

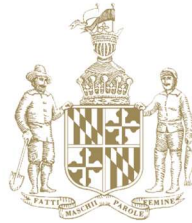
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Senate Education, Energy and Environment Committee
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Higher Education - Nonresident Tuition - Exemption for Dependents of State or Local Public Safety Employees (Maryland Fallen Heroes Tuition Benefits Act)

Chair Feldman, Vice Chair Kagan, and Members of the Education, Energy and Environment Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to present SB 212 today. SB 212 would extend in-state tuition benefits to the surviving dependents of public safety employees who died in the line of duty while serving Maryland state or local agencies covered under the Maryland Public Safety Article, regardless of the recipient's current state or county of residence.

Providing in-state tuition benefits to the surviving dependents of Public Service Officers ensures that their families are supported in achieving educational and economic stability after a tragic loss. It reinforces Maryland's commitment to honoring its fallen heroes and sustaining a culture of respect and gratitude for those who dedicate their lives to public service in the state of Maryland. Additionally, this is a low-cost benefit to offer for Maryland public safety employees.

Thank you for your consideration of this bill, and we respectfully request a favorable report on SB 212.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P. D. Corderman".

Senator Paul D. Corderman – District 2, Washington & Frederick Counties