

HOUSE BILL No. 6668

November 19, 2008, Introduced by Rep. Alma Smith and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

A bill to amend 1986 PA 273, entitled

"An act to establish a Michigan educational opportunity grant program for resident qualified students enrolled in eligible public postsecondary schools; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies,"

by amending section 4 (MCL 390.1404); and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 4. (1) A student is eligible to participate in the MEOG
2 program under this act if the student meets the following
3 requirements:

4 (a) Has resided in this state continuously for the 12 months
5 preceding his or her application for a MEOG and is not considered a
6 resident of any other state.

7 ~~—— (b) Is not incarcerated in a corrections institute.~~

1 (B) ~~(e)~~—Is enrolled in at least a half-time undergraduate
2 program of study at a postsecondary school that meets the
3 requirements of section 3.

4 (C) ~~(d)~~—Is certified by the financial aid officer at the
5 postsecondary school as needing the grant in order to meet
6 recognized educational expenses.

7 (D) ~~(e)~~—Is a United States citizen or permanent resident.

8 (E) ~~(f)~~—Is not in default on a loan guaranteed by the
9 authority.

10 (2) A student shall maintain satisfactory academic progress,
11 as defined by the postsecondary school in which the student is
12 enrolled, to remain eligible for a MEOG under this act.

13 (3) A student shall not be eligible for a MEOG for more than
14 10 semesters of undergraduate education, or its equivalent in
15 trimesters or quarters, or the equivalent as determined by the
16 authority for less than full-time students.

17 (4) If a student possessing a degree at a given academic level
18 enrolls for a second degree at the same or lower academic level,
19 the authority shall include MEOGs received by the student when he
20 or she was enrolled for the previous degree at the same or lower
21 level in determining the student's eligibility under this act.

22 (5) **THE AUTHORITY SHALL NOT PROVIDE GRANTS UNDER THIS ACT IN**
23 **THE 2007-2008 ACADEMIC YEAR OR ANY SUBSEQUENT ACADEMIC YEAR.**

24 (6) **IF A STUDENT WAS AWARDED A GRANT UNDER THIS ACT BEFORE THE**
25 **2007-2008 ACADEMIC YEAR, THE AUTHORITY SHALL NOT PAY THE AMOUNT OF**
26 **THE GRANT OR ANY REMAINING UNPAID BALANCE OF THE GRANT TO THE**
27 **STUDENT OR THE POSTSECONDARY SCHOOL ON BEHALF OF THE STUDENT AFTER**

1 SEPTEMBER 15, 2007.

2 (7) BEGINNING ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT
3 ADDED THIS SUBSECTION, THE AUTHORITY SHALL NOTIFY EACH NEW GRANT
4 RECIPIENT, EACH EXISTING GRANT RECIPIENT WHO HAS NOT RECEIVED ALL
5 OF HIS OR HER GRANT MONEY, AND EACH POSTSECONDARY SCHOOL THAT MEETS
6 THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 3 OF THE PENDING REPEAL OF THIS ACT AND
7 THE TIMETABLES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTIONS (5) AND (6).

8 (8) ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2007, ANY RESTRICTED FUNDS OR OTHER MONEY
9 HELD BY THE AUTHORITY FOR PURPOSES OF THIS ACT SHALL REVERT TO THE
10 GENERAL FUND.

11 (9) AS USED IN THIS ACT, "ACADEMIC YEAR" MEANS THE PERIOD FROM
12 AUGUST 1 OF A CALENDAR YEAR TO JULY 31 OF THE NEXT CALENDAR YEAR.

13 Enacting section 1. 1986 PA 273, MCL 390.1401 to 390.1409, is
14 repealed effective October 1, 2007.

15 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
16 unless Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 6680 (request no.
17 01102'07) of the 94th Legislature is enacted into law.