**Section 116.270 Dependents with Physical, Mental or Developmental Disabilities**

In lieu of a four (4) year scholarship, any eligible dependent, as defined in Section 116.40 (a-b), with a physical, mental or developmental disability shall be entitled, upon application and proper proof, as defined in Section 116.80, to receive a benefit to be used for the purpose of defraying the cost of attendance or treatment at one or more appropriate therapeutic, rehabilitative or educational facilities.

a) A physical disability shall be defined as any bodily disorder which limits, disqualifies or restricts an eligible dependent from attending an institution, as defined in Section 116.20.

b) A mental disability shall be defined as significantly subaverage general intellectual functioning which exists concurrently with impairment in adaptive behavior.

c) A developmental disability means a disability which is attributable to:

1) mental retardation, cerebral palsy, epilepsy or autism; or

2) any other condition which results in impairment similar to that caused by mental retardation and which requires services similar to those required by mentally retarded persons.

d) An appropriate therapeutic, rehabilitative or educational facility means facility or section thereof which is licensed by or operated under contract with the State or a political subdivision thereof and which admits disabled persons in order to alleviate their disabilities or increase their levels of physical, mental, social or economic functioning.

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