
HOUSE BILL No. 1348

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 21-12; IC 21-18.5-4-5.

Synopsis: Administration of scholarships and grants. Makes changes to the definition of "academic term". Provides that, beginning on September 1, 2014, the commission for higher education (commission) shall annually publish a schedule of award amounts for the Frank O'Bannon grant and the twenty-first century scholars program (jointly referred to as an "award") based on a recipient's expected contribution. Provides that the method currently used to determine an award amount expires September 1, 2014. Provides that, beginning September 1, 2013, the commission may offer award incentives based on a student's school performance. Provides that an individual is not eligible for a Frank O'Bannon grant if the individual is eligible to receive a twenty-first century scholarship or a national guard grant. Provides that the limit on eligibility for an award is four academic years. (Current law provides that the limit for eligibility is eight semesters or 12 quarters.) Makes changes to the grade point average requirements for students who receive a higher education award or participate in the twenty-first century scholars program. Repeals provisions relating to: (1) the duties of the Indiana college placement and assessment center; and (2) a requirement that the commission shall provide a statistical report that describes twenty-first century scholar awards. Makes conforming amendments.

Effective: July 1, 2013; September 1, 2013.

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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 21-12-1-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007, SECTION
2 253, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 SEPTEMBER 1, 2013]: Sec. 2. "Academic term" means a semester, a
4 **trimester, or a quarter, whichever applies or any other equivalent**
5 **term set forth by an eligible institution and used to divide an**
6 **academic year into periods in which classes are held.**

7 SECTION 2. IC 21-12-1.5-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
8 CODE AS A **NEW SECTION** TO READ AS FOLLOWS
9 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: **Sec. 0.5. This chapter applies to a**
10 **student who initially enrolls in an eligible institution before**
11 **September 1, 2013.**

12 SECTION 3. IC 21-12-1.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
13 AS A **NEW CHAPTER** TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
14 SEPTEMBER 1, 2013]:

15 **Chapter 1.7. Establishment of Award Amounts by the**
16 **Commission for Higher Education**

17 **Sec. 1. (a) This section applies to an academic year beginning**



1 after August 31, 2014. The commission shall publish annually a
 2 schedule of award amounts for the higher education award and
 3 freedom of choice grant issued under this article. The schedule
 4 must provide award amounts on the basis of the recipient's
 5 expected contribution. The expected contribution shall be derived
 6 from information submitted on the recipient's financial aid
 7 application form. The commission shall determine award amounts
 8 separately for:

9 (1) recipients attending approved public state educational
 10 institutions;

11 (2) recipients attending a nonprofit college or university that
 12 provides a four (4) year education program for which the
 13 nonprofit college or university awards a baccalaureate or
 14 more advanced degree, including:

- 15 (i) Anderson University;
- 16 (ii) Bethel College;
- 17 (iii) Butler University;
- 18 (iv) Calumet College of St. Joseph;
- 19 (v) DePauw University;
- 20 (vi) Earlham College;
- 21 (vii) Franklin College;
- 22 (viii) Goshen College;
- 23 (ix) Grace College;
- 24 (x) Hanover College;
- 25 (xi) Holy Cross College;
- 26 (xii) Huntington University;
- 27 (xiii) Indiana Tech;
- 28 (xiv) Indiana Wesleyan University;
- 29 (xv) Manchester College;
- 30 (xvi) Marian University;
- 31 (xvii) Martin University;
- 32 (xviii) Oakland City University;
- 33 (xix) Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology;
- 34 (xx) Saint Joseph's College;
- 35 (xxi) Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College;
- 36 (xxii) Saint Mary's College;
- 37 (xxiii) Taylor University;
- 38 (xxiv) Trine University;
- 39 (xxv) University of Evansville;
- 40 (xxvi) University of Indianapolis;
- 41 (xxvii) University of Notre Dame;
- 42 (xxviii) University of Saint Francis;

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(xxix) Valparaiso University; and
(xxx) Wabash College; and
(3) recipients attending postsecondary credit-bearing proprietary institutions.

(b) The schedule published under subsection (a) may be organized to group award recipients by the amount to be contributed by the recipients. The contribution amounts may be set at increments of up to five hundred dollars (\$500).

Sec. 2. (a) This section applies to a student who initially enrolls in an eligible institution after August 31, 2013.

(b) This subsection applies to an award offered to a recipient for the recipient's first academic year. The commission shall offer an additional award to a recipient who graduated from high school with an academic honors diploma.

(c) This subsection applies to an award offered to a recipient for an academic year after the recipient's first academic year. The commission shall offer one (1) or more additional awards to a recipient who:

- (1) maintained a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 grading scale or its equivalent as established by the eligible institution, based on the most recently concluded academic year;
- (2) received an associate degree before enrolling in a baccalaureate degree program; or
- (3) earned at least thirty-nine (39) credit hours during the most recently concluded academic year.

(d) The commission may establish one (1) or more student performance incentives in addition to those listed under subsection (c).

(e) The commission shall determine the amount of each incentive bonus annually, based on the available appropriation.

Sec. 3. (a) As used in this section, "annual award amount" refers to the amount a recipient is entitled to receive under sections 1 and 2 of this chapter.

(b) A recipient may apply the annual award amount to any combination of academic terms offered within the academic year, including summer terms.

SECTION 4. IC 21-12-3-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.107-2012, SECTION 16, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2013]: Sec. 1. (a) An applicant is eligible for a first year higher education award under this chapter if the student meets the following requirements:

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- 1 (1) The applicant is a resident of Indiana, as defined by the
 2 commission.
 3 (2) The applicant:
 4 (A) has successfully completed the program of instruction at
 5 an approved secondary school;
 6 (B) has been granted a:
 7 (i) high school equivalency certificate before July 1, 1995;
 8 or
 9 (ii) state of Indiana general educational development (GED)
 10 diploma under IC 20-10.1-12.1 (before its repeal),
 11 IC 20-20-6 (before its repeal), or IC 22-4.1-18; or
 12 (C) is a student in good standing at an approved secondary
 13 school and is engaged in a program that in due course will be
 14 completed by the end of the current academic year.
 15 (3) The financial resources reasonably available to the applicant,
 16 as defined by the commission, are such that, in the absence of a
 17 higher education award under this chapter, the applicant would be
 18 deterred from completing the applicant's education at the
 19 approved postsecondary educational institution that the applicant
 20 has selected and that has accepted the applicant. In determining
 21 the financial resources reasonably available to an applicant to
 22 whom IC 21-18.5-4-8 applies, the commission must consider the
 23 financial resources of the applicant's legal parent.
 24 (4) The applicant will use the award initially at that approved
 25 postsecondary educational institution.
 26 (5) If the student is already enrolled in an approved postsecondary
 27 educational institution, the applicant must be a full-time student
 28 and be making satisfactory progress, as determined by the
 29 commission, toward a first baccalaureate degree.
 30 (6) The student declares, in writing, a specific educational
 31 objective or course of study and enrolls in:
 32 (A) courses that apply toward the requirements for completion
 33 of that objective or course of study; or
 34 (B) courses designed to help the student develop the basic
 35 skills that the student needs to successfully achieve that
 36 objective or continue in that course of study.
 37 **(7) The student is not eligible to receive a twenty-first century**
 38 **scholarship under IC 21-12-6 or a grant from the National**
 39 **Guard tuition supplement program under IC 21-13-4 or the**
 40 **National Guard scholarship extension program under**
 41 **IC 21-13-5.**
 42 (b) This subsection applies to an individual who:

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- 1 (1) meets the requirements set forth in subsection (a); and
- 2 (2) before the date that eligibility is determined by the
- 3 commission, has been placed by or with the consent of the
- 4 department of child services, by a court order, or by a licensed
- 5 child placing agency in:
- 6 (A) a foster family home;
- 7 (B) the home of a relative or other unlicensed caretaker;
- 8 (C) a child caring institution; or
- 9 (D) a group home.

10 The commission shall consider an individual to whom this subsection
 11 applies as a full-need student under the commission's rules when
 12 determining the eligibility of the individual to receive financial aid
 13 administered by the commission under this chapter.

14 SECTION 5. IC 21-12-3-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007, SECTION
 15 253, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 16 SEPTEMBER 1, 2013]: Sec. 2. A higher education award recipient is
 17 not eligible for assistance after the recipient has received an award for
 18 a total of eight (8) semesters or twelve (12) quarters of postsecondary
 19 education: **the number of academic terms that constitutes four (4)**
 20 **undergraduate academic years.**

21 SECTION 6. IC 21-12-3-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.107-2012,
 22 SECTION 18, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 23 JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 5. (a) This section applies to the maximum grant
 24 that may be offered to an eligible student for an associate degree
 25 program at a postsecondary credit bearing proprietary educational
 26 institution that qualifies as an approved postsecondary educational
 27 institution.

28 (b) The maximum amount of a grant that may be offered to an
 29 eligible student in a program at a postsecondary credit bearing
 30 proprietary educational institution is equal to the maximum amount of
 31 an award the student could receive under this chapter if the student
 32 were enrolled at Ivy Tech Community College.

33 **(c) This section expires July 1, 2014.**

34 SECTION 7. IC 21-12-3-9, AS AMENDED BY P.L.169-2011,
 35 SECTION 3, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 36 JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 9. ~~(a)~~ A higher education award for a student in
 37 a program leading to a baccalaureate degree may be renewed for a total
 38 of three (3) undergraduate academic years following the academic year
 39 of the first award or until an earlier time as the student receives a
 40 degree normally obtained in four (4) undergraduate academic years. A
 41 higher education award for a student in a program leading to a
 42 technical certificate or an undergraduate associate degree may be

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1 renewed for the number of academic years normally required to obtain
 2 a certificate or degree in the student's program. The commission may
 3 grant a renewal only upon application and only upon its finding that:

4 (1) the applicant has successfully completed the work of a
 5 preceding year;

6 (2) the applicant remains domiciled in Indiana;

7 (3) the recipient's financial situation continues to warrant an
 8 award, based on the financial requirements set forth in section

9 (1)(a)(3) of this chapter;

10 (4) the applicant is eligible under section 2 of this chapter; **and**

11 (5) ~~subject to subsection (b)~~; if the student initially enrolls in an
 12 eligible institution for a semester (or its equivalent) beginning
 13 after June 30, 2012, the student maintains at least ~~the following~~
 14 **cumulative grade point average:**

15 (A) ~~For credit hours applicable to the equivalent of the~~
 16 ~~applicant's freshman academic year~~; a cumulative grade point
 17 average that the eligible institution determines is satisfactory
 18 academic progress; **and**

19 (B) ~~For credit hours applicable to the equivalent of the~~
 20 ~~applicant's sophomore academic year~~; a cumulative grade
 21 point average of 2.25 on a 4.0 grading scale or its equivalent
 22 as established by the eligible institution.

23 (C) ~~For credit hours applicable to the equivalent of the~~
 24 ~~applicant's junior or senior academic year~~; a cumulative grade
 25 point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 grading scale or its equivalent as
 26 established by the eligible institution;

27 **(6) if the student initially enrolls in an eligible institution after**
 28 **August 31, 2013, the student successfully completes:**

29 (A) **at least thirty (30) credit hours by the end of the**
 30 **student's first academic year;**

31 (B) **at least sixty (60) credit hours by the end of the**
 32 **student's second academic year; and**

33 (C) **at least ninety (90) credit hours by the end of the**
 34 **student's third academic year.**

35 **A recipient who fails to meet the credit hour requirement for**
 36 **a particular academic year becomes ineligible for an award**
 37 **during the next academic year. The recipient may regain**
 38 **eligibility for an award in subsequent academic years if the**
 39 **recipient meets the aggregate credit hour requirements**
 40 **commensurate with the recipient's academic standing.**

41 ~~(b) After the first semester or its equivalent at the eligible institution~~
 42 ~~that a person does not achieve the requisite cumulative grade point~~

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1 average specified in subsection (a)(5); the person is considered to be on
 2 probation and must achieve the requisite cumulative grade point
 3 average by the next semester or its equivalent at the eligible institution
 4 in order to continue to receive benefits under this chapter.

5 SECTION 8. IC 21-12-3-9.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 6 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
 7 1, 2013]: **Sec. 9.5. (a) This section applies to a student who initially
 8 enrolls in an eligible institution before September 1, 2012.**

9 **(b) Beginning in an academic year beginning after August 31,
 10 2014, a student who graduated from high school with an academic
 11 honors diploma is entitled to receive the following additional
 12 award amount each academic year:**

13 **(1) For a student attending Ivy Tech Community College or
 14 a postsecondary credit bearing proprietary educational
 15 institution, seven hundred dollars (\$700).**

16 **(2) For a student attending a state educational institution,
 17 eight hundred dollars (\$800).**

18 **(3) For a student attending a nonprofit college or university,
 19 one thousand four hundred dollars (\$1,400).**

20 **(c) This section expires September 1, 2016.**

21 SECTION 9. IC 21-12-3-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.169-2011,
 22 SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 23 JULY 1, 2013]: **Sec. 10.** Out of funds available after commitments
 24 have been met under sections 8 and 9 of this chapter, awards shall be
 25 issued to persons who have successfully completed at least one (1)
 26 academic year but not more than three (3) academic years in approved
 27 postsecondary educational institutions if they meet the eligibility
 28 requirements of:

29 (1) sections 1, 2, and (if applicable) ~~9(a)(5)~~ **9(5) or 9(6)** of this
 30 chapter; or

31 (2) sections 4, 5, and (if applicable) ~~9(a)(5)~~ **9(5) or 9(6)** of this
 32 chapter.

33 The awards shall be handled on the same basis as renewals under
 34 section 9 of this chapter.

35 SECTION 10. IC 21-12-3-11, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007,
 36 SECTION 253, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 37 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: **Sec. 11. (a)** A higher education award
 38 issued under this section and sections 8, 9, and 10 of this chapter
 39 extends to all educational costs for the academic year for which the
 40 award is made, but only to the extent of:

41 (1) current financial need (as measured under section 1(3) of this
 42 chapter); or

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1 (2) the maximum fees regularly assessed to resident
 2 undergraduates at any state educational institution, as determined
 3 annually by the commission;
 4 whichever is smaller.

5 **(b) This section expires September 1, 2014.**

6 SECTION 11. IC 21-12-4-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.107-2012,
 7 SECTION 19, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 8 JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 2. A person is eligible for a freedom of choice
 9 grant if:

10 (1) the person is qualified for a higher education award under the
 11 terms of IC 21-12-3-1, IC 21-12-3-2, and IC 21-12-3-3 or
 12 IC 21-12-3-4, ~~and IC 21-12-3-5~~; even if lack of funds prevents the
 13 award or grant;

14 **(2) for a freedom of choice grant awarded before September**
 15 **1, 2014**, the person has a financial need that exceeds the award,
 16 as determined in accordance with:

17 (A) this chapter, IC 21-18.5-4, IC 21-12-2, and IC 21-12-3;
 18 and

19 (B) the rules of the commission; and

20 (3) the person will attend an approved postsecondary educational
 21 institution that:

22 (A) either:

23 (i) operates in Indiana, provides an organized two (2) year or
 24 longer program of collegiate grade directly creditable toward
 25 a baccalaureate degree, is operated by a nonprofit entity, and
 26 is accredited by a recognized regional accrediting agency or
 27 the board for proprietary education under IC 21-18.5-6; or

28 (ii) is a hospital that operates a nursing diploma program
 29 that is accredited by the Indiana state board of nursing; and

30 (B) is operated privately and not administered or controlled by
 31 any state agency or entity.

32 SECTION 12. IC 21-12-4-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007,
 33 SECTION 253, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 34 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 4. **(a) This subsection applies**
 35 **before September 1, 2014.** The amount of a freedom of choice grant
 36 may not exceed the difference between:

37 (1) the amount of the total financial need of the student, as
 38 determined under the commission's rules; and

39 (2) the:

40 (A) higher education award made under IC 21-12-3-1,
 41 IC 21-12-3-2, and IC 21-12-3-3 or IC 21-12-3-4 and
 42 IC 21-12-3-5; or

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1 (B) sum necessary to pay educational costs at the institution;
2 whichever is smaller.

3 **(b) This subsection applies after August 31, 2014. The freedom**
4 **of choice grant is the amount by which the amount of the Frank**
5 **O'Bannon grant published under IC 21-12-1.7 for recipients**
6 **attending an institution described in IC 21-12-4-2 exceeds the**
7 **amount for recipients attending a state educational institution**
8 **(other than Ivy Tech Community College).**

9 SECTION 13. IC 21-12-6-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.229-2011,
10 SECTION 229, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
11 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 7. (a) Subject to IC 21-12-13-2, a
12 scholarship awarded under section 6 of this chapter or this section may
13 be renewed. To qualify for a scholarship renewal, a scholarship
14 recipient must do the following:

15 (1) Submit to the commission a renewal application that contains
16 all the information and evidence required by the commission to
17 determine eligibility for the scholarship renewal.

18 (2) Continue to be enrolled as a full-time student in good standing
19 at an eligible institution.

20 (3) This subdivision applies only to applicants who initially enroll
21 in the program under section 5 of this chapter or IC 21-12-6.5-2
22 after June 30, 2011. For purposes of this chapter, applicants who
23 are enrolled in the program before July 1, 2011, will not have an
24 income or financial resources test applied to them when they
25 subsequently apply to renew a scholarship. Continue to have a
26 lack of financial resources reasonably available to the applicant,
27 as defined by the commission, that, in the absence of an award
28 under this chapter, would deter the scholarship applicant from
29 completing the applicant's education at the approved
30 postsecondary educational institution that the applicant has
31 selected and that has accepted the applicant.

32 (4) ~~Subject to subsection (b),~~ If the student initially enrolls in an
33 eligible institution for a semester (or its equivalent) beginning
34 after June 30, 2012, maintain at least ~~the following cumulative~~
35 ~~grade point average:~~

36 ~~(A) For credit hours applicable to the equivalent of the~~
37 ~~applicant's freshman academic year, a cumulative grade point~~
38 ~~average that the eligible institution determines is satisfactory~~
39 ~~academic progress.~~

40 ~~(B) For credit hours applicable to the equivalent of the~~
41 ~~applicant's sophomore academic year, a cumulative grade~~
42 ~~point average of 2.25 on a 4.0 grading scale or its equivalent~~

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as established by the eligible institution.
(C) For credit hours applicable to the equivalent of the applicant's junior or senior academic year, a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 grading scale or its equivalent as established by the eligible institution.

(5) If the student initially enrolls in an eligible institution beginning after August 31, 2013, the student successfully completes:

- (A) at least thirty (30) credit hours by the end of the student's first academic year;**
- (B) at least sixty (60) credit hours by the end of the student's second academic year; and**
- (C) at least ninety (90) credit hours by the end of the student's third academic year.**

A recipient who fails to meet the credit hour requirement for a particular academic year becomes ineligible for an award during the next academic year. The recipient may become eligible for an award in subsequent academic years if that recipient meets the aggregate credit hour requirements commensurate with the recipient's academic standing.

~~(5)~~ **(6)** Continue to meet any other minimum criteria established by the commission.

~~(b)~~ After the first semester or its equivalent at the eligible institution that a person does not achieve the requisite cumulative grade point average specified in subsection (a)(4), the person is considered to be on probation and must achieve the requisite cumulative grade point average by the next semester or its equivalent at the eligible institution in order to continue to receive benefits under this chapter.

SECTION 14. IC 21-12-6-8, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007, SECTION 253, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2013]: Sec. 8. A scholarship may be renewed under this chapter for a total scholarship award that does not exceed the equivalent of ~~eight (8) semesters:~~ **four (4) academic years.**

SECTION 15. IC 21-12-6-10.3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.107-2012, SECTION 25, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 10.3. (a) This section applies to a student who qualifies for a scholarship under section 6 or 7 of this chapter, if the student initially enrolls in the program after June 30, 2011. Applicants who are enrolled in the program before July 1, 2011, will not have an income or financial resources test applied to them under this section when they subsequently apply for a scholarship or apply to renew a scholarship.

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1 (b) A scholarship applicant shall be awarded the following amount
2 as adjusted under subsections (c) and (d):

3 (1) If the scholarship applicant attends an approved postsecondary
4 educational institution that is a state educational institution, the
5 full educational costs that the scholarship applicant would
6 otherwise be required to pay at the eligible institution.

7 (2) If the scholarship applicant attends an approved postsecondary
8 educational institution that is private, the lesser of the educational
9 costs that the scholarship applicant would otherwise be required
10 to pay at the private eligible institution, or the average of the
11 educational costs of all state educational institutions, not
12 including Ivy Tech Community College.

13 (3) If the scholarship applicant attends an approved postsecondary
14 educational institution that is a postsecondary credit bearing
15 proprietary educational institution, the lesser of the educational
16 costs that the scholarship applicant would otherwise be required
17 to pay at the postsecondary credit bearing proprietary educational
18 institution or the educational costs of Ivy Tech Community
19 College.

20 (c) The amount of an award under subsection (b) shall be reduced
21 by:

- 22 **(1) for an amount awarded before September 1, 2014:**
- 23 ~~(1)~~ **(A)** the amount of the Frank O'Bannon grant awarded to
- 24 the scholarship applicant; plus
- 25 ~~(2)~~ **(B)** an additional amount based on the expected family
- 26 contribution, if necessary, as determined by the commission,
- 27 to provide scholarships within the available appropriation; **or**
- 28 **(2) for an amount awarded after August 31, 2014, the amount**
- 29 **based on the expected family contribution, if necessary, as**
- 30 **determined by the commission, to provide scholarships within**
- 31 **the available appropriation.**

32 (d) The total of all tuition scholarships awarded under this section
33 in a state fiscal year may not exceed the amount available for
34 distribution from the fund for scholarships under this chapter. If the
35 total amount to be distributed from the fund in a state fiscal year
36 exceeds the amount available for distribution, the amount to be
37 distributed to each eligible applicant shall be proportionately reduced
38 so that the total reductions equal the amount of the excess based on the
39 relative financial need of each eligible applicant.

40 SECTION 16. IC 21-12-6-11 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
41 1, 2013]. ~~Sec. 11. (a) The Indiana college placement and assessment~~
42 ~~center shall maintain the following:~~

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- 1 (1) The agreements under section 5 of this chapter.
 2 (2) The certifications under section 6 of this chapter.
 3 (3) A comprehensive list of all eligible students.
 4 (b) The commission shall have access to the information maintained
 5 under this section.
 6 (c) The commission, the Indiana college placement and assessment
 7 center, the department of education, and each approved secondary
 8 school shall work together in implementing the program.
 9 SECTION 17. IC 21-12-6-13 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY
 10 1, 2013]. Sec. 13. The commission shall do the following:
 11 (1) Prepare a statistical report on a fiscal year basis that describes
 12 awards to students attending institutions under this chapter.
 13 (2) Deliver the report described in subdivision (1) to the
 14 legislative council before August 15 of the year following the
 15 fiscal year covered in the report. The report must be in an
 16 electronic format under IC 5-14-6.
 17 SECTION 18. IC 21-12-8-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.7-2011,
 18 SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 19 JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 3. (a) An applicant is eligible to receive a
 20 part-time student grant if the following conditions are met:
 21 (1) The applicant is domiciled in Indiana, as defined by the
 22 commission.
 23 (2) The applicant:
 24 (A) has received a diploma of graduation from an approved
 25 secondary school;
 26 (B) has been granted a:
 27 (i) high school equivalency certificate before July 1, 1995;
 28 or
 29 (ii) state of Indiana general educational development (GED)
 30 diploma under IC 20-10.1-12.1 (before its repeal),
 31 IC 20-20-6 (before its repeal), or IC 22-4.1-18; or
 32 (C) is a student in good standing who is completing a final
 33 year of study at an approved secondary school and will be
 34 eligible upon graduation to attend an approved institution of
 35 higher learning.
 36 (3) The applicant declares, in writing, a specific educational
 37 objective or course of study and enrolls in:
 38 (A) a course that applies toward the requirements for
 39 completion of that objective or course of study; or
 40 (B) a course designed to help the applicant develop the basic
 41 skills the applicant needs to successfully achieve that objective
 42 or continue in that course of study.

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- 1 (4) The applicant enrolls in at least ~~two (2)~~ **six (6)** but fewer than
- 2 twelve (12) credit hours in any academic term.
- 3 (5) The commission or an approved postsecondary educational
- 4 institution acting as the commission's agent determines that the
- 5 financial resources available to the applicant are such that in the
- 6 absence of a grant under this chapter the applicant would be
- 7 deterred from beginning or completing the applicant's declared
- 8 educational objective or course of study.
- 9 **(6) The applicant has not received a Frank O'Bannon grant**
- 10 **for the maximum number of academic terms.**

11 **(b) The commission shall reduce an award offered under this**
 12 **section by the amount the applicant is eligible to receive in tuition**
 13 **reimbursement from an employer or another outside source.**

14 SECTION 19. IC 21-12-8-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007,
 15 SECTION 253, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
 16 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 5. Subject to this chapter, a
 17 student's part-time student grant may be renewed if the student does the
 18 following:

19 **(1) For a student who initially enrolls in an eligible institution**
 20 **before September 1, 2013:**

- 21 **(A)** makes satisfactory progress toward a certificate, nursing
- 22 diploma, associate degree, or baccalaureate degree; **and**
- 23 ~~(2)~~ **(B)** demonstrates continuing financial need.

24 **(2) For a student who initially enrolls in an eligible institution**
 25 **after August 31, 2013:**

- 26 **(A) successfully completes at least eighteen (18) credit**
- 27 **hours or their equivalent toward a certificate, nursing**
- 28 **diploma, associate degree, or baccalaureate degree in the**
- 29 **previous academic year; and**
- 30 **(B) demonstrates continuing financial need.**

31 SECTION 20. IC 21-12-8-6 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,
 32 2013]. Sec. 6: The commission shall determine the maximum number
 33 of part-time student grants available to applicants. However, with
 34 respect to a particular student, the total of the academic terms for
 35 which:

- 36 ~~(1)~~ part-time student grants under this chapter; and
 - 37 ~~(2)~~ Frank O'Bannon grants;
- 38 are made may not exceed the equivalent of eight (8) semesters of
 39 full-time study. The commission shall treat each academic term for
 40 which a Frank O'Bannon grant is made as one ~~(1)~~ academic term.

41 SECTION 21. IC 21-12-10-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.229-2011,
 42 SECTION 231, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS

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1 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 3. An individual is eligible for a
 2 Mitch Daniels early graduation scholarship if the individual:
 3 (1) is a resident of Indiana, as defined by the commission;
 4 (2) attended a publicly supported school on a full-time
 5 equivalency basis (as defined in IC 20-43-1-14) for at least the
 6 last two (2) semesters before the individual graduated from high
 7 school;
 8 (3) had legal settlement (as defined in IC 20-18-2-11) in Indiana
 9 for at least the last two (2) semesters before the individual
 10 graduated from high school;
 11 (4) met at least the minimum requirements set by the Indiana state
 12 board of education for granting a high school diploma by the end
 13 of grade 11 (including any summer school courses completed
 14 before July 1 of a year) and was awarded after December 31,
 15 2010, a high school diploma by the publicly supported school that
 16 the individual last attended for course credits earned before the
 17 end of grade 11;
 18 (5) was not enrolled in a publicly supported school for any part of
 19 grade 12;
 20 (6) applies to the commission for a Mitch Daniels early
 21 graduation scholarship in the manner specified by the
 22 commission; and
 23 (7) within five (5) months after graduating from high school:
 24 (A) becomes a student in good standing at an approved
 25 postsecondary educational institution whose students are
 26 eligible to receive, **before September 1, 2014**, a higher
 27 education award (IC 21-12-3-11) or a freedom of choice grant
 28 (IC 21-12-4-4), **or, after August 31, 2014, a higher**
 29 **education award or freedom of choice grant published**
 30 **under IC 21-12-1.7-1;** and
 31 (B) is engaged in a program that will lead to an approved
 32 postsecondary degree or credential.
 33 SECTION 22. IC 21-12-13-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.169-2011,
 34 SECTION 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 35 SEPTEMBER 1, 2013]: Sec. 1. (a) This section applies to the following
 36 scholarships and tuition and fee remission statutes:
 37 (1) IC 10-12-2-6.
 38 (2) IC 10-12-2-11.
 39 (3) IC 10-17-7.
 40 (4) IC 21-14-4.
 41 (5) IC 21-14-6-3.
 42 (6) IC 21-14-7.

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1 (7) IC 21-14-10.

2 (b) Except as provided in ~~sections section 3 and 4~~ of this chapter,
3 a grant or reduction in tuition or fees, including all renewals and
4 extensions, under any of the laws listed in subsection (a) may not
5 exceed one hundred twenty-four (124) undergraduate credit hours or
6 its equivalent, as determined by the commission and must be used
7 within eight (8) years after the date the individual first applies and
8 becomes eligible for benefits under the applicable law.

9 SECTION 23. IC 21-12-13-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.169-2011,
10 SECTION 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
11 SEPTEMBER 1, 2013]: Sec. 2. (a) This section applies to the following
12 scholarship and fee remission statutes:

13 (1) IC 21-12-3.

14 (2) IC 21-12-4.

15 (3) IC 21-12-6.

16 (4) IC 21-12-8.

17 (5) IC 21-12-9.

18 (6) IC 21-13-2.

19 (7) IC 21-13-3.

20 (8) IC 21-13-4.

21 (9) IC 21-14-5.

22 (10) IC 21-14-6-2.

23 (b) Except as provided in ~~sections section 3 and 4~~ of this chapter,
24 a grant or reduction in tuition or fees, including all renewals and
25 extensions, under any of the laws listed in subsection (a) may not
26 exceed ~~eight (8) four (4)~~ full-time undergraduate ~~semesters academic~~
27 **years** or its equivalent, as determined by the commission and must be
28 used within eight (8) years after the date the individual first applies and
29 becomes eligible for benefits under the applicable law.

30 SECTION 24. IC 21-12-13-4 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE
31 SEPTEMBER 1, 2013]. Sec. 4. (a) ~~This section applies to a grant or~~
32 ~~reduction in tuition or fees described in section 2 of this chapter.~~

33 (b) ~~A grant or reduction in tuition or fees may include up to the~~
34 ~~equivalent of two (2) regular semesters of courses taken during a~~
35 ~~summer semester.~~

36 SECTION 25. IC 21-18.5-4-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.107-2012,
37 SECTION 58, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
38 JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 5. For purposes of administering this chapter, if
39 the commission receives an offer of a gift, grant, devise, or bequest, the
40 commission may accept a stipulation on the use of the donated funds.
41 In this case, **before September 1, 2014**, IC 21-12-3-11 (higher
42 education award) and IC 21-12-4-4 (freedom of choice grant), **or, after**



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1 **August 31, 2014, the requirements under IC 21-12-1.7-1 concerning**
2 **higher education awards and freedom of choice grants,** do not
3 apply. Before accepting a gift, grant, devise, or bequest, the
4 commission shall determine that the purposes for which the donor
5 proposes to provide funds are:
6 (1) lawful;
7 (2) in the state's best interests; and
8 (3) generally consistent with the commission's programs and
9 purposes.
10 If the commission agrees to a stipulation on the use of donated funds,
11 the commission and the donor, subject to approval by the budget
12 agency and the governor or the governor's designee, shall execute an
13 agreement.

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