

HOUSE BILL 219

By Ragan

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 4, Part 9, relative to Tennessee HOPE scholarships.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 4, Part 9, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

(a) Semester hours attempted in courses required to fulfill reserve officers' training corps (ROTC) requirements, including military leadership, physical training, and off-site specialty training courses, by a Tennessee HOPE scholarship student who is enrolled in an ROTC program are not included in semester hours attempted by the student for the purposes of § 49-4-913. The student is subject to all other applicable requirements of § 49-4-913 with respect to the terminating events for a Tennessee HOPE scholarship.

(b) Grades earned in ROTC courses are not included in the calculation of the grade point average of a Tennessee HOPE scholarship student enrolled in an ROTC program for determining continuing eligibility for the Tennessee HOPE scholarship.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to Tennessee HOPE scholarship students enrolled in ROTC programs on or after the effective date of this act.