

Amend **HB 3209** by inserting the following SECTION 2, SECTION 3 and SECTION 4, renumbering subsequent SECTIONS accordingly:

SECTION 2. Section 56.304(a)(5), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(A) an entering undergraduate student for [~~at least three-fourths of~~] a full course load for an entering undergraduate student, as determined by the coordinating board, not later than the 16th month after the date of the person's graduation from high school; or

(B) an entering student for [~~at least three-fourths of~~] a full course load for an undergraduate student as determined by the coordinating board, not later than the 12th month after the month the person receives an associate degree from an eligible institution;

SECTION 3. Section 56.305(a)(3), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(3) is enrolled for [~~at least three-fourths~~] a full course load for an undergraduate student, as determined by the coordinating board;

SECTION 4. Section 56.304(f), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(f) A person's eligibility for a TEXAS Grant ends on the [~~sixth~~] fifth anniversary of the initial award of a TEXAS grant to the person and the person's enrollment in an eligible institution, unless the person is provided additional time during which the person may receive a TEXAS grant under this subsection. The coordinating board shall adopt rules to provide a person who is otherwise eligible to receive a TEXAS grant in the event of a hardship or other good cause shown that prevents the person from continuing the person's enrollment during the period the person would otherwise have been eligible to receive a TEXAS grant, including a showing of a severe illness or other debilitating condition or that the person is or was responsible for the care of a sick, injured, or needy person. This section applies to a new TEXAS grant recipients beginning on or after the 2003 fall semester.