

## Support Educational Opportunities

### Empowerment Scholarships

**Original Bill:** [HB1615](#) **Amended Bill:** **Sponsor:** Rep. Brad Hudson (R)

**Description:** Changes the definition of "qualified student" for purposes of Missouri empowerment scholarship accounts.

**Position Statement:** Support: Support intent of legislation to expand educational opportunities to children in need of alternative educational opportunities. 01/12/24

**Last Action:** 01/04/2024 H - Read Second Time

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**Original Bill:** [HB1671](#) **Amended Bill:** **Sponsor:** Rep. Mark Matthiesen (R)

**Description:** Changes the definition of "qualified student" for the "Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program".

**Position Statement:** Support: Support intent of legislation to expand educational opportunities to children in need of alternative educational opportunities. 01/12/24

**Last Action:** 01/04/2024 H - Read Second Time

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**Original Bill:** [HB1738](#) **Amended Bill:** **Sponsor:** Rep. Doug Richey (R)

**Description:** Changes provisions governing educational scholarships.

**Position Statement:** Support: Support intent of legislation to expand educational opportunities to children in need of alternative educational opportunities. 01/12/24

**Last Action:** 01/30/2024 H - Referred to House-Special Committee on Education Reform

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**Original Bill:** [HB2104](#) **Amended Bill:** **Sponsor:** Rep. Phil Christofanelli (R)

**Description:** Changes provisions governing educational scholarships.

**Position Statement:** Support: Support intent of legislation to expand educational opportunities to children in need of alternative educational opportunities.01/12/24

**Last Action:** 02/01/2024 H - Referred to House-Special Committee on Education Reform

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**Original Bill:** [HB2366](#) **Amended Bill:** **Sponsor:** Rep. Aaron McMullen (R)

**Description:** Establishes the "Missouri Parent Empowerment Act" relating to a tax credit for certain educational expenses.

**Position Statement:** Support: Support intent of legislation to expand educational opportunities to children in need of alternative educational opportunities. 01/12/24

**Last Action:** 01/11/2024 H - Read Second Time

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**Original Bill:** [HB2620](#) **Amended Bill:** **Sponsor:** Rep. Cody Smith (R)

**Description:** Changes the definition of "qualified student" for purposes of Missouri empowerment scholarship accounts.

**Position Statement:** Support: Support intent of legislation to expand educational opportunities to children in need of alternative educational opportunities. 01/12/24

**Last Action:** 02/01/2024 H - Introduced and Read First Time

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