

ORIGINAL HOUSE  
BILL NO. HB0031

ENROLLED ACT NO. 30, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING  
2018 BUDGET SESSION

AN ACT relating to the Hathaway scholarship program; extending the deadline to apply for the scholarship; and providing for an effective date.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

**Section 1.** W.S. 21-16-1303(b)(iii)(B) and 21-16-1308(b)(iv)(A) are amended to read:

**21-16-1303. Hathaway scholarship program; eligibility requirements.**

(b) Under the Hathaway scholarship program, subject to availability of funds as determined by the legislature, the state shall provide a scholarship pursuant to W.S. 21-16-1304 and 21-16-1305 to any student who has been accepted by and enrolls in an eligible institution to pursue a degree or certificate, and who meets the following qualifications:

(iii) The student has:

(B) Applied for a scholarship under this article within ~~two (2)~~ four (4) years of the date of high school graduation, or is otherwise eligible under rules promulgated pursuant to W.S. 21-16-1308(b)(iii) and (iv). The department shall by rule and regulation establish exceptions to the requirement of this subparagraph for military service, religious service and other good cause shown; and

**21-16-1308. Administration; rules and regulations.**

(b) The department shall, in consultation with University of Wyoming and community college admissions

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officers, the Wyoming community college commission and financial aid officers and school districts, promulgate rules and regulations necessary to implement this article, including:

(iv) Criteria and procedures under which students who receive a high school equivalency certificate can qualify for scholarships under this article. A student receiving a high school equivalency certificate shall:

(A) Receive the certificate and make application for the initial scholarship no later than ~~two~~ four (4) years after and no sooner than the graduation date of the student's high school class, unless ordered by a court to complete the requirements for the certificate prior to that graduation date or for other good cause shown as determined by the department. For purposes of making application prior to the graduation date of the student's class, "other good cause" shall include, but is not limited to, a showing by the student that the student has been emancipated under W.S. 14-1-201 through 14-1-206 or that the student is a parent or a legal guardian of a minor. The student shall have attended an eligible high school prior to receiving his certificate and shall have received his certificate while residing in Wyoming;

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**Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution.

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Governor

TIME APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

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Chief Clerk