipients. It is the

1 intent of the Legislature that the annual scholarship amount
2 awarded under this program shall be the lessor of:

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4 On page 62, line 14, delete "90%" and insert in lieu
5 thereof the following:

6 80%

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8 On page 62, line 16, after "fees." insert the
9 following:

10 ACHE shall ensure scholarships to Pell Grant
11 recipients receive first priority funding.

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13 On page 62, lines 21 through 22 and line 24, and on
14 page 63, lines 26 through 27 delete "Student Loan Repayment"
15 in all places and insert in lieu thereof the following:

16 Graduate Stipend

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18 On page 63, lines 4 through 6, delete subdivision
19 (2) in its entirety and renumber subsequent subdivisions
20 accordingly

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22 On page 63, line 14, delete "shall" and insert in
23 lieu thereof the following:

24 may

1 On page 63, lines 20 and 21, delete subdivision (4)
2 in its entirety and renumber subsequent subdivisions
3 accordingly

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5 On page 64, lines 2 and 3, delete "student loan
6 repayment" and insert in lieu thereof the following:
7 graduate stipend

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9 On page 64, line 9, after "recipients." Insert the
10 following:

11 It is the intent of the Legislature that the stipend
12 amount awarded under this program shall be \$2,500 annually.

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14 On page 64, lines 14 through 19, delete subdivisions
15 (2) and (3) in their entirety and renumber the subsequent
16 subdivision accordingly

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18 On page 65, lines 16 and 17, delete subdivision (2)
19 in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

20 (2) The student shall also be either:
21 a. the recipient of the maximum federal Pell Grant
22 award, or
23 b. a first-generation college attendee, as defined
24 by ACHE.