

2026 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 105

BY SENATOR CATHEY

TOPS. Provides relative to TOPS eligibility. (8/1/26)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 17:5029(E)(1) and 5029(E)(1)(d),
3 relative to the Taylor Opportunity Program for Students; to provide relative to
4 eligibility requirements for certain military veterans to receive a TOPS-Tech Award;
5 and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. The introductory paragraph of R.S. 17:5029(E)(1) and 5029(E)(1)(d) are
8 hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

9 §5029. Alternative initial eligibility requirements

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11 E.(1) Notwithstanding the initial eligibility requirements established by this
12 Chapter, ~~effective for the 2020-2021, 2021-2022, and 2022-2023 academic years,~~ an
13 individual who was honorably discharged from a branch of the United States Armed
14 Forces from a military installation in Louisiana shall be eligible to receive a
15 TOPS-Tech Award, provided he meets all of the following requirements:

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17 (d) ~~Earned a 17 or higher score on the ACT or an equivalent concordant value~~

