

House Bill 162

By: Representative Harbin of the 118<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 20-3-519.5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to eligibility requirements for a HOPE grant at a branch of the Technical College System of Georgia, so as to provide that students at Georgia Military College shall be eligible for HOPE grants; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 20-3-519.5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to eligibility requirements for a HOPE grant at a branch of the Technical College System of Georgia, is amended by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) To be eligible for a HOPE grant, a student seeking a diploma or certificate at a branch of the Technical College System of Georgia, ~~or~~ a unit of the University System of Georgia, or at Georgia Military College shall:

(1) Meet residency requirements by meeting the requirements to be classified as a legal resident of Georgia as established by the program promulgated by the Georgia Student Finance Commission which shall be based upon the in-state tuition policy of the board of regents, ~~and~~ the in-state tuition guidelines set by the Technical College System of Georgia, and the in-state tuition guidelines set by Georgia Military College; and

(2) Meet enrollment standards by being admitted, enrolled, and classified as an undergraduate student in a matriculated status in a program of study leading to a certificate or diploma and maintaining satisfactory academic progress in accordance with the standards and practices used for federal Title IV programs by the institution at which the student is enrolled."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.