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# S. 1348

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. CANTWELL introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Federal Pell Grant  
5 Eligibility Clarification Act of 2003”.

6 **SEC. 2. CONSIDERATION OF CURRENT YEAR CIR-**  
7 **CUMSTANCES.**

8 Section 480(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965  
9 (20 U.S.C. 1087vv(a)) is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “paragraph  
2 (2)” and inserting “paragraphs (2) and (3)”; and

3 (2) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(3) CONSIDERATION OF CURRENT YEAR CIR-  
5 CUMSTANCES FOR CERTAIN PELL GRANT AWARDS.—

6 “(A) IN GENERAL.—If a student is a resi-  
7 dent of a State that is in an extended benefit  
8 period (within the meaning of section 203 of  
9 the Temporary Extended Unemployment Com-  
10 pensation Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–147)),  
11 then for purposes of calculating total income  
12 under paragraph (1) for a student seeking as-  
13 sistance under subpart 1 of part A, the Sec-  
14 retary shall reduce the student’s total income  
15 by an amount by which—

16 “(i) the adjusted gross income plus  
17 untaxed income and benefits for the pre-  
18 ceding tax year minus excludable income  
19 (as defined in subsection (e)), exceeds

20 “(ii) the projected gross income plus  
21 untaxed income and benefits for the cur-  
22 rent tax year minus the projected exclud-  
23 able income (as defined in subsection (e)).

24 “(B) ANTI-FRAUD PROCEDURES.—The Sec-  
25 retary shall establish procedures to ensure that com-

- 1 putations made pursuant to subparagraph (A) are
- 2 not fraudulent.”.

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