

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

SENATE BILL 11

By: Rader

AS INTRODUCED

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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