

SENATE BILL NO. 414—SENATOR KIECKHEFER

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Referred to Committee on Education

**SUMMARY**—Increases the number of recipients of the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship. (BDR 34-884)

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

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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 recipients to whom the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship is awarded each year; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law requires the Board of Trustees of the College Savings Plans of Nevada to annually award the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship to: (1) one recipient who is a student enrolled at the University of Nevada, Reno, Great Basin College, Sierra Nevada College or any other college or university designated by the Board as representative of northern Nevada; and (2) one recipient who is a student enrolled at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Nevada State College or any other college or university designated by the Board as representative of southern Nevada. (NRS 396.945) This bill increases from two to four the number of recipients to whom the Board is required to award the Memorial Scholarship each year. Two of the recipients must be enrolled in colleges or universities in northern Nevada and two must be recipients enrolled in colleges or universities in southern Nevada.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** NRS 396.945 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
396.945 1. The Board shall annually award the Memorial  
Scholarship to:

(a) ~~One recipient who is a student~~ *Two recipients who are students* enrolled at:



(1) The University of Nevada, Reno, Great Basin College or Sierra Nevada College; or

(2) Any other college or university which awards a bachelor's degree in education and which is designated by the Board as an institution representative of northern Nevada; and

(b) ~~{One recipient who is a student}~~ *Two recipients who are students* enrolled at:

(1) The University of Nevada, Las Vegas, or Nevada State College; or

(2) Any other college or university which awards a bachelor's degree in education and which is designated by the Board as an institution representative of southern Nevada.

2. The Board shall establish additional criteria governing the annual selection of each recipient of the Memorial Scholarship, which must include, without limitation, a requirement that a recipient:

(a) Be in or entering his or her senior year at an academic institution described in subsection 1;

(b) Be on the list of eligible students for a Millennium Scholarship which is certified to the State Treasurer pursuant to NRS 396.934;

(c) Have a college grade point average of not less than 3.5 on a 4.0 grading scale;

(d) Have a declared major in elementary education or secondary education;

(e) Have a stated commitment to teaching in this State following graduation; and

(f) Have a commendable record of community service.

3. A student who satisfies the criteria established pursuant to this section may apply for a Memorial Scholarship by submitting an application to the Office of the State Treasurer on a form provided on the Internet website of the State Treasurer.

4. The State Treasurer shall forward all applications received pursuant to subsection 3 to the Board. The Board shall review and evaluate each application received from the State Treasurer and select each recipient of the Memorial Scholarship in accordance with the criteria established pursuant to this section.

5. To the extent of available money in the account established pursuant to NRS 396.940, the annual Memorial Scholarship may be awarded to each selected recipient in an amount not to exceed \$4,500 to pay the educational expenses of the recipient for the school year which are authorized by subsection 6 and which are not otherwise paid for by the Millennium Scholarship awarded to the recipient.

6. A Memorial Scholarship must be used only:



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

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

4 (c) For other costs related to the attendance of the student at the  
5 academic institution in which he or she is enrolled.

6 7. As used in this section, “Board” means the Board of  
7 Trustees of the College Savings Plans of Nevada created by  
8 NRS 353B.005.

9 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2019.

