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SYNOPSIS

Requires public institution of higher education to readmit student whose enrollment was interrupted due to military service.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning military service members at public institutions
2 of higher education and supplementing chapter 62 of Title 18A
3 of the New Jersey Statutes.

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5 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
6 *of New Jersey:*

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8 1. a. A public institution of higher education shall readmit an
9 undergraduate student who withdrew from the institution due to the
10 student's service in the uniformed services, including service in the
11 Armed Forces, or as a member of the National Guard or Reserve, on
12 active duty, active duty for training, or full-time National Guard
13 duty under federal or State authority. The institution shall readmit
14 the student with the same academic status as the student had when
15 the student last attended the institution.

16 b. Readmission shall be granted upon written request by the
17 student for the next academic semester beginning after the date of
18 the request. An institution shall not charge an application or other
19 fee for a readmission request made pursuant to the provisions of
20 this section.

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22 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first apply to
23 the first full academic year following the date of enactment.

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STATEMENT

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28 This bill requires a public institution of higher education to
29 readmit an undergraduate student who withdrew from the institution
30 due to the student's service in the uniformed services, including
31 service in the Armed Forces, or as a member of the National Guard
32 or Reserve, on active duty, active duty for training, or full-time
33 National Guard duty under federal or State authority. Under the bill,
34 the institution is required to readmit the student with the same
35 academic status as the student had when the student last attended
36 the institution.

37 The bill also provides that readmission is to be granted upon
38 written request by the student for the next academic semester
39 beginning after the date of the request. Finally, the bill provides
40 that an institution cannot charge an application or other fee for a
41 readmission request made pursuant to the bill's provisions.