

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 170—ASSEMBLYMEN SETTELMAYER, ALLEN,
BEERS, CHRISTENSEN, COBB, GANSERT, GOEDHART,
GOICOECHEA, GRADY, HARDY, MABEY, STEWART AND
WEBER

FEBRUARY 23, 2007

JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS CEGAVSKE, HECK AND WASHINGTON

Referred to Concurrent Committees on
Education and Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing the Governor Guinn
Millennium Scholarship Program. (BDR 34-827)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to education; requiring a student to submit a
federal financial aid application to be eligible for receipt
of a millennium scholarship; and providing other matters
properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

- 1 Existing law establishes the Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Program.
 - 2 (NRS 396.911-396.938) In addition to the existing eligibility requirements for
 - 3 receipt of a millennium scholarship, this bill provides that a student must also have
 - 4 submitted a completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The
 - 5 FAFSA requires various information concerning an applicant, including the
 - 6 student's state of residence, social security number, marital status and income
 - 7 information.
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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 **Section 1.** NRS 396.930 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 396.930 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2 and
3 3, a student may apply to the Board of Regents for a millennium
4 scholarship if he:
5 (a) Has been a resident of this State for at least 2 years before he
6 applies for the scholarship;
7 (b) *Has submitted a Free Application for Federal Student Aid*
8 *(FAFSA) that is complete and accurate;*
9 (c) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph ~~(e)~~ (d),
10 graduated from a public or private high school in this State:
11 (1) After May 1, 2000, but not later than May 1, 2003; or
12 (2) After May 1, 2003, and, except as otherwise provided in
13 paragraph (c) of subsection 2, not more than 6 years before he
14 applies for the scholarship;
15 ~~(e)~~ (d) Does not satisfy the requirements of paragraph ~~(b)~~ (c)
16 and:
17 (1) Was enrolled as a pupil in a public or private high school
18 in this State with a class of pupils who were regularly scheduled to
19 graduate after May 1, 2000;
20 (2) Received his high school diploma within 4 years after he
21 was regularly scheduled to graduate; and
22 (3) Applies for the scholarship not more than 6 years after he
23 was regularly scheduled to graduate from high school;
24 ~~(d)~~ (e) Maintained in high school in the courses designated by
25 the Board of Regents pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2, at
26 least:
27 (1) A 3.00 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale, if he
28 was a member of the graduating class of 2003 or 2004;
29 (2) A 3.10 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale, if he
30 was a member of the graduating class of 2005 or 2006; or
31 (3) A 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale, if he
32 was a member of the graduating class of 2007 or a later graduating
33 class; and
34 ~~(e)~~ (f) Is enrolled in at least:
35 (1) Six semester credit hours in a community college within
36 the System; or
37 (2) Twelve semester credit hours in another eligible
38 institution.
39 2. The Board of Regents:
40 (a) Shall define the core curriculum that a student must complete
41 in high school to be eligible for a millennium scholarship.



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(b) Shall designate the courses in which a student must earn the minimum grade point averages set forth in paragraph ~~(e)~~ (e) of subsection 1.

(c) May establish criteria with respect to students who have been on active duty serving in the Armed Forces of the United States to exempt such students from the 6-year limitation on applications that is set forth in subparagraph (2) of paragraph ~~(b)~~ (c) of subsection 1.

(d) Shall establish criteria with respect to students who have a documented physical or mental disability or who were previously subject to an individualized education program under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1400 et seq., or a plan under Title V of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. §§ 791 et seq. The criteria must provide an exemption for those students from:

(1) The 6-year limitation on applications that is set forth in subparagraph (2) of paragraph ~~(b)~~ (c) of subsection 1 and subparagraph (3) of paragraph ~~(e)~~ (d) of subsection 1 and any limitation applicable to students who are eligible pursuant to subparagraph (1) of paragraph ~~(b)~~ (c) of subsection 1.

(2) The minimum number of credits prescribed in paragraph ~~(e)~~ (f) of subsection 1.

3. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph ~~(e)~~ (d) of subsection 1, for students who did not graduate from a public or private high school in this State and who have been residents of this State for at least 2 years, the Board of Regents shall establish:

(a) The minimum score on a standardized test that such students must receive; or

(b) Other criteria that students must meet,
➔ to be eligible for millennium scholarships.

4. In awarding scholarships, the Board of Regents shall enhance its outreach to students who:

(a) Are pursuing a career in education or health care;

(b) Come from families who lack sufficient financial resources to pay for the costs of sending their children to an eligible institution; or

(c) Substantially participated in an antismoking, antidrug or antialcohol program during high school.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2007.

