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# ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL No. 1511

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DIGEST OF HB 1511 (Updated April 6, 2023 11:16 am - DI 116)

**Citations Affected:** IC 21-13; IC 21-14.

**Synopsis:** Higher education scholarships, grants, and cost exemptions. Provides that money in the National Guard tuition supplement program fund and the National Guard scholarship extension fund may not be expended, removed, or transferred from the respective fund except to be used for the purposes of the respective fund. Provides that an eligible applicant for: (1) a scholarship under the National Guard tuition supplement program; or (2) an educational cost exemption or award; may apply for a scholarship, exemption, or award to attend a state educational institution or an approved postsecondary educational institution under certain conditions.

**Effective:** July 1, 2023.

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January 17, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.  
February 9, 2023, amended, reported — Do Pass. Referred to Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to Rule 127.  
February 21, 2023, amended, reported — Do Pass.  
February 23, 2023, read second time, ordered engrossed.  
February 24, 2023, engrossed.  
February 27, 2023, read third time, passed. Yeas 94, nays 0.

#### SENATE ACTION

March 6, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.  
March 23, 2023, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations.  
April 6, 2023, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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## ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL No. 1511

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning higher education and to make an appropriation.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 21-13-1-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.63-2021,  
2 SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 4. "Eligible student", for purposes of section 8 of  
4 this chapter, means a person who:  
5 (1) is a member of the Indiana National Guard:  
6 (A) in active drilling status; and  
7 (B) who has not been absent without leave within the twelve  
8 (12) months immediately preceding the date the person applies  
9 for a tuition scholarship under this chapter;  
10 (2) possesses the requisite academic qualifications; **and**  
11 ~~(3) meets the requirements of the state educational institution in~~  
12 ~~which the person is enrolled or will enroll; and~~  
13 ~~(4)~~ **(3)** meets all other eligibility requirements as determined by  
14 the commission.  
15 SECTION 2. IC 21-13-1-7, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007, SECTION  
16 254, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
17 1, 2023]: Sec. 7. "Scholarship", for purposes of IC 21-13-4, means

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1 financial assistance provided to a student to offset the educational costs  
 2 incurred by the student in attending a state educational institution **or an**  
 3 **approved postsecondary educational institution listed in**  
 4 **IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(i) through IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(xxx)** as  
 5 determined by the commission.

6 SECTION 3. IC 21-13-1-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.217-2015,  
 7 SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 8 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 8. "Scholarship applicant", for purposes of  
 9 IC 21-13-4, means a person who:

- 10 (1) is an eligible student;  
 11 (2) has been accepted to attend a state educational institution **or**  
 12 **an approved postsecondary educational institution listed in**  
 13 **IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(i) through IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(xxx)** as  
 14 a full-time or part-time student;  
 15 (3) has been certified to have met all National Guard  
 16 requirements; and  
 17 (4) according to commission requirements, has timely filed an  
 18 application for and, if applicable, used any federal and state  
 19 financial assistance available to the person. ~~to attend a state~~  
 20 ~~educational institution.~~

21 SECTION 4. IC 21-13-4-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2007,  
 22 SECTION 59, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 23 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 1. (a) The National Guard tuition supplement  
 24 program fund is established to provide the financial resources  
 25 necessary to award the tuition scholarships authorized under the  
 26 program.

27 (b) The commission shall administer the fund.

28 (c) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from  
 29 money in the fund.

30 (d) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert  
 31 to the state general fund but remains available to be used for providing  
 32 money for national guard tuition supplement scholarships under this  
 33 chapter.

34 **(e) Money in the fund may not be expended, removed, or**  
 35 **transferred from the fund by the state board of finance, the budget**  
 36 **agency, the commission, or any other state agency for any purpose**  
 37 **except for the purposes specified in this chapter.**

38 SECTION 5. IC 21-13-4-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.63-2021,  
 39 SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 40 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 2. Money in the National Guard tuition  
 41 supplement program fund shall be used to provide annual scholarships  
 42 to scholarship applicants ~~in an amount that is equal to one (1) of the~~



1 following amounts: under this chapter. Annual scholarships shall be  
 2 awarded in the following amounts:

3 (1) A scholarship applicant who attends a state educational  
 4 institution shall receive a scholarship under this chapter in an  
 5 amount that is equal to one (1) of the following:

6 (A) If the scholarship applicant does not receive other  
 7 financial assistance specifically designated for educational  
 8 costs, the amount equal to a full undergraduate tuition  
 9 scholarship, regardless as to whether the student uses the  
 10 scholarship for undergraduate or graduate educational costs,  
 11 to attend the state educational institution.

12 ~~(2)~~ (B) If the scholarship applicant receives other financial  
 13 assistance specifically designated for educational costs, the  
 14 amount:

15 ~~(A)~~ (i) equal to the balance required to attend the state  
 16 educational institution; and

17 ~~(B)~~ (ii) not to exceed the amount described in subdivision  
 18 ~~(1)~~: clause (A).

19 (2) A scholarship applicant who attends an approved  
 20 postsecondary educational institution listed in  
 21 IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(i) through IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(xxx)  
 22 shall receive a scholarship under this chapter in an amount  
 23 equal to the lesser of the following:

24 (A) If the scholarship applicant receives other financial  
 25 assistance specifically designated for educational costs, the  
 26 amount equal to the balance required to attend the  
 27 approved postsecondary educational institution.

28 (B) Five thousand dollars (\$5,000).

29 SECTION 6. IC 21-13-5-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.144-2007,  
 30 SECTION 21, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 31 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 1. (a) The National Guard scholarship extension  
 32 fund is established to provide the financial resources necessary to  
 33 award tuition scholarships to scholarship extension applicants.

34 (b) The commission shall administer the fund. The expenses of  
 35 administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.

36 (c) The fund consists of money transferred to the fund from the  
 37 National Guard scholarship program reserves.

38 (d) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert  
 39 to the state general fund.

40 (e) Money in the fund may not be expended, removed, or  
 41 transferred from the fund by the state board of finance, the budget  
 42 agency, the commission, or any other state agency for any purpose



1 **except for the purposes specified in this chapter.**

2 SECTION 7. IC 21-14-1-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
3 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
4 1, 2023]: **Sec. 2.5. For purposes of IC 21-14-4, "approved  
5 postsecondary educational institution" refers to an approved  
6 postsecondary educational institution listed in  
7 IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(i) through IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(xxx).**

8 SECTION 8. IC 21-14-4-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.112-2019,  
9 SECTION 8, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
10 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 1. (a) This chapter applies to the following  
11 persons:

12 (1) A person who:

13 (A) is a pupil at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Children's Home;  
14 and

15 (B) was admitted to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Children's Home  
16 because the person was related to a member of the armed  
17 forces of the United States.

18 (2) A person whose mother or father:

19 (A) served in the armed forces of the United States;

20 (B) received the Purple Heart decoration or was wounded as  
21 a result of enemy action;

22 (C) received a discharge or separation from the armed forces  
23 other than a dishonorable discharge; and

24 (D) either designated Indiana as home of record at the time of  
25 enlistment in the armed forces of the United States or resided  
26 in Indiana at least five (5) years before the person first applies  
27 for an exemption under this chapter.

28 (3) A person whose mother or father:

29 (A) served in the armed forces of the United States during a  
30 war or performed duty equally hazardous that was recognized  
31 by the award of a service or campaign medal of the United  
32 States;

33 (B) suffered a service connected death or disability as  
34 determined by the United States Department of Veterans  
35 Affairs;

36 (C) received any discharge or separation from the armed  
37 forces other than a dishonorable discharge; and

38 (D) either listed Indiana as home of record at the time of  
39 enlistment in the armed forces of the United States or resided  
40 in Indiana at least five (5) years before the person first applies  
41 for an exemption under this chapter.

42 (4) A person who:



- 1 (A) enters active duty service from a permanent home address  
 2 in Indiana;  
 3 (B) received a discharge or separation from the armed forces  
 4 of the United States other than a dishonorable discharge; and  
 5 (C) received the Purple Heart decoration or was wounded as  
 6 a result of enemy action.
- 7 (5) A person whose mother, father, or spouse:  
 8 (A) served as a public safety officer; and  
 9 (B) was killed in the line of duty.
- 10 (6) A person whose mother, father, or spouse:  
 11 (A) is a member of the 1977 fund;  
 12 (B) sustained a catastrophic physical personal injury in the line  
 13 of duty; and  
 14 (C) qualifies for benefits under IC 36-8-8-13.3(f) or  
 15 IC 36-8-8-13.5(m).
- 16 (7) A person whose mother, father, or spouse:  
 17 (A) was a member of the Indiana National Guard; and  
 18 (B) suffered a service connected death while serving on state  
 19 active duty (as described in IC 10-16-7-7).
- 20 (8) A person whose mother, father, or spouse:  
 21 (A) was a state police officer; and  
 22 (B) suffered a permanent and total disability from a  
 23 catastrophic personal injury that was sustained in the line of  
 24 duty and permanently prevents the state police officer from  
 25 performing any gainful work.
- 26 (b) In addition to the eligibility requirements under subsection (a),  
 27 an individual must meet the following to be eligible for an educational  
 28 costs exemption under this chapter:
- 29 (1) The individual **meets one (1) of the following:**  
 30 **(A) If the individual will attend a state educational**  
 31 **institution, the individual** is eligible to pay the resident  
 32 tuition rate at the state educational institution the individual  
 33 will attend, as determined by the state educational institution.  
 34 **(B) If the individual will attend an approved postsecondary**  
 35 **educational institution, the individual is a resident of**  
 36 **Indiana.**
- 37 (2) If the individual:  
 38 (A) qualifies for an exemption under this chapter based on the  
 39 service of the individual's mother or father; and  
 40 (B) was adopted by the individual's mother or father described  
 41 in clause (A);  
 42 the individual was adopted before the individual was eighteen



1 (18) years of age.

2 (3) If the individual qualifies for an exemption under this chapter  
3 based on the service of the individual's mother or father, the  
4 individual is not more than thirty-two (32) years of age when the  
5 individual first applies and becomes eligible for the exemption  
6 under this chapter.

7 (4) The individual is, after high school graduation, pursuing a  
8 prescribed course of study at the state educational institution **or**  
9 **approved postsecondary educational institution.**

10 (5) ~~After July 1, 2020;~~ The individual maintains satisfactory  
11 academic progress, as determined by the state educational  
12 institution **or approved postsecondary educational institution.**

13 SECTION 9. IC 21-14-4-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.112-2019,  
14 SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
15 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 8. (a) **This section applies only to an eligible**  
16 **applicant who attends a state educational institution.**

17 (b) The amount of the exemptions under this chapter is equal to one  
18 (1) of the following amounts:

19 (1) If the applicant does not receive financial assistance  
20 specifically designated for educational costs, the amount  
21 determined under sections 2 through 6 of this chapter.

22 (2) If the applicant receives any financial assistance, including  
23 federal assistance, specifically designated for educational costs:

24 (A) the amount determined under sections 2 through 6 of this  
25 chapter; minus

26 (B) the financial assistance specifically designated for  
27 educational costs.

28 SECTION 10. IC 21-14-4-9, AS ADDED BY P.L.191-2017,  
29 SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
30 JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 9. (a) The tuition and fee exemption  
31 reimbursement fund is established to provide reimbursement to state  
32 educational institutions **and approved postsecondary educational**  
33 **institutions** for tuition and fee remissions listed in IC 21-12-13-1 that  
34 were provided to eligible applicants.

35 (b) The fund consists of the following:

36 (1) Appropriations made by the general assembly.

37 (2) Gifts, grants, devises, or bequests made to the state to achieve  
38 the purposes of the fund.

39 (c) The fund shall be administered by the commission.

40 (d) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from  
41 money in the fund.

42 (e) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not





1 currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same  
 2 manner as other public funds are invested.

3 (f) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert  
 4 to the state general fund but remains available to be used for providing  
 5 reimbursement for tuition and fee remissions as provided under  
 6 subsection (a).

7 SECTION 11. IC 21-14-4-10 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
 8 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 9 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 10. (a) An applicant who attends  
 10 an approved postsecondary educational institution qualifies for an  
 11 annual award under this chapter if the applicant:**

12 **(1) attends an approved postsecondary educational institution  
 13 listed in IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(i) through  
 14 IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(xxx);**

15 **(2) meets the qualification requirements under section 1 of  
 16 this chapter;**

17 **(3) graduated from high school after January 1, 2023; and**

18 **(4) has not received an award toward one hundred  
 19 twenty-four (124) semester credit hours or its equivalent as  
 20 determined by the commission.**

21 **(b) An award under this section must be in an amount equal to  
 22 the lesser of the following:**

23 **(1) If the scholarship applicant receives other financial  
 24 assistance specifically designated for educational costs, the  
 25 amount equal to the balance required to attend the approved  
 26 postsecondary educational institution.**

27 **(2) Five thousand dollars (\$5,000).**



## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Education, to which was referred House Bill 1511, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 1. IC 21-13-4-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.63-2021, SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 2. Money in the National Guard tuition supplement program fund shall be used to provide annual scholarships to scholarship applicants in an amount that is equal to one (1) of the following amounts:

(1) If the scholarship applicant **attends a state educational institution for the academic year and:**

(A) does not receive other financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, the amount equal to a full undergraduate tuition scholarship, regardless as to whether the student uses the scholarship for undergraduate or graduate educational costs, to attend the state educational institution; or

~~(2) If the scholarship applicant~~

~~(B) receives other financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, the amount:~~

~~(A) (i) equal to the balance required to attend the state educational institution; and~~

~~(B) (ii) not to exceed the amount described in subdivision (A) clause (A).~~

(2) If the scholarship applicant **attends an approved postsecondary institution for the academic year and:**

(A) **does not receive other financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, the amount equal to the cost of an average of an undergraduate semester credit hour at all state educational institutions, not including Ivy Tech Community College, as determined by the commission; or**

(B) **receives other financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, an amount that:**

(i) **is equal to the remaining balance required to attend the approved postsecondary educational institution, as determined under clause (A), for the academic year after applying the other financial assistance; and**

(ii) **does not exceed the amount described in clause (A)."**



Page 2, line 12, delete "institution," and insert "**institution or an approved postsecondary educational institution,**".

Page 2, delete lines 29 through 42, begin a new paragraph and insert:

**"Sec. 8. Money in the fund shall be used to provide annual tuition scholarships to eligible applicants in an amount that is equal to one (1) of the following:**

**(1) If the eligible applicant attends a state educational institution for the academic year and:**

**(A) does not receive other financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, an amount equal to the cost of full tuition to attend the state educational institution for the academic year; or**

**(B) receives other financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, an amount that:**

**(i) is equal to the remaining balance required to attend the state educational institution for the academic year after applying the other financial assistance; and**

**(ii) does not exceed the amount described in clause (A).**

**(2) If the eligible applicant attends an approved postsecondary educational institution for the academic year and:**

**(A) does not receive other financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, an amount equal to the cost of an average of an undergraduate semester credit hour at all state educational institutions, not including Ivy Tech Community College, as determined by the commission; or**

**(B) receives other financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, an amount that:**

**(i) is equal to the remaining balance required to attend the approved postsecondary educational institution, as determined under clause (A), for the academic year after applying the other financial assistance; and**

**(ii) does not exceed the amount described in clause (A)."**

Page 3, line 4, delete "twenty-eight (128)" and insert "**twenty-four (124)**".

Page 3, line 5, delete "hours." and insert "**hours at a state educational institution or an equivalent number of credit hours at an approved postsecondary educational institution, as determined by the commission.**".

Page 3, line 9, after "institution" insert "**or approved**



**postsecondary educational institution".**

Page 3, after line 16, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 2. IC 21-14-4-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.112-2019, SECTION 8, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 1. (a) This chapter applies to the following persons:

- (1) A person who:
  - (A) is a pupil at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Children's Home; and
  - (B) was admitted to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Children's Home because the person was related to a member of the armed forces of the United States.
- (2) A person whose mother or father:
  - (A) served in the armed forces of the United States;
  - (B) received the Purple Heart decoration or was wounded as a result of enemy action;
  - (C) received a discharge or separation from the armed forces other than a dishonorable discharge; and
  - (D) either designated Indiana as home of record at the time of enlistment in the armed forces of the United States or resided in Indiana at least five (5) years before the person first applies for an exemption under this chapter.
- (3) A person whose mother or father:
  - (A) served in the armed forces of the United States during a war or performed duty equally hazardous that was recognized by the award of a service or campaign medal of the United States;
  - (B) suffered a service connected death or disability as determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs;
  - (C) received any discharge or separation from the armed forces other than a dishonorable discharge; and
  - (D) either listed Indiana as home of record at the time of enlistment in the armed forces of the United States or resided in Indiana at least five (5) years before the person first applies for an exemption under this chapter.
- (4) A person who:
  - (A) enters active duty service from a permanent home address in Indiana;
  - (B) received a discharge or separation from the armed forces of the United States other than a dishonorable discharge; and
  - (C) received the Purple Heart decoration or was wounded as



a result of enemy action.

- (5) A person whose mother, father, or spouse:
    - (A) served as a public safety officer; and
    - (B) was killed in the line of duty.
  - (6) A person whose mother, father, or spouse:
    - (A) is a member of the 1977 fund;
    - (B) sustained a catastrophic physical personal injury in the line of duty; and
    - (C) qualifies for benefits under IC 36-8-8-13.3(f) or IC 36-8-8-13.5(m).
  - (7) A person whose mother, father, or spouse:
    - (A) was a member of the Indiana National Guard; and
    - (B) suffered a service connected death while serving on state active duty (as described in IC 10-16-7-7).
  - (8) A person whose mother, father, or spouse:
    - (A) was a state police officer; and
    - (B) suffered a permanent and total disability from a catastrophic personal injury that was sustained in the line of duty and permanently prevents the state police officer from performing any gainful work.
- (b) In addition to the eligibility requirements under subsection (a), an individual must meet the following to be eligible for an educational costs exemption under this chapter:
- (1) The individual is eligible to pay the resident tuition rate at the state educational institution **or approved postsecondary educational institution** the individual will attend, as determined by the state educational institution **or approved postsecondary educational institution, as applicable.**
  - (2) If the individual:
    - (A) qualifies for an exemption under this chapter based on the service of the individual's mother or father; and
    - (B) was adopted by the individual's mother or father described in clause (A);
 the individual was adopted before the individual was eighteen (18) years of age.
  - (3) If the individual qualifies for an exemption under this chapter based on the service of the individual's mother or father, the individual is not more than thirty-two (32) years of age when the individual first applies and becomes eligible for the exemption under this chapter.
  - (4) The individual is, after high school graduation, pursuing a prescribed course of study at the state educational institution **or**



**approved postsecondary educational institution.**

(5) ~~After July 1, 2020~~; The individual maintains satisfactory academic progress, as determined by the state educational institution **or approved postsecondary educational institution.**

SECTION 3. IC 21-14-4-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.112-2019, SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 2. (a) Subject to this section and section 2.5 of this chapter, an eligible applicant is entitled to enter, remain, and receive instruction in a state educational institution **or an approved postsecondary educational institution** upon the same conditions, qualifications, and regulations prescribed for other applicants for admission to or scholars in the state educational institutions **or approved postsecondary educational institutions**, without the payment of any educational costs for:

- (1) one hundred twenty-four (124) semester credit hours in the state educational institution; **or**
- (2) **the equivalent number of credit hours at an approved postsecondary educational institution, as determined by the commission.**

(b) The maximum amount that an eligible applicant is exempt from paying for a semester hour is an amount equal to:

- (1) the cost of an undergraduate semester credit hour at the state educational institution in which the eligible applicant enrolls; **or**
- (2) **if the applicant enrolls in an approved postsecondary educational institution, the cost of an average of an undergraduate semester credit hour at all state educational institutions not including Ivy Tech Community College, as determined by the commission.**

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter or another law, a change in the criteria for or the amount of an exemption awarded under this chapter enacted in the 2011 session of the general assembly applies only to an individual who qualifies for an exemption under this chapter because of a father or mother (or in the case of section 1(a)(1) of this chapter, a related member) who enlisted or otherwise initially served in the armed forces of the United States after June 30, 2011.

SECTION 4. IC 21-14-4-9, AS ADDED BY P.L.191-2017, SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 9. (a) The tuition and fee exemption reimbursement fund is established to provide reimbursement to state educational institutions **and approved postsecondary educational institutions** for tuition and fee remissions listed in IC 21-12-13-1 that were provided to eligible applicants.



(b) The fund consists of the following:

- (1) Appropriations made by the general assembly.
- (2) Gifts, grants, devises, or bequests made to the state to achieve the purposes of the fund.

(c) The fund shall be administered by the commission.

(d) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.

(e) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same manner as other public funds are invested.

(f) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund but remains available to be used for providing reimbursement for tuition and fee remissions as provided under subsection (a)."

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1511 as introduced.)

BEHNING

Committee Vote: yeas 12, nays 0.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred House Bill 1511, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 1. IC 21-13-4-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.234-2007, SECTION 59, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 1. (a) The National Guard tuition supplement program fund is established to provide the financial resources necessary to award the tuition scholarships authorized under the program.

(b) The commission shall administer the fund.

(c) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.

(d) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert

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to the state general fund but remains available to be used for providing money for national guard tuition supplement scholarships under this chapter.

**(e) Money in the fund may not be expended, removed, or transferred from the fund by the state board of finance, the budget agency, the commission, or any other state agency for any purpose except for the purposes specified in this chapter."**

Page 2, between lines 18 and 19, begin a new paragraph and insert:  
"SECTION 3. IC 21-13-5-1, AS ADDED BY P.L.144-2007, SECTION 21, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 1. (a) The National Guard scholarship extension fund is established to provide the financial resources necessary to award tuition scholarships to scholarship extension applicants.

(b) The commission shall administer the fund. The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.

(c) The fund consists of money transferred to the fund from the National Guard scholarship program reserves.

(d) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund.

**(e) Money in the fund may not be expended, removed, or transferred from the fund by the state board of finance, the budget agency, the commission, or any other state agency for any purpose except for the purposes specified in this chapter."**

Page 3, line 14, after "fund" insert "only".

Page 3, between lines 22 and 23, begin a new paragraph and insert:  
**"(f) Money in the fund may not be expended, removed, or transferred from the fund by the state board of finance, the budget agency, the commission, or any other state agency for any purpose except for the purposes specified in this chapter."**

Page 3, line 23, delete "Money" and insert **"(a) Subject to subsection (b), money"**.

Page 4, between lines 11 and 12, begin a new paragraph and insert:  
**"(b) The amount of an annual tuition scholarship under subsection (a) may not exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000)."**

Page 7, line 3, delete "equivalent number of credit hours at an approved" and insert **"lesser of:**

**(A) the equivalent number of credit hours at an approved postsecondary educational institution; or**

**(B) five thousand dollars (\$5,000);**

**as determined by the commission."**

Page 7, delete lines 4 through 5.





Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.  
and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1511 as printed February 9, 2023.)

THOMPSON

Committee Vote: yeas 23, nays 0.

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#### COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred House Bill No. 1511, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 1. IC 21-13-1-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.63-2021, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 4. "Eligible student", for purposes of section 8 of this chapter, means a person who:

- (1) is a member of the Indiana National Guard:
  - (A) in active drilling status; and
  - (B) who has not been absent without leave within the twelve (12) months immediately preceding the date the person applies for a tuition scholarship under this chapter;
- (2) possesses the requisite academic qualifications; **and**
- ~~(3) meets the requirements of the state educational institution in which the person is enrolled or will enroll; and~~
- ~~(4)~~ **(3)** meets all other eligibility requirements as determined by the commission.

SECTION 2. IC 21-13-1-5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.148-2016, SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: Sec. 5. "Fund":

- (1) for purposes of IC 21-13-2, refers to the William A. Crawford minority teacher scholarship fund established by IC 21-13-2-1;
- (2) for purposes of IC 21-13-4, refers to the National Guard tuition supplement program fund established by IC 21-13-4-1;
- (3) for purposes of IC 21-13-5, refers to the National Guard

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scholarship extension fund established by IC 21-13-5-1;

(4) for purposes of IC 21-13-6, refers to the primary care physician loan forgiveness fund established by IC 21-13-6-3; ~~and~~

(5) for purposes of IC 21-13-6.5, refers to the medical residency education fund established by IC 21-13-6.5-1; **and**

**(6) for purposes of IC 21-13-12, refers to the reservist tuition supplement program fund established by IC 21-13-12-1.**

SECTION 3. IC 21-13-1-6.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 6.5. "Reservist", for the purposes of IC 21-13-12, means an individual who:**

**(1) serves in a reserve component of the armed forces of the United States; and**

**(2) has not previously served in a component of the armed forces of the United States.**

SECTION 4. IC 21-13-1-7, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007, SECTION 254, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 7. "Scholarship", for purposes of IC 21-13-4, means financial assistance provided to a student to offset the educational costs incurred by the student in attending a state educational institution **or an approved postsecondary educational institution listed in IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(i) through IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(xxx)** as determined by the commission.**

SECTION 5. IC 21-13-1-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.217-2015, SECTION 2, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 8. "Scholarship applicant", for purposes of IC 21-13-4, means a person who:**

(1) is an eligible student;

(2) has been accepted to attend a state educational institution **or an approved postsecondary educational institution listed in IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(i) through IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(xxx)** as a full-time or part-time student;

(3) has been certified to have met all National Guard requirements; and

(4) according to commission requirements, has timely filed an application for and, if applicable, used any federal and state financial assistance available to the person. ~~to attend a state educational institution."~~

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 35, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 7. IC 21-13-4-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.63-2021, SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 2. Money in the National Guard tuition**



supplement program fund shall be used to provide annual scholarships to scholarship applicants ~~in an amount that is equal to one (1) of the following amounts:~~ **under this chapter. Annual scholarships shall be awarded in the following amounts:**

**(1) A scholarship applicant who attends a state educational institution shall receive a scholarship under this chapter in an amount that is equal to one (1) of the following:**

**(A)** If the scholarship applicant does not receive other financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, the amount equal to a full undergraduate tuition scholarship, regardless as to whether the student uses the scholarship for undergraduate or graduate educational costs, to attend the state educational institution.

~~(2)~~ **(B)** If the scholarship applicant receives other financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, the amount:

~~(A)~~ **(i)** equal to the balance required to attend the state educational institution; and

~~(B)~~ **(ii)** not to exceed the amount described in ~~subdivision (1):~~ **clause (A).**

**(2) A scholarship applicant who attends an approved postsecondary educational institution listed in IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(i) through IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(xxx) shall receive a scholarship under this chapter in an amount equal to the lesser of the following:**

**(A)** If the scholarship applicant receives other financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, the amount equal to the balance required to attend the approved postsecondary educational institution.

**(B)** Five thousand dollars (\$5,000)."

Page 3, delete lines 13 through 42, begin a new paragraph and insert:

**"Sec. 1. (a) The reservist tuition supplement program fund is established to provide the financial resources necessary to award the tuition scholarships authorized under the program.**

**(b) The commission shall administer the fund.**

**(c) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.**

**(d) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not revert to the state general fund but remains available to be used for providing money for reservist tuition supplement scholarships under this chapter.**



**Sec. 2. Money in the reservist tuition supplement program fund shall be used to provide annual scholarships to scholarship applicants. Annual scholarships shall be awarded in the following amounts:**

**(1) A scholarship applicant who attends a state educational institution shall receive a scholarship under this chapter in an amount that is equal to one (1) of the following:**

**(A) If the scholarship applicant does not receive other financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, the amount equal to a full undergraduate tuition scholarship, regardless as to whether the student uses the scholarship for undergraduate or graduate educational costs, to attend the state educational institution.**

**(B) If the scholarship applicant receives other financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, the amount:**

**(i) equal to the balance required to attend the state educational institution; and**

**(ii) not to exceed the amount described in clause (A).**

**(2) A scholarship applicant who attends an approved postsecondary educational institution listed in IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(i) through IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(xxx) shall receive a scholarship under this chapter in an amount equal to the lesser of the following:**

**(A) If the scholarship applicant receives other financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, the amount equal to the balance required to attend the approved postsecondary educational institution.**

**(B) Five thousand dollars (\$5,000).**

**Sec. 3. To be eligible for a scholarship under this chapter, an applicant must:**

**(1) be a reservist;**

**(2) be a resident of Indiana;**

**(3) intend to pursue or, in the case of an applicant who is already attending a state educational institution or an approved postsecondary educational institution described in section 2(2) of this chapter, be pursuing an associate degree or a baccalaureate degree;**

**(4) according to commission requirements, have timely filed an application for and, if applicable, used any federal and state financial assistance available to the person; and**

**(5) meet any other eligibility criteria established by the**



**commission.**

**Sec. 4. (a) Subject to subsection (b), each scholarship awarded under this chapter:**

**(1) may be renewed under this chapter for a total scholarship award that does not exceed the equivalent of the number of terms that constitutes six (6) academic years as determined by the commission; and**

**(2) is subject to other eligibility criteria as established by the commission.**

**(b) A scholarship awarded under this chapter may not be renewed if the eligible individual fails to maintain at least a cumulative grade point average that the eligible institution determines is satisfactory academic progress.**

SECTION 10. IC 21-14-1-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 2.5. For purposes of IC 21-14-4, "approved postsecondary educational institution" refers to an approved postsecondary educational institution listed in IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(i) through IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(xxx).**"

Delete page 4.

Page 5, delete lines 1 through 26.

Page 7, delete lines 6 through 10, begin a new line block indented and insert:

**"(1) The individual meets one (1) of the following:**

**(A) If the individual will attend a state educational institution, the individual is eligible to pay the resident tuition rate at the state educational institution the individual will attend, as determined by the state educational institution.**

**(B) If the individual will attend an approved postsecondary educational institution, the individual is a resident of Indiana."**

Page 7, delete lines 29 through 42.

Page 8, delete lines 1 through 19, begin a new paragraph and insert:  
"SECTION 12. IC 21-14-4-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.112-2019, SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 8. (a) This section applies only to an eligible applicant who attends a state educational institution.**

**(b) The amount of the exemptions under this chapter is equal to one (1) of the following amounts:**

**(1) If the applicant does not receive financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, the amount determined under sections 2 through 6 of this chapter.**



- (2) If the applicant receives any financial assistance, including federal assistance, specifically designated for educational costs:
- (A) the amount determined under sections 2 through 6 of this chapter; minus
  - (B) the financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs."

Page 8, after line 40, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 14. IC 21-14-4-10 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS** [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 10. (a) An applicant who attends an approved postsecondary educational institution qualifies for an annual award under this chapter if the applicant:**

- (1) attends an approved postsecondary educational institution listed in IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(i) through IC 21-7-13-6(a)(1)(C)(xxx);**
- (2) meets the qualification requirements under section 1 of this chapter;**
- (3) graduated from high school after January 1, 2023; and**
- (4) has not received an award toward one hundred twenty-four (124) semester credit hours or its equivalent as determined by the commission.**

**(b) An award under this section must be in an amount equal to the lesser of the following:**

- (1) If the scholarship applicant receives other financial assistance specifically designated for educational costs, the amount equal to the balance required to attend the approved postsecondary educational institution.**
- (2) Five thousand dollars (\$5,000)."**

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass and be reassigned to the Senate Committee on Appropriations.

(Reference is to HB 1511 as printed February 21, 2023.)

RAATZ, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 13, Nays 0.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Appropriations, to

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which was referred House Bill No. 1511, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, delete lines 15 through 17.

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 20.

Page 4, delete lines 25 through 42.

Delete page 5.

Page 6, delete lines 1 through 9.

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to EHB 1511 as printed March 24, 2023.)

BASSLER

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

