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2007 - 2008 LEGISLATURE

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FOR 2007-09 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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Under the bill, the amount of a grant, subject to a minimum grant amount of \$250 in any academic year, is determined as follows:

1. For a student enrolled in the UW System or in a private institution of higher education, by subtracting from the average of the resident undergraduate academic fees charged for the previous academic year among the institutions within the UW System the total amount of all other grants received by the student from the state or federal government.

2. For a student enrolled in the technical college system, by subtracting from the average of the program fees charged for the previous academic year among the technical colleges in this state the total amount of all other grants received by the student from the state or federal government.

3. For a student enrolled in a tribally controlled college, by subtracting from the average of the tuition and fees charged for the previous academic year among the tribal colleges in this state the total amount of all other grants received by the student from the state or federal government.

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16 **SECTION 4.** 20.235 (1) (fm) [✓] of the statutes is created to read:

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19 [✓]
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22 **ESTABLISHMENT OF GRANT PROGRAM.** There is established, to be administered by the
23 board, an affordable college education grant program for students who meet the
eligibility criteria specified in sub. (2).

1 **(2) ELIGIBILITY.** (a) Except as provided in par. (b), a student is eligible for a grant
2 under this section if the student meets all of the following criteria:

3 1. The student is a resident of this state and is enrolled at least half time and
4 registered as a freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior in a public or private,
5 nonprofit, accredited institution of higher education or in a tribally controlled college
6 in this state.

7 2. The student is eligible for a Federal Pell Grant under 20 USC 1070a, the
8 federal adjusted gross income of a parent of the student, as shown on the student's
9 application for student financial assistance, does not exceed the income guidelines
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17 person provides to the board a payment agreement that has been approved by the
18 county child support agency under s. 59.53 (5) and that is consistent with rules
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24 shall remain eligible for a grant under this section.

The amount of a grant shall be based on financial need, as determined by the board.

1 (3) AMOUNT OF GRANT. ~~(a) Subject to par. (d), the grant to be paid to an eligible~~
2 ~~student who is enrolled in the University of Wisconsin System or in a private,~~
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5 ~~for the previous academic year among the institutions within the University of~~
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7 ~~the state or federal government.~~

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9 in a technical college shall be determined by subtracting from the average of the fees
10 under s. 38.24 (1m) (a) to (c) charged for the previous academic year among the
11 technical colleges in this state the total amount of all other grants received by the
12 student from the state or federal government.

13 (c) Subject to par. (d), the grant to be paid to an eligible student who is enrolled
14 in a tribally controlled college shall be determined by subtracting from the average
15 of the tuition and fees charged for the previous academic year among the tribally
16 controlled colleges in this state the total amount of all other grants received by the
17 student from the state or federal government.

18 (d) The grant to be paid to an eligible student shall be in the amount determined
19 under par. (a), (b), or (c), whichever is applicable, except that a grant under this
20 section may not be less than \$250 during any one academic year, unless the joint
21 ~~committee on finance approves an adjustment in the amount of the minimum grant.~~

22 (4) ADMINISTRATION OF GRANT PROGRAM. (a) By February 1 of each year, the
23 Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System shall provide to the board
24 information relating to the resident undergraduate academic fees charged to attend
25 each of the institutions within that system for the current academic year, the

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3 within that system for the current academic year, and each tribally controlled college
4 in this state shall provide to the board information relating to the tuition and fees
5 charged to attend the tribal college for the current academic year.

6 (b) By April 1 of each year, the board shall determine the average of the resident
7 undergraduate academic fees charged for the current academic year among the
8 institutions within the University of Wisconsin System, the average of the fees under
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11 academic year among the tribally controlled colleges in this state.

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13 including rules establishing a reporting system to periodically provide student
14 economic data and any other rules the board considers necessary to assure the
15 uniform administration of this section.

16 **SECTION 9122. Nonstatutory provisions; Higher Educational Aids**
17 **Board.**

18 (1) WISCONSIN AFFORDABLE COLLEGE EDUCATION GRANTS.

19 (a) *Rules.* The higher educational aids board shall submit in proposed form the
20 rules required under section 39.437 (5) of the statutes, as created by this act, to the
21 legislative council staff under section 227.15 (1) of the statutes no later than the first
22 day of the 5th month beginning after the effective date of this paragraph.

23 (b) *Emergency rules.* Using the procedure under section 227.24 of the statutes,
24 the higher educational aids board may promulgate the rules required under section
25 39.437 (5) of the statutes, as created by this act, for the period before the effective date

1 of the permanent rules submitted under paragraph (a), but not to exceed the period
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8 **SECTION 9322. Initial applicability; Higher Educational Aids Board.**

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11 public or private, nonprofit, accredited, institution of higher education or in a tribally
12 controlled college in this state in the 2008-09 academic year.

13 (END)

2009-10 ✓

Malaise, Gordon

From: Binau, RJ - DOA
Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2007 9:31 AM
To: Malaise, Gordon
Subject: LRB draft 0201/2

Gordon,

Thanks for the changes you made in daft 2. I do have a couple of additional changes.

1. Please remove all references to the "affordable college education program" and replace it with, "Wisconsin Covenant Scholars Program."
2. Change the effective date in section 9322 to academic year "2011-12."

Thanks

RJ



LPS - request sheet fixed

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CS COVENANT SCHOLARS PROGRAM

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2011-12 ✓

Malaise, Gordon

From: Binau, RJ - DOA
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2007 1:43 PM
To: Malaise, Gordon
Subject: LRB draft 0201/3

Gordon,

Under Section 4, the Covenant scholars program should be an "Annual" appropriation, not a sum sufficient.

Please make this change.

RJ



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10 private, nonprofit, accredited, institution of higher education or in a tribally
11 controlled college in this state in the 2011-12 academic year.

12 (END)

Malaise, Gordon

From: Binau, RJ - DOA [RJ.Binau@doa.state.wi.us]
Sent: Wednesday, February 07, 2007 2:15 PM
To: Malaise, Gordon
Subject: RE: Addition to Draft 201

Gordon,

Okay, thanks for the cross-reference related to the term bureau.

RJ

From: Malaise, Gordon [mailto:Gordon.Malaise@legis.wisconsin.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, February 07, 2007 2:10 PM
To: Binau, RJ - DOA
Subject: RE: Addition to Draft 201

R.J.:

Because you are making the head of the Office of the Wisconsin Covenant a division administrator, I will also need to conform s. 15.01 (6) to say that that office has the meaning of "division" instead of "bureau," amend s. 15.02 (3) (c) 1. to say that that office has the meaning of "division," and delete from the draft the treatment of s. 15.02 (3) (c) 2., which says that that office has the meaning of "bureau."

Gordon

From: Binau, RJ - DOA [mailto:RJ.Binau@doa.state.wi.us]
Sent: Wednesday, February 07, 2007 2:04 PM
To: Malaise, Gordon
Subject: Addition to Draft 201

Gordon,

An addition to draft 201

In section
s.230.08(2)(e) (1) "**Administration**" make the number "**14**" from current law "**13**"

Thanks

RJ



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This bill establishes a Wisconsin Covenant Scholars Program under which, beginning in the 2011-12 academic year, HEAB is directed to award a grant in an amount based on financial need, as determined by HEAB, to a resident student for no more than the equivalent of ten semesters of undergraduate education and for so long as the student meets acceptable academic standards, if the resident student meets all of the following criteria:

1. The student is enrolled at least half time and registered as a freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior in a public or private, nonprofit, accredited institution of higher education or in a tribally controlled college in this state.

2. The student is eligible for a Federal Pell Grant, the federal adjusted gross income of a parent of the student, as shown on the student's application for student financial assistance, does not exceed the income guidelines prescribed for determining eligibility for reduced-price lunches under the federal National School Lunch Act (185 percent of the poverty line for a family the size of the parent's family), or, if the student is an independent student, the student's adjusted gross income does not exceed those income guidelines.

The bill also creates an Office of the Wisconsin Covenant Scholars Program in DOA that is headed by a director appointed by the secretary of administration.

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The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

*the office of the Wisconsin Covenant Scholars Program
in the department of administration*

SECTION 1. 15.01 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.01 (6) "Division," "bureau," "section" and "unit" means the subunits of a department or an independent agency, whether specifically created by law or created by the head of the department or the independent agency for the more economic and efficient administration and operation of the programs assigned to the department or independent agency. The office of justice assistance in the department of administration, and the office of credit unions in the department of financial institutions have the meaning of "division" under this subsection. The office of the long-term care ombudsman under the board on aging and long-term care, ~~the office of the Wisconsin Covenant Scholars Program in the department of administration,~~ and the office of educational accountability in the department of public instruction have the meaning of "bureau" under this subsection.

SECTION 2. 15.02 (3) (c) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

15.02 (3) (c) 2. The principal subunit of the division is the "bureau". Each bureau shall be headed by a "director". The office of the long-term care ombudsman under the board on aging and long-term care, ~~the office of the Wisconsin Covenant~~

1 Scholars Program in the department of administration, and the office of educational
2 accountability in the department of public instruction have the meaning of "bureau"
3 under this subdivision.

4 SECTION 3. 15.104 of the statutes is created to read:

5 **15.104 Same; offices. (1) OFFICE OF THE WISCONSIN COVENANT SCHOLARS**
6 **PROGRAM.** There is created an office of the Wisconsin Covenant Scholars Program in
7 the department of administration. The director of the office shall be appointed by the
8 secretary of administration.

9 SECTION 4. 20.235 (1) (fm) of the statutes is created to read:

10 20.235 (1) (fm) *Wisconsin covenant scholars grants.* The amounts in the
11 schedule for Wisconsin covenant scholars grants under s. 39.437.

***NOTE: This SECTION involves a change in an appropriation that must be reflected in the revised schedule in s. 20.005, stats.

12 SECTION 5. 39.437 of the statutes is created to read:

13 **39.437 Wisconsin covenant scholars grants. (1) ESTABLISHMENT OF GRANT**
14 **PROGRAM.** There is established, to be administered by the board, a Wisconsin
15 Covenant Scholars Program to provide grants to students who meet the eligibility
16 criteria specified in sub. (2).

17 **(2) ELIGIBILITY.** (a) Except as provided in par. (b), a student is eligible for a grant
18 under this section if the student meets all of the following criteria:

19 1. The student is a resident of this state and is enrolled at least half time and
20 registered as a freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior in a public or private,
21 nonprofit, accredited institution of higher education or in a tribally controlled college
22 in this state.

1 2. The student is eligible for a Federal Pell Grant under 20 USC 1070a, the
2 federal adjusted gross income of a parent of the student, as shown on the student's
3 application for student financial assistance, does not exceed the income guidelines
4 prescribed under 42 USC 1758 (b) for determining eligibility for reduced-price
5 lunches under the federal National School Lunch Act, 42 USC 1751 to 1769i, or, if
6 the student is an independent student, as defined in 20 USC 1087vv, the federal
7 adjusted gross income of the student, as shown on the student's application for
8 student financial assistance, does not exceed those income guidelines.

9 (b) 1. The board may not make a grant under this section to a person whose
10 name appears on the statewide support lien docket under s. 49.854 (2) (b), unless the
11 person provides to the board a payment agreement that has been approved by the
12 county child support agency under s. 59.53 (5) and that is consistent with rules
13 promulgated under s. 49.858 (2) (a).

14 2. No student shall be eligible for a grant under this section in more than the
15 equivalent of 10 semesters of undergraduate education.

16 3. No student who fails to meet acceptable academic standards prescribed by
17 the student's institution of higher education or tribally controlled college shall be or
18 shall remain eligible for a grant under this section.

19 **(3) AMOUNT OF GRANT.** The amount of a grant shall be based on financial need,
20 as determined by the board, and shall be paid from the appropriation account under
21 s. 20.235 (1) (fm).

22 **(4) ADMINISTRATION OF GRANT PROGRAM.** (a) By February 1 of each year, the
23 Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System shall provide to the board
24 information relating to the resident undergraduate academic fees charged to attend
25 each of the institutions within that system for the current academic year, the

1 technical college system board shall provide to the board information relating to the
2 fees under s. 38.24 (1m) (a) to (c) charged to attend each of the technical colleges
3 within that system for the current academic year, and each tribally controlled college
4 in this state shall provide to the board information relating to the tuition and fees
5 charged to attend the tribal college for the current academic year.

6 (b) By April 1 of each year, the board shall determine the average of the resident
7 undergraduate academic fees charged for the current academic year among the
8 institutions within the University of Wisconsin System, the average of the fees under
9 s. 38.24 (1m) (a) to (c) charged for the current academic year among the technical
10 colleges in this state, and the average of the tuition and fees charged for the current
11 academic year among the tribally controlled colleges in this state.

12 (5) RULES. The board shall promulgate rules to implement this section,
13 including rules establishing a reporting system to periodically provide student
14 economic data and any other rules the board considers necessary to assure the
15 uniform administration of this section.

16 **SECTION 9122. Nonstatutory provisions; Higher Educational Aids**
17 **Board.**

18 (1) WISCONSIN COVENANT SCHOLARS PROGRAM.

19 (a) *Rules.* The higher educational aids board shall submit in proposed form the
20 rules required under section 39.437 (5) of the statutes, as created by this act, to the
21 legislative council staff under section 227.15 (1) of the statutes no later than the first
22 day of the 18th month beginning after the effective date of this paragraph.

23 (b) *Emergency rules.* Using the procedure under section 227.24 of the statutes,
24 the higher educational aids board may promulgate the rules required under section
25 39.437 (5) of the statutes, as created by this act, for the period before the effective date

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12 controlled college in this state in the 2011-12 academic year.

13 (END)

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Section #. 15.02 (3) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

the office of the Wisconsin Covenant Scholars Program in the department of administration,

15.02 (3) (c) 1. The principal subunit of the department is the "division". Each division shall be headed by an "administrator". The office of justice assistance in the department of administration and the office of credit unions in the department of financial institutions have the meaning of "division" and the executive staff director of the office of justice assistance in the department of administration and the director of credit unions have the meaning of "administrator" under this subdivision.

History: 1971 c. 261; 1973 c. 12; 1975 c. 39; 1977 c. 29; 1979 c. 221; 1987 a. 27, 399; 1993 a. 16, 184, 215, 491; 1995 a. 27 ss. 75, 76, 76c and 9145 (1); 1997 a. 27.

the director of the office of the Wisconsin Covenant
Scholars Program in the department of administration,

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Section #. 230.08 (2) (e) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

230.08 (2) (e) 1. Administration — ~~17~~.

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History: 1971 c. 40, 270; 1973 c. 333, 335; 1977 c. 29, 187; 1977 c. 196 ss. 34, 108, 130 (5); 1977 c. 272, 418, 449; Stats. 1977 s. 230.08; 1979 c. 34, 189, 221, 356, 361; 1981 c. 20, 347, 374; 1983 a. 27 ss. 1605o to 1609am, 2200 (15); 1983 a. 189 s. 329 (27); 1983 a. 371, 378; 1985 a. 29; 1987 a. 27, 119, 204, 354, 399, 403; 1989 a. 31, 107, 119, 122, 169, 208, 219, 336; 1991 a. 39, 250, 269; 1993 a. 16, 349, 399; 1995 a. 27 ss. 6245 to 6277m, 9126 (19), 9130 (4); 1995 a. 216; 1997 a. 3, 27, 179, 194, 237; 1999 a. 9, 42, 87, 186; 2001 a. 16, 19, 109; 2003 a. 33 ss. 2392 to 2407b, 9160; 2003 a. 91, 326; 2005 a. 22, 25.

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1 **SECTION 1.** 15.01 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

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5 efficient administration and operation of the programs assigned to the department
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7 administration, the office of the Wisconsin Covenant Scholars Program in the
8 department of administration, and the office of credit unions in the department of
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2 department of financial institutions have the meaning of “division” and the executive
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19 criteria specified in sub. (2).

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22 1. The student is a resident of this state and is enrolled at least half time and
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17 uniform administration of this section.

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19 230.08 (2) (e) 1. Administration — ~~13~~ 14.

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21 **Board.**

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