

## CHAPTER 9

## GRANT AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

## Authority

N.J.S.A. 18A:71A-8 and 9, 18A:71B-12, 18A:71B-19, 18A:71B-23, 18A:71B-25, and 18A:71B-86.6; and Title V, Part E of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.

## Source and Effective Date

R.2007 d.286, effective August 7, 2007.  
See: 39 N.J.R. 1375(a), 39 N.J.R. 3738(a).

## Chapter Expiration Date

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1b, Chapter 9, Grant and Scholarship Programs, expires on August 7, 2014. See: 43 N.J.R. 1203(a).

## Chapter Historical Note

Chapter 9, Student Assistance Board, was originally codified in Title 9 as Chapter 7, Student Assistance Programs. Chapter 7, originally the State Scholarship Commission Manual, was filed and became effective pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:62-1 et seq. prior to September 1, 1969. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:71-43 et seq., rules concerning the Student Assistance Board, the Tuition Aid Grant Program, and Garden State Scholars, were adopted as Emergency Rule R.1978 d.106, replacing the prior text, effective March 22, 1978. See: 10 N.J.R. 190(a). Subchapter 5, Public Tuition Benefits Program, was adopted as Emergency Rule R.1980 d.324, effective July 17, 1980. See: 12 N.J.R. 469(b). Subchapter 6, Garden State Graduate Fellowship Program, was adopted as R.1980 d.462, effective October 20, 1980. See: 12 N.J.R. 273(e), 12 N.J.R. 694(d).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 7 was readopted as R.1983 d.126, effective April 13, 1983. See: 15 N.J.R. 129(a), 15 N.J.R. 692(a). Originally, Subchapter 7, Veterans Tuition Credit Program, was adopted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:71-71 as Emergency Rule R.1977 d.376, effective October 4, 1977, and codified at N.J.A.C. 9:2-11. See: 9 N.J.R. 521(a). An amendment was adopted as R.1981 d.449, effective November 16, 1981. See: 13 N.J.R. 572(a), 13 N.J.R. 845(c). Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), N.J.A.C. 9:2-11 expired on November 21, 1984. Subsequently, the expired text of N.J.A.C. 9:2-11 was adopted as R.1986 d.103 and codified at Subchapter 7, effective April 7, 1986. See: 17 N.J.R. 2844(a), 18 N.J.R. 679(b). Subchapter 8, Vietnam Veterans Tuition Aid Program, was adopted as R.1985 d.569, effective November 4, 1985. See: 17 N.J.R. 1735(a), 17 N.J.R. 2645(a). Subchapter 9, originally Congressional Teacher Scholarship Program, was adopted as R.1987 d.168, effective April 6, 1987. See: 18 N.J.R. 2174(b), 19 N.J.R. 516(b).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 7, Student Assistance Programs, was readopted as R.1988 d.128, effective February 29, 1988. See: 20 N.J.R. 33(a), 20 N.J.R. 656(a). Subchapter 9 was redesignated the Paul Douglas Teacher Scholarship Program by R.1988 d.131, effective March 21, 1988. See: 19 N.J.R. 2102(a), 20 N.J.R. 663(a). An amendment to Subchapter 8 was adopted as R.1989 d.183, effective April 3, 1989. See: 20 N.J.R. 2625(a), 21 N.J.R. 899(a).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 7 was readopted as R.1992 d.486, effective November 6, 1992. In addition, R.1992 d.486 redesignated Subchapter 2 as General Provisions for Tuition Aid Grant and Garden State Scholarship Programs, and repealed Subchapters 7 and 8, effective December 7, 1992. See: 24 N.J.R. 2510(a), 24 N.J.R. 4373(a).

Chapter 7, Title 9, was recodified as Chapter 9, Title 9A, by R.1995 d.428, effective August 7, 1995. See: 27 N.J.R. 2043(a), 27 N.J.R. 2906(a).

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 66(1978), Chapter 9, Student Assistance Board, was readopted as R.1997 d.454, effective October 1, 1997. As part of R.1997 d.454, effective November 3, 1997, Subchapter 6, Garden State Graduate Fellowship Program, was repealed. See: 29 N.J.R. 2763(a), 29 N.J.R. 4679(b).

Subchapter 6, Miss New Jersey Educational Scholarship Program, was adopted as R.1998 d.416, effective August 17, 1998. See: 30 N.J.R. 2147(a), 30 N.J.R. 3033(b).

Chapter 9, Student Assistance Board, was readopted as R.2002 d.290, effective August 2, 2002. As a part of R.2002 d.290, Chapter 9, Student Assistance Board, was renamed Grant and Scholarship Programs, Subchapter 1, Student Assistance Board, was renamed Administration for State Grants and Scholarships, and Subchapter 5, Public Tuition Benefits Program, was renamed Survivor Tuition Benefits Program, effective September 3, 2002. See: 34 N.J.R. 1392(a), 34 N.J.R. 3079(c).

Subchapter 7, New Jersey World Trade Center Scholarship Program, was adopted as emergency new rules by R.2003 d.134, effective February 26, 2003. See: 35 N.J.R. 1452(a). Subchapter 7, New Jersey World Trade Center Scholarship Program, was readopted as R.2003 d.202, effective April 23, 2003. See: 35 N.J.R. 2177(a).

Subchapter 8, Law Enforcement Officer Memorial Scholarships Program, was adopted as R.2004 d.137, effective April 5, 2004. See: 35 N.J.R. 5530(a), 36 N.J.R. 1776(a).

Subchapter 10, New Jersey Student Tuition Assistance Reward Scholarship (NJ STARS) Program, was adopted as an emergency new rule by R.2004 d.310, effective July 14, 2004. See: 36 N.J.R. 3589(a). Subchapter 10, New Jersey Student Tuition Assistance Reward Scholarship (NJ STARS) Program, was readopted as R.2004 d.379, effective September 10, 2004. See: 36 N.J.R. 4466(a).

Subchapter 11, New Jersey Student Tuition Assistance Reward Scholarship II (NJ STARS II) Program, was adopted as new rules by R.2006 d.303, effective August 21, 2006. See: 38 N.J.R. 1975(a), 38 N.J.R. 3303(b).

Chapter 9, Grant and Scholarship Programs, was readopted as R.2007 d.286, effective August 7, 2007. As a part of R.2007 d.286, Subchapter 3, Tuition Aid Grant Program, was renamed Tuition Aid Grant Programs, effective September 4, 2007. See: Source and Effective Date. See, also, section annotations.

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### SUBCHAPTER 1. ADMINISTRATION FOR STATE GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

#### 9A:9-1.1 Policy responsibility

The Higher Education Student Assistance Authority (Authority) shall develop, coordinate, and administer policies for scholarship and tuition aid programs as provided by law. The Authority shall create and adopt such rules and regulations deemed necessary for the proper administration of these programs.

Amended by R.1997 d.454, effective November 3, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 2763(a), 29 N.J.R. 4679(b).

Substituted "Governor" for "Board of Higher Education".

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See: 34 N.J.R. 1392(a), 34 N.J.R. 3079(c).

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