

**CHAPTER 139****( HB 158 )**

AN ACT relating to postsecondary financial aid for students with intellectual disabilities.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

→Section 1. KRS 164.7882 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) Notwithstanding any other statute to the contrary, a student shall be eligible for a Kentucky educational excellence scholarship who:
  - (a) 1. Received an alternative high school diploma described in KRS 158.140(2)(b) after June 30, 2012; or
  2. Attended a Kentucky public high school after June 30, 2008, and is a student with an intellectual disability as defined in 34 C.F.R. sec. 668.231; and
  - (b) Enrolls in a comprehensive transition and postsecondary program at a participating institution located in Kentucky.
- (2) A student enrolled in credit-bearing or non-credit-bearing courses as part of a comprehensive transition and postsecondary program *prior to the 2016-2017 academic year* shall receive:
  - (a) Two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) for enrollment in at least six (6) hours in an academic term; and
  - (b) One hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) for enrollment in less than six (6) hours in an academic term.
- (3) *A student enrolled in credit-bearing or non-credit-bearing courses as part of a comprehensive transition and postsecondary program beginning with the 2016-2017 academic year shall receive:*
  - (a) *Five hundred dollars (\$500) for enrollment in at least six (6) hours in an academic term; and*
  - (b) *Two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) for enrollment in less than six (6) hours in an academic term.*
- ~~(4)~~~~(3)~~ A student shall be eligible for a scholarship under this section for a maximum of eight (8) academic terms.
- ~~(5)~~~~(4)~~ The authority shall promulgate administrative regulations establishing the procedures for making awards under this section.

**Signed by Governor April 27, 2016.**