

**House File 135 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act providing for a waiver of tuition and mandatory fees  
2 at regents institutions and community colleges for certain  
3 sanitation workers and their children.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 260C.14, Code 2025, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 26. a. For purposes of this subsection,  
4 "sanitation worker" means a person employed by a county, city, or  
5 township in this state, or a contractor thereof, with a primary  
6 job duty to provide collection or transportation of residential  
7 or commercial solid waste or recyclables.

8 b. Waive tuition and mandatory fees for a person employed as  
9 a sanitation worker for at least one year within the previous  
10 five years and for the child of such a person. The board may  
11 require that documentation of such employment be provided in  
12 order to qualify for such a waiver.

13 Sec. 2. Section 262.9, Code 2025, is amended by adding the  
14 following new subsection:

15 NEW SUBSECTION. 39. a. For purposes of this subsection,  
16 "sanitation worker" means a person employed by a county, city, or  
17 township in this state, or a contractor thereof, with a primary  
18 job duty to provide collection or transportation of residential  
19 or commercial solid waste or recyclables.

20 b. Direct the institutions of higher learning governed by the  
21 board to waive tuition and mandatory fees for a person employed  
22 as a sanitation worker for at least one year within the previous  
23 five years and for the child of such a person. The board may  
24 require that documentation of such employment be provided in  
25 order to qualify for such a waiver.

26 Sec. 3. IMPLEMENTATION OF ACT. Section 25B.2, subsection 3,  
27 shall not apply to this Act.

28 **EXPLANATION**

29 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
30 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

31 This bill requires regents institutions and community colleges  
32 to waive tuition and mandatory fees for a person employed as  
33 a sanitation worker, as defined in the bill, for at least  
34 one year within the previous five years and for the child of  
35 such a person. The institution or college may require that

1 documentation of such employment be provided in order to qualify  
2 for such a waiver.

3     The bill may include a state mandate as defined in Code  
4 section 25B.3. The bill makes inapplicable Code section 25B.2,  
5 subsection 3, which would relieve a political subdivision from  
6 complying with a state mandate if funding for the cost of the  
7 state mandate is not provided or specified. Therefore, political  
8 subdivisions are required to comply with any state mandate  
9 included in the bill.

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