

CHAPTER 140**(HCR 141)**

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION directing the Interim Joint Committee on Education to study the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship Program.

WHEREAS, the 1998 Session of the General Assembly created the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship Program to reward Kentucky's brightest students and to motivate them to continue their postsecondary education career at a Kentucky postsecondary education institution; and

WHEREAS, the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship Program has been in existence for nearly five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, there are program data available that can be analyzed to determine the effectiveness of the program; and

WHEREAS, there are concerns about the fairness in the different high school grading systems across the state that may give advantages to some students and disadvantage others; and

WHEREAS, it is time to analyze the program and make necessary adjustments;

NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, the Senate concurring therein:

Section 1. The Interim Joint Committee on Education shall review the current status of the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship Program, the different high school grading systems across the state, the course-taking patterns of students, the long-term financial needs, and other elements of the program, and make recommendations as needed to the 2004 Session of the General Assembly.

Section 2. Provisions of this resolution to the contrary notwithstanding, the Legislative Research Commission shall have the authority to alternatively assign the issues identified herein to an interim joint committee or subcommittee thereof, and designate a study completion date.

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