## **SENATE BILL No. 970**

## February 10, 2004, Introduced by Senators JELINEK, KUIPERS, HAMMERSTROM, GARCIA, BARCIA and CROPSEY and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1996 PA 160, entitled

"Postsecondary enrollment options act,"

by amending section 3 (MCL 388.513), as amended by 1997 PA 178.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 3. As used in this act:

2 (a) "Community college" means a community college established 3 under the community college act of 1966, 1966 PA 331, MCL 389.1 to 389.195, or under part 25 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 4 451, MCL 380.1601 to 380.1607, or a federal tribally controlled 5 community college located in this state that is recognized under 6 the tribally controlled community college assistance act of 1978, 7 -Public Law 95-471 25 USC 1801 to 1852, and is determined by the 8 9 department to meet the requirements for accreditation by a 10 recognized regional accrediting body.

(b) "Department" means the department of education.

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1 (c) "Eligible charges" means tuition and mandatory course fees, material fees, and registration fees required by an 2 eligible institution for enrollment in an eligible course. 3 Eligible charges also include any late fees charged by an 4 5 eligible postsecondary institution due to the school district's failure to make a required payment according to the timetable 6 prescribed under this act. Eligible charges do not include 7 transportation or parking costs or activity fees. 8

9 (d) "Eligible course" means a course offered by an eligible postsecondary institution that is not offered by the school 10 district in which the eligible student is enrolled, or that is 11 12 offered by the school district but is determined by the board of the school district to not be available to the eligible student 13 because of a scheduling conflict beyond the eligible student's 14 control; that is an academic course not ordinarily taken as an 15 activity course; that is a course that the postsecondary 16 institution normally applies toward satisfaction of degree 17 requirements; that is not a hobby craft or recreational course; 18 and that is in a subject area other than physical education, 19 20 theology, divinity, or religious education. However, for an eligible student who has not achieved state endorsement in all 21 subject areas under section 1279 of the revised school code, 1976 22 PA 451, MCL 380.1279, an eligible course is limited to a course 23 in a subject area for which he or she has achieved state 24 endorsement, a course in computer science or foreign language not 25 offered by the school district, or a course in fine arts as 26 27 permitted by the school district.

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(e) "Eligible postsecondary institution" means a state
 university, community college, or independent nonprofit
 degree-granting college or university that is located in this
 state and that chooses to comply with this act.

(f) "Eligible student" means, except as otherwise provided in 5 this subdivision, a student enrolled in at least 1 high school 6 class in at least grade 11 in a school district in this state, 7 except a foreign exchange pupil enrolled in a school district 8 under a cultural exchange program, who has achieved state 9 10 endorsement in all subject areas under section 1279 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1279, and who has not 11 12 been enrolled in high school for more than 4 school years including the school year in which the student seeks to enroll in 13 an eligible course under this act. However, if the student has 14 not achieved state endorsement in all subject areas under that 15 section, the student is an eligible student only for the limited 16 purpose of enrolling in 1 or more eligible courses under this act 17 in a subject area for which he or she has achieved state 18 endorsement, in computer science or foreign language not offered 19 20 by the school district, or in fine arts as permitted by the school district. 21

(g) "Intermediate school district" means that term as defined
in section 4 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.4.
(h) "School district" means that term as defined in section 6
of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.6, a local act
school district as defined in section 5 of the revised school
code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.5, or a public school academy

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organized under <u>part 6a or 6b of</u> the revised school code, 1976
 PA 451, <u>MCL 380.501 to 380.507 and 380.511 to 380.518</u> MCL 380.1
 to 380.1852.

4 (i) "State university" means a state institution of higher
5 education described in section 4, 5, or 6 of article VIII of the
6 state constitution of 1963.