

Amendment No. 1 to SB2259

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2259

House Bill No. 2114*

by deleting subdivision (11) of Section 8 and substituting instead the following:

(11) Students with documented learning disabilities or students whose programs of study require fewer than thirty (30) semester hours in a three-consecutive-semester period shall be exempt from the thirty-completed-hour requirement established in subdivision (c)(6); and

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting Section 10 and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-902, is amended by adding the following language as new, appropriately designated subdivisions:

() "Completed" means, for purposes of determining a Tennessee HOPE scholarship award amount, any hours awarded to a student by a postsecondary institution upon finishing an academic course and receiving a grade, or hours awarded through early postsecondary opportunities;

() "Early postsecondary opportunities" means a course or exam aligned to postsecondary standards that gives students an opportunity to obtain postsecondary credit while enrolled in high school or a Tennessee home school program. Such courses may include Advanced Placement, Cambridge, International Baccalaureate, dual credit, dual enrollment, college level examination program, or industry certification;

() "Three-consecutive-semester period" means three (3) semesters in a twelve-month period beginning in the semester of initial enrollment, or the equivalent if the institution is on a system other than a semester system, and excluding semesters in which a student qualifies for an approved leave of absence or participates in an

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internship or cooperative education program applicable to the student's program of study;

AND FURTHER AMEND by adding the following language at the end of subdivision (d)(1) of Section 14:

Students with documented learning disabilities or students whose program of study requires fewer than thirty (30) semester hours in a three-consecutive-semester period shall be exempt from the thirty-completed-hour requirement.