

House File 868

H-1456

1 Amend House File 868 as follows:

2 1. Page 21, after line 31 by inserting:

3 <Sec. _____. Section 261.110, subsections 2 and 4, Code 2021,
4 are amended to read as follows:

5 2. An Iowa resident or nonresident applicant shall be
6 eligible for a teach Iowa scholar grant if the applicant
7 meets all of the criteria specified under, or established in
8 accordance with, [subsection 3](#). Priority shall be given first
9 to applicants seeking to renew their grant awards and who
10 continue to meet the original priority criteria under which
11 such applicants' first awards were received; then to applicants
12 who are graduates of approved practitioner preparation
13 programs, by academic year, with the most recent academic year
14 graduates given priority; then to applicants who are minority
15 persons and residents of Iowa; then to applicants who are
16 residents of Iowa. A person is ineligible for this program if
17 the person receives a forgivable loan under [section 261.111](#) or
18 loan forgiveness under [section 261.112](#). For purposes of this
19 section, "minority person" means the same as defined in section
20 15.102.

21 4. A selected applicant who meets all of the eligibility
22 requirements of [this section](#) shall be eligible for a teach
23 Iowa scholar grant for each year of full-time employment
24 completed in this state as a teacher for a school district,
25 charter school, area education agency, or accredited nonpublic
26 school. A teach Iowa scholar grant shall not exceed ~~four~~ seven
27 thousand five hundred dollars per year per recipient. Grants
28 awarded under [this section](#) shall not exceed a total of ~~twenty~~
29 thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars per recipient over
30 a five-year period. If a selected applicant has received a
31 federally guaranteed Stafford loan under the federal family
32 education loan program or the federal direct loan program,
33 a federal direct plus loan, or a federal Perkins loan, the
34 selected applicant may elect to have the commission make
35 payment under the program directly to the selected applicant's

1 student loan holder.

2 Sec. _____. Section 261.110, subsection 3, paragraph b, Code
3 2021, is amended to read as follows:

4 b. The applicant is preparing to teach in fields including
5 but not limited to science, technology, engineering, or
6 mathematics; English as a second language or special education
7 instruction; ~~or~~ is preparing to teach in a hard-to-staff
8 subject as identified by the department; or is preparing to
9 teach in a school district in which more than twenty-five
10 percent of the students enrolled are minority persons. The
11 department shall take into account the varying regional
12 needs in the state for teachers in these subject areas when
13 applying the criterion of this paragraph. The department
14 shall annually identify and designate hard-to-staff subjects
15 for the purpose of this paragraph. The eligibility of an
16 applicant who receives a teach Iowa scholar grant and who is
17 preparing to teach in a hard-to-staff subject as identified by
18 the department shall not be affected in subsequent years if
19 the department does not continue to identify that subject as a
20 hard-to-staff subject.>

21 2. By renumbering as necessary.

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