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AN ACT

1 Providing for community college educational assistance.

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

4 Section 1. Short title.

5 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Community  
6 College Educational Assistance Act.

7 Section 2. Definitions.

8 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall  
9 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the  
10 context clearly indicates otherwise:

11 "Agency." The Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance  
12 Agency (PHEAA).

13 "Eligible student." A student who has completed 60 credits  
14 and maintained a 3.0 cumulative grade point average on a 4.0  
15 scale, or its equivalent, at a Pennsylvania community college.

16 Section 3. Educational assistance program.

1 (a) Establishment.--The Community College Educational  
2 Assistance Program is hereby established.

3 (b) Calculation.--The Community College Educational  
4 Assistance Program shall provide that the agency disregard one-  
5 third of an eligible student's expected family contribution  
6 (EFC) and Federal Pell Grant award amount when calculating the  
7 eligible student's Pennsylvania State grant.

8 Section 4. Effective date.

9 This act shall take effect in 60 days.