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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 1022

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Higher Education Policy and Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to higher education; modifying child care grant eligibility; amending
1.3 Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 136A.125, subdivision 2.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 136A.125, subdivision 2, is amended to
1.6 read:

1.7 Subd. 2. **Eligible students.** (a) An applicant is eligible for a child care grant if
1.8 the applicant:

1.9 (1) is a resident of the state of Minnesota or the applicant's spouse is a resident
1.10 of the state of Minnesota;

1.11 (2) has a child 12 years of age or younger, or 14 years of age or younger who is
1.12 disabled as defined in section 125A.02, and who is receiving or will receive care on a
1.13 regular basis from a licensed or legal, nonlicensed caregiver;

1.14 (3) is income eligible as determined by the office's policies and rules, but is not a
1.15 recipient of assistance from the Minnesota family investment program;

1.16 (4) has not earned a baccalaureate degree and has been enrolled full time less than
1.17 eight semesters or the equivalent;

1.18 (5) is pursuing a nonsectarian program or course of study that applies to an
1.19 undergraduate degree, diploma, or certificate;

1.20 (6) is enrolled at least half time in an eligible institution; and

1.21 (7) is in good academic standing and making satisfactory academic progress.

1.22 (b) A student who withdraws from enrollment for active military service after
1.23 December 31, 2002, because the student was ordered to active military service as defined
1.24 in section 190.05, subdivision 5b or 5c, or for a major illness, while under the care of a

2.1 medical professional, that substantially limits the student's ability to complete the term
2.2 is entitled to an additional semester or the equivalent of grant eligibility and will be
2.3 considered to be in continuing enrollment status upon return.

2.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective August 1, 2015, and applies to
2.5 academic terms commencing on or after that date.