

1 **HIGHER EDUCATION § NEW CENTURY § SCHOLARSHIPS**

2 1999 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Sponsor: Robert F. Montgomery**

5 AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION; PROVIDING FOR THE AWARDING OF
6 TWO-YEAR § NEW CENTURY § SCHOLARSHIPS TO STUDENTS WHO COMPLETE THE
6a REQUIREMENTS

7 FOR AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE BY § ~~THE TIME~~ **SEPTEMBER 1 OF THE YEAR** § THEY
7a GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL;
8 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

9 This act affects sections of Utah Code Annotated 1953 as follows:

10 ENACTS:

11 **53B-8-105**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

12 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

13 Section 1. Section **53B-8-105** is enacted to read:

14 **53B-8-105. Scholarships for high school students who complete the requirements for**
15 **an associate degree in high school.**

16 (1) In addition to Centennial Scholarships awarded under Section 53A-15-102 and Career
17 Teaching Scholarships awarded under Title 53B, Chapter 10, the State Board of Regents and the
18 State Board of Education shall jointly award § NEW CENTURY § scholarships to students in Utah
18a h [public] h schools who
19 complete the requirements for an associate degree by § [the time] SEPTEMBER 1 OF THE YEAR §
19b they h QUALIFY TO h graduate from high school.

20 (2) (a) The scholarship may be used at any of Utah's state-operated institutions of higher
21 education that offer baccalaureate programs.

22 (b) The scholarship is equal in value to 75% of the tuition costs at the selected institution.

23 (c) Each scholarship is valid for up to two years of full-time equivalent enrollment, or until
24 the requirements for a baccalaureate degree have been met, whichever is shorter.

25 (d) The State Board of Regents § [and the State Board of Education] § may grant a leave of
26 absence to a scholarship holder, but the scholarship must be used in its entirety within four years
27 after completion of high school.

28 (3) The § **NEW CENTURY** § scholarship may be canceled at any time by the institution of
28a attendance if the
29 student fails to make reasonable progress towards the completion of a baccalaureate degree.

30 (4) (a) The Legislature shall make an annual appropriation from the General Fund to the
31 State Board of Regents for the costs associated with the § **NEW CENTURY** § scholarship program
31a authorized under this
32 section.

33 (b) It is understood that the appropriation is offset in part by the state moneys that would
34 otherwise be required and appropriated for these students if they were enrolled in a four-year
35 postsecondary program.

36 Section 2. **Effective date.**

37 This act takes effect on July 1, 1999.

Legislative Review Note
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A limited legal review of this legislation raises no obvious constitutional or statutory concerns.

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