

# HOUSE BILL No. 6413

September 9, 2008, Introduced by Rep. Gillard and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend 2006 PA 479, entitled "Michigan promise grant act," by amending section 2 (MCL 390.1622), as amended by 2007 PA 42.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 2. As used in this act:

2       (a) "Academic year" means the period from September 1 of a  
3 calendar year to August 31 of the next calendar year.

4       (b) "Approved postsecondary educational institution" means any  
5 of the following:

6       (i) A public or private college or university, junior college,  
7 or community college that grants degrees or certificates and is  
8 located in this state.

9       (ii) A postsecondary educational institution, other than an  
10 educational institution described in subparagraph (i), that is

1 located in this state, grants degrees, certificates, or other  
2 recognized credentials, and is designated by the department as an  
3 approved postsecondary educational institution.

4 (iii) A service academy.

5 (c) "Clock hour" means a time period consisting of any of the  
6 following:

7 (i) Fifty to 60 minutes of class, lecture, or recitation in a  
8 60-minute period.

9 (ii) Fifty to 60 minutes of faculty-supervised laboratory work,  
10 shop training, or internship in a 60-minute period.

11 (iii) Sixty minutes of preparation in a correspondence course.

12 (d) "Cumulative grade point average" means the weighted mean  
13 value of the courses considered by an approved postsecondary  
14 educational institution in determining whether to award a student  
15 an associate's degree or a 2-year certificate of completion in a  
16 vocational training program, whether the student has completed a  
17 comparable vocational education program, or whether the student has  
18 completed 50% or more of the academic requirements for the award of  
19 a bachelor's degree, including any courses completed at another  
20 approved postsecondary educational institution if the student  
21 transfers the credits for those courses to the approved  
22 postsecondary educational institution making that determination.

23 (e) "Department" means the department of treasury.

24 (f) "Fiscal year" means a fiscal year of this state. A fiscal  
25 year begins on October 1 of a calendar year and ends on September  
26 30 of the next calendar year.

27 (g) "High school graduate" means an individual who has

1 received a high school diploma from a high school or passed the  
2 general educational development (GED) diploma test or any other  
3 high school graduate equivalency examination approved by the state  
4 board of education.

5 (h) "Michigan promise grant" means a grant awarded by the  
6 department under this act.

7 (i) "Qualifying score" means a score in a reading, writing,  
8 mathematics, or science component of a state assessment test that  
9 has been determined by the superintendent of public instruction to  
10 indicate readiness to enroll in a course in that subject area in an  
11 approved postsecondary educational institution.

12 (j) "Service academy" means the United States military  
13 academy, United States naval academy, United States air force  
14 academy, United States coast guard academy, or United States  
15 merchant marine academy.

16 (k) "State assessment test" means **ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:**

17 **(i) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (ii), the COMPLETE** Michigan merit  
18 examination described in section 1279g of the revised school code,  
19 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1279g, and section 104b of the state school  
20 aid act of 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1704b. ~~—or any~~

21 **(ii) FOR A STUDENT WHO HAS PREVIOUSLY TAKEN THE COMPLETE**  
22 **MICHIGAN MERIT EXAMINATION, THE COLLEGE EXAMINATION COMPONENT OF**  
23 **THE MICHIGAN MERIT EXAMINATION, AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 1279G(2) (A)**  
24 **OF THE REVISED SCHOOL CODE, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1279G, AND SECTION**  
25 **104B(2) (A) OF THE STATE SCHOOL AID ACT OF 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL**  
26 **388.1704B.**

27 **(iii) ANY** other test administered by the department of education

1 to students in grades 11 and 12 to assure state compliance with the  
2 federal no child left behind act of 2001, Public Law 107-110.

3 (l) "Trust fund" means the Michigan merit award trust fund  
4 established in section 9 of the Michigan trust fund act, 2000 PA  
5 489, MCL 12.259.

6 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect  
7 unless Senate Bill No. \_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 6412(request no.  
8 07829'08) of the 94th Legislature is enacted into law.