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HOUSE BILL No. 1637

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Citations Affected: IC 21-12; IC 21-13.

Synopsis: Teacher education programs. Increases the annual scholarship amount, from \$7,500 to \$10,000, that an applicant can receive as a next generation Hoosier educators scholarship recipient. Establishes the next generation Hoosier minority educators scholarship program and fund. Provides that the commission for higher education may approve awarding a scholarship to an eligible applicant in an amount of \$10,000 each academic year for not more than four academic years. Establishes criteria an applicant must meet and terms an applicant must agree to in order to receive a scholarship. Increases the annual scholarship amount, from \$4,000 to \$5,000, that an applicant can receive as an Earline S. Rogers student teaching scholarship for minority students recipient.

Effective: July 1, 2023.

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January 19, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.
February 2, 2023, reported — Do Pass. Referred to Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to Rule 127.
February 16, 2023, amended, reported — Do Pass.
February 23, 2023, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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HOUSE BILL No. 1637

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning higher education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 21-12-16-8, AS ADDED BY P.L.105-2016,
2 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 8. (a) Subject to subsections (b) and (c), if an
4 applicant meets the requirements under this chapter, the commission
5 may award, for not more than four (4) academic years, a scholarship to
6 the applicant in an amount of ~~seven ten thousand five hundred~~ dollars
7 ~~(\$7,500)~~ **(\$10,000)** for each academic year that the applicant attends
8 the accredited postsecondary educational institution approved by the
9 commission under section 10 of this chapter.
10 (b) The commission may not ~~do the following~~:
11 (+) award a scholarship under this chapter in an amount of more
12 than a total of ~~thirty forty~~ thousand dollars ~~(\$30,000)~~ **(\$40,000)**
13 to an individual applicant.
14 (2) ~~Award scholarships under this chapter to more than two~~
15 ~~hundred (200) new applicants each academic year.~~
16 (c) If the total amount to be distributed from the fund in a state fiscal
17 year exceeds the amount available for distribution, the amount to be

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1 distributed to each eligible applicant shall be proportionately reduced
2 so that the total reductions equal the amount of the excess.

3 SECTION 2. IC 21-12-16.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
4 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
5 JULY 1, 2023]:

6 **Chapter 16.5. Next Generation Hoosier Minority Educators**
7 **Scholarship**

8 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "program" means the next**
9 **generation Hoosier minority educators scholarship program**
10 **established by section 2 of this chapter.**

11 **Sec. 2. (a) The next generation Hoosier minority educators**
12 **scholarship program is established.**

13 **(b) The commission shall receive and consider applications for**
14 **a next generation Hoosier minority educators scholarship under**
15 **this chapter.**

16 **Sec. 3. (a) The next generation Hoosier minority educators**
17 **scholarship fund is established for the purpose of providing**
18 **scholarships to attract and retain eligible applicants to the teaching**
19 **profession.**

20 **(b) The fund consists of the following:**

21 **(1) Appropriations made by the general assembly.**

22 **(2) Gifts, grants, devises, or bequests made to the commission**
23 **to achieve the purposes of the fund.**

24 **(c) The commission shall administer the fund.**

25 **(d) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from**
26 **money in the fund.**

27 **(e) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not**
28 **currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same**
29 **manner as other public funds may be invested. Interest that**
30 **accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.**

31 **(f) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not**
32 **revert to the state general fund but remains available to be used for**
33 **the purposes of this chapter.**

34 **Sec. 4. The commission shall do all the following:**

35 **(1) Develop a promotional program to inform and attract**
36 **students to participate in the next generation Hoosier**
37 **minority educators scholarship program.**

38 **(2) Establish protocols and procedures concerning the**
39 **application process for the program.**

40 **(3) Develop protocols, in consultation with accredited**
41 **postsecondary educational institutions approved by the**
42 **commission under section 10 of this chapter, to ensure**



1 successful completion of the program and assist graduates in
2 completing the requirements of the program.

3 (4) Establish, in coordination with the governor's office, a
4 guide for the management of the program by commission
5 personnel.

6 (5) Designate personnel to manage the program.

7 Sec. 5. (a) An applicant who is enrolled in an accredited
8 postsecondary educational institution may qualify for a scholarship
9 under this chapter. To qualify for a scholarship, an applicant must:

10 (1) apply for a scholarship on a form supplied by the
11 commission;

12 (2) except as provided in subsection (b), have graduated from
13 an Indiana nonaccredited nonpublic or state accredited high
14 school accredited under IC 20-31-4.1 and:

15 (A) graduated in the highest twenty percent (20%) of
16 students in the applicant's high school graduating class;

17 (B) received a score in the top twentieth percentile on the
18 SAT or ACT examination; or

19 (C) achieved a cumulative grade point average upon
20 graduation of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 grading scale (or its
21 equivalent if another grading scale is used) for courses
22 taken during grades 9, 10, 11, and 12;

23 (3) have participated in school activities and community
24 service activities during high school;

25 (4) have applied to and been accepted for enrollment in an
26 accredited postsecondary educational institution approved by
27 the commission under section 10 of this chapter;

28 (5) agree in writing to:

29 (A) obtain a license to teach under IC 20-28-5; and

30 (B) teach for at least five (5) consecutive years in a public
31 school or an eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) in
32 Indiana after graduating with a baccalaureate degree from
33 the accredited postsecondary educational institution
34 described in subdivision (4);

35 (6) meet the definition of a minority under IC 21-13-1-6; and

36 (7) meet any other criteria established by the commission.

37 (b) A student who graduates from a nonaccredited nonpublic
38 school must meet the requirement described in subsection (a)(2)(B)
39 in order to meet the eligibility requirement described in subsection
40 (a)(2).

41 Sec. 6. (a) The commission shall consider each application and
42 determine the eligibility of the applicant for the scholarship. The



1 commission shall give priority to recent high school graduates,
 2 students pursuing teacher shortage areas as described in 34 CFR
 3 682.210(q)(6), and students showing significant financial need when
 4 selecting applicants.

5 (b) The commission shall also give priority to an individual who
 6 is a member of a household with an annual income of not more
 7 than the amount required for the individual to qualify for the free
 8 or reduced price lunch program under the national school lunch
 9 program as determined for the immediately preceding taxable year
 10 for the household for which the individual was claimed as a
 11 dependent.

12 Sec. 7. Before receiving a scholarship under this chapter, the
 13 applicant must enter into a contract with the commission agreeing
 14 to:

- 15 (1) the terms and conditions described in section 5(a)(5) of this
- 16 chapter; and
- 17 (2) any other terms and conditions established by the
- 18 commission.

19 Sec. 7.5. A student who:

- 20 (1) is at least seventeen (17) years of age; and
- 21 (2) enters into a contract for a scholarship under this chapter
- 22 to defray the expense of attending any postsecondary
- 23 educational institution;

24 has full legal capacity to act in the student's own behalf in this
 25 transaction and is subject to any obligation that arises from the
 26 contract.

27 Sec. 8. (a) Subject to subsections (b) and (c), if an applicant
 28 meets the requirements under this chapter, the commission may
 29 award, for not more than four (4) academic years, a scholarship to
 30 the applicant in an amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for
 31 each academic year that the applicant attends the accredited
 32 postsecondary educational institution approved by the commission
 33 under section 10 of this chapter.

34 (b) The commission may not award a scholarship under this
 35 chapter in an amount of more than a total of forty thousand dollars
 36 (\$40,000) to an individual applicant.

37 (c) If the total amount to be distributed from the fund in a state
 38 fiscal year exceeds the amount available for distribution, the
 39 amount to be distributed to each eligible applicant shall be
 40 proportionately reduced so that the total reductions equal the
 41 amount of the excess.

42 Sec. 9. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the commission



1 shall establish standards that a student must meet to remain
 2 eligible to receive a scholarship under this chapter. The standards
 3 must include the following:

- 4 (1) Maintaining a cumulative minimum grade point average
 5 of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
 6 (2) Enrolling in and completing at least fifteen (15) credit
 7 hours each semester or its equivalent.
 8 (3) Any other requirements the commission considers
 9 necessary.

10 (b) The commission may allow a student who fails to meet the
 11 standards described in subsection (a) and is ineligible for an award
 12 during the next academic year to maintain eligibility if the student
 13 submits a petition to the commission in a manner prescribed by the
 14 commission so that the commission may make a determination that
 15 extenuating circumstances, as determined by the commission,
 16 prevented the student from meeting the standards described in
 17 subsection (a).

18 (c) If the commission grants a waiver under subsection (b), the
 19 commission may:

- 20 (1) place the student on probationary status; and
 21 (2) establish additional requirements for the student.

22 **Sec. 10. (a)** The commission may not award a scholarship under
 23 this chapter to an applicant unless the applicant has applied to and
 24 been accepted for enrollment in an accredited postsecondary
 25 educational institution approved by the commission under this
 26 section.

27 (b) The commission shall establish standards for teacher
 28 education that an accredited postsecondary educational institution
 29 must meet to receive approval by the commission under this
 30 section, including the:

- 31 (1) information an accredited postsecondary educational
 32 institution is required to submit to the commission regarding
 33 the institution's teacher education program; and
 34 (2) criteria and standards for approval.

35 **Sec. 11. An individual who:**

- 36 (1) received a scholarship under this chapter;
 37 (2) is no longer enrolled in an accredited postsecondary
 38 educational institution approved by the commission under
 39 section 10 of this chapter; and
 40 (3) did not receive a baccalaureate degree from an accredited
 41 postsecondary educational institution approved by the
 42 commission under section 10 of this chapter;



1 shall repay the amount of the scholarship awarded to the
 2 individual under this chapter in a timely fashion, as determined by
 3 the commission.

4 Sec. 12. (a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), if an
 5 individual:

6 (1) receives a scholarship under this chapter; and

7 (2) fails to teach in a public school or an eligible school (as
 8 defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) in Indiana for at least five (5)
 9 consecutive years as described in section 5(a)(5) of this
 10 chapter;

11 the individual shall repay the total amount of the scholarship
 12 awarded to the individual under this chapter in a timely fashion.
 13 The total amount that an individual is required to repay shall be
 14 reduced by twenty percent (20%), as determined by the
 15 commission, for each consecutive year the individual teaches at a
 16 public school or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7).

17 (b) The commission may extend the length of time in which an
 18 individual must complete the requirements of an agreement
 19 described in section 5(a)(5) of this chapter if the individual submits
 20 a petition to the commission in a manner prescribed by the
 21 commission and the commission makes a determination that
 22 extenuating circumstances, as determined by the commission,
 23 prevented the individual from timely meeting the requirements
 24 described in section 5(a)(5) of this chapter.

25 (c) The commission may waive repayment under subsection (a)
 26 if the individual has been declared to be totally and permanently
 27 disabled under 34 CFR 685.213.

28 (d) The commission may enter into an agreement with the
 29 department of state revenue established by IC 6-8.1-2-1 or another
 30 third party vendor to assist in the enforcement of subsection (a)
 31 and section 11 of this chapter.

32 Sec. 13. An individual who receives a scholarship under this
 33 chapter is not required to teach at the same public school or
 34 eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) in Indiana for five (5)
 35 consecutive years.

36 Sec. 14. The commission shall administer the scholarship
 37 awarded under this chapter as a financial aid award.

38 Sec. 15. (a) Subject to subsections (c) and (d), the amount of a
 39 scholarship awarded under this chapter may not be reduced
 40 because the student receives other scholarships or forms of
 41 financial aid.

42 (b) Except as otherwise provided under law and subject to



1 subsection (c), the amount of any other state financial aid received
 2 by a student may not be reduced because the student receives a
 3 scholarship under this chapter.

4 (c) The total amount of scholarships or other financial aid a
 5 student receives may not exceed the total amount of expenses to
 6 attend the accredited postsecondary educational institution,
 7 including tuition, room, board, and other fees.

8 (d) The commission may not award a scholarship to an
 9 individual under this chapter if the individual receives an award
 10 under IC 21-12-16.

11 **Sec. 16.** An applicant is eligible to receive a scholarship under
 12 this chapter only if an appropriation has been made to carry out
 13 the specific purposes of this chapter.

14 **Sec. 17. (a)** The commission shall maintain complete and
 15 accurate records in implementing the next generation Hoosier
 16 minority educators scholarship fund established by section 3 of this
 17 chapter, including records of the following:

18 (1) The receipt, disbursement, and uses of money from the
 19 fund.

20 (2) The number of applications for the next generation
 21 Hoosier minority educators scholarship.

22 (3) The number and amount of next generation Hoosier
 23 minority educators scholarships that have been provided by
 24 the commission.

25 (4) Any other information collected concerning the fund or
 26 next generation Hoosier minority educators scholarships
 27 awarded under this chapter.

28 (b) Not later than November 1, 2023, and each November 1
 29 thereafter, the commission shall submit a report to the governor
 30 and, in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6, to the general
 31 assembly summarizing the records described in subsection (a).

32 **Sec. 18.** The commission shall notify all applicants approved
 33 under section 5 of this chapter of the requirements under sections
 34 11 and 12 of this chapter.

35 **Sec. 19.** The commission may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2
 36 necessary to carry out this chapter.

37 SECTION 3. IC 21-13-8-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.52-2022,
 38 SECTION 8, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 39 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 2. A scholarship under section 1 of this chapter
 40 may not exceed ~~four~~ five thousand dollars (~~\$4,000~~): (**\$5,000**).



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Education, to which was referred House Bill 1637, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1637 as introduced.)

BEHNING

Committee Vote: Yeas 13, Nays 0

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred House Bill 1637, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Delete the title and insert the following:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning higher education.

Page 3, delete lines 17 through 42.

Delete page 4.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1637 as printed February 2, 2023.)

THOMPSON

Committee Vote: yeas 20, nays 1.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1637 be amended to read as follows:

Page 2, between lines 2 and 3, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 2. IC 21-12-16.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW CHAPTER** TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]:

Chapter 16.5. Next Generation Hoosier Minority Educators Scholarship

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Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "program" means the next generation Hoosier minority educators scholarship program established by section 2 of this chapter.

Sec. 2. (a) The next generation Hoosier minority educators scholarship program is established.

(b) The commission shall receive and consider applications for a next generation Hoosier minority educators scholarship under this chapter.

Sec. 3. (a) The next generation Hoosier minority educators scholarship fund is established for the purpose of providing scholarships to attract and retain eligible applicants to the teaching profession.

(b) The fund consists of the following:

(1) Appropriations made by the general assembly.

(2) Gifts, grants, devises, or bequests made to the commission to achieve the purposes of the fund.

(c) The commission shall administer the fund.

(d) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.

(e) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as other public funds may be invested. Interest that accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.

(f) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund but remains available to be used for the purposes of this chapter.

Sec. 4. The commission shall do all the following:

(1) Develop a promotional program to inform and attract students to participate in the next generation Hoosier minority educators scholarship program.

(2) Establish protocols and procedures concerning the application process for the program.

(3) Develop protocols, in consultation with accredited postsecondary educational institutions approved by the commission under section 10 of this chapter, to ensure successful completion of the program and assist graduates in completing the requirements of the program.

(4) Establish, in coordination with the governor's office, a guide for the management of the program by commission personnel.

(5) Designate personnel to manage the program.

Sec. 5. (a) An applicant who is enrolled in an accredited



postsecondary educational institution may qualify for a scholarship under this chapter. To qualify for a scholarship, an applicant must:

- (1) apply for a scholarship on a form supplied by the commission;
 - (2) except as provided in subsection (b), have graduated from an Indiana nonaccredited nonpublic or state accredited high school accredited under IC 20-31-4.1 and:
 - (A) graduated in the highest twenty percent (20%) of students in the applicant's high school graduating class;
 - (B) received a score in the top twentieth percentile on the SAT or ACT examination; or
 - (C) achieved a cumulative grade point average upon graduation of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 grading scale (or its equivalent if another grading scale is used) for courses taken during grades 9, 10, 11, and 12;
 - (3) have participated in school activities and community service activities during high school;
 - (4) have applied to and been accepted for enrollment in an accredited postsecondary educational institution approved by the commission under section 10 of this chapter;
 - (5) agree in writing to:
 - (A) obtain a license to teach under IC 20-28-5; and
 - (B) teach for at least five (5) consecutive years in a public school or an eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) in Indiana after graduating with a baccalaureate degree from the accredited postsecondary educational institution described in subdivision (4);
 - (6) meet the definition of a minority under IC 21-13-1-6; and
 - (7) meet any other criteria established by the commission.
- (b) A student who graduates from a nonaccredited nonpublic school must meet the requirement described in subsection (a)(2)(B) in order to meet the eligibility requirement described in subsection (a)(2).

Sec. 6. (a) The commission shall consider each application and determine the eligibility of the applicant for the scholarship. The commission shall give priority to recent high school graduates, students pursuing teacher shortage areas as described in 34 CFR 682.210(q)(6), and students showing significant financial need when selecting applicants.

(b) The commission shall also give priority to an individual who is a member of a household with an annual income of not more than the amount required for the individual to qualify for the free



or reduced price lunch program under the national school lunch program as determined for the immediately preceding taxable year for the household for which the individual was claimed as a dependent.

Sec. 7. Before receiving a scholarship under this chapter, the applicant must enter into a contract with the commission agreeing to:

- (1) the terms and conditions described in section 5(a)(5) of this chapter; and
- (2) any other terms and conditions established by the commission.

Sec. 7.5. A student who:

- (1) is at least seventeen (17) years of age; and
- (2) enters into a contract for a scholarship under this chapter to defray the expense of attending any postsecondary educational institution;

has full legal capacity to act in the student's own behalf in this transaction and is subject to any obligation that arises from the contract.

Sec. 8. (a) Subject to subsections (b) and (c), if an applicant meets the requirements under this chapter, the commission may award, for not more than four (4) academic years, a scholarship to the applicant in an amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for each academic year that the applicant attends the accredited postsecondary educational institution approved by the commission under section 10 of this chapter.

(b) The commission may not award a scholarship under this chapter in an amount of more than a total of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) to an individual applicant.

(c) If the total amount to be distributed from the fund in a state fiscal year exceeds the amount available for distribution, the amount to be distributed to each eligible applicant shall be proportionately reduced so that the total reductions equal the amount of the excess.

Sec. 9. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), the commission shall establish standards that a student must meet to remain eligible to receive a scholarship under this chapter. The standards must include the following:

- (1) Maintaining a cumulative minimum grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- (2) Enrolling in and completing at least fifteen (15) credit hours each semester or its equivalent.



(3) Any other requirements the commission considers necessary.

(b) The commission may allow a student who fails to meet the standards described in subsection (a) and is ineligible for an award during the next academic year to maintain eligibility if the student submits a petition to the commission in a manner prescribed by the commission so that the commission may make a determination that extenuating circumstances, as determined by the commission, prevented the student from meeting the standards described in subsection (a).

(c) If the commission grants a waiver under subsection (b), the commission may:

- (1) place the student on probationary status; and**
- (2) establish additional requirements for the student.**

Sec. 10. (a) The commission may not award a scholarship under this chapter to an applicant unless the applicant has applied to and been accepted for enrollment in an accredited postsecondary educational institution approved by the commission under this section.

(b) The commission shall establish standards for teacher education that an accredited postsecondary educational institution must meet to receive approval by the commission under this section, including the:

- (1) information an accredited postsecondary educational institution is required to submit to the commission regarding the institution's teacher education program; and**
- (2) criteria and standards for approval.**

Sec. 11. An individual who:

- (1) received a scholarship under this chapter;**
- (2) is no longer enrolled in an accredited postsecondary educational institution approved by the commission under section 10 of this chapter; and**
- (3) did not receive a baccalaureate degree from an accredited postsecondary educational institution approved by the commission under section 10 of this chapter;**

shall repay the amount of the scholarship awarded to the individual under this chapter in a timely fashion, as determined by the commission.

Sec. 12. (a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), if an individual:

- (1) receives a scholarship under this chapter; and**
- (2) fails to teach in a public school or an eligible school (as**



defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) in Indiana for at least five (5) consecutive years as described in section 5(a)(5) of this chapter;

the individual shall repay the total amount of the scholarship awarded to the individual under this chapter in a timely fashion. The total amount that an individual is required to repay shall be reduced by twenty percent (20%), as determined by the commission, for each consecutive year the individual teaches at a public school or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7).

(b) The commission may extend the length of time in which an individual must complete the requirements of an agreement described in section 5(a)(5) of this chapter if the individual submits a petition to the commission in a manner prescribed by the commission and the commission makes a determination that extenuating circumstances, as determined by the commission, prevented the individual from timely meeting the requirements described in section 5(a)(5) of this chapter.

(c) The commission may waive repayment under subsection (a) if the individual has been declared to be totally and permanently disabled under 34 CFR 685.213.

(d) The commission may enter into an agreement with the department of state revenue established by IC 6-8.1-2-1 or another third party vendor to assist in the enforcement of subsection (a) and section 11 of this chapter.

Sec. 13. An individual who receives a scholarship under this chapter is not required to teach at the same public school or eligible school (as defined in IC 20-51-1-4.7) in Indiana for five (5) consecutive years.

Sec. 14. The commission shall administer the scholarship awarded under this chapter as a financial aid award.

Sec. 15. (a) Subject to subsections (c) and (d), the amount of a scholarship awarded under this chapter may not be reduced because the student receives other scholarships or forms of financial aid.

(b) Except as otherwise provided under law and subject to subsection (c), the amount of any other state financial aid received by a student may not be reduced because the student receives a scholarship under this chapter.

(c) The total amount of scholarships or other financial aid a student receives may not exceed the total amount of expenses to attend the accredited postsecondary educational institution, including tuition, room, board, and other fees.



(d) The commission may not award a scholarship to an individual under this chapter if the individual receives an award under IC 21-12-16.

Sec. 16. An applicant is eligible to receive a scholarship under this chapter only if an appropriation has been made to carry out the specific purposes of this chapter.

Sec. 17. (a) The commission shall maintain complete and accurate records in implementing the next generation Hoosier minority educators scholarship fund established by section 3 of this chapter, including records of the following:

- (1) The receipt, disbursement, and uses of money from the fund.
- (2) The number of applications for the next generation Hoosier minority educators scholarship.
- (3) The number and amount of next generation Hoosier minority educators scholarships that have been provided by the commission.
- (4) Any other information collected concerning the fund or next generation Hoosier minority educators scholarships awarded under this chapter.

(b) Not later than November 1, 2023, and each November 1 thereafter, the commission shall submit a report to the governor and, in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6, to the general assembly summarizing the records described in subsection (a).

Sec. 18. The commission shall notify all applicants approved under section 5 of this chapter of the requirements under sections 11 and 12 of this chapter.

Sec. 19. The commission may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 necessary to carry out this chapter."

Page 2, delete lines 3 through 42.

Page 3, delete lines 1 through 12.

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to HB 1637 as printed February 16, 2023.)

BEHNING

