MICHIGAN WORK-STUDY PROGRAM
Act 288 of 1986

AN ACT to establish a Michigan work-study program for qualified resident students attending eligible postsecondary schools and employed by qualified employers; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies.

History: 1986, Act 288, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

390.1371 Definitions.

Sec. 1. As used in this act:

(a) "Authority" means the Michigan higher education assistance authority created by Act No. 77 of the Public Acts of 1960, being sections 390.951 to 390.961 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(b) "MWS" means the Michigan work-study program established in section 2.

History: 1986, Act 288, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

Compiler's note: For transfer of powers and duties of Michigan higher education assistance authority to department of treasury, see E.R.O. No. 2010-2, compiled at MCL 124.194.

390.1372 Michigan work-study program; establishment; administration; purpose.

Sec. 2. A Michigan work-study program, which shall be administered by the authority, is established by the state to enable eligible postsecondary schools to help eligible students meet educational expenses by placement in part-time employment during the academic year.

History: 1986, Act 288, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

Compiler's note: For transfer of authority, powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Michigan higher education assistance authority, the Michigan higher education student loan authority, and the office of student financial assistance services in the department of education to the department of treasury, see E.R.O. No. 1995-2, compiled at MCL 12.181 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

For transfer of powers and duties of Michigan higher education assistance authority to department of treasury, see E.R.O. No. 2010-2, compiled at MCL 124.194.

390.1373 Eligibility of postsecondary school to participate in MWS program; academic credit.

Sec. 3. A recognized postsecondary school in this state is eligible to participate in the MWS program if the postsecondary school is a degree-granting institution approved by the state board of education, the instructional programs are not comprised solely of sectarian instruction or religious worship, and the school participates in the federal work-study program under sections 441 to 448 of title IV of the higher education act of 1965, 42 U.S.C. 2751 to 2756b. A participating school, at its option, may offer academic credit to students enrolled in the MWS program.

History: 1986, Act 288, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

Compiler's note: For transfer of certain powers and duties vested in the department of career development or its director, relating to powers and duties of state board of education or superintendent of public instruction to the department of labor and economic growth, see E.R.O. No. 2003-1, compiled at MCL 445.2011.

390.1374 Eligibility of student to participate in MWS program.

Sec. 4. (1) A student is eligible to participate in the MWS program if the student meets the following requirements:

(a) Has resided in this state continuously for the 12 months preceding his or her application to the MWS program and is not considered a resident of any other state.

(b) Is not incarcerated in a corrections institute.

(c) Is enrolled in at least a half-time undergraduate program of study at an eligible postsecondary school or meets the requirements of subsection (5).

(d) Is certified by the financial aid officer at the postsecondary school as needing employment in order to meet recognized educational expenses.

(e) Is a United States citizen or permanent resident.

(f) Is not in default on a loan guaranteed by the authority.

(2) A student shall maintain satisfactory academic progress, as defined by the postsecondary school in which the student is enrolled, to remain eligible for the MWS program under this act.

(3) A full-time undergraduate student shall not be eligible for the MWS program for more than 15 terms or its equivalent in semesters at any particular school.

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(4) If a student possessing a degree at a given academic level enrolls for a second degree at the same or lower academic level, the authority shall include MWS grants received by the student when enrolled for the previous degree at the same or lower level in determining the student's eligibility under this act.

(5) A student may participate in the MWS program during a period when he or she is not enrolled at an eligible postsecondary school if all of the following conditions are met:

(a) The student is otherwise eligible under this section.

(b) The student was enrolled in at least a half-time undergraduate program of study at an eligible postsecondary school for the preceding quarter, term, or semester.

(c) The financial aid officer at the postsecondary school determines that the period during which the student is not enrolled will not exceed 4 months and the student has enrolled or signs an intent to enroll in at least a half-time undergraduate program of study at the postsecondary school for the next succeeding quarter, term, or semester.

History: 1986, Act 288, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987;—Am. 1990, Act 47, Imd. Eff. Mar. 30, 1990.

390.1375 Eligibility of employer organized for nonprofit purposes to employ students.

Sec. 5. An employer that is organized for nonprofit purposes is eligible to employ students through the MWS program if the employer meets all of the following requirements:

(a) Enters into a signed agreement with an eligible postsecondary school to provide employment for students recommended by the school.

(b) Provides at least 20% of the wages earned by the MWS students.

(c) Does not use MWS students to displace employed workers.

(d) Does not employ MWS students to construct, operate, or maintain a facility used, or to be used solely, for sectarian instruction or as a place for religious worship, or activity espousing or promoting a partisan political position or candidate.

(e) Does not pay MWS students a wage that is less than the federal minimum wage.

History: 1986, Act 288, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987;—Am. 1990, Act 47, Imd. Eff. Mar. 30, 1990.

390.1376 Eligibility of employer organized for profit purposes to employ students.

Sec. 6. An employer that is organized for profit purposes is eligible to employ students through the MWS program if the employer meets all of the following requirements:

(a) Enters into a signed agreement with an eligible postsecondary school to provide employment that is determined by the school to be academically relevant for students recommended by the school.

(b) Provides at least 50% of the wages earned by the MWS students.

(c) Does not use MWS students to displace employed workers.

(d) Does not employ MWS students to construct, operate, or maintain a facility used, or to be used solely, for sectarian instruction or as a place for religious worship.

(e) Does not pay MWS students a wage that is less than the federal minimum wage.

History: 1986, Act 288, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987;—Am. 1990, Act 47, Imd. Eff. Mar. 30, 1990.

390.1377 Amount of MWS grant; determination; criteria.

Sec. 7. The amount of the MWS grant to be paid for each semester, trimester, or quarter shall be determined by the authority based upon an evaluation of the family's financial resources. A uniform criteria of need, as defined by the authority, shall be used in evaluating the family's financial resources.

History: 1986, Act 288, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

390.1378 Effect of receiving other student aid.

Sec. 8. A student who receives a state competitive scholarship award under Act No. 208 of the Public Acts of 1964, being sections 390.971 to 390.981 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, or who receives other student aid, may be eligible for MWS funds under this act if the total amount of the student's scholarships and grants is less than the student's remaining financial need. The MWS, in combination with other student aid, shall not exceed the amount of the student's financial need as determined by uniform criteria of need as defined by the authority.

History: 1986, Act 288, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

390.1379 Limitation of MWS grant; maximum grant level.

Sec. 9. A MWS grant shall not exceed the amount of educational costs for the full academic year as reported by the postsecondary school in which the student is enrolled. If there are not sufficient appropriated funds to provide each student with the grant amount for which the student is eligible, the authority shall

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establish a maximum grant level for that academic year.

History: 1986, Act 288, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

390.1380 Amount of MWS program funds for fiscal year.

Sec. 10. MWS program funds shall be made to eligible postsecondary schools for a fiscal year in an amount not less than $5,000.00 and an amount proportionate to the school's receipt of Pell grant funds under section 411 of title IV of the higher education act of 1965, 20 U.S.C. 1070a, for the most recent year statistics are available.

History: 1986, Act 288, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

390.1381 Use of MWS program funds.

Sec. 11. MWS program funds shall be used for student wages only. MWS program funds shall not be used for the administrative costs of implementing or operating the school's MWS program.

History: 1986, Act 288, Eff. Mar. 31, 1987.

390.1382 Rules.

Sec. 12. The authority shall promulgate rules to implement this act pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, being sections 24.201 to 24.328 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

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