



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 485

SENATE BILL NO. 1303

By Bailey

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1199

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 4, relative to financial aid.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-1005(5), is amended by designating the subdivision as subdivision (A) and adding the following as a new subdivision:

(B)(i) Notwithstanding § 49-4-1003:

(a) As used in this subdivision (5)(B), "educational institution" means a private college of technology that:

- (1) Maintains a campus in Nashville, Tennessee that has operated as an automotive school for more than eighty (80) years;
- (2) Offers an associate of applied science degree in five (5) automotive specialties, as well as diploma programs;
- (3) Is accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges of Technology; and
- (4) Has its primary campus domiciled in another state.

(b) For purposes of this subdivision (5)(B), all references to terms defined in § 49-4-1003 that refer to an "educational institution" refer only to an "educational institution" as defined in subdivision (5)(B)(i)(a);

(ii) Notwithstanding subdivision (5)(A), the adjutant general shall reimburse the tuition charged by an educational institution to a member pursuant to this subdivision (5)(B) if the member completed the member's initial active-duty training in April of 2022, began enrolling in classes at the educational institution in August of 2022, and timely submits an application for tuition reimbursement;

(iii) Tuition reimbursement under this subdivision (5)(B) must be paid to the educational institution in accordance with subdivision (5)(A);

(iv) Notwithstanding § 49-4-1005(8), a member applying for and receiving tuition reimbursement under this subdivision (5)(B) is not required to apply for and use federal tuition assistance at the educational institution;

(v) Notwithstanding subdivision (5)(B)(iv), a member applying for and receiving tuition reimbursement under this subdivision (5)(B) is required to comply with the limitations and conditions on eligibility for tuition reimbursement under the program as set forth in § 49-4-1005(1), (2), (7), and (10); and

(vi) This subdivision (5)(B) is repealed on July 1, 2024;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-1005(11), is amended by designating the subdivision as subdivision (A) and adding the following as a new subdivision:

(B) Notwithstanding subdivision (11)(A):

(i) Members eligible for tuition reimbursement under subdivision (5)(B) must submit an application for tuition reimbursement within ninety (90) days of course completion if the course is completed on or after July 1, 2023; and

(ii) Members eligible for tuition reimbursement under subdivision (5)(B) must submit an application for tuition reimbursement no later than August 1, 2023, for courses completed by the member between August 1, 2022, and June 30, 2023.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 21, 2023




RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 17th day of May 2023



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR