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SB 90 Engrossed

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Present law provides that any child of a police officer, deputy sheriff, or adult probation and parole officer within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections killed or permanently disabled, and certain other investigative employees killed, in the performance of his duties, shall be admitted to a public college or university without the payment of any fees or other charges for tuition, books, and other aids required in any undertaken course and room and board as long as such child meets the academic standards and complies with the rules and regulations of such college or university required for attendance as a full-time student. Further provides that the exemption shall exist for such child for the number of semesters required of a full-time student to obtain one bachelor's degree but in no event shall such scholarship exceed eight semesters for any one child.

Proposed law extends present law benefits to cover part-time attendance.

Proposed law provides that the scholarship shall be provided for the time period required to earn one undergraduate degree or one vocational or technical certificate or diploma and shall not cover more than:

- (1) One hundred twenty hours of course work required to earn a bachelor's degree.
- (2) Seventy-five hours of course work required to earn an associate's degree.
- (3) Sixty hours of course work required to earn a vocational or technical certificate or diploma.

Proposed law provides if a student first earns a transferable associate's degree from a public two-year institution and then transfers to a public four-year college or university, the scholarship shall cover an additional 60 hours of course work required to earn a bachelor's degree.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 17:1681.1(A) and (B))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the original bill

1. Allows scholarship to be used for obtaining a vocational or technical certificate or diploma.

2. Limits scholarship to hours of required course work to earn a degree, certificate, or diploma instead of a specified number of semesters.