

CHAPTER 9

NATIONAL GUARD EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM — LIMITATIONS

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AN ACT making changes to certain limitations within the national guard educational assistance program.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 261.86, subsection 3, Code 2015, is amended to read as follows:

3. a. An eligible member of the national guard, attending an institution as provided in [subsection 1](#), paragraph “d”, ~~as a full-time student~~, shall not receive educational assistance under [this section](#) for more than ~~eight semesters, or if attending as a part-time student for not more than sixteen semesters,~~ one hundred twenty credit hours of undergraduate study, or the trimester or quarter equivalent. A national guard member who has met the educational requirements for a baccalaureate degree is ineligible for educational assistance under [this section](#).

b. A member of the national guard who received educational assistance under [this section](#) prior to July 1, 2015, shall be deemed to have received educational assistance for the following number of credit hours for educational assistance received before that date:

(1) For each semester that the member received educational assistance while attending an institution as a full-time student, twelve credit hours.

(2) For each semester that the member received educational assistance while attending an institution as a part-time student, six credit hours.

(3) For each trimester or quarter that the member received educational assistance while attending an institution as a full-time or part-time student, the number of credit hours that are determined to be the semester equivalent by the college student aid commission.

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