

## No. 1977-1

## AN ACT

## HB 444

Amending the act of January 25, 1966 (1965 P.L.1546, No.541), entitled "An act providing scholarships and providing funds to secure Federal funds for qualified students of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania who need financial assistance to attend postsecondary institutions of higher learning, making an appropriation, and providing for the administration of this act," providing for the maximum monetary amount of a scholarship award and defining the capacity of minors.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 7, act of January 25, 1966 (1965 P.L.1546, No.541), entitled "An act providing scholarships and providing funds to secure Federal funds for qualified students of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania who need financial assistance to attend postsecondary institutions of higher learning, making an appropriation, and providing for the administration of this act," amended December 18, 1969 (P.L.383, No.169), is amended to read:

Section 7. (a) All scholarship awards will be based on the applicant's financial need, the minimum scholarship award being one hundred dollars (\$100) per academic year, the maximum scholarship **[being one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200)] shall not exceed one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500)** per academic year **and the maximum scholarship award shall be established annually by the board of directors of the agency at a maximum level not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) so as to keep expenditures within the funds available through reexamination of appropriations as provided for under the act of March 28, 1974 (P.L.228, No.50), relating to the forward funding of PHEAA grant program and/or from funds appropriated or made available from State, Federal or other sources for grants during any fiscal year.**

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Section 2. The act is amended by adding a section to read:

**Section 8.3. Any person otherwise qualifying for any grant under this act shall not be disqualified by reason of his being under the age of eighteen and for the purpose of applying for and receiving such grants any such person shall be deemed to have full legal capacity to act and shall have all the rights, powers, privileges, and obligations of a person of full age with respect thereto.**

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 4th day of May, A. D. 1977.

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