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HOUSE BILL DRH10465-MKa-194

Short Title: Need-based Schol./Funds/Main Permanent Campus. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative R. Moore.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO ALLOW ELIGIBLE PRIVATE POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS WITH
3 CAMPUSES ACCREDITED PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2014, TO MEET THE
4 DEFINITION OF MAIN PERMANENT CAMPUS FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE
5 NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM BY PROVIDING CLASSROOMS WITH
6 FULL-TIME FACULTY MEMBERS AND ADMINISTRATION ON THE CAMPUS AND
7 TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO EXPAND THE AVAILABILITY OF NEED-BASED
8 SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER THE PROGRAM.

9 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

10 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 116-280 reads as rewritten:

11 **"§ 116-280. Definitions.**

12 The following definitions apply to this Article:

- 13 (1) Academic year. – A period of time in which a student is expected to complete
14 the equivalent of at least two semesters' or three quarters' academic work.
- 15 (2) Authority. – The State Education Assistance Authority created by Article 23
16 of Chapter 116 of the General Statutes.
- 17 (3) Eligible private postsecondary institution. – A school that is any of the
18 following:
19 a. A nonprofit postsecondary educational institution with a main
20 permanent campus located in this State that is not owned or operated
21 by the State of North Carolina or by an agency or political subdivision
22 of the State or by any combination thereof that satisfies all of the
23 following:
24 1. Is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and
25 Schools under the standards of the College Delegate Assembly
26 of the Association or by the New England Association of
27 Schools and Colleges through its Commission on Institutions
28 of Higher Education.
29 2. Awards a postsecondary degree as defined in G.S. 116-15.
- 30 b. A postsecondary institution owned or operated by a hospital authority
31 as defined in G.S. 131E-16(14) or school of nursing affiliated with a
32 nonprofit postsecondary educational institution as defined in
33 sub-subdivision a. of this subsection.
- 34 (4) Main permanent campus. – A campus owned by the eligible private
35 postsecondary institution ~~that provides permanent on-premises housing, food~~
36 ~~services, and classrooms with full-time faculty members and administration~~



1 that engages in postsecondary degree ~~activity~~activity, as defined in
2 ~~G.S. 116-15~~G.S. 116-15, and meets at least one of the following:

3 a. Provides permanent on premises housing, food services, and
4 classrooms with full-time faculty members and administration.

5 b. Provides classrooms with full-time faculty members and
6 administration if the campus of the eligible private postsecondary
7 institution was accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and
8 Schools under the standards of the College Delegate Assembly of the
9 Association or by the New England Association of Schools and
10 Colleges through its Commission on Institutions of Higher Education
11 prior to January 1, 2014.

12 (5) Matriculated status. – Being recognized as a student in a defined program of
13 study leading to a degree, diploma, or certificate at an eligible private
14 postsecondary institution.

15 (6) Scholarship. – A scholarship for education awarded under this Article.

16 (7) Title IV. – Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, 20
17 U.S.C. § 1070, et seq."

18 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of Governors
19 of The University of North Carolina the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) in additional
20 recurring funds for the 2018-2019 fiscal year to be allocated to the State Education Assistance
21 Authority for the award of scholarships pursuant to the North Carolina Need-Based Scholarships
22 for Students Attending Private Institutions of Higher Education established by Article 34 of
23 Chapter 116 of the General Statutes.

24 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2018, and applies to the award of
25 scholarships beginning with the 2018-2019 academic year.