

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 11

By: Rader of the Senate

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6 An Act relating to higher education; amending 70 O.S.
7 2021, Section 626.6, which relates to the Oklahoma
8 Higher Education Tuition Aid Act; removing certain
9 eligibility provision; updating language; providing
10 an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 626.6, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 626.6. No person shall be awarded a state tuition aid
15 grant unless the person:

16 1. Is a resident of ~~the State of Oklahoma~~ this state. Such
17 residency shall meet requirements as set out by the Oklahoma State
18 Regents for Higher Education;

19 2. Has demonstrated financial need for ~~such~~ tuition aid as
20 determined by Sections 626.2 and 626.7 of this title and in
21 accordance with procedures ~~to be~~ established by the Oklahoma State
22 Regents for Higher Education;

23 3. ~~Is not incarcerated in a state, federal or private~~
24 ~~correctional facility;~~

1 4. Has demonstrated high moral character, good citizenship, and
2 dedication to American ideals;

3 ~~5.~~ 4. Has applied for state tuition aid and has been determined
4 to be eligible for such tuition aid; and

5 ~~6.~~ 5. Has complied with all the rules adopted pursuant to the
6 Oklahoma Higher Education Tuition Aid Act for the award, regulation,
7 and administration of state college tuition aid.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2023.

9 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
10 of the public peace, health, or safety, an emergency is hereby
11 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
12 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

13 Passed the Senate the 28th day of February, 2023.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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17 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,

18 2023.

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