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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 460

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend House Bill 460 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Retention of Illinois Students and Equity  
5 Act is amended by changing Section 15 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 986/15)

7 Sec. 15. Equitable eligibility for financial aid and  
8 benefits.

9 (a) A student who is an Illinois resident and who is not  
10 otherwise eligible for federal financial aid, including, but  
11 not limited to, a transgender student who is disqualified for  
12 failure to register for selective service or a noncitizen  
13 student who has not obtained lawful permanent residence, shall  
14 be eligible for ~~state~~ financial aid and benefits as described  
15 in subsection (b).

16 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the

1 contrary, a student who is an Illinois resident (i) is  
2 eligible to apply or receive consideration for any student aid  
3 or benefit funded or administered by the State or any State  
4 agency, offered by a unit of local government, or administered  
5 by any public institution of higher learning, including, but  
6 not limited to, scholarships, grants, awards, stipends, room  
7 and board assistance, tuition waivers, or other financial or  
8 in-kind assistance and (ii) to ensure equity, success, and the  
9 retention of Illinois residents, may not be subject to any  
10 caps on grant assistance available under the Monetary Award  
11 Program other than those required by State law.

12 (c) The eligibility requirements under this Section for  
13 any student aid or benefit funded or administered by the State  
14 or offered by a unit of local government shall be interpreted  
15 to promote the broadest eligibility for students who are  
16 Illinois residents in accordance with State law or policy.

17 (d) Nothing in this Section shall be construed as  
18 modifying any eligibility requirements regarding academic  
19 standing or personal or household income for any State  
20 financial aid program.

21 (e) The General Assembly finds and declares that this  
22 Section is a State law within the meaning of subsection (d) of  
23 Section 1621 of Title 8 of the United States Code.

24 (Source: P.A. 101-21, eff. 1-1-20.)".