

**§ 2004. Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation****(a) Establishment**

There is established, as an independent establishment of the executive branch of the United States Government, the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation.

**(b) Board of Trustees; membership**

(1)<sup>1</sup> The Foundation shall be subject to the supervision and direction of a Board of Trustees. The Board shall be composed of thirteen members, as follows:

(A) two Members of the Senate, one from each political party, to be appointed by the President of the Senate;

(B) two Members of the House of Representatives, one from each political party, to be appointed by the Speaker;

(C) eight members, not more than four of whom shall be of the same political party, to be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate, of whom one shall be a chief executive officer of a State, one a chief executive officer of a city or county, one a member of a Federal court, one a member of a State court, one a person active in post-secondary education, and three representatives of the general public; and

(D) the Secretary of Education or his designate, who shall serve ex officio as a member of the Board, but shall not be eligible to serve as Chairman.

**(c) Term of office**

The term of office of each member of the Board shall be six years; except that (1) the members first taking office shall serve as designated by the President, four for terms of two years, five for terms of four years, and four for terms of six years, and (2) any member appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term for which his predecessor was appointed, and shall be appointed in the same manner as the original appointment for that vacancy was made.

**(d) Compensation**

Members of the Board shall serve without pay, but shall be entitled to reimbursement for travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

(Pub. L. 93-642, § 5, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2277; Pub. L. 96-88, title III, § 301(a)(1), title V, § 507, Oct. 17, 1979, 93 Stat. 677, 692.)

**TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS**

“Secretary of Education” substituted for “Commissioner of Education” in subsec. (b)(1)(D) pursuant to sections 301(a)(1) and 507 of Pub. L. 96-88, which are classified to sections 3441(a)(1) and 3507 of this title and which transferred functions of Commissioner of Education to Secretary of Education.

**§ 2005. Truman scholars****(a) Basis for award**

The Foundation is authorized to award scholarships to persons who demonstrate outstanding potential for and who plan to pursue a career in public service. Award recipients shall be known as Truman scholars.

<sup>1</sup> So in original. No par. (2) has been enacted.

**(b) Maximum period of award**

Scholarships under this chapter shall be awarded for such periods as the Foundation may prescribe but not to exceed four academic years.

**(c) Recipient's choice of institution**

A student awarded a scholarship under this chapter may attend any institution of higher education offering courses of study, training, or other educational activities designed to prepare persons for a career in public service as determined pursuant to criteria established by the Foundation.

**(d) Encouragement of recipient to pursue public service career**

Each student awarded a scholarship under this chapter must have indicated a serious intent to enter the public service upon the completion of his or her educational program. Each institution of higher education at which such a student is in attendance will make reasonable continuing efforts to encourage such a student to enter the public service upon completing his or her educational program.

(Pub. L. 93-642, § 6, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2278.)

**§ 2006. Selection of scholars****(a) Nationwide competition**

The Foundation is authorized, either directly or by contract, to provide for the conduct of a nationwide competition for the purpose of selecting Truman scholars.

**(b) Procedures**

The Foundation shall adopt selection procedures which shall assure that at least one Truman scholar shall be selected each year from each State in which there is at least one resident applicant who meets the minimum criteria established by the Foundation.

(Pub. L. 93-642, § 7, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2278.)

**§ 2007. Stipends**

Each student awarded a scholarship under this chapter shall receive a stipend which shall not exceed the cost to such student for tuition, fees, books, room and board, or \$10,000 (adjusted annually to reflect increases, if any, in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics) whichever is less for each academic year of study.

(Pub. L. 93-642, § 8, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2278; Pub. L. 99-159, title V, § 501, Nov. 22, 1985, 99 Stat. 904.)

**AMENDMENTS**

1985—Pub. L. 99-159 increased amount from \$5,000 to \$10,000 with provision for annual adjustments.

**§ 2008. Scholarship conditions****(a) Satisfactory proficiency and devotion of full time to study or research; unapproved employment**

A student awarded a scholarship under the provisions of this chapter shall continue to receive the payments provided in this chapter only during such periods as the Foundation finds that he or she is maintaining satisfactory pro-