

# HOUSE BILL No. 1922

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 20-12-21-22; IC 21-3-1.7-9.8.

**Synopsis:** Academic honors scholarship. Establishes the academic honors diploma scholarship program to provide an \$800 tuition scholarship at state operated institutions of higher learning to students who graduate from high school with an academic honors diploma. Provides that the \$800 academic honors diploma award that a school corporation currently receives for each student who graduates with an academic honors diploma may be used by the school corporation for any purpose for which other funds of the school corporation may be used but may not be granted to the students who complete the honors diploma program.

**Effective:** July 1, 1999.

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January 26, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

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First Regular Session 111th General Assembly (1999)

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 20-12-21-22 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
- 2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
- 3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: **Sec. 22. (a) As used in this section,**
- 4 **"scholarship" refers to an academic honors diploma scholarship**
- 5 **established by this section.**
- 6 **(b) There is established the academic honors diploma**
- 7 **scholarship program. The commission shall administer the**
- 8 **program.**
- 9 **(c) The commission shall do the following:**
- 10 **(1) Provide an eight hundred dollar (\$800) tuition scholarship**
- 11 **to each student in the graduating class of a school corporation**
- 12 **who does the following:**
- 13 **(A) Successfully completes an academic honors diploma**
- 14 **program, as certified by the school corporation.**
- 15 **(B) Enrolls in and incurs an obligation to pay tuition to a**
- 16 **state operated approved institution of higher learning.**
- 17 **(2) Pay the amount of the scholarship directly to the**



1 institution of higher learning where the scholarship recipient  
2 is enrolled for credit against the student's tuition obligation.

3 (d) The commission may not do the following:

4 (1) Reduce the amount of a student's scholarship because the  
5 student receives another award under this chapter.

6 (2) Renew a scholarship.

7 (e) The commission shall pay the costs of the scholarships from  
8 appropriations from the state general fund for purposes of the  
9 scholarship program.

10 SECTION 2. IC 21-3-1.7-9.8 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
11 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 9.8. (a) In addition to  
12 the distributions under sections 8, 9.5, and 9.7 of this chapter, a school  
13 corporation is eligible for an **academic** honors diploma award in the  
14 amount determined under STEP TWO of the following formula:

15 STEP ONE: Determine the number of the school corporation's  
16 eligible pupils who successfully completed an academic honors  
17 diploma program in the school year ending in the previous  
18 calendar year.

19 STEP TWO: Multiply the STEP ONE amount by eight hundred  
20 dollars (\$800).

21 (b) Each year the governing body of a school corporation may use  
22 the money that the school corporation receives for an **academic** honors  
23 diploma award under this section to give eight hundred dollars (\$800)  
24 to each eligible pupil in the school corporation who successfully  
25 completes an academic honors diploma program in the school year  
26 ending in the previous calendar year. for any purpose for which other  
27 funds of the school corporation may be used.

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