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ASSEMBLY, No. 3717

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED JUNE 27, 1983

By Assemblyman JANISZEWSKI

An Act to amend the "New Jersey Higher Education Tuition Aid Act," approved February 11, 1969 (P. L. 1968, c. 429).

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
- 2 of New Jersey:
- 1 1. Section 7 of P. L. 1968, c. 429 (C. 18A:71-47) is amended to
- 2 read as follows:
- 3 7. A college tuition aid grant shall be awarded annually to each
- 4 eligible, qualified full-time undergraduate student enrolled in a
- 5 curriculum leading to a degree or certificate in an institution of
- 6 collegiate grade in New Jersey approved or licensed by the State
- 7 Board of Higher Education, or in an institution of collegiate grade
- 8 in another state, provided that such state permits its residents to
- 9 utilize its state student financial assistance grants in New Jersey
- 10 institutions of higher education through reciprocity agreements
- 11 approved by the Student Assistance Board and the Board of
- 12 Higher Education. In no event shall a New Jersey tuition aid
- 13 grant be utilized at an out of state institution which is not licensed
- 14 by that state and accredited by a regional accrediting association
- 15 recognized by the Council on Postsecondary Accreditation.
- 16 (a) Eligibility. To each New Jersey resident enrolled as a full-
- 17 time student after July 1, 1978 for the academic year beginning in
- 18 September of 1978 the State shall grant an amount as provided
- 19 in paragraph (b) of this section 7. No student shall be eligible for
- 20 a grant unless he has certified in a form satisfactory to the Student
- 21 Assistance Board that the grant is essential to his carrying out

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter printed in italics thus is new matter.

22 his plans for attending college. No student shall be eligible for grants in more than four academic years, unless the recipient is en-23 24rolled in an undergraduate program regularly requiring five 25 academic years for completion, in which case the Student Assis-26tance Board shall permit a fifth year of eligibility. Notwithstanding 27 the foregoing provisions, a student receiving aid under the provisions of P. L. 1968, c. 142 (C. 18A:71-28 et seq.) shall be entitled 28 29 to a sixth year of eligibility. Eligibility for tuition aid grants may 30 be extended to part-time students through regulations developed by 31 the Student Assistance Board and approved by the Board of Higher 32 Education if the level of appropriated funds allows such an exten-33 sion, subject to prior approval by the Director of the Division of 34Budget and Accounting and Joint Appropriation Committee's sub-35 committee on transfers or its successor. No student shall be eligible 36 for grants unless he maintains such minimum standards of academic performance as are required by the institution in which he is en-37 38 rolled. No student shall be eligible for a tuition aid grant who is enrolled in a course leading to a degree in theology or divinity. 39 40

In the event a student for any reason ceases to continue to be enrolled or otherwise becomes ineligible during the course of an academic year, he shall cease to be eligible for tuition aid. Both the student and the institution shall have the responsibility to notify the Student Assistance Board when a student ceases to be eligible to receive student assistance because of withdrawal for any reason or a change in status from a full to part-time student.

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(b) Amount of grant. The amount of a tuition aid grant under 47 this act to any student attending an institution of higher education 48 in New Jersey shall be [a minimum of \$100.00 and a maximum not 49 to exceed the amount of tuition normally charged a student at the 50 institution of attendance or \$1,000.00, whichever is less established 51by the Student Assistance Board but shall not exceed the maximum 52 amount of tuition normally charged at a public institution of higher 53education for students attending that institution or 50% of the 54 average tuition normally charged at the independent colleges and 55 universities for students attending those institutions. The amount 56 of a New Jersey Tuition Assistance grant under this act to any 57 student attending an institution of higher education in any state 58 other than New Jersey pursuant to section 7 of P. L. 1968, c. 429 59shall not exceed \$500.00 in an academic year. The amount of grant 60 to be paid for each semester or equivalent shall be based on the 61 financial need for such a grant as determined by standards and 62° procedures established by the Student Assistance Board and ap-63 64 proved by the State Board of Higher Education. The standards

and procedures which shall be established by the Student Assist-65 ance Board for the fiscal year 1978-79 shall be submitted to the 66 Legislature, together with appropriate supporting information, and 67 such standards and procedures shall be deemed approved by the 68 Legislature at the end of 30 calendar days after the date on which 69they are transmitted to the Legislature, or if the Legislature is 70 not in session on the thirtieth day, then on the next succeeding 71 day on which it shall be meeting, unless between the date of trans-72 mittal and the end of the 30-day period the Legislature passes a 73 concurrent resolution rejecting the standards and procedures in 74which case the standards and procedures then in effect shall con-75 76 tinue in effect.

Any subsequent revisions of said standards and procedures shall 77 be submitted to the Legislature, together with appropriate support-78 ing information, and such standards and procedures shall be 79deemed approved by the Legislature at the end of 60 calendar days 80 after the date on which they are transmitted to the Legislature, or 81 82 if the Legislature is not in session on the sixtieth day, then on the next succeeding day on which it shall be meeting, unless between the 83 date of transmittal and the end of the 60-day period the Legislature 84 passes a concurrent resolution rejecting the standards and pro-85 86 cedures in which case the standards and procedures then in effect 87 shall continue in effect.

- (c) Appropriations for each program category of tuition aid grants shall be separately made by line item.
- 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

Currently, the maximum tuition aid grant authorized under the "New Jersey Higher Education Tuition Aid Act," P. L. 1968, c. 429 (C. 18A:71-41 et seq.) is \$1,000.00. However, this does not accurately reflect the current tuition levels at both public and private institutions of higher education and the ceiling must be increased annually in the appropriations act, a practice which the courts have recently held may no longer continue.

This bill amends current law to allow the Student Assistance Board to establish tuition aid grant levels for students at public and private colleges which more accurately reflect the costs of their education.

Bill Signings

Thursday, September 1, 1983

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A-773, sponsored by Assemblyman John P. Doyle, D-Ocean, which permits municipalities to exempt by ordinance charitable, philanthropic, fraternal and religious non-profit organizations from the payment of fees under the Municipal Land Use Law.

A-3717, sponsored by Assemblyman Robert C. Janiszewski, D-Hudson, which permits the New Jersey Student Assistance Board to establish tuition aid grant levels for students at public and private colleges. It requires that the amount established shall not exceed the maximum tuition charged at public institutions or 50 percent of the average tuition charges at independent institutions.

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