

SENATE BILL NO. 1086

September 09, 2020, Introduced by Senator LASATA and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend 1964 PA 208, entitled

"An act to grant scholarships to students enrolled in postsecondary education institutions; and to provide for the administration of the scholarship program,"

by amending section 3 (MCL 390.973), as amended by 1980 PA 500.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 3. (1) ~~The~~ **Subject to subsection (4), the** authority shall
2 conduct a competitive examination among eligible applicants for
3 state competitive scholarships at times and places as determined by
4 the authority. The authority may designate a competitive

1 examination to be administered among eligible applicants for state
2 competitive scholarships. The **authority shall annually establish**
3 **the** examination scores necessary to qualify for the competitive
4 scholarship ~~shall be established annually by the authority~~
5 according to the funding available to meet the award levels
6 established pursuant to section 6.

7 (2) The authority may also use scholastic achievement in
8 determining award winners and shall issue appropriate certificates
9 of recognition to ~~persons~~ **individuals** awarded scholarships. The
10 authority shall grant annual renewal of scholarships.

11 (3) ~~Rules~~ **The authority shall promulgate rules to implement**
12 **this act pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969,**
13 **1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, including rules** for the conduct
14 of examinations for the award of scholarships, ~~and for the~~
15 procedures for the awarding of annual renewal scholarships, ~~shall~~
16 ~~be promulgated by the authority pursuant to Act No. 306 of the~~
17 ~~Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being sections 24.201 to 24.315 of~~
18 ~~the Michigan Compiled Laws. The authority shall define and for the~~
19 **purpose of defining** postsecondary institutions ~~in the rules~~
20 ~~promulgated under this act.~~

21 (4) **For the 2020-2021 academic year only, if the authority**
22 **determines it is necessary due to the effects of the COVID-19**
23 **pandemic, the authority may waive the examination requirement**
24 **described in subsection (1) and rely on scholastic achievement to**
25 **determine eligibility for scholarships awarded under this act.**