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HOUSE BILL 795
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Short Title: No Comm. Coll. Tuition/Nat'l Guard Training.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 26, 2009

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO
3 WAIVE TUITION FOR MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 115D-5(b) reads as rewritten:

6 "(b) In order to make instruction as accessible as possible to all citizens, the teaching of
7 curricular courses and of noncurricular extension courses at convenient locations away from
8 institution campuses as well as on campuses is authorized and shall be encouraged.

9 (1) A pro rata portion of the established regular tuition rate charged a full-time
10 student shall be charged a part-time student taking any curriculum course.

11 (2) In lieu of any tuition charge, the State Board of Community Colleges shall
12 establish a uniform registration fee, or a schedule of uniform registration
13 fees, to be charged students enrolling in extension courses for which
14 instruction is financed primarily from State funds; provided, however, that
15 the State Board of Community Colleges may provide by general and
16 uniform regulations for waiver of tuition and registration fees for ~~persons~~
17 persons who are:

- 18 a. ~~not~~ Not enrolled in elementary or secondary schools taking courses
19 leading to a high school diploma or equivalent certificate,
20 b. ~~for~~ Taking training courses for volunteer firemen, local fire
21 department personnel, volunteer rescue and lifesaving department
22 personnel, local rescue and lifesaving department personnel,
23 c. Radio Emergency Associated Citizens Team (REACT) members
24 when the REACT team is under contract to a county as an emergency
25 response agency,
26 d. ~~local~~ Local law-enforcement officers,
27 e. ~~patients~~ Patients in State alcoholic rehabilitation centers,
28 f. ~~all full-time~~ Full-time custodial employees of the Department of
29 Correction, employees of the Department's Division of Community
30 Corrections and employees of the Department of Juvenile Justice and
31 Delinquency Prevention required to be certified under Chapter 17C
32 of the General Statutes and the rules of the Criminal Justice and
33 Training Standards Commission,
34 g. ~~trainees~~ Trainees enrolled in courses conducted under the New and
35 Expanding Industry Program,
36 h. ~~clients~~ Clients of sheltered workshops,
37 i. ~~clients~~ Clients of adult developmental activity programs,



- 1 j. ~~students~~Students in Health and Human Services Development
2 Programs,
3 k. ~~juveniles~~Juveniles of any age committed to the Department of
4 Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention by a court of competent
5 jurisdiction,
6 l. ~~prison~~Prison inmates,
7 m. Members of the North Carolina National Guard as defined in
8 G.S. 127A-3 and as administered under Article 3 of Chapter 127A of
9 the General Statutes for courses that are required for the performance
10 of their duties as members of the National Guard, members of the
11 North Carolina State Defense Militia as defined in G.S. 127A-5 and
12 as administered under Article 5 of Chapter 127A of the General
13 Statutes, and
14 n. ~~elementary~~Elementary and secondary school employees enrolled in
15 courses in first aid or cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).
16 (3) ~~Provided further, tuition~~Tuition shall be waived for senior citizens attending
17 institutions operating under this Chapter as set forth in Chapter 115B of the
18 General Statutes, Tuition Waiver for Senior Citizens.
19 (4) ~~Provided further, tuition~~Tuition shall also be waived for all courses taken by
20 high school students at community colleges, including students in early
21 college and middle college high school programs, in accordance with
22 G.S. 115D-20(4) and this section."

23 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective January 1, 2010.