

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §7002, sub-§2, ¶K, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 135 and c. 519, §1, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §7002, sub-§2, ¶L is enacted to read:

L. The director shall implement a program designed to create and publish a directory or guide of state licenses and permits required for various types of new or expanding businesses. This directory, which shall be updated annually, shall delineate the business licenses and permits by the name of the agency that issues the licenses and permits, by the type of business or industry and by the type of activity involved.

(1) All state agencies and departments shall cooperate with and expeditiously respond to the requests of the State Development Office. Each organization required by this subchapter to cooperate with the State Development Office shall, at a minimum, provide the State Development Office with descriptions of licenses and permits issued by each organization, the criteria necessary to qualify for each license or permit granted by the organization, time schedules established by law or rule for the submission of applications and appeals, the time schedules for agency responses to applications and appeals and any other information requested by the State Development Office.

Effective September 19, 1985.

CHAPTER 472

H.P. 478 - L.D. 681

AN ACT Establishing a Tuition Waiver Program
at State Institutions for Children
of Firefighters and Law Enforcement
Officers Killed in the Line of Duty.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

20-A MRSA c. 429 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 429TUITION WAIVER AT STATE POST-SECONDARY
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS§12551. Purpose

In recognition of the indispensable public service role which firefighters and law enforcement officers play in the well-being of the people of this State, it is the purpose of this chapter to provide for assistance to the children of firefighters and law enforcement officers who are killed in the line of duty so that these children may have the opportunity to pursue a degree at one of the state post-secondary educational institutions.

§12552. Definitions

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings.

1. Firefighter. "Firefighter" means a person who is an active member of a municipal fire department in this State or a volunteer firefighters' association in this State and who aids in the extinguishing of fires, regardless of whether he has administrative or other duties as a member of the department or association.

2. Law enforcement officer. "Law enforcement officer" means an active state police officer, municipal police officer, county sheriff or deputy sheriff in this State.

3. State post-secondary educational institution. "Post-secondary educational institution" means the University of Maine, the Maine Maritime Academy and the vocational-technical institutes.

§12553. Tuition waiver

The child of a firefighter or law enforcement officer who has been killed or who has received an injury during the performance of his duties, which results in death, may attend, as provided in this section, any state post-secondary educational institution free of tuition charges.

1. Eligibility. The child of a firefighter or law enforcement officer shall be eligible for tuition waiver under this chapter if he is:

A. The natural or legally adopted child of a firefighter or law enforcement officer;

B. Is less than 21 years old at the time of the death of the parent who is a firefighter or law enforcement officer;

C. A Maine resident;

D. A high school graduate or has attained equivalent certification; and

E. Accepted for admission to a state post-secondary educational institution.

2. Limitation. The tuition waiver provided by this chapter shall be limited to undergraduate degree programs and shall be limited to not more than 5 years of full-time enrollment or its equivalent.

3. Continuation. The tuition waiver provided by this chapter shall be awarded on a yearly basis and shall continue to be available, if the child is otherwise eligible under this section, as long as the child remains in good academic standing at a state institution.

§12554. Administration

1. Application. A person desiring tuition waiver under this chapter may apply to the Department of Educational and Cultural Services for determination of eligibility. Application shall be on forms and in a manner prescribed by rule of the department.

2. Decision. The department shall determine whether an applicant is eligible and notify the applicant. The department shall also notify the state post-secondary educational institution at which the person is accepted of the eligibility of that child for tuition waiver. Unless notified by the department of a change in the student's eligibility, the institution shall not bill an eligible student for tuition during that school year.

3. Rules. The department shall adopt rules in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, Title 5, chapter 375, which are necessary for the implementation of this chapter.

Effective September 19, 1985.
