

SENATE BILL 764

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
relative to dual enrollment.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-930(d)(3)(B), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead:

Has achieved an overall weighted high school grade point average of at least 3.0 for all high school work completed prior to the semester of enrollment as a dual enrollment student, if the student is enrolled in an eligible high school; then, notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (c) to the contrary, the student may enroll in up to two (2) additional courses per semester at an eligible postsecondary institution as a dual enrollment student. Financial assistance received for courses attempted under this subsection (d) shall reduce the amount of any subsequent award of the Tennessee HOPE scholarship on a dollar per dollar basis.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-930(f), is amended by deleting the second sentence and substituting instead the following:

Subject to the amounts appropriated by the general assembly and any law relating to a shortfall in funds available for postsecondary financial assistance from the net proceeds of the state lottery, a student that is eligible to receive a dual enrollment grant pursuant to subsection (d) shall be eligible to receive the dual enrollment grant for no more than ten (10) courses. The award for a credit hour taken under a dual enrollment grant shall be determined by TSAC and shall not exceed the cost per credit hour of courses taken at community colleges in the state university and community college system.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to students seeking dual enrollment grants for the 2019-2020 school year and each school year thereafter.