

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 728

BY REPRESENTATIVES DAVIS, BRASS, CARPENTER, CARVER, EDMONSTON,
FREIBERG, OWEN, ST. BLANC, TAYLOR, LACOMBE, CHASSION, AND
KNOX

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3047.2(A)(1), relative to the M.J. Foster Promise Program;
3 to provide relative to eligibility requirements; to lower the minimum age required for
4 initial qualification for a program award; to provide for the phasing in of the lowered
5 age requirement over time; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related
6 matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 17:3047.2(A)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

9 §3047.2. Initial eligibility

10 A. To be eligible for the award, an applicant shall meet the following
11 requirements:

12 (1) ~~Be at least twenty-one years old.~~ Meet the following minimum age
13 requirements:

14 (a) Be at least twenty years old in the 2024-2025 award year.

15 (b) Be at least nineteen years old in the 2025-2026 award year.

16 (c) Be at least eighteen years old in the 2026-2027 award year.

17 (d) Be at least seventeen years old in the 2027-2028 award year and
18 thereafter.

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1 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
2 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
3 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
4 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
5 effective on the day following such approval.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____