

## CHAPTER 150

### COLLEGE STUDENT AID — GRANT AND LOAN FORGIVENESS PROGRAMS FOR TEACHERS — ELIGIBILITY

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**AN ACT** relating to eligibility requirements for grant and loan forgiveness programs administered by the college student aid commission that provide assistance to elementary and secondary school teachers in this state, and including effective date and applicability provisions.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Section 1. Section 261.110, subsection 2, Code 2017, is amended to read as follows:

2. An Iowa resident or nonresident applicant shall be eligible for a teach Iowa scholar grant if the applicant meets all of the criteria specified under, or established in accordance with, [subsection 3](#). Priority shall be given to applicants who are residents of Iowa. A person is ineligible for this program if the person receives a forgivable loan under [section 261.111](#) or loan forgiveness under [section 261.112](#).

Sec. 2. Section 261.112, subsection 1, Code 2017, is amended to read as follows:

1. A teacher shortage loan forgiveness program is established to be administered by the commission. A teacher is eligible for the program if the teacher is practicing in a teacher shortage area as designated by the department of education pursuant to [subsection 2](#). A person is ineligible for this program if the person receives a grant under [section 261.110](#) or a forgivable loan under [section 261.111](#). For purposes of [this section](#), “teacher” means an individual holding a practitioner’s license issued under [chapter 272](#), who is employed in a nonadministrative position in a designated shortage area by a school district or area education agency pursuant to a contract issued by a board of directors under [section 279.13](#).

Sec. 3. INELIGIBILITY PROVISIONS OF ACT INAPPLICABLE TO CERTAIN RECIPIENTS. The provisions of [section 261.110, subsection 2](#), as amended by this Act, and [section 261.112, subsection 1](#), as amended by this Act, making an individual ineligible to concurrently receive a grant and loan forgiveness under [sections 261.110](#) and [261.112](#), shall not apply to an individual who is receiving both a teach Iowa scholar grant under [section 261.110](#) and teacher shortage loan forgiveness under [section 261.112](#) on the effective date of this Act.

Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE UPON ENACTMENT. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

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