Session of 1996 No. 1996-60

HB 2305

AN ACT

Amending the act of December 15, 1982 (P.L.1266, No.287), entitled "An act conferring limited residency status on military personnel and their dependents assigned to an active duty station in Pennsylvania," providing for the status of certain personnel.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The title of the act of December 15, 1982 (P.L.1266, No.287), entitled "An act conferring limited residency status on military personnel and their dependents assigned to an active duty station in Pennsylvania," is amended to read:

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Conferring limited residency status on military personnel [and], their dependents **and civilian personnel** assigned to an active duty station in Pennsylvania.

Section 2. Section 1 of the act, amended May 21, 1992 (P.L.248, No.40), is amended to read:

Section 1. (a) General rule. -- The term "resident" or "residency," or any other term or expression used to designate a Commonwealth resident student, when used to determine the rate of tuition to be charged students attending community colleges, State-related and State-owned institutions of higher learning shall be construed to mean and include any military personnel or their dependents who are assigned to an active duty station in Pennsylvania and who reside in Pennsylvania[.] and any civilian personnel or their dependents employed at a Department of Defense facility who are transferred to Pennsylvania by the Department of Defense and who reside in Pennsylvania. Military personnel and their dependents and civilian personnel and their dependents who are admitted to a community college or a State-related or State-owned institution shall be charged resident tuition rates provided that the student is a resident under this section on the first day of the semester or term of the college or institution.

(b) Definitions. -- As used in this section, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings given them in this subsection:

"Community colleges." Institutions now or hereafter created pursuant to Article XIX-A of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, or the act of August 24, 1963 (P.L.1132, No.484), known as the Community College Act of 1963.

"State-owned institutions." Those institutions which are part of the State System of Higher Education pursuant to Article XX-A of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949.

"State-related institutions." The Pennsylvania State University, the University of Pittsburgh, Temple University and Lincoln University and their branch campuses.

Section 3. This act shall apply to civilian personnel or their dependents for the semester immediately following the effective date of this act.

Section 4. This act shall take effect JULY 1, 1996.

APPROVED--The 28th day of June, A. D. 1996.

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