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SENATE DRS35178-LH-113 (03/06)

Short Title: In-State Tuition for Veterans. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Clark and Meredith (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN VETERANS SHALL BE CHARGED THE  
3 RESIDENT TUITION TO ATTEND A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER  
4 EDUCATION IN NORTH CAROLINA WITHOUT HAVING FIRST MAINTAINED  
5 LEGAL RESIDENCE IN NORTH CAROLINA FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** Article 14 of Chapter 116 of the General Statutes is amended by  
8 adding a new section to read:

9 "**§ 116-143.3A. Tuition of veterans and their dependents.**

10 (a) The following definitions apply in this section:

11 (1) Abode. – Has the same meaning as G.S. 116-143.3(a)(1).

12 (2) Armed Forces. – Has the same meaning as G.S. 116-143.3(a)(2).

13 (3) Veteran. – Any person who is honorably discharged from the Armed Forces  
14 on or after July 1, 2013.

15 (b) Notwithstanding G.S. 116-143.1(b), a veteran qualifying for admission to an  
16 institution of higher education as defined in G.S. 116-143.1(a) shall be charged the in-State  
17 tuition rate without having maintained legal residence in North Carolina for at least 12 months  
18 immediately prior to the veteran's classification as a resident for tuition purposes if the veteran  
19 satisfies all of the following criteria:

20 (1) The veteran's last permanent duty station was in North Carolina.

21 (2) The veteran's abode is North Carolina.

22 (3) The veteran satisfies all other conditions for domicile.

23 (4) The veteran enrolls in a public institution of higher education within one  
24 year of the date of the veteran's discharge from the Armed Forces.

25 (c) A veteran who is classified as a resident for tuition purposes under this section shall  
26 continue to be eligible for in-State tuition under this section for no more than 12 months from  
27 the date the veteran enrolls in the degree or other program."

28 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to academic  
29 semesters beginning on or after July 1, 2013.



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