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

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to higher education; providing a rebate of nonresident tuition; proposing  
1.3 coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 135A.

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

1.5 Section 1. **[135A.043] NONRESIDENT TUITION REBATE.**

1.6 (a) A student who does not qualify for a resident tuition rate or its equivalent at state  
1.7 universities and colleges, including the University of Minnesota, is eligible for a rebate  
1.8 of the difference between the nonresident tuition rate and the resident tuition rate if the  
1.9 student meets all of the following requirements:

1.10 (1) high school attendance within the state for three or more years;

1.11 (2) graduation from a state high school or attainment within the state of the  
1.12 equivalent of high school graduation;

1.13 (3) enrollment in and attendance at a state public institution of higher education; and

1.14 (4) ability to provide proof of citizenship.

1.15 (b) A public institution of higher education in Minnesota must provide a tuition  
1.16 rebate to a student who:

1.17 (1) meets the criteria in paragraph (a);

1.18 (2) paid nonresident tuition to attend the institution; and

1.19 (3) provides the institution with proof of citizenship within five years of enrollment.

1.20 The rebate is equal to the total nonresident tuition paid by the student less the amount  
1.21 of resident tuition charged to a resident student for equivalent credits during the same  
1.22 academic terms.

2.1            (c) This section is in addition to any other statute, rule, or higher education  
2.2 institution regulation or policy providing eligibility for a resident tuition rate or its  
2.3 equivalent to a student.

2.4            **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment  
2.5 and applies to rebate of tuition for academic terms commencing on or after that date.