

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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No. 41

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AN ACT

1 Providing for scholarships for certain nursing students.

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

4 Section 1. Short title.

5 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Nursing  
6 Students Educational Assistance Act of 1989.

7 Section 2. Definitions.

8 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall  
9 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the  
10 context clearly indicates otherwise:

11 "Agency." The Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance  
12 Agency.

13 "Approved institution of nursing training." An institution  
14 of nursing training approved by the agency.

15 "Approved program of nursing education." A degree or  
16 nondegree curriculum or course of study pursued on a full-time  
17 basis for a duration of at least two academic years or its

equivalent at an approved institution of nursing training.

"Qualified nursing student." Any nursing student who:

(1) Was a resident of this Commonwealth for at least 12 months immediately preceding registration in an accredited nursing school or an accredited nursing training program. The agency shall make final determination in all questions of residency.

(2) Has satisfactorily met the qualifications of financial need as determined by uniform standards and procedures to be established by the agency and determined without regard to the financial status of the applicant's parents, unless the agency finds that the applicant is, in fact, receiving parental financial support.

(3) Has manifested a serious intent to become a nurse by satisfactorily completing half of the credit hours necessary to receive a degree from an approved program of nursing education.

(4) Agrees, in writing, to practice nursing in this Commonwealth for two years immediately following graduation from an approved program of nursing education.

### Section 3. Scholarships for nursing students.

From the funds appropriated by the General Assembly from time to time for the purposes of this act, the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency is hereby authorized to provide scholarships to qualified nursing students enrolled in approved programs of nursing education.

### Section 4. Amount of scholarships.

Scholarships awarded under this act are for purposes of providing financial assistance for full-time enrollment in approved programs of nursing education. A scholarship shall not

1 exceed, for each academic year, the tuition and fee charges at  
2 the institution of nursing education at which the applicant is  
3 enrolled, or \$1,000, whichever is less.

4 Section 5. Effective date.

5 This act shall take effect in 60 days.