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Bill Analysis

SB 402 renames the Lindsey Nicole Henry Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program Act the Lindsey Nicole Henry Scholarships for Students with Special Needs Program Act. The measure removes language requiring a student to have spent the prior year enrolled in a public school to be eligible for the scholarship. Additionally, the measure expands eligibility to students whose parent or legal guardian is serving or has served in the U.S. Armed Forces on active duty or who is actively serving in the U.S. Reserves or the National Guard and expands eligibility to students who are placed in a kinship foster home. The measure modifies the requirement for participating private schools to comply with antidiscrimination provisions of federal law. Instead, the measure requires participating private schools to have a written policy against discrimination in admissions on the basis of race, color or national origin.

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