

HOUSE BILL 1790

By Kane

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,  
Chapter 4, Part 9, relative to postsecondary  
financial assistance from net lottery proceeds.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-937(a)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead:

(1)

(A) Applies for a HOPE scholarship and enrolls in an eligible postsecondary institution within three (3) years of completing a diploma from a Tennessee college of applied technology consisting of at least nine hundred (900) clock hours; or

(B) Applies for a HOPE scholarship and enrolls in an eligible postsecondary institution immediately after completing three (3) trimesters at a Tennessee college of applied technology. The student shall maintain satisfactory academic progress in accordance with § 49-4-921(b) at the Tennessee college of applied technology to be eligible for a HOPE scholarship under this subdivision (a)(1)(B);

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-937, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (d):

(d) Notwithstanding § 49-4-921(a)(3), a student who applies to and enrolls in an eligible postsecondary institution as an entering freshman with a Tennessee HOPE scholarship may, after two (2) semesters of attendance at the eligible postsecondary

institution apply to and, if accepted for admission, enroll in a Tennessee college of applied technology with a Wilder-Naifeh technical skills grant; provided, that the student,

if the student had remained at the eligible postsecondary institution, would have been eligible to receive the HOPE scholarship in the student's third semester of attendance.

The student shall apply for the Wilder-Naifeh technical skills grant in order to receive the grant.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to students seeking postsecondary financial assistance from net lottery proceeds for the 2014-2015 academic year and academic years thereafter.