SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4055

A bill to amend 1964 PA 208, entitled

"An act to grant scholarships to students enrolled in postsecondary education institutions; and to provide for the administration of the scholarship program,"

by amending sections 3 and 4 (MCL 390.973 and 390.974), section 3 as amended by 1980 PA 500 and section 4 as amended by 1986 PA 270.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 3. (1) The Subject to subsection (4), the authority shall
- 2 conduct a competitive examination among eligible applicants for
- 3 state competitive scholarships at times and places as determined by
- 4 the authority. The authority may designate a competitive
- 5 examination to be administered among eligible applicants for state
- 6 competitive scholarships. The authority shall annually establish





- 1 the examination scores necessary to qualify for the competitive
- 2 scholarship shall be established annually by the authority
- 3 according to the funding available to meet the award levels
- 4 established pursuant to section 6.
- 5 (2) The authority may also use scholastic achievement in
- 6 determining award winners and shall issue appropriate certificates
- ${f 7}$ of recognition to ${f persons-individuals}$ awarded scholarships. The
- 8 authority shall grant annual renewal of scholarships.
- 9 (3) Rules—The authority shall promulgate rules to implement
- 10 this act pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969,
- 11 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, including rules for the conduct
- 12 of examinations for the award of scholarships, and for the
- 13 procedures for the awarding of annual renewal scholarships, shall
- 14 be promulgated by the authority pursuant to Act No. 306 of the
- 15 Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being sections 24.201 to 24.315 of
- 16 the Michigan Compiled Laws. The authority shall define and for the
- 17 purpose of defining postsecondary institutions in the rules
- 18 promulgated.under this act.
- 19 (4) Notwithstanding any provision of this act or rule to the
- 20 contrary, scholastic achievement, including, but not limited to,
- 21 grade point average, class rank, or other measure of academic
- 22 success as determined by the authority, may be used as an
- 23 alternative to a competitive examination to determine eligibility
- 24 for scholarships awarded under this act for the 2021-2022 academic
- 25 year.
- 26 Sec. 4. (1) An applicant is eligible for the award of a first-
- 27 year scholarship if the authority finds that the applicant meets
- 28 all of the following:
- 29 (a) Has resided continuously in this state for the preceding

- 1 12 months and is not considered a resident of any other state.
- 2 (b) Has graduated from a high school, or is a student in good
- 3 standing in a high school who will graduate at the end of the
- 4 academic year, or an individual who has passed a graduate
- 5 equivalency examination approved by the state board of education,
- 6 or, if not a high school graduate, is recommended favorably by an
- 7 appropriate educational institution as defined in rules promulgated
- 8 by the authority.
- 9 (c) Except for the an applicant for a graduate scholarship,
- 10 based upon on the state competitive scholarship examination, the
- 11 applicant shows promise of satisfactorily completing a course of
- 12 study at an approved postsecondary institution of the applicant's
- 13 choice in this state. For an applicant for a graduate scholarship,
- 14 the authority shall determine the examination standards for
- 15 eligibility.
- (d) Has complied with this act and the rules promulgated under
- 17 this act by the authority.
- 18 (e) Is not incarcerated in a corrections institution.
- 19 (2) An applicant who the authority determines is eliqible for
- 20 award of a scholarship under this act shall complete using the
- 21 scholarship within 10-1 of the following time frames, as
- 22 applicable:
- (a) For an applicant enrolled in an eligible postsecondary
- 24 institution during the 2020 spring term and the 2020-2021 academic
- 25 year, 11 years after his or her eligibility is determined.
- 26 (b) For any other applicant, 10 years after his or her
- 27 eligibility is determined.

