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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

#### AN ACT

# RELATING TO EDUCATION - TUITION FOR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Introduced By: Senators McCaffrey, Felag, and Ciccone Date Introduced: March 02, 2017

Referred To: Senate Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 16-59 of the General Laws entitled "Board of Governors for Higher

2 Education [See Title 16 Chapter 97 - The Rhode Island Board of Education Act]" is hereby

3 amended by adding thereto the following section:

- 4 <u>16-59-9.2. Military tuition waiver.</u>
- 5 Notwithstanding any other provision of the general or public laws to the contrary, an
- 6 applicant who is a member of the armed forces or reserves of the United States and is currently
- 7 stationed in Rhode Island, shall be exempt from paying nonresident tuition at Rhode Island public
- 8 universities, colleges or community colleges. The council on postsecondary education shall
- 9 prescribe rules and regulations as may be necessary for the implementation of this section.
- 10 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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#### **EXPLANATION**

#### BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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- 1 This act would grant instate tuition status at state operated schools to active duty and
- 2 reserve members stationed in Rhode Island.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

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