

Amendment No. 60

Senate Amendment to Senate Bill No. 128

(BDR 34-96)

Proposed by: Senate Committee on Education**Amends:** Summary: No Title: No Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes

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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of green bold underlining is language proposed to be added in this amendment; (3) ~~red strikethrough~~ is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ~~purple double strikethrough~~ is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill proposed to be retained in this amendment.

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Date: 3/31/2015

S.B. No. 128—Revises provisions relating to the Governor Guinn Millennium
Scholarship. (BDR 34-96)



SENATE BILL NO. 128—SENATORS WOODHOUSE,
DENIS, PARKS, KIHUEN AND SEGERBLOM

FEBRUARY 9, 2015

JOINT SPONSORS: ASSEMBLYMEN ELLIOT ANDERSON,
STEWART; AND SWANK

Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to the Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship. (BDR 34-96)

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; increasing the number of credit hours required for certain students to be eligible for the Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship; revising the amount of money a student who is eligible for the Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship may receive per semester; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law establishes the Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Program to provide money to certain students for secondary education and the certain criteria for eligibility for such a scholarship. Such criteria includes a requirement that a student be enrolled in a certain number of credit hours in a community college or other eligible institution. (NRS 396.926, 396.930) ~~Section 1 and 2~~ of this bill ~~increase, over a period of 2 years beginning July 1, 2015, increases~~ the number of credit hours in which a community college student must be enrolled in order to be eligible for a Millennium Scholarship ~~from 6 credit hours to 9 credit hours beginning July 1, 2015, and is increased to 12 credit hours beginning July 1, 2016, and continuing thereafter.~~ Existing law further limits the total amount of money that a student may receive from a Millennium Scholarship to not more than the cost of 12 semester credits per semester and a total amount of not more than \$10,000. (NRS 396.934) **Section 3** of this bill increases the amount that such a student may receive from a Millennium Scholarship for a semester to not more than the cost of 15 semester credits per semester but the cumulative maximum amount of money that such a student may receive remains unchanged at \$10,000.

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, a student
3 may apply to the Board of Regents for a Millennium Scholarship if the student:
4 (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (e) of subsection 2, has been a
5 resident of this State for at least 2 years before the student applies for the
6 Millennium Scholarship;
7 (b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c), graduated from a public or
8 private high school in this State:
9 (1) After May 1, 2000, but not later than May 1, 2003; or
10 (2) After May 1, 2003, and, except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (c),
11 (d) and (f) of subsection 2, not more than 6 years before the student applies for the
12 Millennium Scholarship;
13 (c) Does not satisfy the requirements of paragraph (b) and:
14 (1) Was enrolled as a pupil in a public or private high school in this State
15 with a class of pupils who were regularly scheduled to graduate after May 1, 2000;
16 (2) Received his or her high school diploma within 4 years after he or she
17 was regularly scheduled to graduate; and
18 (3) Applies for the Millennium Scholarship not more than 6 years after he
19 or she was regularly scheduled to graduate from high school;
20 (d) Maintained in high school in the courses designated by the Board of
21 Regents pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2, at least:
22 (1) A 3.00 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale, if the student was a
23 member of the graduating class of 2003 or 2004;
24 (2) A 3.10 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale, if the student was a
25 member of the graduating class of 2005 or 2006; or
26 (3) A 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale, if the student was a
27 member of the graduating class of 2007 or a later graduating class; and
28 (e) Is enrolled in at least:
29 (1) ~~Six~~ **Nine** semester credit hours in a community college within the
30 System;
31 (2) Twelve semester credit hours in another eligible institution; or
32 (3) A total of 12 or more semester credit hours in eligible institutions if the
33 student is enrolled in more than one eligible institution.
34 2. The Board of Regents:
35 (a) Shall define the core curriculum that a student must complete in high
36 school to be eligible for a Millennium Scholarship.
37 (b) Shall designate the courses in which a student must earn the minimum
38 grade point averages set forth in paragraph (d) of subsection 1.
39 (c) May establish criteria with respect to students who have been on active
40 duty serving in the Armed Forces of the United States to exempt such students from
41 the 6-year limitation on applications that is set forth in subparagraph (2) of
42 paragraph (b) of subsection 1.
43 (d) Shall establish criteria with respect to students who have a documented
44 physical or mental disability or who were previously subject to an individualized
45 education program under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C.
46 §§ 1400 et seq., or a plan under Title V of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C.
47 §§ 791 et seq. The criteria must provide an exemption for those students from:
48 (1) The 6-year limitation on applications that is set forth in subparagraph
49 (2) of paragraph (b) of subsection 1 and subparagraph (3) of paragraph (c) of
50 subsection 1 and any limitation applicable to students who are eligible pursuant to
51 subparagraph (1) of paragraph (b) of subsection 1.
52 (2) The minimum number of credits prescribed in paragraph (e) of
53 subsection 1.

(e) Shall establish criteria with respect to students who have a parent or legal guardian on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States to exempt such students from the residency requirement set forth in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 or subsection 3.

(f) Shall establish criteria with respect to students who have been actively serving or participating in a charitable, religious or public service assignment or mission to exempt such students from the 6-year limitation on applications that is set forth in subparagraph (2) of paragraph (b) of subsection 1. Such criteria must provide for the award of Millennium Scholarships to those students who qualify for the exemption and who otherwise meet the eligibility criteria to the extent that money is available to award Millennium Scholarships to the students after all other obligations for the award of Millennium Scholarships for the current school year have been satisfied.

3. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c) of subsection 1, for students who did not graduate from a public or private high school in this State and who, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (e) of subsection 2, 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 Millennium 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.

5. The Board of Regents shall establish a procedure by which an applicant for a Millennium Scholarship is required to execute an affidavit declaring the applicant's eligibility for a Millennium Scholarship pursuant to the requirements of this section. The affidavit must include a declaration that the applicant is a citizen of the United States or has lawful immigration status, or that the applicant has filed an application to legalize the applicant's immigration status or will file an application to legalize his or her immigration status as soon as he or she is eligible to do so.

Sec. 2. ~~INRS 396.930 is hereby amended to read as follows:~~

~~396.930 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2 and 3, a student may apply to the Board of Regents for a Millennium Scholarship if the student:~~

~~(a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (e) of subsection 2, has been a resident of this State for at least 2 years before the student applies for the Millennium Scholarship;~~

~~(b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (e), graduated from a public or private high school in this State;~~

~~(1) After May 1, 2000, but not later than May 1, 2003; or~~

~~(2) After May 1, 2003, and, except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (e), (d) and (f) of subsection 2, not more than 6 years before the student applies for the Millennium Scholarship;~~

~~(c) Does not satisfy the requirements of paragraph (b) and:~~

~~(1) Was enrolled as a pupil in a public or private high school in this State with a class of pupils who were regularly scheduled to graduate after May 1, 2000;~~

~~(2) Received his or her high school diploma within 4 years after he or she was regularly scheduled to graduate; and~~

~~(3) Applies for the Millennium Scholarship not more than 6 years after he or she was regularly scheduled to graduate from high school;~~

~~(d) Maintained in high school in the courses designated by the Board of Regents pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2, at least:~~

~~(1) A 3.00 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale, if the student was a member of the graduating class of 2003 or 2004;~~

~~(2) A 3.10 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale, if the student was a member of the graduating class of 2005 or 2006; or~~

~~(3) A 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale, if the student was a member of the graduating class of 2007 or a later graduating class; and~~

~~(e) Is enrolled in at least:~~

~~(1) [Nine] Twelve semester credit hours in a community college within the System;~~

~~(2) Twelve semester credit hours in another eligible institution; or~~

~~(3) A total of 12 or more semester credit hours in eligible institutions if the student is enrolled in more than one eligible institution.~~

~~2. The Board of Regents:~~

~~(a) Shall define the core curriculum that a student must complete in high school to be eligible for a Millennium Scholarship.~~

~~(b) Shall designate the courses in which a student must earn the minimum grade point averages set forth in paragraph (d) 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) 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) of subsection 1 and subparagraph (3) of paragraph (c) of subsection 1 and any limitation applicable to students who are eligible pursuant to subparagraph (1) of paragraph (b) of subsection 1.~~

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

~~(e) Shall establish criteria with respect to students who have a parent or legal guardian on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States to exempt such students from the residency requirement set forth in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 or subsection 3.~~

~~(f) Shall establish criteria with respect to students who have been actively serving or participating in a charitable, religious or public service assignment or mission to exempt such students from the 6 year limitation on applications that is set forth in subparagraph (2) of paragraph (b) of subsection 1. Such criteria must provide for the award of Millennium Scholarships to those students who qualify for the exemption and who otherwise meet the eligibility criteria to the extent that money is available to award Millennium Scholarships to the students after all other obligations for the award of Millennium Scholarships for the current school year have been satisfied.~~

~~3. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c) of subsection 1, for students who did not graduate from a public or private high school in this State and who, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c) of subsection 2, 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 Millennium 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.~~

~~5. The Board of Regents shall establish a procedure by which an applicant for a Millennium Scholarship is required to execute an affidavit declaring the applicant's eligibility for a Millennium Scholarship pursuant to the requirements of this section. The affidavit must include a declaration that the applicant is a citizen of the United States or has lawful immigration status, or that the applicant has filed an application to legalize the applicant's immigration status or will file an application to legalize his or her immigration status as soon as he or she is eligible to do so. (Deleted by amendment.)~~

Sec. 3. NRS 396.934 is hereby amended to read as follows:

396.934 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, within the limits of money available in the Trust Fund, a student who is eligible for a Millennium Scholarship is entitled to receive:

(a) If he or she is enrolled in a community college within the System, including, without limitation, a summer academic term, \$40 per credit for each lower division course and \$60 per credit for each upper division course in which the student is enrolled, or the amount of money that is necessary for the student to pay the costs of attending the community college that are not otherwise satisfied by other grants or scholarships, whichever is less. The Board of Regents shall provide for the designation of upper and lower division courses for the purposes of this paragraph.

(b) If he or she is enrolled in a state college within the System, including, without limitation, a summer academic term, \$60 per credit for which the student is enrolled, or the amount of money that is necessary for the student to pay the costs of attending the state college that are not otherwise satisfied by other grants or scholarships, whichever is less.

(c) If he or she is enrolled in another eligible institution, including, without limitation, a summer academic term, \$80 per credit for which the student is enrolled, or the amount of money that is necessary for the student to pay the costs of attending the university that are not otherwise satisfied by other grants or scholarships, whichever is less.

(d) If he or she is enrolled in more than one eligible institution, including, without limitation, a summer academic term, the amount authorized pursuant to paragraph (a), (b) or (c), or a combination thereof, in accordance with procedures and guidelines established by the Board of Regents.

➤ In no event may a student who is eligible for a Millennium Scholarship receive more than the cost of ~~H24~~ 15 semester credits per semester pursuant to this subsection.

2. No student may be awarded a Millennium Scholarship:

(a) To pay for remedial courses.

(b) For a total amount in excess of \$10,000.

3. A student who receives a Millennium Scholarship shall:

1 (a) Make satisfactory academic progress toward a recognized degree or
2 certificate, as determined by the Board of Regents pursuant to subsection 8; and

3 (b) If the student graduated from high school after May 1, 2003, maintain:

4 (1) At least a 2.60 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale for each
5 semester during the first year of enrollment in the Governor Guinn Millennium
6 Scholarship Program.

7 (2) At least a 2.75 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale for each
8 semester during the second year of enrollment in the Governor Guinn Millennium
9 Scholarship Program and for each semester during each year of enrollment
10 thereafter.

11 4. A student who receives a Millennium Scholarship is encouraged to
12 volunteer at least 20 hours of community service for this State, a political
13 subdivision of this State or a charitable organization that provides service to a
14 community or the residents of a community in this State during each year in which
15 the student receives a Millennium Scholarship.

16 5. If a student does not satisfy the requirements of subsection 3 during one
17 semester of enrollment, excluding a summer academic term, he or she is not
18 eligible for the Millennium Scholarship for the succeeding semester of enrollment.
19 If such a student:

20 (a) Subsequently satisfies the requirements of subsection 3 in a semester in
21 which he or she is not eligible for the Millennium Scholarship, the student is
22 eligible for the Millennium Scholarship for the student's next semester of
23 enrollment.

24 (b) Fails a second time to satisfy the requirements of subsection 3 during any
25 subsequent semester, excluding a summer academic term, the student is no longer
26 eligible for a Millennium Scholarship.

27 6. A Millennium Scholarship must be used only:

28 (a) For the payment of registration fees and laboratory fees and expenses;

29 (b) To purchase required textbooks and course materials; and

30 (c) For other costs related to the attendance of the student at the eligible
31 institution.

32 7. The Board of Regents shall certify a list of eligible students to the State
33 Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall disburse a Millennium Scholarship for each
34 semester on behalf of an eligible student directly to the eligible institution in which
35 the student is enrolled, upon certification from the eligible institution of the number
36 of credits for which the student is enrolled, which must meet or exceed the
37 minimum number of credits required for eligibility and certification that the student
38 is in good standing and making satisfactory academic progress toward a recognized
39 degree or certificate, as determined by the Board of Regents pursuant to subsection

40 8. The Millennium Scholarship must be administered by the eligible institution as
41 other similar scholarships are administered and may be used only for the
42 expenditures authorized pursuant to subsection 6. If a student is enrolled in more
43 than one eligible institution, the Millennium Scholarship must be administered by
44 the eligible institution at which the student is enrolled in a program of study leading
45 to a recognized degree or certificate.

46 8. The Board of Regents shall establish:

47 (a) Criteria for determining whether a student is making satisfactory academic
48 progress toward a recognized degree or certificate for purposes of subsection 7.

49 (b) Procedures to ensure that all money from a Millennium Scholarship
50 awarded to a student that is refunded in whole or in part for any reason is refunded
51 to the Trust Fund and not the student.

52 (c) Procedures and guidelines for the administration of a Millennium
53 Scholarship for students who are enrolled in more than one eligible institution.

1 **Sec. 4.** ~~1.1~~ This ~~section and sections 1 and 2 of this act become~~ **act**
2 **becomes** effective on July 1, 2015.
3 ~~2. Section 2 of this act becomes effective on July 1, 2016.~~