

HB 265 -- ACCESS MISSOURI

SPONSOR: Shields

Beginning in the 2025-26 academic year, this bill specifies an increase for eligible recipients of the Access Missouri Financial Assistance Program.

For public two-year institutions the maximum increases by \$400 to \$1700 and the minimum by \$200 to \$500.

For public four-year institutions and the State Technical College, and approved private and virtual institutions, the maximum increases by \$700 to \$3500 and the minimum by \$250 to \$1750.

The bill replaces the phrase "expected family contribution" with "student aid index" which is the amount of money a student and family should pay to the cost of postsecondary education as calculated by the US Department of Education.

This bill is similar to HB 2326 (2024).