

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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1 AMEND House Bill No. 187, Page 1, Section A, Line 2, by inserting immediately after all of said
2 line the following:

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4 "173.1104. 1. An applicant shall be eligible for initial or renewed financial assistance only
5 if, at the time of application and throughout the period during which the applicant is receiving such
6 assistance, the applicant:

7 (1) Is a citizen or a permanent resident of the United States;

8 (2) Is a resident of the state of Missouri, as determined by reference to standards
9 promulgated by the coordinating board; and

10 (3) Is enrolled, or has been accepted for enrollment, as a full-time undergraduate student in
11 an approved private or public institution]; and

12 (4) Is not enrolled or does not intend to use the award to enroll in a course of study leading to
13 a degree in theology or divinity].

14 2. If an applicant is found guilty of or pleads guilty to any criminal offense during the period
15 of time in which the applicant is receiving financial assistance, such applicant shall not be eligible
16 for renewal of such assistance, provided such offense would disqualify the applicant from receiving
17 federal student aid under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.

18 3. Financial assistance shall be allotted for one academic year, but a recipient shall be
19 eligible for renewed assistance until he or she has obtained a baccalaureate degree, provided such
20 financial assistance shall not exceed a total of ten semesters or fifteen quarters or their equivalent.
21 Standards of eligibility for renewed assistance shall be the same as for an initial award of financial
22 assistance, except that for renewal, an applicant shall demonstrate a grade-point average of two and
23 five-tenths on a four-point scale, or the equivalent on another scale. This subsection shall be
24 construed as the successor to section 173.215 for purposes of eligibility requirements of other
25 financial assistance programs that refer to section 173.215."; and

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27 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
28 accordingly."

Action Taken _____ Date _____