## **HOUSE BILL 800**

By Pitts

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-708, relative to receipt of Tennessee Promise scholarships by members of the Tennessee national guard or the United States military reserves.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-708(c)(1), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (A), by adding the word "or" at the end of subdivision (A), and by adding the following language as new subdivision (B):

(B) A student who is a member of the national guard or a member of a reserve unit of a branch of the United States military and who is eligible for the Tennessee Promise scholarship but who cannot enroll in the fall term immediately following completion of high school as required under subdivision (c)(1)(A), because the student is in basic or special military training, or is participating in a deployment of the student's guard or reserve unit, shall be eligible for a Tennessee Promise scholarship; provided, that the student is admitted to and enrolls in an eligible postsecondary institution in the first term beginning after the completion of the student's basic or special military training or deployment.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, at 12:01 a.m., the public welfare requiring it.