

CHAPTER 178

STUDENT TUITION GRANTS

S. F. 295

AN ACT to provide tuition grants, based upon financial need, to full-time resident students attending accredited private institutions of higher education in Iowa.

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

1 SECTION 1. When used in this Act, unless the context otherwise re-
2 quires:

3 1. "Tuition grant" means an award by the state of Iowa to a qualified
4 student under this Act.

5 2. "Financial need" means the difference between the student's financial
6 resources available, including those available from his parents as deter-
7 mined by a completed parents' confidential statement, and the student's
8 anticipated expenses while attending the accredited private institution.
9 Financial need shall be redetermined at least annually.

10 3. "Full-time resident student" means an individual resident of Iowa
11 who is enrolled at an accredited private institution in a course of study
12 including at least twelve semester hours or the trimester equivalent of
13 twelve semester hours. "Course of study" does not include correspondence
14 courses.

15 4. "Qualified student" means a full-time resident student who has estab-
16 lished financial need and who is making satisfactory progress toward grad-
17 uation.

18 5. "Accredited private institution" means an institution of higher learn-
19 ing located in Iowa which is operated privately and not controlled or ad-
20 ministered by any state agency or any subdivision of the state and

21 (a) which is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges
22 and Secondary Schools accrediting agency based on their requirements as of
23 April 1, 1969, or

24 (b) which has been certified by the North Central Association of Colleges
25 and Secondary Schools accrediting agency based on their requirements as
26 of April 1, 1969 (1) as a candidate for accreditation by such agency or
27 (2) as a school giving satisfactory assurance that it has the potential for
28 accreditation and is making progress which, if continued, will result in its
29 achieving accreditation by such agency within a reasonable time, or

30 (c) which has received letters from at least three Iowa institutions
31 accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary
32 Schools accrediting agency based on their requirements as of April 1, 1969
33 stating that its credits are and have been accepted as if earned in an in-
34 stitution so accredited.

35 6. "Commission" means the higher education facilities commission.

1 SEC. 2. A tuition grant may be awarded to any resident of Iowa who
2 is admitted and in attendance as a full-time resident student at any
3 accredited private institution and who establishes financial need.

1 SEC. 3. A qualified student may receive tuition grants for not more
2 than eight semesters of undergraduate study or the trimester equivalent.

1 SEC. 4. The amount of a tuition grant to a qualified student for the
2 fall and spring semesters, or the trimester equivalent, shall be the amount

3 of his financial need for that period. However, a tuition grant shall not
4 exceed the lesser of:

5 1. The total tuition and mandatory fees for that student for two semes-
6 ters or the trimester equivalent, less the base amount determined annually
7 by the Higher Education Facilities Commission, which base amount shall
8 be within ten dollars of the average tuition for two semesters or the tri-
9 mester equivalent of undergraduate study at the state universities under
10 the Board of Regents, but in any event the base amount shall not be less
11 than four hundred dollars; or

12 2. One thousand dollars.

1 SEC. 5. A tuition grant may be made annually for both the fall and
2 spring semesters or the trimester equivalent. Payments under the grant
3 shall be allocated equally among the semesters or trimesters and shall be
4 paid at the beginning of each semester or trimester upon certification by
5 the accredited private institution that the student is admitted and in at-
6 tendance. If the student discontinues attendance before the end of any
7 semester or trimester after receiving payment under the grant, the entire
8 amount of any refund due that student, up to the amount of any payments
9 made under the annual grant, shall be paid by the accredited private in-
10 stitution to the state.

1 SEC. 6. If a student receives financial aid under any other program,
2 the full amount of such financial aid shall be considered part of the stu-
3 dent's financial resources available in determining the amount of his finan-
4 cial need for that period. In no case may the state's total financial con-
5 tribution to the student's education, including financial aid under any
6 other state program, exceed the tuition and mandatory fees at the institu-
7 tion which he attends.

1 SEC. 7. The higher education facilities commission shall administer
2 this program and shall:

3 1. Provide application forms and parents' confidential statement forms.

4 2. Adopt rules and regulations for determining financial need, defining
5 tuition and mandatory fees, defining residence for the purposes of this Act,
6 processing and approving applications for tuition grants, and determining
7 priority of grants. The commission may provide for proration of funds if
8 the available funds are insufficient to pay all approved grants. Such prora-
9 tion shall take primary account of the financial need of the applicant. In
10 determining who is a resident of Iowa, the commission's rules shall be at
11 least as restrictive as those of the board of regents.

12 3. Approve and award tuition grants.

13 4. Make an annual report to the governor and general assembly, and
14 evaluate the tuition grant program for the period. The commission may
15 require the accredited private institution to promptly furnish any informa-
16 tion which the commission may request in connection with the tuition grant
17 program.

1 SEC. 8. Each applicant, in accordance with the rules and regulations
2 of the commission, shall:

3 1. Complete and file an application for a tuition grant.

4 2. Be responsible for the submission of the parents' confidential state-
5 ment for processing, the processed information to be returned both to the
6 commission and to the college in which he is enrolling.

7 3. Report promptly to the commission any information requested.
 8 4. File a new application and parents' confidential statement annually
 9 on the basis of which his eligibility for a renewed tuition grant will be
 10 evaluated and determined.

1 SEC. 9. Section seventeen point four (17.4), Code 1966, is amended by
 2 adding at the end thereof:
 3 "Higher education facilities commission."

1 SEC. 10. Section two hundred sixty-one point two (261.2), Code 1966,
 2 is amended by adding the following new subsection:
 3 "Administer the tuition grant program under this Act."

Approved April 30, 1969.

CHAPTER 179

BOARD OF REGENTS REAL ESTATE PURCHASES

S. F. 105

AN ACT authorizing installment purchases of real estate by the state board of regents.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section two hundred sixty-two point ten (262.10), Code
 2 1966, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following:
 3 "Purchases of real estate may be made on written contracts providing
 4 for payment over a period of years but the obligations thereon shall not
 5 constitute a debt or charge against the state of Iowa nor against the funds
 6 of the board or the funds of the institution for which said purchases are
 7 made. Purchase payments may be made from appropriated capital funds
 8 or from other funds lawfully available for that purpose and allocated
 9 therefor by the board, or from any combination of the foregoing, but not
 10 from appropriated operating funds. All state appropriated capital funds
 11 used for any one purchase contract shall be taken entirely from a single
 12 capital appropriation and shall be set aside for that purpose. In event of
 13 default, the only remedy of the seller shall be against the property itself
 14 and the rents and profits thereof, and in no event shall any deficiency
 15 judgment be entered or enforced against the state of Iowa, the board, or
 16 the institution for which the purchase was made. Provided, however, that
 17 no part of the tuition fees shall be used in the purchase of such real estate."

Approved March 12, 1969.