

HB 1314 -- Teacher Education Scholarships

Sponsor: Jetton

Currently, one-year nonrenewable scholarships of \$1,000 are available for students who commit to pursuing a teaching certificate. This bill makes the scholarships renewable and raises the amount to \$3,000, with a cap of \$15,000. The bill also makes the scholarships available to substitute teachers or paraprofessionals who are recommended by their districts for participation. A grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale is required to keep the scholarship or to qualify for it if the applicant has attended college for more than two semesters. A requirement for matching scholarship funds from the college is removed.