

SENATE BILL NO. 96—SENATOR HARDY

PREFILED JANUARY 25, 2011

Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing the Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Program. (BDR 34-586)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to education; encouraging a student who receives a Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship to volunteer at least 20 hours of community service per year; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law establishes the Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Program
2 and prescribes the eligibility requirements for receipt of a Millennium Scholarship.
3 (NRS 396.911-396.938) This bill encourages a student who receives a Millennium
4 Scholarship to volunteer at least 20 hours of community service during each year
5 that the student receives a Millennium Scholarship.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** (Deleted by amendment.)

2 **Sec. 2.** (Deleted by amendment.)

3 **Sec. 3.** NRS 396.934 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 396.934 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section,
5 within the limits of money available in the Trust Fund, a student
6 who is eligible for a Millennium Scholarship is entitled to receive:

7 (a) If he or she is enrolled in a community college within the
8 System, including, without limitation, a summer academic term, \$40
9 per credit for each lower division course and \$60 per credit for each
10 upper division course in which the student is enrolled, or the amount
11 of money that is necessary for the student to pay the costs of
12 attending the community college that are not otherwise satisfied by



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1 other grants or scholarships, whichever is less. The Board of
2 Regents shall provide for the designation of upper and lower
3 division courses for the purposes of this paragraph.

4 (b) If he or she is enrolled in a state college within the System,
5 including, without limitation, a summer academic term, \$60 per
6 credit for which the student is enrolled, or the amount of money that
7 is necessary for the student to pay the costs of attending the state
8 college that are not otherwise satisfied by other grants or
9 scholarships, whichever is less.

10 (c) If he or she is enrolled in another eligible institution,
11 including, without limitation, a summer academic term, \$80 per
12 credit for which the student is enrolled, or the amount of money that
13 is necessary for the student to pay the costs of attending the
14 university that are not otherwise satisfied by other grants or
15 scholarships, whichever is less.

16 (d) If he or she is enrolled in more than one eligible institution,
17 including, without limitation, a summer academic term, the amount
18 authorized pursuant to paragraph (a), (b) or (c), or a combination
19 thereof, in accordance with procedures and guidelines established by
20 the Board of Regents.

21 ➤ In no event may a student who is eligible for a Millennium
22 Scholarship receive more than the cost of 12 semester credits per
23 semester pursuant to this subsection.

24 2. No student may be awarded a Millennium Scholarship:

25 (a) To pay for remedial courses.

26 (b) For a total amount in excess of \$10,000.

27 3. A student who receives a Millennium Scholarship shall:

28 (a) Make satisfactory academic progress toward a recognized
29 degree or certificate, as determined by the Board of Regents
30 pursuant to subsection ~~7;~~ 8; and

31 (b) If the student graduated from high school after May 1, 2003,
32 maintain:

33 (1) At least a 2.60 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale
34 for each semester during the first year of enrollment in the Governor
35 Guinn Millennium Scholarship Program.

36 (2) At least a 2.75 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale
37 for each semester during the second year of enrollment in the
38 Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Program and for each
39 semester during each year of enrollment thereafter.

40 4. *A student who receives a Millennium Scholarship is*
41 *encouraged to volunteer at least 20 hours of community service*
42 *for this State, a political subdivision of this State or a charitable*
43 *organization that provides service to a community or the residents*
44 *of a community in this State during each year in which the student*
45 *receives a Millennium Scholarship.*



1 5. If a student does not satisfy the requirements of subsection 3
2 during one semester of enrollment, excluding a summer academic
3 term, he or she is not eligible for the Millennium Scholarship for the
4 succeeding semester of enrollment. If such a student:

5 (a) Subsequently satisfies the requirements of subsection 3 in a
6 semester in which he or she is not eligible for the Millennium
7 Scholarship, the student is eligible for the Millennium Scholarship
8 for the student's next semester of enrollment.

9 (b) Fails a second time to satisfy the requirements of subsection
10 3 during any subsequent semester, excluding a summer academic
11 term, the student is no longer eligible for a Millennium Scholarship.

12 ~~[5-]~~ 6. A Millennium Scholarship must be used only:

13 (a) For the payment of registration fees and laboratory fees and
14 expenses;

15 (b) To purchase required textbooks and course materials; and

16 (c) For other costs related to the attendance of the student at the
17 eligible institution.

18 ~~[6-]~~ 7. The Board of Regents shall certify a list of eligible
19 students to the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall disburse a
20 Millennium Scholarship for each semester on behalf of an eligible
21 student directly to the eligible institution in which the student is
22 enrolled, upon certification from the eligible institution of the
23 number of credits for which the student is enrolled, which must
24 meet or exceed the minimum number of credits required for
25 eligibility and certification that the student is in good standing and
26 making satisfactory academic progress toward a recognized degree
27 or certificate, as determined by the Board of Regents pursuant to
28 subsection ~~[7-]~~ 8. The Millennium Scholarship must be administered
29 by the eligible institution as other similar scholarships are
30 administered and may be used only for the expenditures authorized
31 pursuant to subsection ~~[5-]~~ 6. If a student is enrolled in more than
32 one eligible institution, the Millennium Scholarship must be
33 administered by the eligible institution at which the student is
34 enrolled in a program of study leading to a recognized degree or
35 certificate.

36 ~~[7-]~~ 8. The Board of Regents shall establish:

37 (a) Criteria for determining whether a student is making
38 satisfactory academic progress toward a recognized degree or
39 certificate for purposes of subsection ~~[6-]~~ 7.

40 (b) Procedures to ensure that all money from a Millennium
41 Scholarship awarded to a student that is refunded in whole or in part
42 for any reason is refunded to the Trust Fund and not the student.

43 (c) Procedures and guidelines for the administration of a
44 Millennium Scholarship for students who are enrolled in more than
45 one eligible institution.



1 **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2011.

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