

SENATE BILL NO. 693

October 19, 2021, Introduced by Senators LASATA, ANANICH, BIZON and VANDERWALL
and referred to the Committee on Education and Career Readiness.

A bill to amend 2000 PA 258, entitled
"Career and technical preparation act,"
by amending section 3 (MCL 388.1903), as amended by 2020 PA 130.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 3. (1) As used in this act:

2 (a) "Career and technical preparation program" means a program
3 that teaches a trade, occupation, or vocation and that is operated
4 by an eligible postsecondary educational institution located in
5 this state.

6 (b) "Corequisite remedial support course" means a course

1 offered for remedial postsecondary credit that an eligible student
2 enrolls in that provides enhanced and integrated support while that
3 eligible student concurrently is enrolled in a course in the same
4 subject area that is offered for postsecondary credit.

5 (c) ~~(b)~~—"Community college" means a community college
6 established under the community college act of 1966, 1966 PA 331,
7 MCL 389.1 to 389.195, or under part 25 of the revised school code,
8 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1601 to 380.1607, or a federal tribally
9 controlled community college located in this state that is
10 recognized under the tribally controlled colleges and universities
11 assistance act of 1978, 25 USC 1801 to 1864, and is determined by
12 the department to meet the requirements for accreditation by a
13 recognized regional accrediting body.

14 (d) ~~(e)~~—"Department" means the department of education.

15 (e) ~~(d)~~—"Eligible charges" means tuition and mandatory course
16 fees, material fees, and registration fees required by a career and
17 technical preparation program for enrollment in an eligible course.
18 Eligible charges also include any late fees charged by a career and
19 technical preparation program due to the school district's or
20 department of treasury's failure to make a required payment
21 according to the timetable prescribed under this act. Eligible
22 charges do not include transportation or parking costs or activity
23 fees.

24 (f) ~~(e)~~—"Eligible course" means a course offered by a career
25 and technical preparation program that is offered for postsecondary
26 credit **or as a corequisite remedial support course** or is part of a
27 noncredit occupational training program leading to an industry-
28 recognized credential; that is not offered through the school
29 district, intermediate school district, area vocational-technical

1 education program, or state approved nonpublic school in which the
2 eligible student is enrolled, or that is offered through the school
3 district, intermediate school district, area vocational-technical
4 education program, or state approved nonpublic school but is
5 determined by its governing board to not be available to the
6 eligible student because of a scheduling conflict beyond the
7 eligible student's control; that is a career and technical
8 preparation course not ordinarily taken as an activity course; that
9 is a course that the career and technical preparation program
10 normally applies toward satisfaction of certificate, degree, or
11 program completion requirements; that is offered in whole or in
12 part when the school district or state approved nonpublic school is
13 in session or, if approved by the school district or state approved
14 nonpublic school, that is offered in whole when the school district
15 or state approved nonpublic school is not in session; and that is
16 not a hobby, craft, or recreational course. For each individual
17 eligible student, unless there is a written agreement between the
18 eligible student's school district and the career and technical
19 preparation program to waive these limits, a course described in
20 this subdivision is not an eligible course if the eligible
21 student's enrollment in, and the payment of eligible charges under
22 this act for, the course would exceed the following limits:

23 (i) Not more than 10 courses overall. This limit and the limits
24 under subparagraphs (ii) to (iv) do not apply to a course if the
25 eligible student does not receive tuition and fee support under
26 this act for that course.

27 (ii) If the eligible student first enrolls in a course under
28 this act when the eligible student is in grade 9, not more than 2
29 courses during each academic year in the eligible student's first,

1 second, or third academic year of enrollment under this act in a
2 career and technical preparation program and not more than 4
3 courses during the academic year in the eligible student's fourth
4 academic year of enrollment under this act in a career and
5 technical preparation program.

6 (iii) If the eligible student first enrolls in a course under
7 this act when the eligible student is in grade 10, not more than 2
8 courses during the academic year in the eligible student's first
9 academic year of enrollment under this act in a career and
10 technical preparation program, not more than 4 courses during the
11 academic year in the eligible student's second academic year of
12 enrollment under this act in a career and technical preparation
13 program, and not more than 4 courses during the academic year in
14 the eligible student's third academic year of enrollment under this
15 act in a career and technical preparation program.

16 (iv) Subject to the overall course limit under subparagraph
17 (i), if the eligible student first enrolls in a course under this
18 act when the eligible student is in grade 11 or 12, not more than 6
19 courses during either of those academic years of enrollment in a
20 career and technical preparation program.

21 (g) ~~(f)~~—"Eligible postsecondary educational institution" means
22 a state university, community college, or independent nonprofit
23 degree-granting college or university that is located in this state
24 and that chooses to comply with this act.

25 (h) ~~(g)~~—"Eligible student" means a student enrolled in a high
26 school in a school district or state approved nonpublic school in
27 this state, except a foreign exchange pupil enrolled under a
28 cultural exchange program or a student who does not have at least 1
29 parent or legal guardian who is a resident of this state. However,

1 subject to subsection (2), the student must not have been enrolled
2 in high school for more than 4 school years including the school
3 year in which the student seeks to enroll in an eligible course
4 under this act. To be an eligible student, except as otherwise
5 provided in this subdivision, a student who has not taken the
6 Michigan merit examination must have achieved a qualifying score in
7 all subject areas on a readiness assessment and a student who has
8 taken the Michigan merit examination must have achieved a
9 qualifying score in all subject areas on the Michigan merit
10 examination, and, subject to subsection (2), the student must not
11 have been enrolled in high school for more than 4 school years
12 including the school year in which the student seeks to enroll in
13 an eligible course under this act. However, except as otherwise
14 provided in this subdivision, if the student has not achieved a
15 qualifying score in all subject areas on a readiness assessment or
16 the Michigan merit examination, as applicable for the student, the
17 student is an eligible student if the student achieves a qualifying
18 score in mathematics and a qualifying score on a nationally or
19 industry-recognized job skills assessment test as determined by the
20 superintendent of public instruction. For enrollment in eligible
21 courses that begin after April 30, 2020 and end before the start of
22 the 2020-2021 academic year and for enrollment in eligible courses
23 offered during the 2020-2021 academic year during the period
24 beginning on ~~the effective date of the amendatory act that added~~
25 ~~this sentence~~ **July 8, 2020** and ending on the last day of the 2020-
26 2021 academic year, a student is an eligible student if the student
27 has achieved a grade point average of at least 2.5, as determined
28 by the school district or state approved nonpublic school in which
29 he or she is enrolled, regardless of whether or not the student has

1 achieved a qualifying score in all subject areas on a readiness
2 assessment or the Michigan merit examination, or a qualifying score
3 in mathematics and on a nationally or industry-recognized job
4 skills assessment test. For the purposes of determining the number
5 of years a pupil has been enrolled in high school, a pupil who is
6 enrolled in high school for less than 90 days of a school year due
7 to illness or other circumstances beyond the control of the pupil
8 or the pupil's parent or guardian is not considered to be enrolled
9 in high school for that school year.

10 (i) ~~(h)~~—"Intermediate school district" means that term as
11 defined in section 4 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL
12 380.4.

13 (j) ~~(i)~~—"Michigan merit examination" means that examination
14 developed under section 1279g of the revised school code, 1976 PA
15 451, MCL 380.1279g.

16 (k) ~~(j)~~—"Qualifying score" means a score on a readiness
17 assessment or on a nationally or industry-recognized job skills
18 assessment test that has been determined by the superintendent of
19 public instruction to indicate readiness to enroll in a course
20 under this act.

21 (l) ~~(k)~~—"Readiness assessment" means assessment instruments
22 that are aligned with state learning standards; that are used
23 nationally to provide high school students with an early indication
24 of college readiness proficiency in English, mathematics, reading,
25 social studies, and science and may contain a comprehensive career
26 planning program; and that are approved by the superintendent of
27 public instruction for the purposes of this act.

28 (m) ~~(l)~~—"School district" means that term as defined in section
29 6 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.6, or a public

1 school academy as that term is defined in section 5 of the revised
2 school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.5.

3 (n) ~~(m)~~—"State approved nonpublic school" means that term as
4 defined in section 6 of the revised school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL
5 380.6.

6 (o) ~~(n)~~—"State university" means a state institution of higher
7 education described in section 4, 5, or 6 of article VIII of the
8 state constitution of 1963.

9 (2) The department, in consultation with the superintendent of
10 public instruction, shall promulgate rules establishing criteria
11 and procedures under which a student who has been enrolled in high
12 school for more than 4 years but not more than 5 years may be
13 considered to be an eligible student. The rules must address
14 special circumstances under which a student may qualify to be
15 considered an eligible student under this subsection and may limit
16 the number of courses in which a student who qualifies under this
17 subsection may enroll. For the purposes of determining the number
18 of years a pupil has been enrolled in high school, a pupil who is
19 enrolled in high school for less than 90 days of a school year due
20 to illness or other circumstances beyond the control of the pupil
21 or the pupil's parent or guardian is not considered to be enrolled
22 for that school year.