



Senate

General Assembly

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Senate Bill No. 398

Senate, April 4, 2005

The Committee on Public Safety and Security reported through SEN. DAILY of the 33rd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

**AN ACT CONCERNING IN-STATE TUITION FOR ACTIVE DUTY
MILITARY STATIONED IN CONNECTICUT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 10a-29 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2005*):

3 The following shall determine the status of a student:

4 (1) Every person having his domicile in this state shall be entitled to
5 classification as an in-state student for tuition purposes. Except as
6 otherwise provided in this part, no person having his domicile outside
7 of this state shall be eligible for classification as an in-state student for
8 tuition purposes;

9 (2) The domicile of an unemancipated person is that of his parent;

10 (3) Upon moving to this state, an emancipated person employed
11 full-time who provides evidence of domicile may apply for in-state

12 classification for his spouse and unemancipated children after six
13 consecutive months of residency and, provided such person is not
14 himself in this state primarily as a full-time student, his spouse and
15 unemancipated children may at once be so classified, and may
16 continue to be so classified so long as such person continues his
17 domicile in this state;

18 (4) Any unemancipated person who remains in this state when his
19 parent, having theretofore been domiciled in this state, removes from
20 this state, shall be entitled to classification as an in-state student until
21 attainment of the degree for which he is currently enrolled, so long as
22 his attendance at a school or schools in this state shall be continuous;

23 (5) The spouse of any person who is classified or is eligible for
24 classification as an in-state student shall likewise be entitled to
25 classification as an in-state student;

26 (6) A member of the armed forces who is stationed in this state
27 pursuant to military orders shall be entitled to classification as an in-
28 state student; and

29 ~~[(6)]~~ (7) An unemancipated person whose parent is a member of the
30 armed forces and stationed in this state pursuant to military orders
31 shall be entitled to classification as an in-state student. The student,
32 while in continuous attendance toward the degree for which he is
33 currently enrolled, shall not lose his residence when his parent is
34 thereafter transferred on military orders.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2005	10a-29
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The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 06 \$	FY 07 \$
Higher Education Constituent Units	Tuition Fund - Revenue Loss	See Below	See Below

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill allows the members of the armed forces who are stationed in Connecticut and who are not from the state to be classified as in-state students for tuition purposes. Passage of this bill would result in a revenue loss to the constituent units of higher education. The table below compares tuition costs for in-state and out-of-state students at each state public institution. It is unknown how many members of the armed forces would attend college, and therefore the revenue loss to the constituent units is unknown at this time¹.

Tuition FY 06 (\$)	UCONN	CSU	CTC
Out-of-State	18,600	9,820	7,568
In-State	6,096	3,034	2,536
Difference	12,504	6,786	5,032

The bill is not specific as to whether these students would be considered in-state students for the purposes of qualifying for financial aid opportunities administered by the state Department of Higher Education and offered to state residents.

¹ There are currently 6,994 active duty members of the armed forces stationed in Connecticut, of which, approximately 99% are residents of other states. In addition,

OLR Bill Analysis

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MILITARY STATIONED IN CONNECTICUT*****SUMMARY:**

This bill makes any member of the armed forces who is stationed in Connecticut under military orders, and his or her spouse, eligible for in-state tuition at UConn, Connecticut State University, and the community-technical colleges.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2005

COMMITTEE ACTION

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference

Yea 21 Nay 0

Public Safety and Security Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 22 Nay 0

there are currently 6,699 reservists in Connecticut, of which, approximately 90% are residents of Connecticut.
