

**TUITION DIFFERENTIAL GRANTS**  
**Act 105 of 1978**

AN ACT to provide grants to students enrolled in independent nonprofit institutions of higher learning; and to provide for the promulgation of rules.

**History:** 1978, Act 105, Eff. Aug. 1, 1978;—Am. 1980, Act 502, Eff. July 1, 1981.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

**390.1271 “Authority” defined.**

Sec. 1. As used in this act, "authority" means the Michigan higher education assistance authority created by Act No. 77 of the Public Acts of 1960, as amended, being sections 390.951 to 390.961 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

**History:** 1978, Act 105, Eff. Aug. 1, 1978;—Am. 1980, Act 502, Eff. July 1, 1981.

**390.1272 Differential grant; conditions.**

Sec. 2. The authority shall make a differential grant to a full-time or part-time resident student enrolled in an independent nonprofit college or university located in this state if all of the following occur:

- (a) The college or university is approved by the state board of education.
- (b) The instructional programs of the college or university are not comprised solely of sectarian instruction or religious worship.
- (c) The college or university is incorporated under Act No. 327 of the Public Acts of 1931, as amended, being sections 450.62 to 450.192 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, or is subject to that act without formal organization under the act.
- (d) The college or university has filed with the state board of education a certificate of assurance of compliance with title 6 of the civil rights act of 1964, Public Law 88-352, 77 Stat. 241, as in effect on January 1, 1966.

**History:** 1978, Act 105, Eff. Aug. 1, 1978;—Am. 1980, Act 502, Eff. July 1, 1981.

**390.1273 Administration of grants; registration requirements for grant.**

Sec. 3. The authority shall administer the grants authorized by this act. A grant shall be available to each eligible student, as specified in section 4, who is registered:

- (a) As a freshman after July 31, 1978.
- (b) As a freshman or sophomore after July 31, 1979.
- (c) As a freshman, sophomore, or junior after July 31, 1980.
- (d) As a freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior after July 31, 1981.

**History:** 1978, Act 105, Eff. Aug. 1, 1978.

**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.

**390.1274 Eligibility for grant.**

Sec. 4. A student is eligible for a grant if the student meets all of the following criteria:

- (a) The student is enrolled as a full-time or part-time student at an eligible college or university as specified in section 2. In order to be eligible for a grant, a part-time student must be enrolled in at least a one-half time course of study as defined by the authority.
- (b) The student is not enrolled in an institution whose primary purpose is to prepare students for ordination or appointment as a member of the clergy of a church, denomination, or religious association, order, or sect.
- (c) The student has resided in this state continuously for the preceding 12 months and is not considered a resident of any other state.
- (d) The student is making satisfactory academic progress as defined by the college or university in which the student is enrolled.

**History:** 1978, Act 105, Eff. Aug. 1, 1978;—Am. 2004, Act 184, Imd. Eff. July 1, 2004.

**390.1275 Amount and payment of grant; awarding grants for more than 10 semesters or equivalent prohibited; second undergraduate degree.**

Sec. 5. (1) The amount of the grant to be paid to a full-time student each academic year shall be determined annually by the legislature.

(2) Prorated payments shall be made at the beginning of each semester or term to the student or to the college or university for credit to the student's account for the purposes of tuition and fees.

(3) A student shall not be awarded differential grants for more than 10 semesters of undergraduate education or its equivalent in trimesters, or equivalent as determined by the authority for less than full-time students.

(4) If a student possessing an undergraduate degree enrolls for a second undergraduate degree, the authority shall include differential grants received by the student when enrolled for the previous degree, in determining the student's eligibility pursuant to subsection (3).

**History:** 1978, Act 105, Eff. Aug. 1, 1978;—Am. 1980, Act 502, Eff. July 1, 1981.

### **390.1276 Computation of grant as financial resource.**

Sec. 6. A differential grant received by a student under this act shall not be computed by the authority as a financial resource of the student, the student's spouse, or parents under rules promulgated by the authority for the administration of the state scholarship or tuition grant programs, if the recipient student is an otherwise eligible applicant for a state competitive scholarship as authorized by Act No. 208 of the Public Acts of 1964, as amended, being sections 390.971 to 390.981 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, or an otherwise eligible applicant for a tuition grant as authorized by Act No. 313 of the Public Acts of 1966, as amended, being sections 390.991 to 390.997a of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

**History:** 1978, Act 105, Eff. Aug. 1, 1978;—Am. 1980, Act 502, Eff. July 1, 1981.

### **390.1277 Limitation on combined amount of grants.**

Sec. 7. The combined amount of the tuition differential grant, and if also received, a tuition grant as established by Act No. 313 of the Public Acts of 1966 or a state competitive scholarship as established by Act No. 208 of the Public Acts of 1964 awarded to an individual student shall not exceed the level of tuition and fees for the full academic year assessed by the college or university in which the student is enrolled.

**History:** 1978, Act 105, Eff. Aug. 1, 1978.

### **390.1277a Rules.**

Sec. 7a. The authority shall promulgate rules necessary to carry out this act pursuant to Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being sections 24.201 to 24.315 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

**History:** Add. 1980, Act 502, Eff. July 1, 1981.

### **390.1278 Effective date.**

Sec. 8. This act shall not take effect until August 1, 1978.

**History:** 1978, Act 105, Eff. Aug. 1, 1978.