The original instrument was prepared by Laura Gail Sullivan. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Cheryl M. Serrett.

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<u>Present law</u> provides for academic requirements for the Taylor Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS) awards. Provides for a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) and ACT score for each award type.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

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<u>Present law</u> provides that for an Opportunity Award, a minimum GPA of 2.50 is required. Provides that for a Performance Award and an Honors Award, a minimum GPA of 3.00 is required.

<u>Proposed law retains present law for any student who graduates prior to the 2020-2021 school year.</u>

For a student who graduates in the 2020-2021 school year or later, <u>proposed law</u> retains the 2.50 GPA requirement for the Opportunity Award, but requires a minimum GPA of 3.25 for a Performance Award, and 3.50 for an Honors Award.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 17:5024(A))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the original bill

1. Restores current GPA requirement for the Opportunity Award.