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HOUSE BILL DRH20394-MKz-174A\* (02/18)

Short Title: Opp. Scholarship Military Child Eligibility. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Cleveland and Riddell (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO ADD CHILDREN OF MILITARY FAMILIES AS AN ELIGIBILITY CATEGORY  
3 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP GRANT PROGRAM, AS RECOMMENDED  
4 BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON GENERAL  
5 GOVERNMENT.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 115C-562.1(3) reads as rewritten:

8 "(3) Eligible students. – A student who has not yet received a high school diploma  
9 and who meets all of the following requirements:

10 a. Meets one of the following criteria:

- 11 1. Was a full-time student assigned to and attending a public school  
12 pursuant to G.S. 115C-366 during the previous semester.
- 13 2. Received a scholarship grant during the previous school year.
- 14 3. Is entering either kindergarten or the first grade.
- 15 4. Is a child in foster care as defined in G.S. 131D-10.2(9).
- 16 5. Is a child whose adoption decree was entered not more than one  
17 year prior to submission of the scholarship grant application.
- 18 6. Is a child whose parent or legal guardian is on full-time duty  
19 status in the active uniformed service of the United States,  
20 including members of the National Guard and Reserve on active  
21 duty orders pursuant to 10 U.S.C. § 12301, et seq., and 10  
22 U.S.C. § 12401, et seq.

23 b. Resides in a household with an income level not in excess of one  
24 hundred thirty-three percent (133%) of the amount required for the  
25 student to qualify for the federal free or reduced-price lunch program."

26 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies beginning with the  
27 2016-2017 school year.



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