Senate Study Bill 1006

SENATE FILE BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS BILL BY CHAIRPERSON BEALL) Passed Senate, Date _____ Passed House, Date _____ Vote: Ayes ____ Nays ___ Nays ___ A BILL FOR 1 An Act relating to the definition of resident for purposes of tuition and fees for qualified veterans at Iowa's public universities and community colleges.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA: 5 TLSB 1211SC 83 6 kh/nh/8 PAG LIN Section 1. Section 260C.14, subsection 14, Code 2009, is 2 amended to read as follows: 3 14. <u>a.</u> In its discretion, adopt rules relating to the 4 classification of students enrolled in the community college 5 who are residents of Iowa's sister states as residents or 6 nonresidents for tuition and fee purposes. 7 <u>b. Adopt rules to classify qualified veterans and</u>
8 qualified veterans' spouses and dependent children who are
9 domiciled in this state while enrolled in a community college, 10 as residents for purposes of tuition and fees. A spouse or 11 dependent child of a veteran shall not be deemed a resident
12 under this paragraph "b" unless the veteran meets all of the 13 requirements of subparagraph (2). (1) For purposes of this paragraph "b", "dependent child" 1 15 means a student who was claimed by a qualified veteran as a 1 16 dependent on the qualified veteran's internal revenue service 1 17 tax filing for the previous tax year. (2) For purposes of this paragraph "b", "qualified veteran" means a person who meets the following requirements: (a) Is eligible for benefits, or has exhausted the benefits, under the federal Post=9/11 Veterans Educational 22 Assistance Act of 2008. 23 (b) Is domiciled in this state. Sec. 2. Section 262.9, subsection 16, Code 2009, is 1 24 1 25 amended to read as follows: 16. <u>a.</u> In its discretion, adopt rules relating to the 1 27 classification of students enrolled in institutions of higher 1 28 education under the board who are residents of Iowa's sister 1 29 states as residents or nonresidents for fee purposes. b. Adopt rules to classify qualified veterans and qualified veterans' spouses and dependent children who are 32 domiciled in this state while enrolled in an institution of 33 higher education under the board, as residents for purposes of 34 tuition and fees. A spouse or dependent child of a veteran 35 shall not be deemed a resident under this paragraph "b" unless 1 the veteran meets all of the requirements of subparagraph (2).
2 (1) For purposes of this paragraph "b", "dependent child" 3 means a student who was claimed by the qualified veteran as a 4 dependent on the qualified veteran's internal revenue service 5 tax filing for the previous tax year. (2) For purposes of this paragraph "b", "qualified veteran" means a person who meets the following requirements:

(a) Is eligible for benefits, or has exhausted the 7 veteran" 9 benefits, under the federal Post=9/11 Veterans Educational 10 Assistance Act of 2008. 2 11 (b) Is domiciled in this state 2 12 EXPLANATION This bill requires the state board of regents and the 2 13 2 14 boards of directors of the state's community colleges to adopt 2 15 rules that classify qualified military veterans and their

2 16 spouses and dependent children, who are domiciled in this 2 17 state while enrolled in a regents university or community

2 18 college, as residents for purposes of tuition and fees.
2 19 The "qualified veteran" must be eligible for benefits under
2 20 the federal Post=9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of
2 21 2008 and be domiciled in this state, whether or not the
2 22 veteran is attending classes, in order for the spouse or
2 23 dependent child to be eligible for status as a resident.
2 24 The bill may create a state mandate as provided in Code
2 25 chapter 25B.
2 26 LSB 1211SC 83
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