## **State of South Dakota**

## NINETIETH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2015

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## SENATE BILL NO. 33

Introduced by: The Committee on State Affairs at the request of the Department of Veterans Affairs

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to extend resident tuition eligibility to the spouses and
- 2 children of active duty military personnel and of qualifying veterans.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That § 13-53-29.1 be amended to read as follows:
- 5 13-53-29.1. Any person who is a veteran as defined by §§ 33A-2-1 and 33A-2-2 shall be
- 6 classified as a resident student without meeting the twelve-month residency requirement within
- 7 South Dakota pursuant to § 13-53-24. If the veteran has established a South Dakota residence,
- 8 the provisions of this section also apply to the spouse or child of the veteran.
- 9 Section 2. That chapter 13-53 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
- 10 follows:
- Any person living in the state shall be classified as a resident student without meeting the
- twelve-month residency requirement within South Dakota pursuant to the provisions of § 13-53-
- 13 24 if the person receives veteran's educational benefits pursuant to the provisions of chapters
- 30 and 33, Title 38, of the United States Code as of January 1, 2015.
- 15 Section 3. That § 13-53-41.2 be amended to read as follows:

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- 1 13-53-41.2. Any person who is actively serving in the armed forces of the United States, and
- 2 who, at the time of registration, is stationed for active duty in the State of South Dakota,
- 3 qualifies for resident tuition rates at the institutions controlled by the Board of Regents. The
- 4 provisions of this section also apply to the spouse <u>or child</u> of <del>such</del> the person.