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TITLE 2. GENERAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO LICENSING CHAPTER 56. DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST RECIPIENTS OF STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROHIBITED

Sec. 56.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

(1) Repealed by Acts 2019, 86th Leg., R.S., Ch. 506(S.B. 37), Sec. 7(4), eff. June 7, 2019.

(2) "License" means a license, certificate, registration, permit, or other authorization that:

(A) is issued by a licensing authority; and

(B) a person must obtain to practice or engage in a particular business, occupation, or profession.

(3) "Licensing authority" means a department, commission, board, office, or other agency of the state or of a political subdivision of the state that issues a license.

(4) "Scholarship contract" means an agreement by this state, an agency of this state, a political subdivision of this state, or the United States to make a grant to a person to support the person while attending a public or private institution of higher education or other postsecondary educational establishment in exchange for the person's agreement to perform a service obligation.

(5) "Student loan" means a loan made to a person by a public or private entity to support the person while attending a public or private institution of higher education or other postsecondary educational establishment.

(6) "Student loan repayment contract" means an agreement by this state, an agency of this state, a political subdivision of this state, or the United States to repay all or part of a person's student loan in exchange for the person's agreement to perform a service obligation.

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 512, Sec. 1, eff. June 11, 2001. Amended by:

Acts 2019, 86th Leg., R.S., Ch. 506 (S.B. 37), Sec. 2, eff. June 7, 2019.

Acts 2019, 86th Leg., R.S., Ch. 506 (S.B. 37), Sec. 7(4), eff.

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Sec. 56.003. DISCIPLINARY ACTION IN EVENT OF DEFAULT OR BREACH PROHIBITED. A licensing authority may not take disciplinary action against a person based on the person's default on a student loan or breach of a student loan repayment contract or scholarship contract, including by:

(1) denying the person's application for a license or license renewal;

(2) suspending the person's license; or

(3) taking other disciplinary action against the person.

Added by Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 512, Sec. 1, eff. June 11, 2001. Amended by:

Acts 2019, 86th Leg., R.S., Ch. 506 (S.B. 37), Sec. 3, eff. June 7, 2019.

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