

House Bill 269

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 20-3-519 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 definitions relative to HOPE scholarships and grants, so as to provide that members of the  
3 Georgia National Guard and reservists are eligible as Zell Miller Grant Scholars; to provide  
4 for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 20-3-519 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions  
8 relative to HOPE scholarships and grants, is amended by revising paragraph (26.1) as  
9 follows:

10 "(26.1) 'Zell Miller Grant Scholar' means a student who has met the applicable eligibility  
11 requirements to receive a HOPE grant in accordance with Code Section 20-3-519.5 and:  
12 (A) Earned ~~earned~~ a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.5 at the end of any  
13 quarter or semester in which the student has attended courses toward a diploma or  
14 certificate; or  
15 (B) Is a member of the Georgia National Guard or a member of a Georgia reserve  
16 component of the armed forces of the United States."

17 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

18 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.