



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5238

LCO No. 667



Referred to Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Introduced by:
(HED)

AN ACT INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF THE MINIMUM AWARDS UNDER THE DEBT-FREE COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 10a-174 of the
2 2024 supplement to the general statutes, as amended by section 134 of
3 public act 23-204, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
4 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2024*):

5 (1) "Award" means the greater of: (A) The unpaid portion, if any, of a
6 qualifying student's eligible institutional costs after subtracting his or
7 her financial aid, or (B) a minimum award of [two hundred fifty] one
8 thousand dollars for a full-time student or [one hundred fifty] five
9 hundred dollars for a part-time student;

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	10a-174(a)(1)
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Statement of Purpose:

To increase the amount of the minimum awards made under the debt-free community college program from two hundred fifty dollars for a full-time student to one thousand dollars and one hundred fifty dollars for a part-time student to five hundred dollars.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]