

SENATE AMENDMENT NO. _____

Offered by _____ of _____

Amend SCS/Senate Bill No. 224, Page 1, Section title, Line 3,

2 by striking all of said line and inserting in lieu thereof the
3 following: "to eligibility criteria for higher education
4 benefits, with an"; and

5 Further amend said bill, page 4, section 160.545, line 118,
6 by inserting after all of said line the following:

7 "174.820. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited
8 as the "Missouri Tuition Equity Act".

9 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
10 contrary, for the purposes of tuition, fees, and admission, the
11 governing board of any Missouri higher education institution that
12 receives any state funds whatsoever shall deem an individual a
13 Missouri resident, unless or until the individual establishes a
14 residence outside of Missouri, if all of the following conditions
15 are met:

16 (1) The individual resided with his or her parent or
17 guardian, or was emancipated, while attending a public or private
18 high school in this state;

19 (2) The individual graduated from a public or private high
20 school or received the equivalent of a high school diploma in
21 this state;

1 (3) The individual attended school in this state for at
2 least two years as of the date the individual graduated from high
3 school or received the equivalent of a high school diploma;

4 (4) The individual entered the United States prior to the
5 enactment of this section; and

6 (5) In the case of an individual who is not a citizen or a
7 permanent resident of the United States, the individual provides
8 the higher education institution with an affidavit stating that
9 the individual will file an application to become a permanent
10 resident of the United States at the earliest opportunity the
11 individual is eligible to do so.

12 3. No Missouri higher education institution that receives
13 any state funds whatsoever may deny admittance to a student based
14 solely on his or her immigration status provided the student has
15 satisfied the requirements of this section.

16 4. Any information collected under this section as part of
17 a student's admission shall remain confidential."; and

18 Further amend said bill and page, section B, line 3 by
19 inserting after the word "semester" the following: "and the
20 importance of providing educational opportunities for Missouri
21 high school graduates"; and

22 Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.