

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0201

Hathaway fallen first responder scholarship.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Northrup, Clouston and  
Crago and Senator(s) Baldwin and Rothfuss

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the Hathaway scholarship program;  
2 creating the Hathaway fallen first responder scholarship;  
3 modifying scholarship eligibility requirements as  
4 specified; making conforming amendments; and providing for  
5 an effective date.

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

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9           **Section**           1. W.S.           21-16-1303(c)           and  
10 21-16-1304(c)(iii)(A), (h)(intro), (i) and by creating a  
11 new subsection (j) are amended to read:

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13           **21-16-1303. Hathaway scholarship program; eligibility**  
14 **requirements.**

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1           (c) Notwithstanding W.S. 21-16-1301(a)(viii),  
2 students who are Wyoming residents and graduates of an  
3 out-of-state high school shall be deemed to have graduated  
4 from an eligible high school for the purpose of qualifying  
5 under this article. Notwithstanding W.S.  
6 21-16-1301(a)(viii) or paragraph (b)(i) of this section, a  
7 student whose custodial parent or guardian is in active  
8 military service and maintains Wyoming as that parent's or  
9 guardian's state of domicile is deemed to be a Wyoming  
10 resident and if a high school graduate of a high school  
11 outside of Wyoming accredited by the appropriate regional  
12 accrediting agency shall be deemed to have graduated from  
13 an eligible high school for the purpose of qualifying under  
14 this article. Notwithstanding W.S. 21-16-1301(a)(viii) or  
15 paragraph (b)(i) of this section, a student whose custodial  
16 parent or guardian was killed in the line of duty while  
17 acting as a first responder, as defined under W.S.  
18 27-14-102(a)(xxxi), and the parent or guardian was a  
19 Wyoming resident at the time of the parent or guardian's  
20 death and if the student is a high school graduate of a  
21 high school outside of Wyoming accredited by the  
22 appropriate regional accrediting agency, the student shall

1 be deemed to have graduated from an eligible high school  
2 for the purpose of qualifying under this article.

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4 **21-16-1304. Hathaway opportunity, performance, honor**  
5 **and fallen first responder scholarships.**

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7 (c) To remain eligible for the scholarship under this  
8 section, the student shall:

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10 (iii) Maintain a cumulative grade point average  
11 as evaluated at the end of each spring academic term as  
12 follows:

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14 (A) For Hathaway opportunity and fallen  
15 first responder scholarships, at least a 2.25 GPA;

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17 (h) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (a)(i)(B), (ii)(B),  
18 ~~and~~ (iii)(B) and (j)(i)(B) of this section, the applicable  
19 scholarship amount awarded to any eligible student may be  
20 available to that student, upon election, for enrollment in  
21 up to six (6) semester hours during any summer academic  
22 term or other academic term offered by an eligible

1 institution outside of the regular fall or spring semester,  
2 subject to the following:

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4 (i) The amount provided under subparagraph  
5 (a)(i)(A), (ii)(A), ~~or~~ (iii)(A) or (j)(i)(A) of this  
6 section, as applicable, for enrollment in up to six (6)  
7 hours during any summer term or other academic term offered  
8 by an eligible institution shall be available in an amount  
9 equal to the proportion of the per semester scholarship  
10 amount that the number of semester hours enrolled bears to  
11 twelve (12);

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13 (j) Any student whose custodial parent or guardian  
14 was killed in the line of duty while acting as a first  
15 responder, as defined under W.S. 27-14-102(a)(xxxi), and  
16 the parent or guardian was a Wyoming resident at the time  
17 of their death, and if the student is a graduate of a  
18 Wyoming high school or a high school outside of Wyoming  
19 accredited by the appropriate regional accrediting agency,  
20 is eligible to receive a scholarship to pursue a degree or  
21 certificate as follows:

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