

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2710 Session of 2020

INTRODUCED BY WARREN, READSHAW, KENYATTA, ULLMAN, DONATUCCI,
GALLOWAY, SCHLOSSBERG, KIM AND FRANKEL, JULY 30, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, JULY 30, 2020

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
2 act relating to the public school system, including certain
3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
4 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
5 laws relating thereto," in community colleges, further
6 providing for tuition; and, in the State System of Higher
7 Education, further providing for powers and duties of the
8 Board of Governors.

9 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
10 hereby enacts as follows:

11 Section 1. Section 1908-A of the act of March 10, 1949
12 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, is
13 amended by adding a subsection to read:

14 Section 1908-A. Tuition.--* * *

15 (f) A student who meets all of the following requirements
16 shall be considered a resident of this Commonwealth for the
17 purpose of determining tuition rates:

18 (1) attended a high school in this Commonwealth for a
19 minimum of three years;

20 (2) graduated from a high school, or received the equivalent
21 of a high school diploma, in this Commonwealth;

1 (3) is registered as an entering student or is enrolled in a
2 community college and originally enrolled not earlier than the
3 fall semester of the 2013-2014 academic year;

4 (4) in the case of a student who is not a United States
5 citizen, is a dependent of a parent or guardian who holds an H-
6 1B visa; and

7 (5) resides in this Commonwealth at the time of application
8 to and attendance of the community college.

9 Section 2. Section 2006-A(a)(11) of the act is amended to
10 read:

11 Section 2006-A. Powers and Duties of the Board of
12 Governors.--(a) The Board of Governors shall have overall
13 responsibility for planning and coordinating the development and
14 operation of the system. The powers and duties of the Board of
15 Governors shall be:

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17 (11) To fix the levels of tuition fees, except student
18 activity fees. Tuition fees shall include a differential for
19 such charges between students who are residents of the
20 Commonwealth and students who are nonresidents. A student who
21 meets all of the following requirements shall be considered a
22 resident of this Commonwealth for the purpose of determining
23 tuition rates:

24 (i) attended a high school in this Commonwealth for a
25 minimum of three years;

26 (ii) graduated from a high school, or received the
27 equivalent of a high school diploma, in this Commonwealth;

28 (iii) is registered as an entering student or is enrolled in
29 an institution and originally enrolled not earlier than the fall
30 semester of the 2013-2014 academic year;

1 (iv) in the case of a student who is not a United States
2 citizen, is a dependent of a parent or guardian who holds an H-
3 1B visa; and

4 (v) resides in this Commonwealth at the time of application
5 to and attendance of the institution.

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7 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.