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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

A N A C T<br>RELATING TO EDUCATION - ACADEMIC CREDIT FOR MILITARY SERVICE

Introduced By: Representative Peter F. Martin
Date Introduced: February 27, 2013
Referred To: House Veterans` Affairs

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Title 16 of the General Laws entitled "EDUCATION" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following chapter:

CHAPTER 100

ACADEMIC CREDIT FOR MILITARY SERVICE

16-100-1. Academic credit for military service. -- State public higher education institutions in the state shall honor the military training, experience, correspondence courses and occupations of an individual who has served in the military or armed forces of the United States by allowing academic credits that meet the standards of the American Council on Education or equivalent standards for awarding academic credit, if the award of the educational credit is based upon the institution's admission standards and its role, scope, and mission. The board of education shall adopt policies or regulations requiring each institution to award educational credits to a student enrolled in the institution, based upon the student's military training or service when academically appropriate.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

## EXPLANATION

## BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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This act would require that state run public higher education institutions adopt a policy and promulgate regulations to award educational credits to veterans enrolled in their institution for courses that were part of the student's military training.

This act would take effect upon passage.
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