

House Bill 423

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 8 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia  
2 Annotated, relating to the State Board of Education relative to the "Quality Basic Education  
3 Act," so as to provide for a home study student to participate in a dual enrollment program  
4 contingent upon certain requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting  
5 laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Part 8 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
9 relating to the State Board of Education relative to the "Quality Basic Education Act," is  
10 amended in Code Section 20-2-240, relating to powers and duties of the State Board of  
11 Education, by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

12 "(c)(1) For purposes of this subsection, the term 'dual enrollment' means a process  
13 through which a public high school student takes a course or courses from a public or  
14 private postsecondary institution in this state while still enrolled as a high school student  
15 and receives credit both at the high school and at the postsecondary institution.

16 (2) The State Board of Education shall provide that for any dual enrollment program it  
17 establishes, a home study student in a program meeting the requirements of subsection (c)  
18 of Code Section 20-2-690 shall be eligible to participate in such dual enrollment program  
19 if the student earns a score in the eighty-fifth percentile or higher nationally on a  
20 standardized college admission test, such as the SAT or ACT. No other academic  
21 requirements shall be imposed on a home study student who meets this criteria in order  
22 to participate in a dual enrollment program."

23 **SECTION 2.**

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.