

The Senate Higher Education Committee offered the following substitute to HB 311:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Subpart 5 of Part 3 of Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of
2 Georgia Annotated, relating to tuition equalization grants at private colleges and universities,
3 so as to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to
4 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

6 Subpart 5 of Part 3 of Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia
7 Annotated, relating to tuition equalization grants at private colleges and universities, is
8 amended by revising division (2)(C)(i) of Code Section 20-3-411, relating to definitions, as
9 follows:
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11 "(C)(i) A qualified proprietary institution of higher education located in this state
12 which is a baccalaureate degree-granting institution of higher education; which is
13 accredited by a regional accrediting agency recognized by the United States
14 Department of Education; which is not a Bible school or college (or, at the graduate
15 level, a school or college of theology or divinity); which admits as regular students
16 only persons who have a high school diploma, a general educational development
17 (GED) diploma, or a degree from an accredited postsecondary institution; whose
18 students are eligible to participate in the federal Pell Grant program; which has been
19 reviewed and approved for operation and for receipt of tuition equalization grant
20 funds by the Georgia Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission; and which
21 has been in existence for at least ~~ten~~ 14 years; provided, however, that the criteria for
22 approval for receipt of tuition equalization grant funds shall include but not be limited
23 to areas of course study, quality of instruction, student placement rate, research and
24 library sources, faculty, support staff, financial resources, physical plant facilities
25 resources, and support and equipment resources."

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SECTION 2.

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This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2010.

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SECTION 3.

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All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.