THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 403

Session of 1977

INTRODUCED BY ZEMPRELLI AND SCHAEFER, FEBRUARY 22, 1977

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AN ACT

- 1 Providing scholarships for certain dependents of members of the
- 2 police or security guards at all State correctional
- 3 institutions.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Definitions.
- 7 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
- 8 have, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the
- 9 meanings given to them in this section:
- 10 "Approved institution of higher learning." Any institution
- 11 of higher learning approved by the agency.
- 12 "Approved program of education." Any degree or nondegree
- 13 curriculum or course of study to be pursued on at least one-half
- 14 time basis for a duration of at least one academic year or its
- 15 equivalent at an approved institution of higher learning.
- 16 "Qualified dependent." The child of a member of the police
- 17 or security guard system at any State correctional institution
- 18 who began working on or after January 31, 1956 and who:
- 19 (1) was killed in the line of duty by an inmate; and

- 1 (2) was a resident of this Commonwealth during the term
- of employment.
- 3 The term does not include any child who is conceived after the
- 4 death of the police or security guard.
- 5 Section 2. Scholarships for qualified dependents.
- 6 From the funds appropriated under this act and by the General
- 7 Assembly from time to time for the purposes of this act, the
- 8 Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency is hereby
- 9 authorized to provide scholarships to qualified dependents
- 10 enrolled in approved programs of education whose eligibility
- 11 under the provisions of the act of January 25, 1966 (1965,
- 12 P.L.1546, No.541), entitled "An act providing scholarships and
- 13 providing funds to secure Federal funds for qualified students
- 14 of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania who need financial
- 15 assistance to attend postsecondary institutions of higher
- 16 learning, making an appropriation, and providing for the
- 17 administration of this act, " shall be determined without regard
- 18 to the financial status of their parents or the scholastic
- 19 achievement test score of the qualified dependent.
- 20 Section 3. Amount of scholarship.
- 21 Scholarships awarded under this act to cover full-time study
- 22 shall not exceed, per academic year, the tuition and fee charges
- 23 at the institution of higher learning at which the applicant is
- 24 enrolled or \$1,200, whichever is the lesser. Scholarships
- 25 covering less than full-time and at least one-half time study
- 26 shall be in a proportionate amount.
- 27 Section 4. Appropriation.
- The sum of \$40,000 is hereby appropriated to the Pennsylvania
- 29 Higher Education Assistance Agency to be transferred at the
- 30 request of the agency and deposited in the Higher Education

- 1 Assistance Fund for the purpose and administration of this act.
- 2 Section 5. Effective date.
- This act shall take effect in 60 days. 3