SENATE BILL No. 626

July 16, 2003, Introduced by Senators VAN WOERKOM, ALLEN, BROWN, GARCIA, STAMAS, CROPSEY, HARDIMAN, GOSCHKA, SANBORN, McMANUS, GILBERT and OLSHOVE and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1964 PA 208, entitled

"An act to grant scholarships to students enrolled in postsecondary education institutions; and to provide for the administration of the scholarship program,"

by amending section 7 (MCL 390.977), as amended by 1980 PA 500.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 7. (1) An applicant awarded a first-year scholarship
- **2** or a renewal scholarship shall **is** not be restricted in the
- 3 choice of the institution in this state which he or she desires
- 4 to attend if the institution is approved by the state board of
- 5 education— superintendent of public instruction. An applicant
- **6** awarded a first-year scholarship or a renewal scholarship -shall
- 7 is not be restricted in the choice of the course of study he or
- 8 she wishes to pursue. -, except that a scholarship award shall
- 9 not be made to a student enrolled in a program of study leading
 -) to a degree in theology, divinity, or religious education.

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- 1 (2) An approved institution chosen by the applicant —shall
- 2 is not be required to accept the applicant for enrollment, or
- 3 once having admitted the applicant, to continue the applicant's
- 4 enrollment. The approved institution accepting the enrollment of
- 5 a state competitive scholarship award winner shall notify the
- 6 authority of the recipient's enrollment and shall submit annually
- 7 to the authority reports which are required and necessary to
- 8 administer this act.

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