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### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

The right to education avails every citizen the opportunity of fully develop his potentials and provides him with the knowledge and skill that would prove invaluable in his search of a better life.

This bill seeks the establishment of a Collegiate Scholarship Program for the children of all officers of the Philippine National Police to be known as "Children of Police Scholarship (COPS) Program."

This proposed program affords gifted and deserving students a chance to pursue their dreams of a brighter future, and at the same time, serve as motivation for PNP officers to continue in their service for the country.

In view of thereof, support and approval of this measure is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT

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# PROVIDING FOR A 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

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

1	SECTION 1. Declaration of Policy - The State as mandated by the Constitution
2	shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and
3	shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all.
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5	To this end, the State shall establish and maintain a system of scholarship
6	grants, student loan programs, subsidies and other incentives which shall be available
7	to deserving students in both public and private schools, specially to the
8	underprivileged.
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10	SECTION 2. Establishment of the Program – There shall be created under the
11	supervision of the Department of Education, a Collegiate Scholarship Program for the
12	Children of all officers of the Philippine National Police Scholarship (COPS) Program".
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14	SECTION 3. Coverage - The benefit of full scholarship assistance is herein
15	granted to children of all officers of the PNP who are in active service.
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17	For the purpose of this Act, full scholarship assistance shall include payment of
18	expenses for tuition, miscellaneous and other fees, as well as cost of books and other
19	materials.
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21	SECTION 4. Entitlement - Only one (1) child from each PNP officer who is at
22	the active service shall be entitled to the scholarship grant herein provided. Once a
23	PNP officer has retired, his/her child shall cease to be a beneficiary of the scholarship
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SECTION 5. The Department of Education shall issue the necessary rules and
regulations for the effective implementation of this Scholarship Program.

5 SECTION 6. The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Act 6 shall be charged to the appropriations for the State Scholarship Program of the 7 Department of Education under the current General Appropriations Act and shall be 8 included in the Annual General Appropriations Act.

9 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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