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HOUSE BILL No. 105

(By Mr. Seibert)

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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 recipients, awards and distribution of awards of scholarships established and authorized by said article twenty-two-b, and providing limitations on such scholarships.

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, awards and distribution of awards of scholarships.

1 The scholarship recipient shall be free to attend any ap-
2 proved institution of higher education in this state. The insti-
3 tution is not required to accept the scholarship recipient for
4 enrollment, but is free to exact compliance with its own ad-
5 mission requirements, standards and policies.

6 Scholarship grants shall be made to undergraduate students
7 only.

8 Each scholarship is renewable until the course of study is
9 completed, but not to exceed an additional three academic

10 years beyond the first year of the award. These may not neces-
11 sarily be consecutive years and the scholarship will be termi-
12 nated if the student receives his degree in a shorter period of
13 time. Qualifications for renewal will include maintaining sat-
14 isfactory academic standing, making normal progress toward
15 completion of the course of study and continued eligibility, as
16 determined by the commission.

17 Scholarship awards shall be made without regard to the ap-
18 plicant's race, creed, color, sex, national origin or ancestry; and
19 in making scholarship awards, the commission shall treat all
20 approved institutions of higher education in a fair and equitable
21 manner. The commission from time to time shall identify
22 areas of professional, vocational and technical expertise that
23 are, or will be, of critical need in this state and, to the extent
24 feasible, may direct scholarship grants to students that are
25 pursuing instruction in those areas.

26 Scholarship awards shall be limited to the lesser of the pay-
27 ment of tuition and those related compulsory fees charged by
28 an institution to all West Virginia undergraduate students, or an
29 amount equal to the average state general fund support for
30 each full-time-equivalent student in the state four-year colleges
31 for the preceding academic year as calculated by the board of
32 regents.

33 Payments of scholarships shall be made directly to the in-
34 stitution.

35 In the event that a scholarship recipient transfers from one
36 approved institution of higher education to another, his schol-
37 arship shall be transferable only with the approval of the com-
38 mission.

39 Should the recipient terminate his enrollment for any reason
40 during the academic year, the unused portion of the scholarship
41 shall be returned to the commission by the institution accord-
42 ing to the institution's own policy for issuing refunds.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

H. Laurel Darby
Chairman Senate Committee

Dorrence C. Chumley
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House.

Takes effect July 1, 1974.

Howard Robinson
Clerk of the Senate

C. A. Blankenship
Clerk of the House of Delegates

W. P. Brotherton Jr.
President of the Senate

Lewis H. McManis
Speaker House of Delegates

The within approved this the 2nd
day of July, 1974.

Arch A. Phares Jr.
Governor



PRESENTED TO THE
GOVERNOR

Date 6/28/74
Time 1:40 p.m.