

## **S.F. No. 3001 – Modifying provisions related to higher education (as proposed to be amendment by the A-2 amendment)**

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**Section 1** is deleted in the amendment.

**Sections 2 and 3** modify the state grant program.

**Section 2** amends the formula to calculate the cost of attendance for purposes of the state grant program by allowing 115% instead of 109% of the federal poverty guidelines for the living and miscellaneous expense allowance.

**Section 3** allows a student to be eligible for the state grant program for ten semesters. Current law allows eight semesters.

**Sections 4 and 5** modify provisions related to assigning students to remedial (developmental) courses at Minnesota State Colleges and Universities.

**Section 4** requires a college or university to determine whether the individual's performance on standardized test exempts the individual from a developmental course and inform the individual if a developmental course is required.

**Section 5** prohibits a college or university from determining if an individual is placed in a developmental, noncredit course based solely on the testing process. The college or university is allowed to use the multiple measures listed in this section to make a holistic determination to place an individual in a developmental course.

The term "remedial" is changed to "developmental" throughout this section of law.

**Section 6** requires a report by January 15, 2023, on the work-study program. The Office of Higher Education is required to analyze the factors listed in this section and report on the results of the study.

**Section 7** is an appropriation from the general fund to the commissioner of the Office of Higher Education for grants to the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system to pursue innovative ways to shorten timeline degree completion and minimize excess credits for students who are transferring to a different school, which may include counselor-navigator hubs. Not more than five percent of the appropriated amount may be used for administration.

**Section 8** is a revisor instruction to change the term “remedial” to “developmental” when referring to courses at a postsecondary institution.