

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 45th Legislature (1996)
2ND CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR ENGROSSED
SENATE BILL NO. 908

By: Leftwich, Brown and Cain
of the Senate

and

Blackburn of the House

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An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 1991, Section 3218.7, which relates to waivers of general or nonresident tuition fees; prohibiting general enrollment fees or nonresident tuition to be charged to children of certain deceased employees of the State of Oklahoma and to certain disabled state employees; limiting application of certain waivers; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 1991, Section 3218.7, is amended to read as follows:

Section 3218.7 A. Within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education, no general enrollment fee or nonresident tuition shall be charged to the children of:

1. Oklahoma peace officers as defined by Section 648 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes who have given their lives in the line of duty ~~or to the children of;~~

2. Oklahoma firefighters who have given their lives in the line of duty; or

3. Employees of the State of Oklahoma who have lost their lives as a result of the intentional criminal acts of another while in the course of their employment.

Such waiver of general enrollment fee and nonresident tuition shall be limited to a period of five (5) years.

B. Within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education, no general enrollment fee or nonresident tuition shall be charged to employees of the State of Oklahoma who are at least twenty-five percent (25%) disabled as a result of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building bombing which occurred April 19, 1995.

C. Such waiver of general enrollment fees or nonresident tuition to the children of deceased peace officers ~~and to the children of,~~ deceased firefighters and deceased state employees and disabled state employees as provided for in subsections A and B of this section shall be a service benefit of each Oklahoma peace officer ~~and,~~ Oklahoma firefighter and state employee.

D. The provisions of this section shall only apply when all other grants and scholarships available to such children of deceased state employees have been exhausted.

E. For purposes of this section, "firefighter" means a volunteer firefighter or a permanent salaried professional member of any fire department within the State of Oklahoma.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1996.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.