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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; changing eligibility for the state grant program;
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 136A.101, subdivision 4.
1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 136A.101, subdivision 4, is amended to
1.6 read:

1.7 Subd. 4. **Eligible institution.** "Eligible institution" means a postsecondary
1.8 educational institution located in this state or in a state with which the office has entered
1.9 into a higher education reciprocity agreement on state student aid programs that (1) is
1.10 operated by this state or the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota, or (2) is
1.11 operated ~~privately~~ as a private nonprofit institution and, as determined by the office,
1.12 meets all of the following: (i) maintains academic standards substantially equivalent to
1.13 those of comparable institutions operated in this state; (ii) is licensed or registered as a
1.14 postsecondary institution by the office or another state agency; and (iii) by July 1, 2011, is
1.15 participating in the federal Pell Grant program under Title IV of the Higher Education
1.16 Act of 1965, as amended.

1.17 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective for grants for students enrolling for
1.18 the first time in the fall of 2010.