



General Assembly

**House Joint
Resolution No. 68**

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Referred to Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION AND
EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Introduced by:
(HED)

**RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE STATE
CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE TWO YEARS OF FREE PUBLIC POST-
SECONDARY EDUCATION.**

Resolved by this Assembly:

1 Section 1. That the following be proposed as an amendment to the
2 Constitution of the State, which, when approved and adopted in the
3 manner provided by the Constitution, shall, to all intents and
4 purposes, become a part thereof:

5 Article eighth of the Constitution is amended by adding section 5 as
6 follows:

7 Sec. 5. There shall be a Higher Education Scholarship Fund for the
8 purpose of providing each bona fide resident of the state with two
9 years of free post-secondary education at an institution within the state
10 system of higher education or other entity as shall be prescribed by
11 law. The General Assembly shall implement this principle by
12 appropriate legislation.

13 RESOLVED: That the foregoing proposed amendment to the

14 Constitution be continued to the next session of the General Assembly
15 elected at the general election to be held on November 3, 2020, and
16 published with the laws passed at the present session, or be presented
17 to the electors at the general election to be held on November 3, 2020,
18 whichever the case may be, according to article sixth of the
19 amendments to the Constitution. The designation of said proposed
20 amendment to be used on the ballots at such election shall be "Shall the
21 Constitution of the State be amended to establish a Higher Education
22 Scholarship Fund for the purpose of providing residents of the state
23 two years of free post-secondary education?"