1	SENATE BILL 141
2	51st legislature - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - second session, 2014
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10	AN ACT
11	RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION; LIMITING TUITION INCREASES FOR
12	LOTTERY TUITION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS.
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14	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:
15	SECTION 1. Section 21-1-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1971,
16	Chapter 235, Section 1, as amended) is amended to read:
17	"21-1-4. TUITION AND GENERAL FEE CHARGESDEFINITIONS
18	RATE FOR LOTTERY TUITION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS
19	A. The state educational institutions set forth in
20	Article 12, Section 11 of the constitution of New Mexico and
21	their branches, community colleges as provided in Chapter 21,
22	Article 13 NMSA 1978 and technical and vocational institutes as
23	provided in Chapter 21, Article 16 NMSA 1978 shall charge
24	tuition, which is in addition to general or other earmarked
25	fees, as provided by law.
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B. "Tuition" means the amount of money charged to students for instructional services, which may be charged per term, per course or per credit. "Tuition" does not include required general or other fees.

C. "General fee" means a fixed sum charged to students for items not covered by tuition and required of such a proportion of all students that the student who does not pay the charge is an exception. General fees include fees for matriculation, library services, student activities, student union services, student health services, debt service and athletics. An institution may charge fees in addition to general fees that are course-specific or that pertain to a smaller proportion of students.

D. During the regular academic year, "full-time student" means a student who is taking twelve or more credit hours in one semester or quarter. Full-time students during the academic year shall be charged tuition at rates provided by law.

E. During the summer session, "full-time student" means a student who is taking at least a minimum number of credit hours, which minimum is in the same proportion to twelve credit hours as the duration and normal credit-hour load of the summer session in the particular institution is to the duration and normal credit-hour load of the institution's regular semester or quarter. Full-time students in the summer session .195800.1

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shall be charged tuition at resident and nonresident rates in each institution, which rates shall be in the same proportion to the full-time resident and nonresident rates of that institution for the regular semester or quarter as the minimum number of credit hours is to twelve hours.

F. "Part-time student" means a student who is taking fewer than the minimum number of credit hours in a semester, quarter or summer session required for full-time student status. Part-time students shall be charged tuition at rates per semester credit hour or quarter credit hour as provided by law.

G. The higher education department shall define resident and nonresident students for the purpose of administering tuition charges in accordance with the constitution and statutes of the state and after consultation with the appropriate officials of the institutions concerned. Each institution shall use the uniform definitions so established in assessing and collecting tuition charges from students.

H. The tuition rate in effect when a student first qualifies for a lottery tuition scholarship shall remain in effect during the remainder of the semesters in which the student receives a lottery tuition scholarship. The provisions of this subsection shall not extend beyond eight consecutive semesters."

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