

**HB0799/523224/1**

BY: Ways and Means Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 799

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “**and Buckel**” and substitute “**Buckel, Fair, Roberts, and Wu**”; in line 2, strike “**University**” and substitute “**Institution**”; in lines 4 and 10, in each instance, strike “University” and substitute “Institution”; in line 5, strike “universities” and substitute “public and private nonprofit institutions of higher education”; and in line 7, strike “requiring” and substitute “authorizing”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 19, strike “**UNIVERSITIES**” and substitute “**INSTITUTIONS**”.

On page 3, in lines 1, 13, 17, 26, 28, and 30, in each instance, strike “**UNIVERSITY**” and substitute “**INSTITUTION**”; in line 1, strike “**AND**” and substitute a comma; in line 2, after “**UNIVERSITY**” insert “**, AND ANY OTHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE NONPROFIT INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION DEEMED ELIGIBLE BY THE INITIATIVE**”; in lines 4 and 5, in each instance, strike “**UNIVERSITY**” and substitute “**INSTITUTION**”; in line 9, strike “**UNIVERSITIES**” and substitute “**INSTITUTIONS**”; after line 14, insert:

**“(3) THE INITIATIVE MAY EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR EXPANDING ELIGIBILITY TO OTHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE NONPROFIT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.”**;

strike in their entirety lines 15 and 16; and in line 17, strike “**(E)**” and substitute “**(D)**”.

On page 4, in lines 5, 10, and 16, strike “**(F)**”, “**(G)**”, and “**(H)**”, respectively, and substitute “**(E)**”, “**(F)**”, and “**(G)**”, respectively; after line 9, insert:

**“(3) AN ELIGIBLE INSTITUTION SHALL PROVIDE A CASH MATCH EQUIVALENT TO 10% OF THE AMOUNT AWARDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.”;**

in line 10, strike “SHALL” and substitute “MAY”; in line 11, strike “\$500,000” and substitute “\$250,000”; in line 17, strike the comma and substitute “:

**(1) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2026, THE CORPORATION SHALL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON SIMILAR PROGRAMS IN NEIGHBORING STATES AND THE POTENTIAL ECONOMIC BENEFITS AND COSTS OF EXPANDING THE INITIATIVE TO ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE NONPROFIT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION OPERATING IN THE STATE; AND**

**(2)**;

and strike beginning with “It” in line 22 down through the period in line 24.