

SENATE FILE NO. SF0101

Veterans in-state tuition.

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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to education; amending provisions for  
2 resident tuition for military veterans, their spouses and  
3 children as specified; and providing for an effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 21-17-105(e) (intro), (i) (intro), (ii)  
8 and (g) and 21-18-202(a) (iii) are amended to read:

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10 **21-17-105. Tuition to be as nearly free as possible;**  
11 **number, qualifications and selection of students for**  
12 **reduced tuition; tuition for veterans, their spouses and**  
13 **children; reciprocal residency.**

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1 (e) Effective for the ~~2014~~2015 summer school session  
2 and each semester thereafter, ~~any person who is a military~~  
3 ~~veteran who does not qualify as a resident pursuant to~~  
4 ~~subsection (d) of this section~~ an applicant for resident  
5 tuition who is a veteran or eligible individual, as  
6 described in 38 U.S.C. 3679(c)(2), shall qualify as a  
7 resident for purposes of tuition at the University of  
8 Wyoming or Wyoming community college if the ~~person~~  
9 applicant provides:

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11 (i) A certificate or other evidence of ~~honorable~~  
12 ~~discharge from~~ the veteran's qualifying service in the  
13 uniformed services of the United States;+

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15 (ii) Documented evidence at the time of  
16 enrollment that ~~the veteran has taken steps to establish~~  
17 ~~residency in Wyoming.~~

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19 (A) The applicant for resident tuition  
20 intends to live in Wyoming during the term of enrollment;

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1                   (B) The veteran was discharged or released  
2 from a qualifying period of service in the active military,  
3 naval or air service before the date of enrollment;  
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5                   (C) If the applicant is a spouse or child  
6 of the veteran, the applicant is a transferee pursuant to  
7 38 U.S.C. 3311(b)(9) or 3319 of the veteran's eligibility  
8 for educational benefits.  
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10           (g) ~~Once a military veteran~~ A person who has  
11 qualified for resident tuition under subsection (e) of this  
12 section, ~~the veteran~~ shall remain qualified in subsequent  
13 years ~~upon complying with paragraph (c)(ii) of this section~~  
14 if the person pursues one or more courses of education  
15 while remaining continuously enrolled, other than during  
16 regularly scheduled breaks, lives in the state during the  
17 term of enrollment and, if the person is eligible through a  
18 transfer of eligibility pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 3319, the  
19 transfer has not been validly revoked.  
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21           **21-18-202. Powers and duties of the commission.**  
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1           (a) The commission shall perform the following  
2 general functions:

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4           (iii) Establish residency requirements, which  
5 shall include provisions for military veterans, their  
6 spouses and children consistent with the requirements of  
7 W.S. 21-17-105(e);

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9           **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon  
10 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law  
11 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
12 Constitution.

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