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Greene HB No. 510

Abstract: Revises the TOPS program with respect to requisite GPA and ACT scores for an "Opportunity Award".

<u>Present law</u> provides relative to the Taylor Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS). Further provides with respect to certain qualifications for participation in the program.

<u>Present law</u> requires that students have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.50 and an American College Test (ACT) score equal to the state's average composite score, but never less than 20 to receive a TOPS "Opportunity Award". <u>Proposed law</u>, beginning in 2017, increases requisite grade point average to 2.75 and ACT score to 21 for such an award; otherwise retains <u>present law</u>.

(Amends R.S. 17:3048.1(A)(1)(b)(i))