

HOUSE BILL No. 1317

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 21-14-9-1.5; IC 21-42-7-2.

Synopsis: College credit for military training. Allows a nonresident individual who: (1) is transitioning from active duty; or (2) has been separated from active duty for less than one year; to pay resident tuition at state educational institutions. Requires a state educational institution to adopt a policy to award educational credit to an individual who completes courses: (1) taken during the individual's active duty military service at a postsecondary educational institution accredited by a regional accrediting agency or association or by an organization recognized by the United States Department of Education; and (2) that meet the state educational institution's role, scope, and mission. Requires a state educational institution to adopt a policy to award educational credit to an individual who completes certain college equivalency examinations that meet the state educational institution's role, scope, and mission. Provides that the state educational institution's policy must provide that educational credit awarded to an individual applies to the individual's degree requirements if the credit is comparable and applicable to credit necessary for the individual to meet the individual's degree requirements.

Effective: July 1, 2014.

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January 21, 2014, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.



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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning military and veterans.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 21-14-9-1.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW SECTION** TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2014]: **Sec. 1.5. Notwithstanding any other statute, a person who:**
4 **(1) is a nonresident of Indiana;**
5 **(2) either:**
6 **(A) is transitioning from active duty; or**
7 **(B) has been separated from active duty for less than one**
8 **(1) year; and**
9 **(3) is attending a state educational institution;**
10 **is eligible to pay the resident tuition rate determined by the state**
11 **educational institution for courses taken by the person while the**
12 **person continues to satisfy the criteria set forth in subdivisions (2)**
13 **and (3).**
14 SECTION 2. IC 21-42-7-2, AS ADDED BY P.L.57-2012,
15 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
16 JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 2. **(a)** Each state educational institution shall



1 adopt a policy to award educational credit to an individual who:

2 (1) is enrolled in a state educational institution; and

3 (2) successfully:

4 (A) completes courses that:

5 ~~(A)~~ (i) are part of the individual's military service;

6 ~~(B)~~ (ii) meet the standards of the American Council on
7 Education, or the council's successor organization, for
8 awarding academic credit; and

9 ~~(C)~~ (iii) meet the state educational institution's role, scope,
10 and mission;

11 (B) completes during the individual's active duty military
12 service:

13 (i) a College-Level Examination Program (CLEP)
14 developed by the College Board;

15 (ii) a United States Department of Defense's Defense
16 Activity for Non-Traditional Educational Support
17 Program examination; or

18 (iii) an Excelsior College Examination;

19 that meets the state educational institution's role, scope,
20 and mission; or

21 (C) completes courses:

22 (i) during the individual's active duty military service at
23 a postsecondary educational institution accredited by a
24 regional accrediting agency or association or by an
25 organization recognized by the United States
26 Department of Education; and

27 (ii) that meet the state educational institution's role,
28 scope, and mission.

29 (b) The state educational institution's policy described in
30 subsection (a) must provide that educational credit awarded to an
31 individual under this section applies to the individual's degree
32 requirements if the credit is comparable and applicable, as
33 reasonably determined by the state educational institution, to
34 credit offered by the state educational institution and is necessary
35 for the individual to meet the individual's degree requirements at
36 the state educational institution.

