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Changes to the Hope Scholarship Program Contribution Election Form DR-HS1

The Hope Scholarship Program provides a public-school student, who was subjected to an incident of violence or bullying at school, the opportunity to apply for a scholarship to attend an eligible private school rather than remain in an unsafe school environment.

Changes to Form DR-HS1

Changes have been made to the Hope Scholarship Program to allow excess funding to be used for Florida Tax Credit Scholarships under section 1002.395, Florida Statutes. As a result, the Department of Revenue has included a statement about the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program on Form DR-HS1.

All eligible contributions will be used to fund Hope Scholarships. However, if eligible nonprofit scholarship-funding organizations (SFOs) have unused funds at the end of each state fiscal year (June 30), the SFO may carryforward 5 percent of net eligible contributions to fund Hope Scholarships for the next fiscal year. Net eligible contributions in excess of 5 percent will be transferred to other eligible SFOs. If no other SFO participates in the Hope Scholarship Program, net eligible contributions in excess of 5 percent may be used to fund scholarships under the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program.

References: Section 9, Chapter 2019-23, Laws of Florida; Section 1002.40, Florida Statutes; Emergency Rule 12AER19-01

For More Information

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Hope Scholarship Program Contribution Election

The Hope Scholarship Program (Program) provides a public-school student who was subjected to an incident of violence or bullying at school the opportunity to apply for a scholarship to attend an eligible private school rather than remain in an unsafe school environment.

When you purchase or register a motor vehicle qualifying for the Program in Florida, you may designate \$105 per vehicle to an eligible nonprofit scholarship-funding organization participating in the Program. If the state sales tax due is less than \$105, you may designate the amount of state sales tax due. Your motor vehicle dealer, county tax collector, or private tag agent will remit your contribution to the organization and remit the remaining state sales tax and surtax to the Florida Department of Revenue.

Eligible contributions are used to fund scholarships for the Hope Scholarship Program. Contributions may also be used to fund scholarships for the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program, which provides a low-income student the opportunity to apply for a scholarship to attend an eligible private school.

To make your contribution to the Program, complete the following. Sign and date.

Eligible Nonprofit Scholarship-Funding Organization: Step Up for Students, Inc.		Contribution Amount (Lesser of \$105, or state sales tax due):	
Vehicle Owner's Name:			
Mailing Address:			
City:	State:	ZIP:	
Vehicle Co-Owner's Name:			
Mailing Address:			
City:	State:	ZIP:	
Vehicle Year:	Vehicle Manufacturer:	Vehicle Identification Number:	
Signature of Owner:			Date:
Signature of Co-Owner*:			Date:

* For vehicles owned by more than one person, the signature of the owner and the co-owner is required.

For use by motor vehicle dealer, county tax collector, or private tag agency.