

HB 1754 -- Associate Degree Scholarship Program

Sponsor: Sater

This bill establishes the Associate Degree Transfer Incentive Scholarship Program for students who have completed associate degrees. Public higher education institutions may apply for scholarship funds on behalf of these students. Priority will be given to students who demonstrate a need and to programs that have established articulation agreements for the program to which the student has been accepted. Scholarships will be a minimum of \$1,000, may run for four semesters, and may be prorated for part-time students. Participating institutions will establish application and renewal criteria, award amounts based on unique conditions that these students may face at the institution, and report annually on the use of scholarship funds.

The provisions of the bill will expire six years from the effective date.