

Senate Bill No. 457—Senators Parks, Spearman,
Hardy; Denis, Ford and Woodhouse

Joint Sponsors: Assemblymen Edwards, Kramer,
Wheeler, McArthur; and Pickard

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to postsecondary education; requiring the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to consult with certain entities to establish statewide standards for the awarding of credit for military education, training or occupational experience; requiring that credit earned by a student for military education, training or occupational experience be applicable toward the course work required for the award of a degree or certificate at a community college, state college or university in the Nevada System of Higher Education; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law requires the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to issue a diploma of graduation from the Nevada System of Higher Education upon the recommendation of a president of a branch within the System to students who complete the requirements for graduation and a degree. (NRS 396.560) This bill requires the Board of Regents or its designee to consult with the State approving agency designated pursuant to federal law and the American Council on Education to establish statewide standards for awarding credit for military education, training or occupational experience. This bill also requires that credit earned by a student for military education, training or occupational experience must be applicable toward the course work required of the student for the award of an associate’s degree, baccalaureate degree or certificate at any university, state college or community college in the System.

EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 396 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Board of Regents or its designee shall, in consultation with the State approving agency designated pursuant to 38 U.S.C. § 3671 and the American Council on Education, establish statewide standards for awarding credit for military education, training or occupational experience. Such standards must include, without limitation, the:



(a) Identification of any military education, training or occupational experience listed on a Joint Services Transcript or an Air University or Community College of the Air Force transcript for which credit must be awarded;

(b) Amount of credit that will be awarded for the completion of such education, training or occupational experience; and

(c) Specific academic program in a community college, state college or university to which such credit is applicable.

2. Credit earned by a student for military education, training or occupational experience must be applicable toward the course work required of the student for the award of an associate's degree, baccalaureate degree or certificate at any university, state college or community college.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2017.

