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120th MAINE LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION-2002

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No. 2042

S.P. 732

In Senate, January 2, 2002

An Act to Make Technical Changes to the Maine State Grant Program.

Submitted by the Finance Authority of Maine pursuant to Joint Rule 204.
Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered
printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pamela L. Cahill".

PAMELA L. CAHILL
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator ROTUNDO of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative RICHARD of Madison and
Senators: BROMLEY of Cumberland, CATHCART of Penobscot, SMALL of Sagadahoc,
Representatives: MAILHOT of Lewiston, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, STEDMAN of Hartland,
WATSON of Farmingdale, WESTON of Montville.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

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Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §11613, first ¶, as amended by PL 2001, c. 70, §7, is further amended to read:

The authority shall establish the need of a student for a Maine State Grant for an academic year for which the student applies. A student is considered to have a need to qualify for a grant if the total of the expected family contribution, together with any Pell Grant established pursuant to the Higher Education Act of 1965, Title IV, as amended, United States Code, Title 20, and a Maine State Grant does not exceed 75% of the cost of attendance at the institution the student attends. This section does not require that a student receive ~~or~~ apply for or be eligible for a Pell Grant but only that ~~a student be eligible for a Pell Grant provided, however, that~~ the amount of any Pell Grant that a student is entitled to receive must be included in calculating the amount of a Maine State Grant whether or not the student receives the Pell Grant.

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SUMMARY

This bill amends the provisions of the student incentive scholarship program administered by the Finance Authority of Maine by eliminating the need that the student applicant be eligible for a Pell Grant to receive an award under the program.