

ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

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with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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[First Reprint]

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
209th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2000 SESSION

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman ALEX DECROCE

District 26 (Essex, Morris and Passaic)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblymen Blee and Talarico

SYNOPSIS

Establishes the "Tony Pompelio Commemorative Scholarship Fund" for the children of crime victims.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Judiciary Committee on January 24, 2000, with amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 2/25/2000)

1 AN ACT concerning higher education, creating the "Tony Pompelio
2 Commemorative Scholarship Fund" for the children of crime
3 victims, and supplementing chapter ¹[71] 71B¹ of Title 18A of the
4 New Jersey Statutes.

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6 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
7 of New Jersey:

8
9 1. This act shall be known as, and may be cited as, the "Tony
10 Pompelio Commemorative Scholarship Fund Act."

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12 2. The Legislature finds and declares that:

13 a. Ten percent of the crimes reported in the State are violent
14 crimes, and murder accounts for at least one percent of all violent
15 crimes committed. Victims of violent crimes and their families often
16 become crime statistics with no honorable mention.

17 b. It is appropriate to pay tribute to those who have suffered from
18 violent crime through the recognition of National Crime Victims'
19 Rights Week. The State should recognize these individuals through
20 the establishment of a special fund which will allow the children of
21 crime victims the opportunity to attend college through the
22 commemoration of the death of Tony Pompelio, a crime victim, by
23 establishing the Tony Pompelio Commemorative Scholarship Fund.

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25 3. As used in this act, the following terms shall have the following
26 meanings:

27 "Board" means the Board of Trustees of the Tony Pompelio
28 Commemorative Scholarship Fund for the children of crime victims
29 created pursuant to this act.

30 "Chairman" means the Chairman of the Violent Crimes
31 Compensation Board.

32 ¹["Chancellor" means the Chancellor of the Department of Higher
33 Education.] "Executive director" means the chief executive and
34 administrative officer of the authority.¹

35 ¹["Department" mean the Department of Higher
36 Education.] "Authority" means the Higher Education Student
37 Assistance Authority established pursuant to N.J.S.18A:71A-1 et. seq.
38 the "Higher Education Student Assistance Authority Law" , or any
39 body, entity, commission, or department succeeding to the principal
40 functions thereof or to whom the powers conferred upon the
41 authority by N.J.S. 18A:71A-1 et seq. shall be given by law.¹

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Assembly AJU committee amendments adopted January 24, 2000.

1 "Public Institutions of Higher Education" means the State colleges
2 ¹and universities created pursuant to chapter 64 of Title 18A of the
3 New Jersey Statutes¹; the county colleges; the University of Medicine
4 and Dentistry of New Jersey; the New Jersey Institute of Technology;
5 Rutgers, the State University; and any other public universities,
6 colleges, county colleges and junior colleges now or hereafter
7 established or authorized by law.

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9 4. a. There is hereby created and established in the ¹[department]
10 authority¹ a scholarship fund which shall be known as the "Tony
11 Pompelio Commemorative Scholarship Fund." The fund shall consist
12 of all funds appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise made
13 available for the Tony Pompelio Commemorative Scholarship Fund
14 program.

15 b. The fund shall be administered by a board of trustees which shall
16 consist of the ¹[chancellor] executive director¹ or a designee of the
17 ¹[chancellor]executive director¹, the chairman or a designee of the
18 chairman and eight citizens of this State who have been crime victims
19 or are family members of a crime victim. Citizen members of the
20 board shall be selected by the chairman in consultation with the
21 ¹[chancellor] executive director¹, and without regard to political
22 affiliation and, on the basis of their experience as crime victims or
23 family members of a crime victim.

24 c. Each citizen member of the board shall serve for a term of four
25 years and until a successor shall have been appointed and qualified.
26 Any vacancy in the membership of the board shall be filled in the same
27 manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired
28 term.

29 d. Members of the board shall serve without compensation but
30 shall be entitled to be reimbursed for all reasonable and necessary
31 expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties.

32 e. The ¹[chancellor] executive director¹ or a designee of the
33 ¹[chancellor] executive director¹ in conjunction with the chairman or
34 a designee of the chairman shall serve as the chief executive officers
35 of the fund and shall organize the work of the fund as deemed
36 necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

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38 5. The board shall:

39 a. Develop and maintain a State-wide system for the identification
40 of potential Pompelio scholars in cooperation with other State
41 departments, agencies or public institutions of higher education in the
42 State.

43 b. Recruit, select and provide financial assistance from the fund to
44 Pompelio scholars who are residents of this State in order that they
45 may be able to attend public institutions of higher education.

- 1 c. Communicate with departments and agencies of the United
2 States on the availability of grants to this State for purposes related or
3 similar to those set forth in this act.
- 4 d. Develop, establish and publicize criteria for the determination of
5 eligibility for financial assistance from the fund.
- 6 e. Establish procedures for determining the amount of each award
7 based on the total financial need of each Pompelio scholar and the
8 resources available to the applicant to meet the costs of the applicant's
9 higher education.
- 10 f. Annually report in writing to the ¹[Board of Higher Education]
11 authority¹ on the performance of its duties in accordance with the
12 provisions of this act.
- 13 g. Adopt by-laws, and make, enforce, alter and repeal rules for its
14 own operation and for carrying out the provisions of this act.
- 15 h. Deposit in the fund and disburse from the fund such gifts and
16 contributions as may be forthcoming from public and private sources.
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- 18 6. a. The board is hereby authorized to award scholarships from
19 the fund to Pompelio scholars for undergraduate study leading to a
20 baccalaureate degree, associate degree, or other approved certificate
21 at public institutions of higher education located in New Jersey.
- 22 b. Grants from the fund may be awarded annually upon proper
23 application to the fund, to any Pompelio scholar who qualifies under
24 the standards to be developed and promulgated by the board.
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- 26 7. a. No scholarship pursuant to this act shall be awarded to any
27 applicant unless the applicant has demonstrated to the satisfaction of
28 the board that he or she:
- 29 (1) Is and has been a resident of this State for at least 12 months
30 prior to receiving the grant;
- 31 (2) Will be or is enrolled in a full-time undergraduate program of
32 study leading to a degree or certificate at a public institution;
- 33 (3) Has complied with all rules and regulations adopted pursuant
34 to this act by the board for the award, regulation and administration of
35 grants from the fund.
- 36 b. In addition to the requirements of subsection a. of this section,
37 the board is hereby authorized to require the satisfaction of such other
38 requirements as it may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of
39 this act.
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- 41 8. Scholarships awarded pursuant to this act shall be paid to
42 recipients by the State Treasurer in accordance with rules and
43 regulations adopted by the ¹[board] authority¹.
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46 for more than four years, or for such other period of time as may be

1 determined necessary by the board for the completion of an organized
2 course of study. Each scholarship awarded pursuant to this act shall
3 remain in effect only so long as the recipient achieves satisfactory
4 academic progress as determined by the institution of attendance and
5 demonstrates continued eligibility pursuant to this act.

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8 the board without regard to race, creed, or religion and in such manner
9 and amount as may be within the limits of funds appropriated or
10 otherwise made available.

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12 11. The ¹[State Board of Higher Education] Higher Education
13 Student Assistance Authority¹ shall adopt rules and regulations
14 pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410
15 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.) necessary for the administration of this act.

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17 12. This act shall take effect one year following enactment.

SENATE LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 1410

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 20, 2000

The Senate Law and Public Safety Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1410 (1R).

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The bill establishes a board of trustees to select the Pompelio scholars and administer the grants. The bill provides that the members of the board be appointed for four year terms. The members appointed shall be either victims of crime or family members of crime victims. The bill also requires the board to develop a State-wide identification system for potential Pompelio scholars in cooperation with the other State departments, agencies or public institutions of higher education; seek out other grants which would be available for similar purposes; and establish procedures for determining the amount of the award based on the applicants financial needs.

SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[First Reprint]

ASSEMBLY, No. 1410

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: SEPTEMBER 25, 2000

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1410 (1R).

This bill creates and establishes in the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority the "Tony Pompelio Commemorative Scholarship Fund" program to provide college scholarships to children of crime victims. Tony Pompelio, 17 years old, was murdered while attempting to aid a young woman who was under attack. This fund is set up in memory of Tony Pompelio and in recognition of National Crime Victims' Rights Week.

The bill establishes a 10-member board of trustees to select the Pompelio scholars and administer the grants. The board would consist of the executive director of the authority, the chairman of the Violent Crimes Compensation Board (VCCB), and eight citizen members. The citizen members would be crime victims, or family members of a crime victim, selected by the VCCB chairman in consultation with the executive director of the authority; each citizen member would serve a term of four years.

The bill requires the board of trustees to develop a State-wide identification system for potential Pompelio scholars in cooperation with other State departments, agencies or public institutions of higher education; seek out other grants that may be available to the fund for similar purposes; develop and publicize criteria for determining eligibility for financial assistance; and establish procedures for determining the amount of the awards to scholarship applicants based on the applicants' financial needs. To receive a Pompelio scholarship, an applicant would have to have been a State resident for at least 12 months. Awards under the program would be made annually; generally, no person would be eligible for Pompelio scholarships for more than four years.

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact of this legislation is indeterminate. The bill provides that the scholarship fund shall consist of "all funds appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise made available" It does not, however, include a current appropriation, or provide for the making of any future appropriation, in any particular amount.

Title 18A.
Chapter 71B.
Article 10. Tony
Pompelio
Commemorative
Scholarship Fund.
§§1-11
C.18A:71B-53 to
18A:71B-63
§12
Note to §§1-11

P.L. 200, CHAPTER 163, *approved December 7, 2000*
Assembly, No. 1410 (*First Reprint*)

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5 regulations adopted by the ¹[board] authority¹.

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12 academic progress as determined by the institution of attendance and
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15 10. Scholarships awarded pursuant to this act shall be awarded by
16 the board without regard to race, creed, or religion and in such manner
17 and amount as may be within the limits of funds appropriated or
18 otherwise made available.

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20 11. The ¹[State Board of Higher Education] Higher Education
21 Student Assistance Authority¹ shall adopt rules and regulations
22 pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410
23 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.) necessary for the administration of this act.

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25 12. This act shall take effect one year following enactment.

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30 Establishes the "Tony Pompelio Commemorative Scholarship Fund"
31 for the children of crime victims.

CHAPTER 163

AN ACT concerning higher education, creating the "Tony Pompelio Commemorative Scholarship Fund" for the children of crime victims, and supplementing chapter 71B of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

C.18A:71B-53 Short title.

1. This act shall be known as, and may be cited as, the "Tony Pompelio Commemorative Scholarship Fund Act."

C.18A:71B-54 Finding, declarations about crime victims.

2. The Legislature finds and declares that:

a. Ten percent of the crimes reported in the State are violent crimes, and murder accounts for at least one percent of all violent crimes committed. Victims of violent crimes and their families often become crime statistics with no honorable mention.

b. It is appropriate to pay tribute to those who have suffered from violent crime through the recognition of National Crime Victims' Rights Week. The State should recognize these individuals through the establishment of a special fund which will allow the children of crime victims the opportunity to attend college through the commemoration of the death of Tony Pompelio, a crime victim, by establishing the Tony Pompelio Commemorative Scholarship Fund.

C.18A:71B-55 Definitions regarding scholarship.

3. As used in this act, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"Board" means the Board of Trustees of the Tony Pompelio Commemorative Scholarship Fund for the children of crime victims created pursuant to this act.

"Chairman" means the Chairman of the Violent Crimes Compensation Board.

"Executive director" means the chief executive and administrative officer of the authority.

"Authority" means the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority established pursuant to N.J.S.18A:71A-1 et seq. the "Higher Education Student Assistance Authority Law," or any body, entity, commission, or department succeeding to the principal functions thereof or to whom the powers conferred upon the authority by N.J.S.18A:71A-1 et seq. shall be given by law.

"Public Institutions of Higher Education" means the State colleges and universities created pursuant to chapter 64 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes; the county colleges; the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey; the New Jersey Institute of Technology; Rutgers, the State University; and any other public universities, colleges, county colleges and junior colleges now or hereafter established or authorized by law.

C.18A:71B-56 "Tony Pompelio Commemorative Scholarship Fund."

4. a. There is hereby created and established in the authority a scholarship fund which shall be known as the "Tony Pompelio Commemorative Scholarship Fund." The fund shall consist of all funds appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise made available for the Tony Pompelio Commemorative Scholarship Fund program.

b. The fund shall be administered by a board of trustees which shall consist of the executive director or a designee of the executive director, the chairman or a designee of the chairman and eight citizens of this State who have been crime victims or are family members of a crime victim. Citizen members of the board shall be selected by the chairman in consultation with the executive director, and without regard to political affiliation and, on the basis of their experience as crime victims or family members of a crime victim.

c. Each citizen member of the board shall serve for a term of four years and until a successor shall have been appointed and qualified. Any vacancy in the membership of the board shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term.

d. Members of the board shall serve without compensation but shall be entitled to be reimbursed for all reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties.

e. The executive director or a designee of the executive director in conjunction with the chairman or a designee of the chairman shall serve as the chief executive officers of the fund and

shall organize the work of the fund as deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

C.18A:71B-57 Board duties.

5. The board shall:

a. Develop and maintain a Statewide system for the identification of potential Pompelio scholars in cooperation with other State departments, agencies or public institutions of higher education in the State.

b. Recruit, select and provide financial assistance from the fund to Pompelio scholars who are residents of this State in order that they may be able to attend public institutions of higher education.

c. Communicate with departments and agencies of the United States on the availability of grants to this State for purposes related or similar to those set forth in this act.

d. Develop, establish and publicize criteria for the determination of eligibility for financial assistance from the fund.

e. Establish procedures for determining the amount of each award based on the total financial need of each Pompelio scholar and the resources available to the applicant to meet the costs of the applicant's higher education.

f. Annually report in writing to the authority on the performance of its duties in accordance with the provisions of this act.

g. Adopt bylaws, and make, enforce, alter and repeal rules for its own operation and for carrying out the provisions of this act.

h. Deposit in the fund and disburse from the fund such gifts and contributions as may be forthcoming from public and private sources.

C.18A:71B-58 Awarding scholarships.

6. a. The board is hereby authorized to award scholarships from the fund to Pompelio scholars for undergraduate study leading to a baccalaureate degree, associate degree, or other approved certificate at public institutions of higher education located in New Jersey.

b. Grants from the fund may be awarded annually upon proper application to the fund, to any Pompelio scholar who qualifies under the standards to be developed and promulgated by the board.

C.18A:71B-59 Qualifications of applicant.

7. a. No scholarship pursuant to this act shall be awarded to any applicant unless the applicant has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the board that he or she:

(1) Is and has been a resident of this State for at least 12 months prior to receiving the grant;

(2) Will be or is enrolled in a full-time undergraduate program of study leading to a degree or certificate at a public institution;

(3) Has complied with all rules and regulations adopted pursuant to this act by the board for the award, regulation and administration of grants from the fund.

b. In addition to the requirements of subsection a. of this section, the board is hereby authorized to require the satisfaction of such other requirements as it may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

C.18A:71B-60 Recipients paid by State Treasurer.

8. Scholarships awarded pursuant to this act shall be paid to recipients by the State Treasurer in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the authority.

C.18A:71B-61 Eligibility restrictions.

9. No person shall be eligible for scholarships pursuant to this act for more than four years, or for such other period of time as may be determined necessary by the board for the completion of an organized course of study. Each scholarship awarded pursuant to this act shall remain in effect only so long as the recipient achieves satisfactory academic progress as determined by the institution of attendance and demonstrates continued eligibility pursuant to this act.

C.18A:71B-62 Nondiscrimination in awards.

10. Scholarships awarded pursuant to this act shall be awarded by the board without regard to race, creed, or religion and in such manner and amount as may be within the limits of funds appropriated or otherwise made available.

C.18A:71B-63 Rules, regulations.

11. The Higher Education Student Assistance Authority shall adopt rules and regulations pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.) necessary for the administration of this act.

12. This act shall take effect one year following enactment.

Approved December 7, 2000.

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Office of the Governor
NEWS RELEASE

CONTACT: Jayne O'Connor
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RELEASE: December 7, 2000

Governor Christie Whitman Today Signed the Following Legislation:

A-1184, sponsored by Assembly Members Arnone (R-Monmouth) and Farragher (R-Monmouth), prohibits leaving animal unattended under inhumane conditions in a vehicle.

A-1140, sponsored by Assembly Members Russo (R-Bergen/Passaic) and Caraballo (D-Essex), enacts the Uniform Partnership Act (1996). This bill enacts the Revised Uniform Partnership Act (RUPA) that was developed by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws and has been approved by the American Bar Association. RUPA restructures the fundamentals of partnership law to reflect modern business practices.

A-1410, sponsored by Assembly Member DeCroce (R-Essex/Morris/Passaic), establishes the "Tony Pompelio Scholarship Fund" for the children of crime victims to attend New Jersey public colleges.