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AN ACT

1 Providing for the waiver of tuition at certain colleges and
2 universities for dependent children of police officers,
3 firefighters and members of ambulance services and rescue
4 squads who are killed in the performance of their duties; and
5 making a repeal.

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

8 Section 1. Short title.

9 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Uniformed
10 Officers' Dependent Children Tuition Waiver Act.

11 Section 2. Grounds for waiver of fees.

12 The boards of trustees of all State-owned colleges and
13 universities and all State-related universities shall waive the
14 payment of tuition fees at their institutions for the dependent
15 children of a police officer, paid or volunteer firefighter, or
16 paid or volunteer member of an ambulance service or rescue squad
17 killed in the performance of his duties.

18 Section 3. Performance of duty.

1 A volunteer firefighter shall be deemed to be acting in the
2 performance of his duties, for the purposes of this act, while
3 going to or directly returning from a fire which the fire
4 company or fire department attended, including travel from and
5 direct return to a firefighter's home, place of business or
6 other place where he was when he received the call or alarm;
7 while participating in instruction fire drills in which the fire
8 department or fire company participated; while repairing or
9 doing other work about or on the fire apparatus or buildings and
10 grounds of the fire company or fire department, upon the
11 authorization of the chief of the fire company or fire
12 department or other person in charge; while answering any
13 emergency calls for any purpose; while riding upon the fire
14 apparatus which is owned or used by the fire company or fire
15 department; while performing any other duties of such fire
16 company or fire department as authorized by the municipality; or
17 while performing duties imposed by section 15, act of April 27,
18 1927 (P.L.465, No.299), referred to as the Fire and Panic Act. A
19 volunteer ambulance service or rescue squad member shall be
20 deemed to be acting in the performance of his duties, for the
21 purposes of this act, while going to or directly returning from
22 an emergency which the ambulance service or rescue squad
23 attended, including travel from and direct return to an
24 ambulance service or rescue squad member's home, place of
25 business or other place where he was when he received the call
26 or alarm; while participating in drills in which the ambulance
27 service or rescue squad participated; while repairing or doing
28 other work about or on any emergency vehicle or buildings and
29 grounds of the ambulance service or rescue squad upon the
30 authorization of the chief of the ambulance service or rescue

1 squad or other person in charge; while answering any emergency
2 calls for any purpose; or while riding upon any vehicles which
3 are owned or used by the ambulance service or rescue squad.

4 Section 4. Repeal.

5 All acts and parts of acts are repealed insofar as they are
6 inconsistent with this act.

7 Section 5. Effective date.

8 This act shall take effect in 60 days.