

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT FORM

Austin, Texas

5-25-11

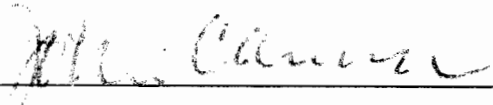
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Honorable David Dewhurst
President of the Senate

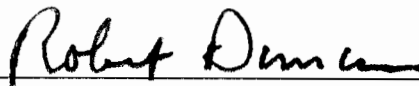
Honorable Joe Straus
Speaker of the House of Representatives

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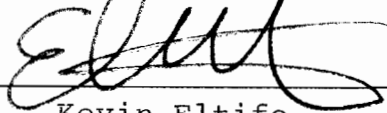
We, Your Conference Committee, appointed to adjust the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on HB 3577 have had the same under consideration, and beg to report it back with the recommendation that it do pass in the form and text hereto attached.



John J. Carona




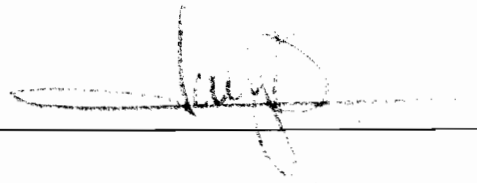
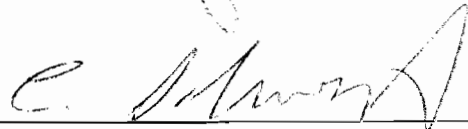



Robert Duncan



Kevin Eltife



Kirk Watson


Judith Zaffirini, Chair
On the part of the Senate
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On the part of the House

Note to Conference Committee Clerk:

Please type the names of the members of the Conference Committee under the lines provided for signature. Those members desiring to sign the report should sign each of the six copies. Attach a copy of the Conference Committee Report and a Section by Section side by side comparison to each of the six reporting forms. The original and two copies are filed in house of origin of the bill, and three copies in the other house.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

3rd Printing

H.B. No. 3577

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to eligibility requirements for the Texas Educational
3 Opportunity Grant.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 56.404(e), Education Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (e) A person may not receive a grant under this subchapter
8 and [if the person is eligible for] a TEXAS grant under Subchapter M
9 for the same semester or other term, regardless of whether the
10 person is otherwise eligible for both grants during that semester
11 or term. A person who but for this subsection would be awarded both
12 a grant under this subchapter and a TEXAS grant for the same
13 semester or other term is entitled to receive only the grant of the
14 greater amount.

15 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act relating to
16 the eligibility of a student for a Texas Educational Opportunity
17 Grant applies beginning with grants awarded for the 2011-2012
18 academic year. Grants awarded for an academic year before the
19 2011-2012 academic year are governed by the law in effect
20 immediately before the effective date of this Act, and the former
21 law is continued in effect for that purpose.

22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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- 1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 2 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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SENATE VERSION (CS)

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No equivalent provision.

SECTION 1. Amends Subchapter A, Chapter 56, Education Code, by adding Section 56.007, PRIORITY DEADLINE FOR STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, as follows:

(a) Requires the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by rule to provide for a uniform priority application deadline for applications for financial assistance for an academic year.

(b) Prohibits the priority deadline from serving as a determination of eligibility for state financial assistance, but requires otherwise eligible applicants who apply on or before the deadline to be given priority consideration for available state financial assistance before other applicants.

(c) Requires the coordinating board to consult with financial aid personnel at institutions of higher education in adopting rules providing for the deadline required under this section.

(d) Limits applicability of the section to a general academic teaching institution as defined by Section 61.003.

Same as House version.

SECTION 1. Amends Section 56.404(e), Education Code.

SECTION 2. Same as House version.

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No equivalent provision.

SECTION 3. (a) Makes the change in law made by Section 56.007, Education Code, as added by the act, applicable beginning with student financial assistance awarded for the 2013-2014 academic year and provides that state student financial assistance awarded for an academic period before that academic year is covered by the law in effect immediately before the effective date of this act, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

Same as House version.

Section 2. Makes the change in law made by this act relating to the eligibility of a student for a Texas Educational Opportunity Grant applicable beginning with grants awarded for the 2011-2012 academic year and provides that grants

(b) Same as House version except makes the change in law made by this act relating to the eligibility of a student for a Texas Educational Opportunity Grant *or a TEXAS grant* applicable beginning with grants awarded for the 2011-2012

SECTION 2. Same as House version.

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awarded for an academic year before the 2011-2012 academic year are governed by the law in effect immediately before the effective date of this act, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. Effective date.

SENATE VERSION (CS)

academic year.

SECTION 4. Same as House version.

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SECTION 3. Same as House version.

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 82ND LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 26, 2011

TO: Honorable David Dewhurst, Lieutenant Governor, Senate
Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: John S O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3577 by Gonzales, Larry (Relating to eligibility requirements for the Texas Educational Opportunity Grant.), **Conference Committee Report**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend eligibility requirements for the Texas Educational Opportunity Grant Program. The bill would specify that a person may not receive a Texas Educational Opportunity Grant and a TEXAS Grant in the same semester.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 781 Higher Education Coordinating Board

LBB Staff: JOB, KK, RT, GO

Certification of Compliance with Rule 13, Section 6(b), House Rules of Procedure

Rule 13, Section 6(b), House Rules of Procedure, requires that a copy of a conference committee report signed by a majority of each committee of the conference must be furnished to each member of the committee in person or if unable to deliver in person by placing a copy in the member's newspaper mailbox at least one hour before the report is furnished to each member of the house under Section 10(a) of this rule. The paper copies of the report submitted to the chief clerk under Section 10(b) of this rule must contain a certificate that the requirement of this subsection has been satisfied, and that certificate must be attached to the printed copy of the report furnished to each member under Section 10(d) of this rule. Failure to comply with this subsection is not a sustainable point of order under this rule.

I certify that a copy of the conference committee report on H. B. 5577 was furnished to each member of the conference committee in compliance with Rule 13, Section 6(b), House Rules of Procedure, before submission of the paper copies of the report to the chief clerk under Section 10(b), Rule 13, House Rules of Procedure.



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