Wyoming's tomorrow scholarship program amendments.

FISCAL NOTE

The fiscal impact is indeterminable.

This legislation repeals W.S. 21-16-1904(c)(iv), the requirement for students to maintain continuous enrollment for not less than two (2) academic terms in each successive academic year to remain eligible for the Wyoming Tomorrow's Scholarship Program. The Wyoming Community College Commission (Commission) indicates repealing this requirement may result in an indeterminable expenditure increase from the Wyoming's Tomorrow Scholarship Expenditure Account related to scholarship awards for students that do not maintain the current continuous enrollment requirements. The Commission will be required to implement a more complex tracking system for scholarship awards for each student that does not maintain continuous enrollment and does not expend the total scholarship award. The Commission indicates 32.6 percent (255 students) have lost eligibility under the Wyoming Kickstart Program, the precursor to the Wyoming Tomorrow's Scholarship Program, for failing to maintain continuous enrollment for not less than two (2) academic terms, which has resulted in fewer expenditures than if the students maintained the continuous enrollment requirements.

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