TUITION GRANTS

Act 313 of 1966

AN ACT to award tuition grants to resident students enrolled in independent nonprofit institutions of higher learning; and to make an appropriation therefor.

History: 1966, Act 313, Eff. Aug. 1, 1966; -- Am. 1976, Act 314, Eff. July 1, 1977; -- Am. 1980, Act 503, Eff. July 1, 1981

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

390.991 Tuition grants; establishment; purpose; qualifications.

Sec. 1.

Tuition grants are established by the state to foster the pursuit of higher education by resident students enrolled in independent nonprofit colleges or universities in the state, which have filed with the board of education a certificate of assurance of compliance with title 6 of the civil rights act of 1964, Public Law 88-352, 77 Stat. 241, as in effect on January 1, 1966, whose instructional programs are not comprised solely of sectarian instruction or religious worship, and which are approved by the state board of education.

History: 1966, Act 313, Eff. Aug. 1, 1966;— Am. 1976, Act 314, Eff. July 1, 1977;— Am. 1980, Act 503, Eff. July 1, 1981 **Compiler's Notes:** For transfer of authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Michigan higher education assistance authority, the Michigan higher education student loan authority, and the office of student financial assistance services in the department of education to the department of treasury, see E.R.O. No. 1995-2, compiled at MCL 12.181 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.For transfer of powers and duties of Michigan higher education assistance authority to department of treasury, see E.R.O. No. 2010-2, compiled at MCL 12.194.

390.992 Tuition grants; administration; availability of grants; priority.

Sec. 2.

The Michigan higher education assistance authority created by Act No. 77 of the Public Acts of 1960, as amended, being sections 390.951 to 390.961 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, shall administer the grants which shall be available to each eligible resident student registered as an eligible undergraduate or graduate student. Priority shall be given to full-time students.

History: 1966, Act 313, Eff. Aug. 1, 1966;— Am. 1976, Act 314, Eff. July 1, 1977;— Am. 1976, Act 452, Imd. Eff. Jan. 13, 1977 Compiler's Notes: For transfer of authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Michigan higher education assistance authority, the Michigan higher education student loan authority, and the office of student financial assistance services in the department of education to the department of treasury, see E.R.O. No. 1995-2, compiled at MCL 12.181 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.For transfer of powers and duties of Michigan higher education assistance authority to department of treasury, see E.R.O. No. 2010-2, compiled at MCL 12.194.For the transfer of the powers and duties for the administration of certain scholarship and grant programs from the office of postsecondary financial planning within the department of treasury to the director of MiLEAP, see E.R.O. No. 2023-2, compiled at MCL 388.1283.

390.993 Tuition grants; application; eligibility; satisfactory academic progress; second degree.

Sec. 3.

(1) Upon application of an eligible resident student who has resided in this state continuously for the preceding

12 months, is not considered a resident of any other state, is not incarcerated in a corrections institution, and is registered in an independent nonprofit college or university in this state, as described in section 1, the Michigan higher education assistance authority shall grant an amount as provided for in this act for each semester of attendance. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a student is not eligible for a grant for tuition and fees for more than 10 semesters of undergraduate education, or its equivalent in trimesters, or its equivalent as determined by the authority for less than full-time students; for more than 6 semesters of graduate education, or its equivalent in trimesters; or for more than 8 semesters in dental education, or its equivalent in trimesters. A student enrolled as an undergraduate during the 2020 spring term and the 2020-2021 academic year is eligible for a grant of tuition and fees for up to 12 semesters of undergraduate education, or its equivalent in trimesters, or its equivalent as determined by the authority for less than full-time students.

- (2) A student must maintain satisfactory academic progress, as defined by the college or university in which the student is enrolled, to remain eligible for the tuition grant under this act.
- (3) If a student possessing a degree at a given academic level enrolls for a second degree at the same academic level, the authority shall include tuition grants received by the student when enrolled for the previous degree at the same level in determining the student's eligibility under subsection (1).

History: 1966, Act 313, Eff. Aug. 1, 1966; -- Am. 1968, Act 339, Eff. Nov. 1, 1968; -- Am. 1976, Act 314, Eff. July 1, 1977; -- Am. 1976, Act 452, Imd. Eff. Jan. 13, 1977; -- Am. 1977, Act 295, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 1977; -- Am. 1980, Act 503, Eff. July 1, 1981; -- Am. 2021, Act 41, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2021

390.993a Repealed. 1971, Act 179, Eff. Mar. 30, 1972.

Compiler's Notes: The repealed section pertained to competition in a state competitive scholarship examination as a condition of eligibility for tuition grants.

390.994 Tuition grants; determination of amount; evaluation of family's financial resources; grants for religious studies prohibited; payments.

Sec. 4.

- (1) The amount of the grant to be paid for each semester or trimester shall be determined by the Michigan higher education assistance authority based upon an evaluation of the family's financial resources. In determining financial resources the authority shall use the same criteria as used in Act No. 208 of the Public Acts of 1964, as amended, being sections 390.971 to 390.981 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. The evaluation shall make allowance for other members of the applicant's family enrolled in an approved institution of higher education.
- (2) A grant shall not be made under this act to a student who is enrolled in a program of study leading to a degree in theology, divinity, or religious education.
- (3) Prorated payments shall be made at the beginning of each semester or term to the student or to the college or university for credit to the student's account.

History: 1966, Act 313, Eff. Aug. 1, 1966 ;-- Am. 1968, Act 339, Eff. Nov. 1, 1968 ;-- Am. 1976, Act 314, Eff. July 1, 1977 ;-- Am. 1980, Act 503, Eff. July 1, 1981

390.995 Tuition grants; maximum amount or grant level.

Sec. 5.

Each tuition grant shall not exceed the amount of tuition and fees for the full academic year as reported by the college or university in which the applicant is enrolled, or an amount the Michigan higher education assistance

authority finds appropriate in relation to the family's financial resources, whichever is the lesser. If there are not sufficient appropriated funds to provide each student with the grant amount for which the student is eligible, the Michigan higher education assistance authority shall establish a maximum grant level for that academic year.

History: 1966, Act 313, Eff. Aug. 1, 1966; -- Am. 1968, Act 339, Eff. Nov. 1, 1968; -- Am. 1972, Act 313, Eff. July 1, 1973; -- Am. 1976, Act 314, Eff. July 1, 1977; -- Am. 1977, Act 295, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 1977; -- Am. 1980, Act 503, Eff. July 1, 1981

390.996 Rules.

Sec. 6.

The Michigan higher education assistance authority shall promulgate rules to carry out this act pursuant to Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being sections 24.201 to 24.315 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

History: 1966, Act 313, Eff. Aug. 1, 1966 ;-- Am. 1980, Act 503, Eff. July 1, 1981 **Admin Rule:** R 390.831 et seq. of the Michigan Administrative Code.

390.997 Effect of receiving state competitive scholarship; increasing state competitive scholarship award.

Sec. 7.

A student who receives a state competitive scholarship authorized by Act No. 208 of the Public Acts of 1964, as amended, is not eligible to receive a tuition grant concurrently. However, the state competitive scholarship award of a student enrolled in an independent nonprofit college or university may be increased with funds from the tuition grant program under this act up to the level of the maximum tuition grant award as provided in section 5, if the maximum tuition grant award is greater than the maximum competitive scholarship award in a given year.

History: 1966, Act 313, Eff. Aug. 1, 1966; -- Am. 1968, Act 339, Eff. Nov. 1, 1968; -- Am. 1971, Act 179, Eff. Mar. 30, 1972; -- Am. 1976, Act 452, Imd. Eff. Jan. 13, 1977; -- Am. 1980, Act 503, Eff. July 1, 1981 **Compiler's Notes:** For provisions of Act 208 of 1964, referred to in this section, see MCL 390.971 et seq.

390.997a Effect of receiving private scholarships.

Sec. 7a.

If a student receives other scholarship awards by a private, nonprofit institution of higher learning covering full tuition and fees, he is not eligible for a tuition grant. If a student receives other scholarship awards by a private, nonprofit institution of higher learning covering only a portion of his tuition and fees, the student may qualify for a proportionate tuition grant in accordance with the provisions of this act.

History: Add. 1971, Act 179, Eff. Mar. 30, 1972

390.998, 390.999 Repealed. 1968, Act 339, Eff. Nov. 1, 1968.

Compiler's Notes: The repealed sections provided appropriation from general fund to department of education for tuition grants and gave effective date.