

1                                   **NEW CENTURY SCHOLARSHIP AMENDMENTS**

2   2000 GENERAL SESSION

3   STATE OF UTAH

4   **Sponsor: Brad King**

5 AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION; PROVIDING THAT STUDENTS MUST HAVE A "B  
6 AVERAGE" IN THE COURSES REQUIRED FOR AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN ORDER TO  
7 QUALIFY FOR A NEW CENTURY SCHOLARSHIP.

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

9 AMENDS:

10               **53B-8-105**, as enacted by Chapter 273, Laws of Utah 1999

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

12               Section 1. Section **53B-8-105** is amended to read:

13               **53B-8-105. Scholarships for high school students who complete the requirements for**  
14 **an associate degree in high school.**

15               (1) In addition to Centennial Scholarships awarded under Section 53A-15-102 and Career  
16 Teaching Scholarships awarded under Title 53B, Chapter 10, the State Board of Regents and the  
17 State Board of Education shall jointly award New Century scholarships to students in Utah schools  
18 who:

19               (a) complete the requirements for an associate degree by September 1 of the year they  
20 qualify to graduate from high school[-]; and

21               (b) have at least a "B average" in the courses required for the associate degree.

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

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

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

27               (d) The State Board of Regents may grant a leave of absence to a scholarship holder, but

28 the scholarship must be used in its entirety within four years after completion of high school.

29 (3) The New Century scholarship may be canceled at any time by the institution of  
30 attendance if the student fails to:

31 (a) maintain a "B average"; or

32 (b) make reasonable progress towards the completion of a baccalaureate degree.

33 (4) (a) The Legislature shall make an annual appropriation from the General Fund to the  
34 State Board of Regents for the costs associated with the New Century scholarship program  
35 authorized under this section.

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

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

**Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel**