

**HIGHER EDUCATION CLASSES FOR VETERANS**

2021 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Todd D. Weiler**

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill amends provisions related to higher education.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ allows veterans to audit classes at institutions of higher education if the veterans:
  - are Utah residents; and
  - meet certain qualifications.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**53B-9-101**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 1987, Chapter 167

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **53B-9-101** is amended to read:

**53B-9-101. Legislative findings on higher education for senior citizens and veterans -- Legislative intent -- Quarterly registration fee.**

(1) The Legislature finds that substantial benefits would accrue to the state, as well as those directly involved, through making higher education more accessible to senior citizens and veterans who generally find themselves with more time for learning but with less funds for

30 such purposes.

31 (2) It is intended that an institution of higher education allow Utah residents who have  
32 reached 62 years of age or are veterans as defined in Section [68-3-12.5](#) to enroll at the  
33 institution, in classes for which they may be qualified, on the basis of surplus space in regularly  
34 scheduled classes and in accordance with this chapter and implementing rules. These persons  
35 are exempt from tuition and other charges, except for a quarterly registration fee established by  
36 the board.