

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

1 deceased or to the children of persons who have a disability,
2 including the children of veterans who were police officers or
3 fire officers and were killed in the line of duty while
4 employed by, or in the voluntary service of, this State or any
5 local public entity in this State. Such scholarships shall be
6 granted to such pupils as shall, upon public examination,
7 conducted as the board of trustees of the University may
8 determine, be decided to have attained the greatest proficiency
9 in the branches of learning usually taught in the secondary
10 schools, and who shall be of good moral character, and not less
11 than 15 years of age. Such pupils, so selected, shall be
12 entitled to receive, without charge for tuition, instruction in
13 any or all departments of the University for a term of at least
14 4 consecutive years. Such pupils shall conform, in all
15 respects, to the rules and regulations of the University,
16 established for the government of the pupils in attendance.

17 (Source: P.A. 99-143, eff. 7-27-15; 99-377, eff. 8-17-15;
18 99-642, eff. 7-28-16.)

19 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
20 becoming law.