



101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2019 and 2020

HB5123

Introduced 2/18/2020, by Rep. Jeff Keicher

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

110 ILCS 305/9

from Ch. 144, par. 30

Amends the University of Illinois Act. With regard to scholarships for the children of veterans, provides that, beginning with the 2021-2022 academic year, each county shall, as an alternative, be entitled, annually, to one honorary scholarship in the University for the benefit of the children of police officers or fire officers who were killed in the line of duty while employed by or in the voluntary service of this State or any local public entity in this State. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The University of Illinois Act is amended by
5 changing Section 9 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 305/9) (from Ch. 144, par. 30)

7 Sec. 9. Scholarships for children of veterans, police
8 officers, or fire officers.

9 (a) For each of the following periods of hostilities, each
10 county shall be entitled, annually, to one honorary scholarship
11 in the University, for the benefit of the children of persons
12 who served in the armed forces of the United States, except
13 that the total number of scholarships annually granted to
14 recipients from each county may not exceed 3: any time between
15 September 16, 1940 and the termination of World War II, any
16 time during the national emergency between June 25, 1950 and
17 January 31, 1955, any time during the Viet Nam conflict between
18 January 1, 1961 and May 7, 1975, any time during the siege of
19 Beirut and the Grenada Conflict between June 14, 1982 and
20 December 15, 1983, or any time on or after August 2, 1990 and
21 until Congress or the President orders that persons in service
22 are no longer eligible for the Southwest Asia Service Medal,
23 Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

1 Preference for scholarships shall be given to the children of
2 persons who are deceased or to the children of persons who have
3 a disability.

4 (b) Beginning with the 2021-2022 academic year, each county
5 shall, as an alternative, be entitled, annually, to one
6 honorary scholarship in the University for the benefit of the
7 children of police officers or fire officers who were killed in
8 the line of duty while employed by or in the voluntary service
9 of this State or any local public entity in this State. A
10 county may award an honorary scholarship either under the
11 provisions of subsection (a) or under the provisions of this
12 subsection (b), but not under both provisions.

13 (c) Scholarships under this Section ~~Such scholarships~~
14 shall be granted to such pupils as shall, upon public
15 examination, conducted as the board of trustees of the
16 University may determine, be decided to have attained the
17 greatest proficiency in the branches of learning usually taught
18 in the secondary schools, and who shall be of good moral
19 character, and not less than 15 years of age. Such pupils, so
20 selected, shall be entitled to receive, without charge for
21 tuition, instruction in any or all departments of the
22 University for a term of at least 4 consecutive years. Such
23 pupils shall conform, in all respects, to the rules and
24 regulations of the University, established for the government
25 of the pupils in attendance.

26 (Source: P.A. 99-143, eff. 7-27-15; 99-377, eff. 8-17-15;

1 99-642, eff. 7-28-16.)

2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
3 becoming law.