Senators Jones of the 22nd and Beach of the 21st offered the following amendment #1:

- 1 Amend the Senate Committee on Finance substitute to HB 1231 (LC 49 1927S) by replacing
- 2 line 1 with the following:
- To amend Code Section 20-3-411 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 4 definitions regarding tuition equalization grants at private colleges and universities, so as
- 5 to revise the definition of approved school to include schools which were previously
- 6 accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, are now accredited by the
- 7 Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools, and which meet other
- 8 requirements; to amend Code Section 20-3-519.2 of the Official Code of Georgia
- 9 Annotated, relating to
- 10 By inserting after line 13 the following:
- 11 Code Section 20-3-411 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions
- 12 regarding tuition equalization grants at private colleges and universities, is amended by
- revising subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2) as follows:
- "(A) A nonproprietary institution of higher education located in this state which is not
 a branch of the university system; which is not a four-year or graduate level institution
- of higher education that is, or is a part of, a college or university system that is owned
- and operated by a state other than Georgia; which is accredited by the Southern
- 18 Association of Colleges and Schools; which is not a graduate level school or college of
- theology or divinity; and which is not presently receiving state funds under Article 4
- of this chapter; provided, however, that an institution which otherwise meets the
- requirements of this definition and of this subpart except for the lack of accreditation
- by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools shall be deemed to be an

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'approved school' during the period that the institution holds candidate for accreditation status with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; provided, further, that an institution which otherwise meets the requirements of this definition and of this subpart except for the lack of accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools shall be deemed to be an 'approved school' if such institution was previously an 'approved school' under division (iii) of subparagraph (B) of this paragraph within the last five years; provided, further, that an institution which was previously accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools within the last seven years and which otherwise meets the requirements of this definition and of this subpart except for the lack of accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools shall be deemed to be an 'approved school'; provided, further, that an institution which was previously accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, is now accredited by the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools, and which otherwise meets the requirements of this definition and of this subpart except for the lack of accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools shall be deemed to be an 'approved school'; and"

39 SECTION 2.

40 By redesignating Sections 2 and 3 as Sections 3 and 4, respectively.