

# HOUSE BILL No. 4432

February 24, 2009, Introduced by Reps. Durhal, Robert Jones, Stanley, Young, Johnson, Gregory, Lemmons, Smith, Gonzales, Nathan and Cushingberry 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), as amended by 2008 PA 517.

## 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  
9       380.1607, OR A STATE UNIVERSITY DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4, 5, OR 6 OF

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

1           (i) Subject to subparagraph (ii), the complete Michigan merit  
2 examination described in section 1279g of the revised school code,  
3 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1279g, and section 104b of the state school  
4 aid act of 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1704b.

5           (ii) For a student who has previously taken the complete  
6 Michigan merit examination, the college examination component of  
7 the Michigan merit examination, as described in section 1279g(2)(a)  
8 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1279g, and section  
9 104b(2)(a) of the state school aid act of 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL  
10 388.1704b.

11           (iii) Any other test administered by the department of education  
12 to students in grades 11 and 12 to assure state compliance with the  
13 federal no child left behind act of 2001, Public Law 107-110.

14           (l) "Trust fund" means the Michigan merit award trust fund  
15 established in section 9 of the Michigan trust fund act, 2000 PA  
16 489, MCL 12.259.