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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

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RELATING TO EDUCATION - TUITION FOR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Introduced By: Representatives Vella-Wilkinson, McLaughlin, Knight, Diaz, and  
Shanley

Date Introduced: September 19, 2017

Referred To: Placed on House Calendar

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 16-59 of the General Laws entitled "Board of Governors for Higher  
2 Education [See Title 16 Chapter 97 - The Rhode Island Board of Education Act]" is hereby  
3 amended by adding thereto the following section:

4           **16-59-9.2. Military tuition waiver.**

5           Notwithstanding any other provision of the general or public laws to the contrary, an  
6 applicant who is a member of the armed forces or reserves of the United States and is currently  
7 stationed in Rhode Island, shall be exempt from paying nonresident tuition at Rhode Island public  
8 universities, colleges or community colleges. The council on postsecondary education shall  
9 prescribe rules and regulations as may be necessary for the implementation of this section.

10          SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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1           This act would grant instate tuition status at state operated schools to active duty and  
2 reserve members stationed in Rhode Island.

3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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