

House Bill 607

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 7 of Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia  
2 Annotated, relating to HOPE scholarships and grants, so as to revise the definition of "Zell  
3 Miller Scholarship Scholar" by changing the ACT score requirement for certain students; to  
4 provide 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 Part 7 of Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
8 relating to HOPE scholarships and grants, is amended by revising division (27)(A)(i) of Code  
9 Section 20-3-519, relating to definitions, as follows:

10 "(i) Having graduated from an eligible high school with a grade point average of at  
11 least 3.7 calculated in accordance with Code Section 20-2-157 and having received  
12 a score of at least 1,200 on the combined critical reading and math portions on a  
13 single administration of the SAT administered prior to March 1, 2016, or on the total  
14 score on a single administration of the SAT administered on or after March 1, 2016,  
15 or an equivalent ACT composite scale score of at least 26 which shall be determined  
16 by the Georgia Student Finance Commission by January 1 of each year using

17 nationally recognized standards, such as the College Board and ACT concordance  
18 tables;"

19 **SECTION 2.**

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.