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[S. 236. Approved April 7, 1987.]

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning eligibility for higher education awards.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

**SECTION 1. IC 20-12-21-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: Sec. 5. (a) The commission shall:**

- (1) prepare and supervise the issuance of public information concerning this chapter;
- (2) prescribe the form and regulate the submission of applications for higher education awards;
- (3) conduct such conferences and interviews with applicants as may be appropriate;
- (4) determine the eligibility of applicants;
- (5) select qualified applicants;
- (6) determine the respective amounts of, and award, the appropriate higher education awards;
- (7) determine eligibility for, and award, annual renewals of higher education awards; ~~and~~
- (8) act as the designated state agency for participation in any federal program for reinsurance of student loans; ~~and~~
- (9) **adopt rules, under IC 4-22-2, to develop standards that govern the denial of assistance to higher education award applicants and recipients under section 7.6 of this chapter.**

(b) The commission may:

- (1) make such rules as may be necessary to carry out its functions under this chapter; and
- (2) appoint advisory boards as it considers necessary.

(c) The commission shall exercise its functions without regard to an applicant's race, creed, sex, color, national origin, or ancestry.

**SECTION 2. IC 20-12-21-6.5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS: Sec. 6.5. The commission shall publish and make available to all applicants all its rules governing the awarding and denial of higher education awards. Such rules shall state specifically the conditions under which awards once issued may be withdrawn or reduced.**

SECTION 3. IC 20-12-21-7.6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS: **Sec. 7.6. The commission may deny assistance under this chapter to a higher education award applicant or recipient who is:**

- (1) convicted of a felony;
- (2) sentenced to a term of imprisonment for that felony;
- and
- (3) confined for that felony at a penal facility (as defined in IC 35-41-1-2).

SECTION 4. IC 20-12-21-7.5 IS REPEALED.

SECTION 5. This act takes effect July 1, 1987.

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AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning student loans.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. IC 20-12-21-5.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS: **Sec. 5.1.**

(a) In addition to the duties described in section 5(a) of this chapter, the commission shall do the following:

- (1) Prepare and supervise the issuance of public information concerning all of the commission's programs.
- (2) Prescribe the form and regulate the submission of applications for all of the commission's programs.
- (3) Determine the amounts of grants and scholarships.
- (4) Determine eligibility for grants and scholarships.
- (5) Receive federal funds made available to the commission for awards, grants, and scholarships, and disburse these funds in the manner prescribed by federal law.

(b) In addition to the powers described in section 5(b) of this chapter, the commission may do the following:

- (1) Accept gifts, grants, devises, or bequests for the purpose of providing grants, awards, scholarships, loans, or other forms of financial aid to students