

**ACT No. 101**

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 181

BY REPRESENTATIVE BROWN

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:3048.1(A)(1)(a)(iii)(gg), relative to receipt of awards from the Louisiana Taylor Opportunity Program for Students; to provide relative to citizenship requirements for receipt of such award; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 17:3048.1(A)(1)(a)(iii)(gg) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§3048.1. Program awards; eligibility; amounts; limitations; funding; administration

A.(1) As part of the Louisiana Taylor Opportunity Program for Students, the state shall financially assist any student who enrolls on a full-time basis in a public college or university in this state or a regionally accredited independent college or university in the state that is a member of the Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, hereafter in this Chapter referred to collectively as "eligible colleges or universities", to pursue an academic undergraduate degree or, as provided by this Subsection, skill or occupational training as defined by the administering agency including a vocational or technical education certificate or diploma program or a nonacademic undergraduate degree, and who meets the qualifications of Subparagraph (b), (c), or (d) of this Paragraph and all of the applicable following qualifications:

(a)

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(gg) For a student graduating from high school during the 2018-2019 school year and thereafter, a student who is not a citizen of the United States but who is the

1            child of a non-United States citizen who is either serving in any branch of the United  
 2            States armed forces or has been honorably discharged from any branch of the United  
 3            States armed forces shall be deemed to satisfy the citizenship requirement of this  
 4            Item.

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6            Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
 7            signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
 8            by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
 9            vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
 10           effective on the day following such approval.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_