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A BILL FOR

1 An Act establishing an Iowa national guard law enforcement
2 training scholarship program and making an appropriation.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 80B.11B, subsection 2, Code 2005, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. The Iowa law enforcement academy may also charge the
4 department of natural resources or other agency or department
5 of the state, a member of a police force of a city or county,
6 a member of the Iowa national guard awarded a scholarship
7 under section 80B.19, or any political subdivision of the
8 state not more than one-half of the cost of providing the
9 basic training course which is designed to meet the minimum
10 basic training requirements for a law enforcement officer.
11 All other candidates to the law enforcement academy, including
12 a candidate from a tribal government, shall pay the full costs
13 of providing the basic training requirements for a law
14 enforcement officer.

15 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 80B.19 IOWA NATIONAL GUARD LAW
16 ENFORCEMENT TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM -- APPROPRIATION.

17 1. An Iowa national guard law enforcement training
18 scholarship program is established to be administered by the
19 department of public defense for members of the Iowa national
20 guard who qualify and are accepted for attendance at the Iowa
21 law enforcement academy. The purpose of the program is to
22 provide scholarships to members of the Iowa national guard who
23 qualify for training to meet the minimum basic training
24 requirements for a law enforcement officer at the Iowa law
25 enforcement academy. The provisions of sections 80B.11D and
26 80B.11E requiring sponsorship by a law enforcement agency
27 shall not apply to an individual who meets the requirements of
28 this section and who otherwise meets the requirements for
29 acceptance at the Iowa law enforcement academy pursuant to
30 this chapter. An individual is eligible for the Iowa national
31 guard law enforcement training scholarship program if the
32 individual meets all of the following conditions:

33 a. Is a resident of the state and a member of an Iowa army
34 or air national guard unit while receiving a scholarship
35 pursuant to this section.

1 b. Satisfactorily completed required initial active duty
2 training.

3 c. Maintains satisfactory performance of duty upon return
4 from initial active duty training, including attending a
5 minimum of ninety percent of scheduled drill dates and
6 attending annual training.

7 d. Is accepted for training to meet the minimum basic
8 training requirements for a law enforcement officer at the
9 Iowa law enforcement academy.

10 e. Expresses an interest in pursuing a law enforcement
11 career.

12 f. Receives the recommendation of the Iowa national guard
13 member's company commander.

14 g. Meets any other requirement established by rule by the
15 adjutant general pursuant to subsection 3.

16 h. Submits an application to the adjutant general of Iowa,
17 on forms prescribed by the adjutant general, who shall
18 determine eligibility for the scholarship and whose decision
19 is final.

20 2. A scholarship paid pursuant to this section shall not
21 exceed the difference between the cost of providing the basic
22 training course which is designed to meet the minimum basic
23 training requirements for a law enforcement officer and the
24 amount the Iowa law enforcement agency charges a member of a
25 police force of a city or county as provided in section
26 80B.11B. An Iowa national guard member who receives a
27 scholarship pursuant to this section shall be responsible for
28 paying the amount the Iowa law enforcement academy is
29 permitted to charge a member of a police force of a city or
30 county as provided in section 80B.11B. Annually, not more
31 than one hundred scholarships shall be awarded by the adjutant
32 general pursuant to this section. Scholarship eligibility
33 determinations shall not be based upon a national guard
34 member's unit, the location at which drills are attended, or
35 whether the individual is a member of the Iowa army or air

1 national guard.

2 3. The adjutant general shall adopt rules pursuant to
3 chapter 17A establishing the following:

4 a. Procedures for disseminating material regarding the
5 scholarship program to members of the Iowa national guard.

6 b. Procedures for receiving scholarship applications from
7 members of the Iowa national guard.

8 c. Any additional requirements that the adjutant general
9 determines the applicants shall meet in order to be awarded a
10 scholarship.

11 d. Procedures and criteria for evaluating applicants and
12 awarding scholarships under this section.

13 4. The eligibility of applicants and scholarship amounts
14 to be paid shall be certified by the adjutant general of Iowa
15 to the department of public defense, and all amounts that are
16 or become due to the Iowa law enforcement academy except as
17 provided in subsection 2 shall be paid to the Iowa law
18 enforcement academy by the department of public defense upon
19 receipt of certification by the director of the Iowa law
20 enforcement academy as to accuracy of charges made, and as to
21 the attendance and academic progress of the individual at the
22 academy. The department of public defense shall maintain an
23 annual record of the number of participants and the dollar
24 value of the scholarships awarded.

25 5. There is appropriated from the general fund of the
26 state an amount necessary to pay the scholarship amounts
27 awarded under the Iowa national guard law enforcement training
28 scholarship program pursuant to this section.

29 EXPLANATION

30 This bill establishes an Iowa national guard law
31 enforcement training scholarship program to be administered by
32 the department of public defense for members of the Iowa
33 national guard who qualify and are accepted for attendance at
34 the Iowa law enforcement academy.

35 An individual is eligible for the program if the individual

1 is a resident of the state and a member of an Iowa army or air
2 national guard unit, satisfactorily completed required initial
3 active duty training, maintains satisfactory performance of
4 duty, expresses an interest in pursuing a law enforcement
5 career, receives the recommendation of their company
6 commander, meets any other requirement established by the
7 adjutant general, and submits an application to the adjutant
8 general.

9 The amount of scholarship moneys paid shall not exceed the
10 difference between the cost of providing the basic training
11 course which is designed to meet the minimum basic training
12 requirements for a law enforcement officer and the amount the
13 Iowa law enforcement agency charges a member of a police force
14 of a city or county under the current Code, which is not more
15 than one-half of the cost of providing the basic training
16 course. An Iowa national guard member who receives a
17 scholarship is responsible for paying the balance. Annually,
18 not more than 100 scholarships shall be awarded. Scholarship
19 eligibility determinations shall not be based upon a national
20 guard member's unit, the location at which drills are
21 attended, or whether the individual is a member of the Iowa
22 army or air national guard.

23 The adjutant general is directed to adopt rules
24 establishing procedures and criteria for evaluating applicants
25 and awarding the scholarships and procedures for disseminating
26 material about the program to guard members and may establish
27 by rule additional program requirements.

28 The bill includes a standing, unlimited appropriation to
29 the department of public defense to pay for scholarships
30 awarded under the program.

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