SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4442

A bill to amend 1986 PA 102, entitled

"An act to establish a grant program for certain part-time, independent students in this state; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and institutions of higher education,"

by amending sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 (MCL 390.1281, 390.1282, 390.1283, 390.1284, 390.1285, 390.1286, 390.1287, and 390.1288), section 3 as amended by 2004 PA 180.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. As used in this act:
- 2 (a) "Authority" means the Michigan higher education assistance
- 3 authority created by Act No. 77 of the Public Acts of 1960, being
- 4 sections 390.951 to 390.961 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 5 (A) "COMMUNITY COLLEGE" MEANS A COMMUNITY COLLEGE ORGANIZED
- 6 UNDER THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT OF 1966, 1966 PA 331, MCL 389.1 TO

- 1 389.195, OR UNDER PART 25 OF THE REVISED SCHOOL CODE, 1976 PA 451,
- 2 MCL 380.1601 TO 380.1607.
- 3 (B) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY.
- 4 (C) "ELIGIBLE STUDENT" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO MEETS THE
- 5 REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 3.
- 6 (D) (b) "Financial need" means need as determined by the
- 7 institution A COMMUNITY COLLEGE based upon a need analysis standard
- 8 established by the authority. Such DEPARTMENT. THAT standard shall
- 9 take into consideration the student's current annual income and
- 10 exclude his or her home equity.
- 11 (E) "GRANT PROGRAM" MEANS THE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED BY SECTION
- 12 2.
- 13 (F) (c) "Independent student" means an independent student
- 14 THAT TERM as defined in 34 C.F.R. 668.1a.CFR 668.2.
- (G) (d) "Part-time" means not less than 3 semester hours and
- 16 not more than 11 semester hours per semester, or the equivalent for
- 17 a quarter or term.
- 18 Sec. 2. A grant program is established by the state—to foster
- 19 the pursuit of postsecondary education by part-time, independent
- 20 students who have financial need. ELIGIBLE STUDENTS.
- 21 Sec. 3. A person AN INDIVIDUAL is eligible to participate in
- 22 the grant program if he or she meets all of the following:
- 23 (a) Is a part-time student.
- 24 (b) Is an independent student.
- (c) Has not been enrolled in a high school diploma program
- 26 other than general educational development (GED) or adult education
- 27 for at least the 2 preceding years.

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- 1 (d) Is enrolled or accepted for enrollment in an undergraduate
- 2 A program of not less than 9 months duration leading to a degree or
- 3 certificate from a Michigan degree granting educational institution
- 4 that is approved by the department of labor and economic
- 5 growth.COMMUNITY COLLEGE.
- 6 (e) Has resided continuously in this state for the immediately
- 7 preceding 12 months and is not considered a resident of any other
- 8 state.
- 9 (f) Is not incarcerated in a corrections institution.
- 10 (g) Has complied with this act and the rules promulgated under
- 11 this act by the authority. DEPARTMENT.
- 12 (h) Is a United States citizen or permanent resident.
- [(i) Is not enrolled in an institution whose primary purpose is
- 14 to prepare students for ordination or appointment as a member of
- 15 the clergy of a church, denomination, or religious association,
- 16 order, or sect.
- 17 (j)] Is not in default on a loan guaranteed by the
- 18 authority.DEPARTMENT.
- 19 [(k)] Is shown by the school COMMUNITY COLLEGE to be making
- 20 satisfactory academic progress.
- 21 [(1)] IS SHOWN BY THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO HAVE FINANCIAL NEED.
- Sec. 4. The total of the amount granted to an educational
- 23 institution A COMMUNITY COLLEGE shall be proportionate to the
- 24 number of needy independent students eligible for this program
- 25 ELIGIBLE STUDENTS enrolled at the institution COMMUNITY COLLEGE for
- 26 the most recent year for which statistics are available. Funds
- 27 provided to eligible schools THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE shall be used

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- 1 USE THOSE FUNDS for awards to ELIGIBLE students, not for
- 2 administration of the program.
- 3 Sec. 5. (1) Upon application of an eligible student, an
- 4 educational institution ANY COMMUNITY COLLEGE shall grant to the
- 5 student an amount [of not more than \$600.00 per OF AT LEAST \$250.00 AND
- 6 NOT MORE THAN \$1,200.00

-] FOR AN academic
- 7 year for not more than 2-3 12-month periods at any given
- 8 educational institution. COMMUNITY COLLEGE.
- 9 (2) If the number of eligible applicants STUDENTS exceeds the
- 10 money available, priority shall be given to persons ELIGIBLE
- 11 STUDENTS AS DIRECTED BY THE ACT THAT APPROPRIATED THAT MONEY.
- 12 HOWEVER, IF THAT ACT DOES NOT PROVIDE THAT DIRECTION, THEN PRIORITY
- 13 SHALL BE GIVEN TO ELIGIBLE STUDENTS with the greatest financial
- 14 need as determined by each educational institution. COMMUNITY
- 15 COLLEGE.
- 16 (3) A-SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 3, A student who
- 17 receives a state competitive scholarship award under Act No. 208 of
- 18 the Public Acts of 1964, being sections 390.971 to 390.981 of the
- 19 Michigan Compiled Laws, or who receives other scholarships or grant
- 20 awards, may be 1 OR MORE SCHOLARSHIP OR GRANT AWARDS OTHER THAN A
- 21 GRANT AWARD UNDER THIS ACT, INCLUDING A STATE COMPETITIVE
- 22 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD UNDER 1964 PA 208, MCL 390.971 TO 390.981, IS
- 23 eligible for funds under this act if the total amount of the
- 24 student's scholarships and grants THOSE OTHER SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT
- 25 AWARDS is less than the student's financial need. A-THAT student's
- 26 OTHER scholarship and grant awards may be increased with funds from
- 27 the GRANT program under this act up to the level of the maximum

- 1 grant as provided in subsection (1).
- 2 Sec. 6. A grant awarded to a AN ELIGIBLE student pursuant to
- 3 UNDER this act shall be disregarded as income for purposes of
- 4 determining eligibility for aid or assistance administered under
- 5 the social welfare act, Act No. 280 of the Public Acts of 1939,
- 6 being sections 400.1 to 400.121 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.1939
- 7 PA 280, MCL 400.1 TO 400.119B.
- 8 Sec. 7. The authority DEPARTMENT may accept gifts, grants,
- 9 bequests, donations, and devises, from whatever sources, of real,
- 10 personal, or mixed property and money for the purposes described in
- 11 this act. The authority DEPARTMENT shall prepare an annual report
- 12 of all gifts, grants, bequests, donations, and devises for the
- 13 governor and the legislature.
- 14 Sec. 8. The authority DEPARTMENT shall promulgate rules to
- 15 implement this act pursuant to the administrative procedures act of
- 16 1969, Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, being sections 24.201
- 17 to 24.328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 TO
- 18 24.328.