

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1993**
4 **By: Representative Shaver**

A Bill

ACT 153 OF 1993
HOUSE BILL 1101

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 6-82-501, 6-82-503 AND 6-
9 82-504 TO PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIPS AT ARKANSAS UNIVERSITIES
10 AND COLLEGES FOR THE SPOUSE AND CHILDREN OF CERTAIN
11 ARKANSAS HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES
12 WHO ARE KILLED OR TOTALLY AND PERMANENTLY DISABLED IN THE
13 LINE OF DUTY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

15 **"TO PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SPOUSE AND**
16 **CHILDREN OF CERTAIN HIGHWAY AND**
17 **TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES KILLED**
18 **OR DISABLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY."**

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21 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:**

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23 **SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 6-82-501 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof**
24 **a new subdivision to read as follows:**

25 **"(4) _State highway employee_ means any employee of the Arkansas State Highway and**
26 **Transportation Department who actively engages in highway maintenance, construction, or**
27 **traffic operations on the roadways and bridges of the state highway system while the roadways**
28 **and bridges are open for use by the traveling public."**

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30 **SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 6-82-503 is hereby amended to read as follows:**

31 **"6-82-503. Entitlement.**

32 **(a) If any Arkansas law enforcement officer or full-time or volunteer fireman or state**
33 **highway employee suffers fatal injuries or wounds or becomes permanently and totally disabled**
34 **as a result of injuries or wounds which occurred in the performance of a hazardous duty within**
35 **the scope of his employment or which occurred en route to a location where a hazardous**
36 **situation existed, his children and spouse shall be entitled to an eight-semester scholarship**

1 **without cost, exclusive of books, food, school supplies, materials, and dues or fees for**
2 **extracurricular activities at any state-supported college or university of his choice within this**
3 **state.**

4 **(b) Scholarship benefits shall not accrue under this subchapter to any person if the**
5 **wounds or injuries suffered by any law enforcement officer, fireman or state highway employee**
6 **are self-inflicted or whose death is self-induced."**

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8 **SECTION 3. Arkansas Code 6-82-504 is hereby amended to read as follows:**

9 **"6-82-504. Claims for permanent and total disability.**

10 **Any law enforcement officer or municipal fireman or state highway employee claiming**
11 **permanent and total disability under this subchapter shall be qualified or disqualified for such**
12 **claim by the Arkansas State Claims Commission which shall have such jurisdiction and**
13 **authority as is granted to the commission under §§19-10-204 - 19-10-206 and 19-10-210."**

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15 **SECTION 4. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature are**
16 **amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision**
17 **Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.**

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19 **SECTION 5. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or**
20 **circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of**
21 **the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end**
22 **the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.**

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24 **SECTION 6. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.**

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26 **APPROVED: 2/17/93**

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