# CHAPTER 461

### (House Bill 1404)

## AN ACT concerning

## Higher Education - Children of Fallen State or Local Public Safety Employees - Exemption from Nonresident Tuition

FOR the purpose of establishing that certain children of State or local public safety employees killed in the line of duty shall be exempt from paying nonresident tuition at public institutions of higher education; requiring the governing board of each public institution of higher education to adopt certain policies; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to tuition charges for certain children of State or local public safety employees killed in the line of duty.

## BY adding to

Article – Education Section 15–106.7 Annotated Code of Maryland (2008 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

### **Article - Education**

### **15–106.7.**

- (A) IN THIS SECTION, "STATE OR LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEE" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 18–601(A)(4) OF THIS ARTICLE.
- (B) A SON OR A DAUGHTER OF A STATE OR LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEE WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR A SCHOLARSHIP IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 18–601(D)(3)(III) OF THIS ARTICLE IS EXEMPT FROM PAYING THE NONRESIDENT TUITION RATE AT A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
- (C) THE GOVERNING BOARD OF EACH PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMISSION, SHALL ADOPT APPROPRIATE POLICIES TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed to apply retroactively and shall be applied to and interpreted to affect students enrolled at a public institution of higher education beginning with the 2008 fall semester.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2009.

Approved by the Governor, May 7, 2009.