

SENATE BILL No. 355

AN ACT concerning the Kansas foster child educational assistance act; amending K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 75-53,111 and 75-53,114 and repealing the existing sections; also repealing K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 75-53,119.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 75-53,111 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-53,111. (a) K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 75-53,111 through 75-53,120, *and amendments thereto*, shall be known and may be cited as the Kansas foster child educational assistance act.

(b) The purpose of the Kansas foster child educational assistance act is to establish an educational assistance program under which payment of the tuition *and required fees* charged to eligible foster children shall be waived.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 75-53,114 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-53,114. (a) No eligible foster child who is enrolled at a Kansas educational institution and who is participating in the program shall be charged the amount of tuition *or required fees* charged by the Kansas educational institution for enrollment in courses necessary to satisfy the requirements of an educational program.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) an eligible foster child shall not have waived the amount of tuition *or required fees* waived for any course repeated or taken in excess of the requirements for completion of the educational program in which such foster child is enrolled.

(c) Within the limits of appropriations available therefor, the secretary may make expenditures to reimburse each eligible foster child who is enrolled in a Kansas educational institution and who is participating in the program for room and board, technical equipment; *and* course required ~~fees and~~ books.

(d) Each eligible foster child who is enrolled in a Kansas educational institution and who is participating in the program shall be responsible for all fees charged by the Kansas educational institution that are not directly related to and required for the courses in the educational program of the eligible foster child.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 75-53,111, 75-53,114 and 75-53,119 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the SENATE, and passed that body

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.

Passed the HOUSE _____

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.

APPROVED _____

Governor.