

## HOUSE BILL No. 2464

By Committee on Appropriations

3-16

1 AN ACT concerning higher education; relating to state scholarships;  
2 increasing the dollar amount of state scholarships for students who  
3 have established financial need; amending K.S.A. 74-32,233 and 74-  
4 32,235 and repealing the existing sections.

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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

7 Section 1. K.S.A. 74-32,233 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
8 74-32,233. As used in ~~this act~~ K.S.A. 74-32,233 through 74-32,239, and  
9 *amendments thereto:*

10 (a) "State scholarship" means an award under ~~this act~~ K.S.A. 74-  
11 32,233 through 74-32,239, and *amendments thereto*, by ~~this~~ the state to a  
12 state scholar who has established financial need.

13 (b) "State scholar" means a full-time, in-state student who has  
14 exhibited scholastic ability and who is initially acceptable for entering an  
15 eligible institution or who has so entered and is in good standing and  
16 making satisfactory progress.

17 (c) "Full-time, in-state student" means a person who is a resident of  
18 Kansas and who is enrolled at an eligible institution in an educational  
19 program for at least 12 hours each semester or the equivalent thereof; or  
20 who is regularly enrolled at an eligible institution in a vocational or  
21 technical education program. The board of regents shall determine the  
22 number of hours for terms or program periods other than semesters to  
23 constitute the equivalent of 12 hours.

24 (d) "Financial need" means the difference between ~~the available~~  
25 ~~financial resources of a student and such student's total anticipated~~  
26 ~~expenses to attend an eligible institution. A student's financial resources~~  
27 ~~shall include (1) four hundred and fifty dollars each year from the student's~~  
28 ~~own work and resources, and (2) a contribution from the income and assets~~  
29 ~~of the student's parents, if sufficient, as determined by a completed~~  
30 ~~financial needs analysis statement and based upon the accepted criteria of~~  
31 ~~a nationally recognized financial needs analysis agency. Financial need~~  
32 ~~shall be redetermined annually a student's available financial resources~~  
33 ~~and such student's total anticipated annual attendance cost at an eligible~~  
34 ~~institution. A student's financial resources shall be determined based on~~  
35 ~~criteria provided under the federal methodology of need analysis.~~

36 (e) "Eligible institution" means ~~an institution of~~ a postsecondary

1 ~~education which~~ educational institution as defined in K.S.A. 74 - 3201b,  
 2 and amendments thereto, or a not - for - profit independent institution of  
 3 higher education that is accredited by the north central association of  
 4 colleges and secondary schools accrediting agency based on its  
 5 requirements as of April 1, 1985, or by the higher learning commission of  
 6 the north central association of colleges and schools based on its  
 7 requirements as of January 1, 2006, is operated independently and not  
 8 controlled or administered by the state or any agency or subdivision  
 9 thereof, maintains open enrollment; and the main campus or principal  
 10 place of operation of which is located in Kansas, ~~and which qualifies as an~~  
 11 ~~eligible institution for the federal guaranteed-loan program under the~~  
 12 ~~higher education act of 1965 (P.L. 89-329), as amended.~~

13 (f) "Open enrollment" means the policy of an *eligible* institution ~~of~~  
 14 ~~postsecondary education~~ which provides the opportunity of enrollment for  
 15 any student who meets its academic and other reasonable enrollment  
 16 requirements, without regard for race, gender, religion, creed or national  
 17 origin.

18 (g) "Board of regents" means the state board of regents provided for  
 19 in the constitution of this state and described in article 32 of chapter 74 of  
 20 Kansas Statutes Annotated, *and amendments thereto*.

21 (h) "Term" means one of two or more divisions of an academic year  
 22 of an *eligible* institution ~~of postsecondary education~~ in which substantially  
 23 all courses begin and end at substantially the same time and during which  
 24 instruction is regularly given to students.

25 (i) "Semester" means one of two principal terms, when there are only  
 26 two principal terms in the academic year, whether or not there are other  
 27 shorter terms during the same academic year.

28 (j) "Program period" means the duration of the period of time, or any  
 29 division thereof, required for completion of a vocational or technical  
 30 education program which is given in an *eligible* institution ~~of~~  
 31 ~~postsecondary education~~.

32 (k) "*State educational institution*" means the same as defined in  
 33 K.S.A. 76-711, and amendments thereto.

34 (l) "*Annual attendance cost*" means the average cost of in-state  
 35 tuition and required fees for 30 credit hours of undergraduate instruction  
 36 across each state educational institution and Washburn university of  
 37 Topeka.

38 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 74-32,235 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-  
 39 32,235. (a) The amount of a state scholarship awarded to a state scholar for  
 40 the fall and spring semesters, or the equivalent thereof, shall be the amount  
 41 of the state scholar's financial need for the period, except that state  
 42 scholarships awarded to a state scholar in any year shall not exceed:

43 (1) ~~Five hundred dollars in any year if the state scholar initially is or~~

1 was awarded a state scholarship for any program period, term or semester  
2 commencing prior to July 1, 1985; and

3 ~~(2) one thousand dollars in any year if the state scholar initially is~~  
4 ~~awarded a state scholarship for any program period, term or semester~~  
5 ~~commencing after July 1, 1985 the lesser of the actual cost of attendance~~  
6 ~~in any year or 70% of the annual attendance cost if the state scholar is~~  
7 ~~awarded a state scholarship for any program period, term or semester~~  
8 ~~commencing after July 1, 2023.~~

9 (b) When state scholarships are awarded to a state scholar for any  
10 program period or for one or more terms that are not semesters, the board  
11 of regents shall determine the equivalent of the fall and spring semesters.

12 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 74-32,233 and 74-32,235 are hereby repealed.

13 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
14 publication in the statute book.