#### As Introduced

# 135th General Assembly

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H. B. No. 584

Representatives Mohamed, Miller, A.

Cosponsors: Representatives Russo, Upchurch, Brown, Thomas, C., Brewer

## A BILL

То	establish the Minority Law Student Encouragement	1
	Scholarship Pilot Program and to make an	2
	appropriation.	3

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. All items in this act are hereby appropriated	4					
as designated out of any moneys in the state treasury to the	5					
credit of the designated fund. For all operating appropriations	6					
made in this act, those in the first column are for fiscal year	7					
2024 and those in the second column are for fiscal year 2025.						
The operating appropriations made in this act are in addition to						
any other operating appropriations made for these fiscal years.						
Section 2.	11					
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BOR DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

B General Revenue Fund

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С	GRF	235440	Minority Law Student		\$0	\$350,000	
			Encouragement Schola	rship Pilot			
			Program				
D	TOTAI	L GRF Gene	ral Revenue Fund		\$0	\$350,000	
E	TOTAI	L ALL BUDG	ET FUND GROUPS		\$0	\$350,000	
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	M	INORITY LA	W STUDENT ENCOURAGEME	NT SCHOLARSHIP PILOT			13
PF	ROGRAM						14
	( 2	A) The for	egoing appropriation	item 235440, Minorit	y Law		15
St	udent	Encourage	ement Scholarship Pilo	ot Program, shall be	used		16
by	the	Chancellor	of Higher Education	to establish the Mir	nority		17
La	w Stu	dent Encou	ragement Scholarship	Pilot Program to sup	port		18
mi	.norit	y undergra	iduate students pursui	ng admission to law			19
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, ,			he pilot program, the				21
		_	from the foregoing ap	-			22
		_	dent Encouragement Sch	-	ram, to		23
			ar Association, which	shall do all of the			24
fc	llowi	ng:					25
	( )	l) Establi	sh procedures and cri	teria for awarding			26
sc	holar	ships unde	er the pilot program;				27
	(2	2) Select	an initial cohort of	ten to twenty minori	ty		28
Oh	io re	sident stu	dents who are enrolle	ed full-time at a			29
ba	ccala	ureate deg	gree-granting postseco	ondary institution in	this		30
st	ate;						31
	(3	3) Provide	each of the program'	s students with an			32
ac	ademi	c scholars	ship in the amount of	\$4,000 per academic	year;		33

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(4) Organize events and programming, including one-on-one	34		
mentoring to familiarize enrolled students with law school and	35		
legal careers;			
(5) Provide the program's students free test preparation	37		
materials, academic support, and registration for the Law School	38		
Admission Test (LSAT) examination.			
Auditssion lest (ESAI) examination.	39		
(C) The Ohio State Bar Association may use a portion of	40		
the funds it receives under this section to employ staff to	41		
support the program's operations.	42		
(D) Not later than January 30, 2026, the Ohio State Bar	43		
Association shall submit a report to the Chancellor and to the	44		
chairpersons and ranking members of the Senate and House of	45		
Representatives standing committees that consider higher			
education legislation. The report shall include an accurate and			
detailed account of the pilot program, its outcomes, and its			
revenues and expenses, including the use of all state moneys	49		
appropriated in this section.	50		
Section 3. Within the limits set forth in this act, the	51		
Director of Budget and Management shall establish accounts	52		
indicating the source and amount of funds for each appropriation	53		
made in this act, and shall determine the manner in which	54		
appropriation accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures from	55		
operating appropriations contained in this act shall be	56		
accounted for as though made in, and are subject to all	57		
applicable provisions of, H.B. 33 of the 135th General Assembly.	58		