

HOUSE BILL No. 4622

April 19, 2007, Introduced by Reps. Cushingberry, Cheeks, Hood, Gonzales, Lemmons, Virgil Smith, Young, Robert Jones, Clack, Hammel, Johnson, Constan, Alma Smith, Meadows, Meisner, Leland, Farrah, Dean, Scott and Jackson and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 2006 PA 479, entitled
"Michigan promise grant act,"
by amending section 2 (MCL 390.1622).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 2. As used in this act:

2 (a) "Academic year" means the period from September 1 of a
3 calendar year to August 31 of the next calendar year.

4 (b) "Approved postsecondary educational institution" means any
5 of the following:

6 (i) A PUBLIC COMMUNITY OR JUNIOR COLLEGE ESTABLISHED UNDER
7 SECTION 7 OF ARTICLE VIII OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION OF 1963 OR PART
8 25 OF THE REVISED SCHOOL CODE, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1601 TO

1 380.1607, OR A STATE UNIVERSITY DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4, 5, OR 6 OF
2 ARTICLE VIII OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION OF 1963, IF THE ADMISSION
3 STANDARDS OF THAT INSTITUTION ALLOW ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO GRADUATES
4 FROM A PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL IN THIS STATE WITH A GRADE POINT AVERAGE
5 IN THE TOP 15% OF HIS OR HER HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING CLASS TO ENROLL
6 AS AN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT IN THAT INSTITUTION.

7 (ii) ~~(i)~~ A ~~public or private~~ college or university, ~~junior~~
8 ~~college, or community college~~ that grants degrees or certificates
9 and is located in this state.

10 (iii) ~~(ii)~~ A postsecondary educational institution, other than an
11 educational institution described in subparagraph ~~(i)~~ (ii), that is
12 located in this state, grants degrees, certificates, or other
13 recognized credentials, and is designated by the department as an
14 approved postsecondary educational institution.

15 (iv) ~~(iii)~~ A service academy.

16 (c) "Clock hour" means a time period consisting of any of the
17 following:

18 (i) Fifty to 60 minutes of class, lecture, or recitation in a
19 60-minute period.

20 (ii) Fifty to 60 minutes of faculty-supervised laboratory work,
21 shop training, or internship in a 60-minute period.

22 (iii) Sixty minutes of preparation in a correspondence course.

23 (d) "Cumulative grade point average" means the weighted mean
24 value of the courses considered by an approved postsecondary
25 educational institution in determining whether to award a student
26 an associate's degree or a 2-year certificate of completion in a
27 vocational training program, whether the student has completed a

1 comparable vocational education program, or whether the student has
2 completed 50% or more of the academic requirements for the award of
3 a bachelor's degree, including any courses completed at another
4 approved postsecondary educational institution if the student
5 transfers the credits for those courses to the approved
6 postsecondary educational institution making that determination.

7 (e) "Department" means the department of treasury.

8 (f) "Fiscal year" means a fiscal year of this state. A fiscal
9 year begins on October 1 of a calendar year and ends on September
10 30 of the next calendar year.

11 (g) "High school graduate" means an individual who has
12 received a high school diploma from a high school in this state or
13 passed the general educational development (GED) diploma test or
14 any other high school graduate equivalency examination approved by
15 the state board of education.

16 (h) "Michigan promise grant" means a grant awarded by the
17 department under this act.

18 (i) "Qualifying score" means a score in a reading, writing,
19 mathematics, or science component of a state assessment test that
20 has been determined by the superintendent of public instruction to
21 indicate readiness to enroll in a course in that subject area in an
22 approved postsecondary educational institution.

23 (j) "Service academy" means the United States military
24 academy, United States naval academy, United States air force
25 academy, United States coast guard academy, or United States
26 merchant marine academy.

27 (k) "State assessment test" means the Michigan merit

1 examination described in section 1279g of the revised school code,
2 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1279g, and section 104b of the state school
3 aid act of 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1704b, or any other test
4 administered by the department of education to students in grades
5 11 and 12 to assure state compliance with the federal no child left
6 behind act of 2001, Public Law 107-110.

7 (l) "Trust fund" means the Michigan merit award trust fund
8 established in section 9 of the Michigan trust fund act, 2000 PA
9 489, MCL 12.259.