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HOUSE BILL No. 4693

June 9, 2015, Introduced by Reps. Gay-Dagnogo, Robinson, Pagan, Plawecki, Geiss, Banks, Love, Garrett, Chang, Talabi and Liberati 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:
 - (a) "Academic year" means the period from September 1 of a calendar year to August 31 of the next calendar year.
 - (b) "Approved postsecondary educational institution" means any of the following:
 - (i) A PUBLIC COMMUNITY OR JUNIOR COLLEGE ESTABLISHED UNDER SECTION 7 OF ARTICLE VIII OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION OF 1963 OR PART

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- 1 25 OF THE REVISED SCHOOL CODE, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1601 TO
- 2 380.1607, OR A STATE UNIVERSITY DESCRIBED IN SECTION 4, 5, OR 6 OF
- 3 ARTICLE VIII OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION OF 1963, IF THE ADMISSION
- 4 STANDARDS OF THAT INSTITUTION ALLOW ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO GRADUATES
- 5 FROM A PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL IN THIS STATE WITH A GRADE POINT AVERAGE
- 6 IN THE TOP 15% OF HIS OR HER HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING CLASS TO ENROLL
- 7 AS AN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT IN THAT INSTITUTION.
- 8 (ii) (i) A public or private college or university , junior
- 9 college, or community college that grants degrees or certificates
- 10 and is located in this state.
- 11 (iii) (iii)—A postsecondary educational institution, other than
- 12 an educational institution described in subparagraph $\frac{(i)}{(i)}$, that
- 13 is located in this state, grants degrees, certificates, or other
- 14 recognized credentials, and is designated by the department as an
- 15 approved postsecondary educational institution.
- 16 (iv) $\frac{(iii)}{(iii)}$ A service academy.
- 17 (c) "Clock hour" means a time period consisting of any of the
- 18 following:
- 19 (i) Fifty to 60 minutes of class, lecture, or recitation in a
- 20 60-minute period.
- 21 (ii) Fifty to 60 minutes of faculty-supervised laboratory
- 22 work, shop training, or internship in a 60-minute period.
- 23 (iii) Sixty minutes of preparation in a correspondence course.
- 24 (d) "Cumulative grade point average" means the weighted mean
- 25 value of the courses considered by an approved postsecondary
- 26 educational institution in determining whether to award a student
- 27 an associate's degree or a 2-year certificate of completion in a

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- 1 vocational training program, whether the student has completed a
- 2 comparable vocational education program, or whether the student has
- 3 completed 50% or more of the academic requirements for the award of
- 4 a bachelor's degree, including any courses completed at another
- 5 approved postsecondary educational institution if the student
- 6 transfers the credits for those courses to the approved
- 7 postsecondary educational institution making that determination.
- 8 (e) "Department" means the department of treasury.
- 9 (f) "Fiscal year" means a fiscal year of this state. A fiscal
- 10 year begins on October 1 of a calendar year and ends on September
- 11 30 of the next calendar year.
- 12 (g) "High school graduate" means an individual who has
- 13 received a high school diploma from a high school or passed the
- 14 general educational development (GED) diploma test or any other
- 15 high school graduate equivalency examination approved by the state
- 16 board of education.
- 17 (h) "Michigan promise grant" means a grant awarded by the
- 18 department under this act.
- (i) "Qualifying score" means a score in a reading, writing,
- 20 mathematics, science, or social studies component of a state
- 21 assessment test that has been determined by the superintendent of
- 22 public instruction to indicate readiness to enroll in a course in
- 23 that subject area in an approved postsecondary educational
- 24 institution.
- 25 (j) "Service academy" means the United States military
- 26 academy, MILITARY ACADEMY, United States naval academy, NAVAL
- 27 ACADEMY, United States air force academy, AIR FORCE ACADEMY, United

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- 1 States coast guard academy, COAST GUARD ACADEMY, or United States
- 2 merchant marine academy. MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY.
- 3 (k) "State assessment test" means any of the following:
- 4 (i) Subject to subparagraph (ii), the complete Michigan merit
- 5 examination described in section 1279g of the revised school code,
- 6 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1279q, and section 104b of the state school
- 7 aid act of 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1704b.
- 8 (ii) For a student who has previously taken the complete
- 9 Michigan merit examination, the college examination component of
- 10 the Michigan merit examination, as described in section 1279q(2)(a)
- 11 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1279g, and section
- 12 104b(2)(a) of the state school aid act of 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL
- **13** 388.1704b.
- 14 (iii) Any other test administered by the department of
- 15 education to students in grades 11 and 12 to assure state
- 16 compliance with the federal no child left behind act of 2001,
- **17** Public Law 107-110.
- 18 (l) "Trust fund" means the Michigan merit award trust fund
- 19 established in section 9 of the Michigan trust fund act, 2000 PA
- **20** 489, MCL 12.259.