WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE
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ENROLLED
SENATE BILL NO. 419

(By Mr. PALUMBO)

PASSED MARCH 12, 1971

In Effect NINETY DAYS FROM PASSAGE

FILED IN THE OFFICE
JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, IV
SECRETARY OF STATE
THIS DATE 4-2-71.
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AN ACT to amend and reenact section six, article twenty-two-b, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to increasing the maximum scholarship award available to scholarship recipients under the state scholarship program.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section six, article twenty-two-b, chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 22B. STATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.

§18-22B-6. Recipients and awards of scholarships.

1 The scholarship recipient shall be free to attend any approved institution of higher education in this state. The
institution is not required to accept the scholarship recipient for enrollment, but is free to exact compliance with its own admission requirements, standards and policies. Scholarship grants shall be made to undergraduate students only. Each scholarship is renewable until the course of study is completed, but not to exceed an additional three academic years beyond the first year of the award. These may not necessarily be consecutive years and the scholarship will be terminated if the student receives his degree in a shorter period of time. Qualifications for renewal will include maintaining satisfactory academic standing, making normal progress toward completion of the course of study and continued eligibility, as determined by the commission. Scholarship awards shall be made without regard to the applicant's race, creed, color, sex, national origin or ancestry; and in making scholarship awards, the commission shall provide a fair and equitable geographical distribution of the awards and shall treat all approved institutions of higher education in a fair and equitable manner.
The maximum scholarship award shall be six hundred dollars per academic year: *Provided, however,* that for those recipients attending an approved institution of higher education in this state where the tuition exceeds six hundred dollars per academic year, the maximum scholarship award shall be nine hundred dollars or the amount of tuition and fees generally charged by the institution to all students per academic year, whichever is the lesser amount.

Payments of scholarships shall be made directly to the institution.

In the event that a scholarship recipient transfers from one approved institution of higher education to another, his scholarship shall be transferable only with the approval of the commission.

Should the recipient terminate his enrollment for any reason during the academic year, the unused portion of the scholarship shall be returned to the commission by the institution according to the institution's own policy for issuing refunds.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

To take effect 90 days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 1st day of April, 1971.

Governor