- 1 HB603
- 2 139987-3
- 3 By Representatives Love and McClurkin
- 4 RFD: Ways and Means Education
- 5 First Read: 22-MAR-12

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4	A BILL
5	TO BE ENTITLED
6	AN ACT
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8	Relating to the Prepaid Affordable College Tuition
9	(PACT) Program, to amend Sections 16-33C-16 and 16-33C-20 of
10	the Code of Alabama 1975, retroactive to their date of
11	enactment; to add Section 16-33C-23 to the Code of Alabama
12	1975; to repeal Section 16-33C-17 of the Code of Alabama 1975,
13	retroactive to its date of enactment; to provide that payments
14	of tuition and mandatory fees by the PACT Program to instate
15	public institutions of higher education between the effective
16	date of Act 2010-725 and the effective date hereof shall be
17	deemed full payment; to repeal Section 16-33C-19 of the Code
18	of Alabama 1975, retroactive to its date of enactment; and to
19	expressly grant the PACT Board all necessary authority to
20	pursue solutions to any actuarial deficit in the PACT Trust
21	Fund.
22	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
23	Section 1. Sections 16-33C-16 and 16-33C-20 of the
24	Code of Alabama 1975, are amended to read as follows:
25	"§16-33C-16.
26	" $\frac{(a)}{(a)}$ In addition to the appropriations made in
27	Section 16-33C-14 and Section 16-33C-15, there is annually

Τ	appropriated from the Education Trust Fund to the PACT Trust
2	Fund the following amounts in the following fiscal years:
3	"(1) For the fiscal year ending 2016 \$10,000,000
4	"(2) For the fiscal year ending 2017 \$20,000,000
5	"(3) For the fiscal year ending 2018 \$20,000,000
6	"(4) For the fiscal year ending 2019 \$13,000,000
7	"(b) These appropriations, along with the
8	appropriations made in Section 16-33C-14 and Section
9	16-33C-15, will make the PACT Program 100 percent fully
10	funded, according to the actuarial professional retained by
11	the PACT board.
12	"§16-33C-20.
13	"In the event that the PACT Program's Board of
14	Directors receives an actuarial report certifying that any
15	appropriation made in Section 16-33C-14, Section 16-33C-15, or
16	Section 16-33C-16 is no longer necessary for the PACT Program
17	to be fully funded, the PACT Program's Board of Directors
18	shall certify to the Legislature that no future appropriations
19	are necessary."
20	Section 2. Section 16-33C-23 is added to the Code of
21	Alabama 1975, to read as follows:
22	§16-33C-23.

The PACT Board is expressly authorized to negotiate, accept, and implement a legally binding resolution with PACT purchasers and beneficiaries to address any actuarial deficit in the PACT Trust Fund, which includes all powers granted

elsewhere in this chapter and all other powers necessary or convenient under this section.

Section 3. Section 16-33C-17 of the Code of Alabama 1975, is hereby repealed. This repeal is declared to be remedial and curative and is retroactive to April 30, 2010; provided, however, any payments of mandatory fees or tuition per credit hour made by the PACT Program to any instate public institutions of higher education between the effective date of Act 2010-725 and the effective date hereof shall be deemed full payment of such mandatory fees or tuition per credit hour on behalf of the beneficiary of the PACT Contract.

Section 4. Section 16-33C-19 of the Code of Alabama 1975, is hereby repealed. This repeal is declared to be remedial and curative and is retroactive to April 30, 2010.

Section 5. The foregoing amendments of Sections 16-33C-16 and 16-33C-20 of the Code of Alabama 1975, are declared remedial and curative and are retroactive to April 30, 2010.

Section 6. This act shall become effective immediately following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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3	House of Representatives
4 5 6 7 8	Read for the first time and referred to the House of Representatives committee on Ways and Means Education
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