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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 21

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Public Order and Illegal Drugs; National Defense and Security; Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance on NOV 21 2007.

Re: S. No. 1895, prepared jointly by the Committees.

Recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 195, 432, 951, 1101, 1606 and 1824.

Sponsors: Senators Honasan, Biazon, Cayetano (A.), Enrile, Lacson, Ejercito Estrada, Villar and Defensor Santiago

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Public Order and Illegal Drugs; National Defense and Security; Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance to which were referred Senate Bill No. 195, introduced by Senator Lacson, entitled:

**“AN ACT
AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6963, ENTITLED ‘AN ACT GRANTING SPECIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND BENEFITS TO THE FAMILY OR BENEFICIARY OF ANY POLICE OR MILITARY PERSONNEL OR FIREMAN KILLED OR PERMANENTLY INCAPACITATED WHILE IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS DUTY OR BY REASON OF HIS OFFICE OR POSITION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES’”;**

Senate Bill No. 432, introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada, entitled:

**“AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS FOR THE MINOR CHILDREN OF SOLDIERS AND POLICEMEN WHO ARE KILLED BY INSURGENTS OR SLAIN IN THE LINE OF DUTY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”;**

Senate Bill No. 951, introduced by Senator Villar, entitled:

**“AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR COLLEGIATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM TO CHILDREN OF ALL OFFICERS OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP) IN ANY STATE COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY IN THE COUNTRY TO BE KNOWN AS ‘CHILDREN OF POLICE SCHOLARSHIP (COPS) PROGRAM’ AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;**

Senate Bill No. 1101, introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago, entitled:

**“AN ACT
INSTITUTIONALIZING SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS TO MEMBERS OF
THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP) AND THEIR
CHILDREN”;**

Senate Bill No. 1606, introduced by Senator Villar, entitled:

**“AN ACT
ENSURING THE EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS OF THE MINOR
CHILDREN OF FIREFIGHTERS WHO ARE KILLED IN THE LINE OF
DUTY OR OF OCCUPATION-RELATED ILLNESS, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES”;**

and Senate Bill No. 1824, introduced by Senator Villar, entitled:

**“AN ACT
AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6963, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS ‘AN
ACT GRANTING SPECIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND BENEFITS
TO THE FAMILY OR BENEFICIARY OF ANY POLICE OR MILITARY
PERSONNEL OR FIREMAN KILLED OR PERMANENTLY
INCAPACITATED WHILE IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS DUTY OR
BY REASON OF HIS OFFICE OR POSITION AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES’”**

have considered the same and have the honor to report them back to the Senate with the recommendation that the attached bill, Senate Bill No. 1895, prepared jointly by the Committees, entitled:

**“AN ACT
EXPANDING AND MAXIMIZING THE SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS
EXTENDED TO THE FAMILY MEMBERS OF PERSONNEL OF THE
PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP), ARMED FORCES OF THE
PHILIPPINES (AFP), BUREAU OF FIRE PROTECTION (BFP) AND
BUREAU OF JAIL MANAGEMENT AND PENOLOGY (BJMP)
AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6963, ENTITLED ‘AN ACT GRANTING SPECIAL
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND BENEFITS TO THE FAMILY OR
BENEFICIARY OF ANY POLICE OR MILITARY PERSONNEL OR
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OR POSITION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES’”**

be approved in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 195, 432, 951, 1101, 1606 and 1824, with Senators Lacson, Ejercito Estrada, Villar, Defensor Santiago, Honasan, Biazon, Cayetano (A.), and Enrile, as authors.

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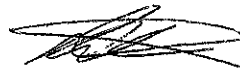
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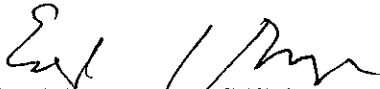
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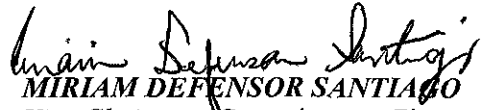
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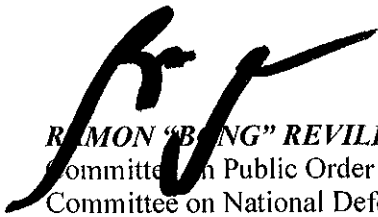
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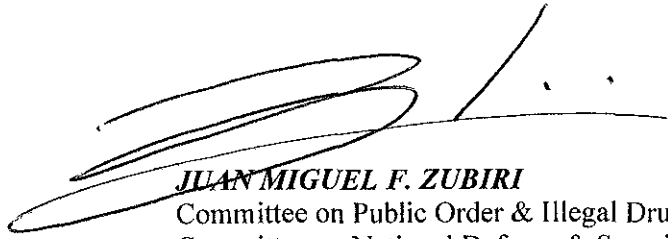


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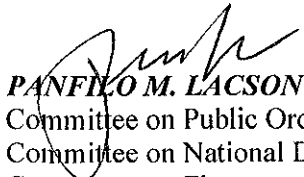
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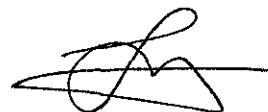
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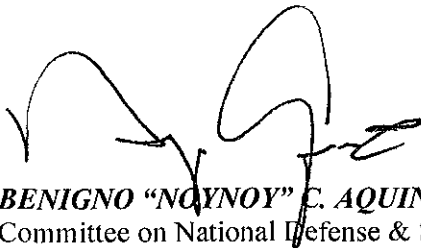
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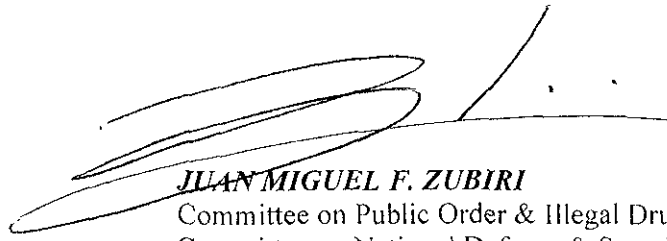
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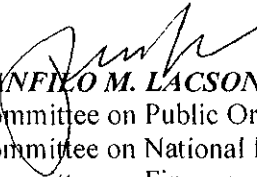


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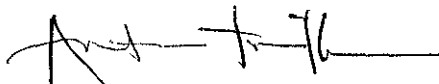
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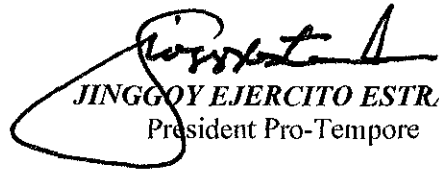
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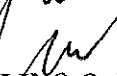
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AN ACT

EXPANDING AND MAXIMIZING THE SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS EXTENDED TO THE FAMILY MEMBERS OF PERSONNEL OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP), ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP), BUREAU OF FIRE PROTECTION (BFP), AND BUREAU OF JAIL MANAGEMENT AND PENOLOGY (BJMP), AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6963, ENTITLED "AN ACT GRANTING SPECIAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND BENEFITS TO THE FAMILY OR BENEFICIARY OF ANY POLICE OR MILITARY PERSONNEL OR FIREMAN KILLED OR PERMANENTLY INCAPACITATED WHILE IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS DUTY OR BY REASON OF HIS OFFICE OR POSITION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

1 Section 1. Section 1 of Republic Act No. 6963 is hereby amended to read as
2 follows:

3 "Sec. 1. The family or beneficiary of any PERSONNEL OF THE
4 PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP), ARMED FORCES OF THE
5 PHILIPPINES (AFP), BUREAU OF FIRE PROTECTION (BFP) AND
6 BUREAU OF JAIL MANAGEMENT AND PENOLOGY (BJMP) [police
7 or military personnel, including any fireman assisting in a police or
8 military action], who is killed or becomes permanently incapacitated
9 while in the line of duty or by reason of his office or position, provided
10 he/she has not committed any crime or human rights violation by final
11 judgement on such occasion, shall be entitled to the special financial
12 assistance provided for in this Act in addition to whatever
13 compensation, donation, insurance, gift, pension, grant, or any form of

1 benefit which said deceased or permanently incapacitated person or
2 his/her family may receive or be entitled to."

3 Sec. 2. Section 2 of Republic Act No. 6963 is hereby amended to read as
4 follows:

5 "Sec. 2. DEFINITION OF TERMS. AS USED IN THIS ACT THE
6 FOLLOWING SHALL REFER TO:

7 a. "PERSONNEL" - THE UNIFORMED PERSONNEL OF THE
8 PNP, AFP, BFP, AND BJMP;

9 b. "BOARD" - THE INTER-AGENCY SCHOLARSHIP BOARD
10 HEREIN REFERRED TO AS THE UNIFORMED-PERSONNEL
11 SCHOLARSHIP BOARD AS PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 10 OF
12 THIS ACT;

13 c. the term "family" OR "BENEFICIARY" - [as used in this Act
14 shall refer to] The surviving legal spouse and his/her legitimate
15 children, or parents, or brothers and sister, or aunts and uncles, in that
16 respective order: PROVIDED, THAT IF THE PERSONNEL IS A SOLO
17 PARENT, THE PERTINENT PROVISION OF RA 8972 OR THE SOLO
18 PARENT ACT SHALL APPLY. Provided FURTHER, that, if the [police
19 or military] personnel [or fireman] is ESPOUSING a MUSLIM [Muslim]
20 FAITH, the pertinent provisions of the Code of Muslim Personal Laws
21 (Shari' a) shall apply; and

22 d. DEATH OR INJURY IN THE LINE OF DUTY - AS USED IN
23 REFERENCE TO THE DEATH OR INJURY SUFFERED BY ANY
24 MEMBER OF THE PNP, AFP, BFP, OR BJMP. THE PHRASE "IN
25 THE LINE OF DUTY" SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO MEAN THAT THE
26 DEATH OR INJURY WAS CAUSED WHILE IN THE PERFORMANCE
27 OF ANY POLICE, MILITARY, FIRE OR JAIL DUTY AND
28 OPERATION, AS THE CASE MAY BE, OR BY REASON OF THEIR
29 POSITION. PROVIDED, THAT, WHERE THE DEATH OR INJURY
30 WAS DUE TO HIS/HER OWN ACT, THE LATTER MUST BE
31 LAWFUL AND SUCH DEATH OR INJURY MUST NOT BE SELF-
32 INFLECTED OR ABETTED BY HIS/HER GROSS NEGLIGENCE,
33 ALCOHOLISM, DRUG ADDICTION, OR ABUSE OF AUTHORITY.
34 PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT THE PHRASE "LINE OF DUTY"
35 SHALL INCLUDE GOING TO AND COMING FROM HIS/HER OFFICE
36 OR ON ADMINISTRATIVE MISSION. PROVIDED, FINALLY, THAT
37 ANY DOUBT AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THE DEATH OR INJURY
38 SUSTAINED BY ANY PNP, AFP, BFP, OR BJMP PERSONNEL IS IN

1 THE LINE OF DUTY OR BY REASON OF HIS/HER OFFICE OR
2 POSITION SHALL BE DECIDED IN HIS/HER FAVOR."

3 Sec. 3. Section 3 of Republic Act No. 6963 is hereby amended to read as
4 follows:

5 "Sec. 3. The special financial assistance referred to in Section
6 one hereof shall be that which is equivalent to the average six (6)
7 months salary, including allowances and bonuses, during the last
8 twelve (12) months preceding the death or permanent incapacity of the
9 PERSONNEL [officer] which shall not be considered as part of the
10 estate of the deceased and which shall be exempt from attachment,
11 garnishment or execution and from income and other taxes."

12 Sec. 4. Section 4 of Republic Act No. 6963 is hereby amended to read as
13 follows:

14 "Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the cashier from whom the
15 deceased PERSONNEL OF THE POLICE, MILITARY, FIRE OR JAIL
16 BUREAU [or permanently incapacitated police or military personnel or
17 fireman] used 'to receive his/her salary, within three (3) days from
18 receipt of a written certification from the station or unit commander of
19 the fact of death and the circumstances thereof, to deliver to the
20 beneficiaries such special financial assistance as stated in Section
21 Three hereof. In case of permanent disability, a certification by the
22 proper medical officer designated by the CHIEF OF THE PNP, OR the
23 CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE AFP, OR THE CHIEF OF THE BFP, OR
24 THE CHIEF OF THE BJMP, [the Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces of
25 the Philippines or the Director General of the Integrated National
26 Police] as the case may be, is necessary for the payment of the
27 aforesaid special financial assistance. After said payment, a report
28 with the formal certificate of death or permanent incapacity shall be
29 submitted to the CHIEF OF THE PNP, OR the CHIEF OF STAFF OF
30 THE AFP, OR THE CHIEF OF THE BFP, OR THE CHIEF OF THE
31 BJMP [Secretary of National Defense or the Director General of the
32 Integrated National Police]."

33 Sec. 5. Section 5 of Republic Act No. 6963 is hereby amended to read as
34 follows:

35 "Sec. 5. In order to assure the payment of the special financial
36 assistance referred to in this Act, without any need of any
37 appropriation act or ordinance, the payment shall come from the
38 expected salary, allowances and bonuses of the deceased or

1 permanently incapacitated POLICE, MILITARY, FIRE OR JAIL
2 PERSONNEL [police or military personnel or fireman] for the next six
3 (6) months after his/her death or permanent incapacity: Provided That,
4 the position left vacant by the deceased or permanently incapacitated
5 POLICE, MILITARY, FIRE OR JAIL PERSONNEL [police or military
6 personnel or fireman] on account of his/her death incapacity shall not
7 be filled during that period of six (6) months: Provided, further, That if
8 the public welfare and interest so demand, as determined by the
9 CHIEF OF THE PNP, IN THE CASE OF POLICE PERSONNEL; OR
10 THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE AFP, IN CASE OF MILITARY
11 PERSONNEL; OR THE CHIEF OF THE BFP, IN THE CASE OF FIRE
12 PERSONNEL; OR THE CHIEF OF THE BJMP, IN THE CASE OF
13 JAIL PERSONEL, [municipal or city mayor or provincial governor, in
14 the case of a police personnel or fireman, or the Secretary of National
15 Defense, in the case of military personnel] the position left vacant by
16 the deceased or permanently incapacitated personnel may be filled
17 without waiting for the expiration of the six months period earlier
18 mentioned, in which case, the funds out of which the special financial
19 assistance already received by the family of the deceased or
20 permanently incapacitated personnel shall be replenished out of the
21 emergency savings of the CONCERNED BUREAU, UPON THE
22 DIRECTION IN WRITING BY THEIR CHIEFS OR DIRECTORS
23 [municipality, city or province, or the department, upon the direction in
24 writing by the municipal or city mayor or governor of the province,
25 department secretary,] to their respective treasurers or cashiers.
26 [Provided, finally, That, in the event of such emergency, no emergency
27 savings as provided herein exist, the regional commander or the
28 provincial commander, as the case may be, may draw augmentation
29 personnel from any municipality in the province or region to fill up the
30 vacancy until such time that the municipality where the vacancy
31 occurred can fill up such vacancy with regular personnel.]"

32 Sec 6. Section 6 of Republic Act No. 6963 is hereby amended to read as
33 follows:

34 "Sec. 6. If any POLICE, MILITARY, FIRE OR JAIL
35 PERSONNEL [police or military personnel or fireman] is injured or
36 wounded while in the performance of his/her official duties, the
37 hospitalization expenses of such [police or military] personnel [or
38 fireman] shall be shouldered by the office where he/she belongs,

1 chargeable against the salary savings of such office without the need
2 of any appropriation act or ordinance."

3 Sec. 7. Section 7 of Republic Act No. 6963 is hereby amended to read as
4 follows:

5 "Sec. 7. [The surviving spouse] ONE OF THE BENEFICIARIES
6 of the deceased or permanently incapacitated POLICE, MILITARY,
7 FIRE OR JAIL PERSONNEL [police, military, fire or jail personnel]
8 shall be given priority in employment in a government agency or office
9 where his/her qualifications are fitted. [; Provided that, if the spouse is
10 already employed or not employable or if he/she waives his/her
11 employment privilege, then an employable son or daughter shall be
12 granted the said privilege.]"

13 Sec. 8. Section 8 of Republic Act No. 6963 is hereby amended to read as
14 follows:

15 "Sec. 8. A MAXIMUM OF FOUR (4) CHILDREN OF THE
16 DECEASED OR PERMANENTLY INCAPACITATED POLICE,
17 MILITARY, FIRE OR JAIL PERSONNEL, REGARDLESS OF THE
18 LENGTH OF SERVICE, SHALL BE EXTENDED SCHOLARSHIP UP
19 TO COLLEGE IN AN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION AS MAY BE
20 DETERMINED BY THE BOARD, SUBJECT TO THE POLICIES ON
21 THE TUITION OF SAID INSTITUTION; PROVIDED THAT, ONLY
22 ONE (1) CHILD OF PERSONNEL IN ACTIVE DUTY WHO SERVED
23 FOR AT LEAST TWO (2) YEARS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF
24 APPLICATION FOR GRANT MAY BE ENTITLED TO THE
25 SCHOLARSHIP; PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT, IN CASES OF
26 SINGLE AND/OR UNMARRIED PERSONNEL, THE SCHOLARSHIP
27 SHALL BENEFIT ONLY ONE (1) AMONG THE OTHER
28 ENUMERATED BENEFICIARIES AS DEFINED IN THIS ACT.
29 PROVIDED, FURTHERMORE, THAT THE FUNDS SHALL GIVE
30 PRIORITY TO THE SCHOLARSHIP OF ALL QUALIFIED CHILDREN
31 OF THE DECEASED OR PERMANENTLY INCAPACITATED
32 PERSONNEL; PROVIDED, FINALLY, THAT THE SCHOLARSHIP
33 SHALL INCLUDE PAYMENT OR EXPENSES FOR TUITION,
34 MISCELLANEOUS AND OTHER FEES, AS WELL AS COST OF
35 BOOKS AND OTHER MATERIALS. [All surviving children of the
36 deceased or permanently incapacitated police or military personnel or
37 fireman shall be extended scholarship up to college in a nonexclusive
38 institution, subject to the policies on tuition of said institution. The

1 scholarship privilege shall be limited to the National Police
2 Commission or the Department of National Defense, as the case may
3 be, upon presentation to it of the approved enrollment or registration
4 form.]"

5 Sec. 9. Section 9 of Republic Act No. 6963 is hereby amended to read as
6 follows:

7 "Sec. 9. TO FINANCE AND SUPPORT THE SCHOLARSHIP
8 GRANTS HEREIN PROVIDED; THE NET PROCEEDS OF THE
9 FIREARMS LICENSE FEES COLLECTED BY THE FIREARMS AND
10 EXPLOSIVES OFFICE OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE,
11 FIFTEEN PERCENT (15%) OF THE FIRE CODE FEES COLLECTED
12 PURSUANT TO PD 1185, A MAXIMUM OF FIVE PERCENT (5%) OF
13 THE STATE SCHOLARSHIP OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
14 EDUCATION PURSUANT TO RA 6728, AND TEN PERCENT (10%)
15 OF THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION (CHED)
16 SCHOLARSHIP FUND PURSUANT TO RA 7722 TO BE SET ASIDE
17 FOR THE TERTIARY LEVEL SCHOLARSHIP GRANT, SHALL BE
18 REMITTED DIRECTLY TO THE BOARD. PROVIDED, THAT IN
19 ORDER TO SUPPLEMENT THE SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS IN THE
20 TERTIARY LEVEL, THE CHED THROUGH THE STATE
21 UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES (SUCs) SHALL, AS FAR AS
22 PRACTICABLE, ALLOT AT LEAST FIVE PERCENT (5%) OF THEIR
23 TOTAL ENROLEES TO THE BENEFICIARIES OF THE PERSONNEL
24 FREE OF CHARGE AND EXEMPTED FROM THE REQUIRED
25 QUALIFICATION EXAMS FOR ADMISSION BY THE SUCs UPON
26 SATISFYING THE SCREENING PROCESS TO BE ADMINISTERED
27 BY THE BOARD. PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT ANY DEFICIENCY
28 IN THE FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP
29 PROGRAM SHALL BE FUNDED OUT FROM THE ANNUAL
30 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT BY CONGRESS TO BE
31 INCLUDED IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
32 THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT. PROVIDED, FINALLY,
33 THAT THE PNP, AFP, BFP AND BJMP MAY, IF NECESSITATED,
34 GENERATE ADDITIONAL SOURCE OF FUNDS TO FURTHER
35 SUPPORT THEIR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. [The amounts
36 necessary to fund the scholarship assistance mentioned above shall
37 be taken from the proceeds of the license fees for firearms collected
38 by the Philippine Constabulary: Provided, that the collection from the

1 said license fees for one year following the approval of this Act shall
2 constitute the initial fund reserve for the purpose of this Act, to be
3 replenished or enhanced by collections in the succeeding years.]”

4 Sec. 10. Section 10 of Republic Act No. 6963 is hereby amended to read as
5 follows:

6 "SEC. 11. The SCHOLARSHIP funds collected HEREIN [from
7 the firearms licensing fees] shall be MANAGED AND ADMINISTERED
8 BY AN INTER-AGENCY SCHOLARSHIP BOARD TO BE KNOWN AS
9 THE UNIFORMED-PERSONNEL SCHOLARSHIP BOARD. THE
10 BOARD SHALL BE COMPOSED OF THE SECRETARY OF THE
11 DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
12 AND SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL
13 DEFENSE AS CO-CHAIRMEN AND FOUR (4) MEMBERS TO
14 REPRESENT THE PNP, AFP, BFP AND BJMP.

15 THE BOARD SHALL SERVE AS THE POLICY MAKING BODY
16 TO BE VESTED WITH THE AUTHORITY TO COME-UP WITH THE
17 MECHANICS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOLARSHIP
18 PROGRAM IN ATTAINING THE OBJECTIVES OF THIS ACT. THE
19 BOARD SHALL HOWEVER DELEGATE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO
20 IMPLEMENT THE SCREENING, ADMISSION, DISQUALIFICATION
21 AND OTHER SCHOLARSHIP-RELATED AVAILMENT PROCESSES
22 TO THE RESPECTIVE SCHOLARSHIP BODY OF THE PNP, AFP,
23 BFP AND BJMP IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GUIDELINES TO BE
24 DEvised BY THE BOARD.

25 THE BOARD SHALL HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT
26 DONATIONS, CONTRIBUTIONS, GRANTS IN CASH OR IN KIND,
27 FROM VARIOUS SOURCES, DOMESTIC OR FOREIGN. SAID
28 DONATIONS SHALL BE USED EXCLUSIVELY TO COMPLEMENT
29 THE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP
30 PROGRAM SUBJECT TO THE EXISTING GOVERNMENT
31 ACCOUNTING AND AUDITING RULES AND REGULATIONS;
32 *PROVIDED*, THAT ANY DONATION, CONTRIBUTION OR
33 FINANCIAL AID WHICH MAY BE MADE TO THE BOARD SHALL BE
34 EXEMPT FROM TAXES OF ANY KIND AND SHALL CONSTITUTE
35 ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS IN FULL FROM THE INCOME OF THE
36 DONORS, CONTRIBUTORS OR GIVERS FOR INCOME TAX
37 PURPOSES. FURTHERMORE, THE BOARD IS AUTHORIZED TO
38 INVEST SO MUCH OF THE FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF

1 GENERATING ADDITIONAL REVENUE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE
2 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. [turned over to the National Police
3 Commission which shall administer the same for the purpose of this
4 Act in the case of Integrated National Police members and firemen,
5 and the Department of National Defense in the case of military
6 personnel.]”

7 Sec. 11. – Insert a new Sec. 12 in RA 6963 to read as follows:

8 “SEC. 12. IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP
9 PROGRAM, ASIDE FROM THE BASIC REQUIREMENTS FOR
10 ELIGIBILITY PROVIDED FOR UNDER SEC. 8 OF THIS ACT, THE
11 BENEFICIARIES SHALL UNDERGO AND COMPLY WITH THE
12 FOLOWING:

13 A) SCREENING PROCESS FOR THE AVAILMENT OF
14 SCHOLARSHIP GRANT TO BE GIVEN ON A UNIFORMED
15 FINANCIAL SCALE IN ALL EDUCATIONAL LEVEL

16 B) SCREENING PROCESS TO QUALIFY BENEFICIARIES
17 UNDER THE SUCs SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

18 C) MAINTAINING GRADE POLICY FOR CONTINUOUS
19 AVAILMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP GRANT

20 D) SCHOLARSHIP DURATION RULE BASED ON THE
21 FOLLOWING:

22 TERTIARY LEVEL – UP TO 4 TO 5 YEARS DEPENDING ON THE
23 COURSE

24 SECONDARY LEVEL – UP TO 4 YEARS

25 PRIMARY LEVEL – UP TO 7 YEARS

26 E) SUCH OTHER STANDARDS, RULES, MECHANICS AND
27 REQUIREMENTS AS MAY BE SET BY THE BOARD.”

28 Sec. 12. Section 12 of Republic Act No. 6963 is hereby amended to read as
29 follows:

30 “Sec. 12 Nothing in this Act shall be construed to prejudice and
31 diminish whatever benefits a POLICE, MILITARY, FIRE OR JAIL
32 PERSONNEL [member of the military establishment or the Integrated
33 National Police] is entitled to receive under existing laws.”

34 Sec. 13 . – Insert a new Sec. 13 in RA 6963 to read as follows:

35 “SEC. 13. THE UNIFORMED-PERSONNEL SCHOLARSHIP
36 BOARD CREATED UNDER THIS ACT SHALL PREPARE AND
37 ISSUE THE NECESSARY RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE
38 EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT.”

1 Sec. 14. All acts, laws, decrees, executive orders and rules and regulations
2 which are contrary to or inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, and/or
3 modified accordingly.

4 Sec. 15. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after the completion of its
5 publication in two (2) newspapers circulation. Beneficiaries who reach the age of
6 majority and remains unmarried while enjoying the benefits of this Act but have not
7 completed their secondary education shall continue to be entitled to the benefits
8 until they complete secondary school.

9 Approved,