

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 870, Page 5,
2 Section 135.090, Line 39, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

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4 "173.260. 1. As used in this section, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the
5 following terms mean:

6 (1) "Air ambulance pilot", a person certified as an air ambulance pilot in accordance with
7 sections 190.001 to 190.245 and corresponding regulations applicable to air ambulances adopted by
8 the department of health and senior services;

9 (2) "Air ambulance registered professional nurse", a person licensed as a registered
10 professional nurse in accordance with sections 335.011 to 335.096 and corresponding regulations
11 adopted by the state board of nursing, 20 CSR 2200-4, et seq., who provides registered professional
12 nursing services as a flight nurse in conjunction with an air ambulance program that is certified in
13 accordance with sections 190.001 to 190.245 and the corresponding regulations applicable to such
14 programs;

15 (3) "Air ambulance registered respiratory therapist", a person licensed as a registered
16 respiratory therapist in accordance with sections 334.800 to 334.930 and corresponding regulations
17 adopted by the state board for respiratory care, who provides respiratory therapy services in
18 conjunction with an air ambulance program that is certified in accordance with sections 190.001 to
19 190.245 and corresponding regulations applicable to such programs;

20 (4) "Board", the coordinating board for higher education;

21 [(2)] (5) "Eligible child", the natural, adopted or stepchild of a public safety officer or
22 employee, as defined in this section, who is less than twenty-four years of age and who is a
23 dependent of a public safety officer or employee or was a dependent at the time of death or
24 permanent and total disability of a public safety officer or employee;

25 (6) "Emergency medical technician", a person licensed in emergency medical care in
26 accordance with standards prescribed by sections 190.001 to 190.245 and by rules adopted by the
27 department of health and senior services under sections 190.001 to 190.245;

28 [(3)] (7) "Employee", any full-time employee of the department of transportation engaged
29 in the construction or maintenance of the state's highways, roads and bridges;

30 (8) "Flight crew member", an individual engaged in flight responsibilities with an air
31 ambulance licensed in accordance with sections 190.001 to 190.245 and corresponding regulations
32 applicable to such programs;

33 [(4)] (9) "Grant", the public safety officer or employee survivor grant as established by this
34 section;

35 [(5)] (10) "Institution of postsecondary education", any approved public or private
36 institution as defined in section 173.205;

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1 [(6)] (11) "Line of duty", any action of a public safety officer, whose primary function is
 2 crime control or reduction, enforcement of the criminal law, or suppression of fires, is authorized or
 3 obligated by law, rule, regulation or condition of employment or service to perform;

4 [(7)] (12) "Public safety officer", any firefighter, uniformed employee of the office of the
 5 state fire marshal, emergency medical technician, police officer, capitol police officer, parole officer,
 6 probation officer, state correctional employee, water safety officer, park ranger, conservation officer
 7 or highway patrolman employed by the state of Missouri or a political subdivision thereof who is
 8 killed or permanently and totally disabled in the line of duty or any emergency medical technician,
 9 air ambulance pilot, air ambulance registered professional nurse, air ambulance registered
 10 respiratory therapist, or flight crew member who is killed or permanently and totally disabled in the
 11 line of duty;

12 [(8)] (13) "Permanent and total disability", a disability which renders a person unable to
 13 engage in any gainful work;

14 [(9)] (14) "Spouse", the husband, wife, widow or widower of a public safety officer or
 15 employee at the time of death or permanent and total disability of such public safety officer;

16 [(10)] (15) "Tuition", any tuition or incidental fee or both charged by an institution of
 17 postsecondary education, as defined in this section, for attendance at that institution by a student as
 18 a resident of this state.

19 2. Within the limits of the amounts appropriated therefor, the coordinating board for higher
 20 education shall provide, as defined in this section, a grant for either of the following to attend an
 21 institution of postsecondary education:

22 (1) An eligible child of a public safety officer or employee killed or permanently and totally
 23 disabled in the line of duty; or

24 (2) A spouse of a public safety officer killed or permanently and totally disabled in the line
 25 of duty.

26 3. An eligible child or spouse may receive a grant under this section only so long as the
 27 child or spouse is enrolled in a program leading to a certificate, or an associate or baccalaureate
 28 degree. In no event shall a child or spouse receive a grant beyond the completion of the first
 29 baccalaureate degree or, in the case of a child, age twenty-four years, except that the child may
 30 receive a grant through the completion of the semester or similar grading period in which the child
 31 reaches his twenty-fourth year. No child or spouse shall receive more than one hundred percent of
 32 tuition when combined with similar funds made available to such child or spouse.

33 4. The coordinating board for higher education shall:

34 (1) Promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the implementation of this section;

35 (2) Determine minimum standards of performance in order for a child or spouse to remain
 36 eligible to receive a grant under this program;

37 (3) Make available on behalf of an eligible child or spouse an amount toward the child's or
 38 spouse's tuition which is equal to the grant to which the child or spouse is entitled under the
 39 provisions of this section;

40 (4) Provide the forms and determine the procedures necessary for an eligible child or spouse
 41 to apply for and receive a grant under this program.

42 5. An eligible child or spouse who is enrolled or has been accepted for enrollment as an
 43 undergraduate postsecondary student at an approved institution of postsecondary education shall
 44 receive a grant in an amount not to exceed the least of the following:

45 (1) The actual tuition, as defined in this section, charged at an approved institution where
 46 the child or spouse is enrolled or accepted for enrollment; or

47 (2) The amount of tuition charged a Missouri resident at the University of Missouri for
 48 attendance as a full-time student, as defined in section 173.205.

1 6. An eligible child or spouse who is a recipient of a grant may transfer from one approved
2 public or private institution of postsecondary education to another without losing his entitlement
3 under this section. The board shall make necessary adjustments in the amount of the grant. If a
4 grant recipient at anytime withdraws from the institution of postsecondary education so that under
5 the rules and regulations of that institution he is entitled to a refund of any tuition, fees, or other
6 charges, the institution shall pay the portion of the refund to which he is entitled attributable to the
7 grant for that semester or similar grading period to the board.

8 7. If an eligible child or spouse is granted financial assistance under any other student aid
9 program, public or private, the full amount of such aid shall be reported to the board by the
10 institution and the eligible child or spouse.

11 8. Nothing in this section shall be construed as a promise or guarantee that a person will be
12 admitted to an institution of postsecondary education or to a particular institution of postsecondary
13 education, will be allowed to continue to attend an institution of postsecondary education after
14 having been admitted, or will be graduated from an institution of postsecondary education.

15 9. A public safety officer who is permanently and totally disabled shall be eligible for a
16 grant pursuant to the provisions of this section.

17 10. An eligible child of a public safety officer or employee, spouse of a public safety officer
18 or public safety officer shall cease to be eligible for a grant pursuant to this section when such
19 public safety officer or employee is no longer permanently and totally disabled."; and
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21 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
22 accordingly.