§ 692.110 How does the Secretary allot funds to the States?

(a)(1) The Secretary allots to each State participating in the GAP Program an amount of the funds available for the GAP Program based on the ratio used to allot the State’s Federal LEAP funds under §692.10(a).

(2) If a State meets the requirements of §692.113(b) for a fiscal year, the number of students under §692.10(a) for the State is increased to 125 percent in determining the ratio in paragraph (a) of this section for that fiscal year.

(3) Notwithstanding paragraph (a)(1) and (2) of this section—

(i) If the Federal GAP funds available from the appropriation for a fiscal year are sufficient to allot to each State that participated in the prior year the same amount of Federal GAP funds allotted in the prior fiscal year, but are not sufficient both to allot the same amount of Federal GAP funds allotted in the prior fiscal year to these States and also to allot additional funds to additional States in accordance with the ratio used to allot the States’ Federal LEAP funds under §692.10(a), the Secretary allots—

(A) To each State that participated in the prior year, the amount the State received in the prior year; and

(B) To each State that did not participate in the prior year, an amount of Federal GAP funds available to States based on the ratio used to allot the State’s Federal LEAP funds under §692.10(a); and

(ii) If the Federal GAP funds available from the appropriation for a fiscal year are not sufficient to allot to each State that participated in the prior year at least the amount of Federal GAP funds allotted in the prior fiscal year, the Secretary allots to each State an amount which bears the same ratio to the amount of Federal GAP funds available as the amount of Federal GAP funds allotted to each State in the prior fiscal year bears to the amount of Federal GAP funds allotted to all States in the prior fiscal year.

(4) For fiscal year 2011, the prior fiscal year allotment to a State for purposes of paragraph (a)(3) of this section shall include any fiscal year 2010 allotment made to that State under subpart B of this part.

(b) The Secretary allots funds available for reallocation in a fiscal year in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (a) of this section used to calculate initial allotments for the fiscal year.

(c) Any funds made available for the program under this subpart but not expended may be allotted or reallocated for the program under subpart A of this part.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070c-3a)

§ 692.111 For what purposes may a State use its payment under the GAP Program?

(a) Establishment of a partnership.

Each State receiving an allotment under this subpart shall use the funds to establish a partnership to award grants to eligible students in order to increase the amount of financial assistance students receive under this subpart for undergraduate education expenses.

(b) Amount of LEAP Grants under GAP.

(1) The amount of a LEAP Grant under GAP by a State to an eligible student shall be not less than—

(i) The average undergraduate in-State tuition and mandatory fees for full-time students at the public institutions of higher education in the State where the student resides that are the same type of institution that the student attends (four-year degree-granting, two-year degree-granting, or non-degree-granting); minus

(ii) Other Federal and State aid the student receives.

(2) The Secretary determines the average undergraduate in-State tuition and mandatory fees for full-time students at public institutions in a State weighted by enrollment using the most recent data reported by institutions in the State to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) administered by the National Center for Educational Statistics.

(c) Institutional participation.

(1) A State receiving an allotment under this subpart may restrict the use of LEAP Grants under GAP only to students attending institutions of higher...