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3 By Representative Williams (JD)  
4 RFD: Ways and Means Education  
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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would provide a graduate of a  
9 state college or university, who cannot find  
10 meaningful employment upon graduation, tuition to  
11 attend a two-year technical or community college  
12 free of charge in order to attain an associate's  
13 degree or technical certificate.

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15 A BILL  
16 TO BE ENTITLED  
17 AN ACT

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19 Relating to higher education; to provide a graduate  
20 of a state college or university, who cannot find meaningful  
21 employment upon graduation, tuition to attend a two-year  
22 technical or community college free of charge in order to  
23 attain an associate's degree or technical certificate.

24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

25 Section 1. (a) As used in this section, a qualifying  
26 graduate is an individual who has graduated with a bachelor's  
27 degree or equivalent from a four-year public institution of

1 higher education in the state and who has received a  
2 scholarship issued by that institution to attend that  
3 institution.

4 (b) A qualifying graduate who cannot find meaningful  
5 employment within one year of graduation shall be entitled to  
6 attend a two-year public institution of higher education in  
7 the state, free of tuition costs, in order to attain an  
8 associate's degree or technical certificate from that two-year  
9 institution.

10 (c) The Commission on Higher Education shall adopt  
11 rules to implement this section, including, but not limited  
12 to, standards for determining who qualifies for relief under  
13 this section.

14 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the  
15 first day of the third month following its passage and  
16 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.