

House Bill 18

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 20-2-161.3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 the Dual Enrollment Act, purpose, dual credit courses, eligibility for participation, and  
3 eligibility for payment, so as to provide for a residency requirement for eligible students; to  
4 provide for an effective date and for applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal  
5 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Code Section 20-2-161.3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Dual  
9 Enrollment Act, purpose, dual credit courses, eligibility for participation, and eligibility for  
10 payment, is amended by revising paragraph (9) of subsection (b) as follows:

11 "(9) 'Eligible high school student' means a student who meets residency requirements to  
12 be classified as a legal resident of Georgia as established pursuant to regulations of the  
13 commission, who remains a resident of the state while participating in the program, and  
14 who is:

15 (A) Entering or enrolled in eleventh or twelfth grade at an eligible high school taking  
16 any eligible dual credit course at any eligible postsecondary institution; or

(B) Entering or enrolled in tenth grade at an eligible high school when such student:

(i) Is enrolled in an eligible CTAE course at an institution within the Technical College System of Georgia;

(ii) Has obtained prior to the beginning of the term of dual enrollment coursework an SAT or ACT test score that would meet the assessment requirements of a Zell Miller Scholar pursuant to division (27)(A)(i) of Code Section 20-3-519 and is taking eligible core courses at any eligible postsecondary institution; or

(iii) Was enrolled as a ninth grader in one or more dual credit courses at an eligible postsecondary institution for which payment was made under this part on or before June 30, 2020."

## **SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2025, and shall apply to all school years beginning on or after July 1, 2025.

## **SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.