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SENATE BILL DRS45247-LM-27A

Short Title: Vets Children/Short-term Workforce Training. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators D. Davis, Ballard, and Britt (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT PROVIDING THAT CHILDREN OF WARTIME VETERANS RECEIVING A
3 CLASS I-A, I-B, OR IV SCHOLARSHIP MAY USE THOSE FUNDS TO COVER THE
4 COST OF SHORT-TERM WORKFORCE TRAINING COURSES LEADING TO
5 INDUSTRY CREDENTIALS.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 143B-1225 reads as rewritten:

8 "**§ 143B-1225. Scholarship.**

9 (a) A scholarship granted pursuant to this Part shall consist of the following benefits in
10 either a State or private educational institution:

11 ...
12 (6) A Class I-A, I-B, and IV scholarship, as defined in G.S. 143B-1226(b), may
13 be used at any time during the student's period of entitlement to cover the cost
14 of short-term workforce training courses leading to industry credentials. In no
15 case shall the cost of short-term workforce training courses plus tuition and
16 other allowances authorized by subdivision (1) of this subsection exceed the
17 total scholarship awarded.

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19 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 143B-1227 reads as rewritten:

20 "**§ 143B-1227. Administration and funding.**

21 ...
22 (d) Scholarship recipients electing to attend a private educational institution shall be
23 granted a monetary allowance for each term or other academic period attended under their
24 respective scholarship awards. All recipients under Class I-B scholarship shall receive an
25 allowance at one rate, irrespective of course or institution; all recipients under Classes I-A, II, III
26 and IV shall receive a uniform allowance at a rate higher than for Class I-B, irrespective of course
27 or institution. The amount of said allowances shall be determined by the Director of the Budget
28 and made known prior to the beginning of each fall quarter or semester; provided that the Director
29 of the Budget may change the allowances at intermediate periods when in his judgment such
30 changes are necessary. Disbursements by the State shall be to the private institution concerned,
31 for credit to the account of each recipient attending said institution. The manner of payment to
32 any private institution shall be as prescribed by the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.
33 The participation by any private institution in the program shall be subject to the applicable
34 provisions of this Part and to examination by State auditors of the accounts of scholarship
35 recipients attending or having attended private institutions. The Veterans' Affairs Commission
36 may defer making an award or may suspend an award in any private institution which does not



1 comply with the provisions of this Part relating to said institutions. A Class I-A, I-B, and IV
2 scholarship recipient may use the monetary allowance at any time during the student's period of
3 entitlement to cover the cost of short-term workforce training courses leading to industry
4 credentials. Disbursements by the State shall be to the community college providing the
5 short-term workforce training courses for credit to the account of each recipient attending the
6 institution. In no case shall the cost of the short-term workforce training courses plus
7 disbursements made to the community college exceed the total monetary allowance the student
8 is eligible for during the period of entitlement.

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10 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.