

SENATE BILL 1316

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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 49-4-931, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

() In order for the general assembly to determine whether changes should be made to eligibility requirements for the Tennessee HOPE scholarship for nontraditional students, THEC, in the report required pursuant to § 49-4-903(b), shall report specifically on the award and retention of Tennessee HOPE scholarships for nontraditional students. The report shall include a breakdown of the number of scholarships awarded to nontraditional students by race or ethnic background, gender, age, income, marital status as indicated on the FAFSA and number of dependents of such students. The report shall also include an analysis of scholarship retention rates by race or ethnic background, gender, age, income, marital status as indicated on the FAFSA and number of dependents of such students. Such information shall be included in the report to be made before the second Tuesday in January 2010 and in all reports thereafter.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.