## HB 427 -- HIGHER EDUCATION TUITION

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This bill specifies that public institutions of higher education must consider an individual who graduated from a high school in Missouri as a Missouri resident, unless or until the individual establishes a residence outside of Missouri. If the individual is not a citizen or a permanent resident of the United States, he or she must also provide the institution with a written statement stating that the student will regularize his or her citizenship or permanent residency status when eligible to do so.

Institutions are prohibited from denying admission to a student based on immigration status if the student satisfies those requirements and must keep information collected confidential.

This bill is similar to HB 2421 (2024), and HB 760 (2023).