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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Introduced by:  
(VA)

***AN ACT CONCERNING A WAIVER OF STUDENT ACTIVITY FEES FOR VETERANS.***

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 10a-77 of the 2006 supplement to  
2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
3 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

4 (d) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition at any  
5 of the regional community-technical colleges (1) for any dependent  
6 child of a person whom the armed forces of the United States has  
7 declared to be missing in action or to have been a prisoner of war  
8 while serving in such armed forces after January 1, 1960, which child  
9 has been accepted for admission to such institution and is a resident of  
10 Connecticut at the time such child is accepted for admission to such  
11 institution, (2) for any veteran having served in time of war, as defined  
12 in subsection (a) of section 27-103, or who served in either a combat or  
13 combat support role in the invasion of Grenada, October 25, 1983, to  
14 December 15, 1983, the invasion of Panama, December 20, 1989, to  
15 January 31, 1990, or the peace-keeping mission in Lebanon, September  
16 29, 1982, to March 30, 1984, who has been accepted for admission to

17 such institution and is domiciled in this state at the time such veteran  
18 is accepted for admission to such institution, (3) for any resident of  
19 Connecticut sixty-two years of age or older, provided, at the end of the  
20 regular registration period, there are enrolled in the course a sufficient  
21 number of students other than those persons eligible for waivers  
22 pursuant to this subdivision to offer the course in which such person  
23 intends to enroll and there is space available in such course after  
24 accommodating all such students, (4) for any student attending the  
25 Connecticut State Police Academy who is enrolled in a law  
26 enforcement program at said academy offered in coordination with a  
27 regional community-technical college which accredits courses taken in  
28 such program, (5) for any active member of the Connecticut Army or  
29 Air National Guard who (A) has been certified by the Adjutant  
30 General or such Adjutant General's designee as a member in good  
31 standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted for admission to  
32 such institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an undergraduate  
33 degree-granting program, (6) for any dependent child of a (A) police  
34 officer, as defined in section 7-294a, as amended, or supernumerary or  
35 auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in section 7-323j, or  
36 member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal employee, or (D)  
37 state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in the line of duty,  
38 and (7) for any resident of the state who is a dependent child or  
39 surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who was a resident of  
40 this state. If any person who receives a tuition waiver in accordance  
41 with the provisions of this subsection also receives educational  
42 reimbursement from an employer, such waiver shall be reduced by the  
43 amount of such educational reimbursement. Veterans described in  
44 subdivision (2) of this subsection and members of the National Guard  
45 described in subdivision (5) of this subsection shall be given the same  
46 status as students not receiving tuition waivers in registering for  
47 courses at regional community-technical colleges. Veterans described  
48 in subdivision (2) of this subsection shall receive a waiver of student  
49 activity fees, not to exceed three hundred dollars each, from the board  
50 of trustees. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10a-30, as used

51 in this subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes domicile for less  
52 than one year.

53 Sec. 2. Subsection (d) of section 10a-99 of the 2006 supplement to the  
54 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
55 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

56 (d) Said board shall waive the payment of tuition fees at the  
57 Connecticut State University system (1) for any dependent child of a  
58 person whom the armed forces of the United States has declared to be  
59 missing in action or to have been a prisoner of war while serving in  
60 such armed forces after January 1, 1960, which child has been accepted  
61 for admission to such institution and is a resident of Connecticut at the  
62 time such child is accepted for admission to such institution, (2) for  
63 any veteran having served in time of war, as defined in subsection (a)  
64 of section 27-103, or who served in either a combat or combat support  
65 role in the invasion of Grenada, October 25, 1983, to December 15,  
66 1983, the invasion of Panama, December 20, 1989, to January 31, 1990,  
67 or the peace-keeping mission in Lebanon, September 29, 1982, to  
68 March 30, 1984, who has been accepted for admission to such  
69 institution and is domiciled in this state at the time such veteran is  
70 accepted for admission to such institution, (3) for any resident of  
71 Connecticut sixty-two years of age or older who has been accepted for  
72 admission to such institution, provided (A) such person is enrolled in a  
73 degree-granting program, or (B) at the end of the regular registration  
74 period, there are enrolled in the course a sufficient number of students  
75 other than those persons eligible for waivers pursuant to this  
76 subdivision to offer the course in which such person intends to enroll  
77 and there is space available in such course after accommodating all  
78 such students, (4) for any student attending the Connecticut Police  
79 Academy who is enrolled in a law enforcement program at said  
80 academy offered in coordination with the university which accredits  
81 courses taken in such program, (5) for any active member of the  
82 Connecticut Army or Air National Guard who (A) has been certified  
83 by the Adjutant General or such Adjutant General's designee as a

84 member in good standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted  
85 for admission to such institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an  
86 undergraduate degree-granting program, (6) for any dependent child  
87 of a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, as amended, or  
88 supernumerary or auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in  
89 section 7-323j, or member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal  
90 employee, or (D) state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in  
91 the line of duty, and (7) for any resident of this state who is a  
92 dependent child or surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who  
93 was a resident of the state. If any person who receives a tuition waiver  
94 in accordance with the provisions of this subsection also receives  
95 educational reimbursement from an employer, such waiver shall be  
96 reduced by the amount of such educational reimbursement. Veterans  
97 described in subdivision (2) of this subsection and members of the  
98 National Guard described in subdivision (5) of this subsection shall be  
99 given the same status as students not receiving tuition waivers in  
100 registering for courses at Connecticut state universities. Veterans  
101 described in subdivision (2) of this subsection shall receive a waiver of  
102 student activity fees, not to exceed three hundred dollars each, from  
103 the board of trustees. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10a-  
104 30, as used in this subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes  
105 domicile for less than one year.

106 Sec. 3. Subsection (e) of section 10a-105 of the 2006 supplement to  
107 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
108 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

109 (e) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition fees at  
110 The University of Connecticut (1) for any dependent child of a person  
111 whom the armed forces of the United States has declared to be missing  
112 in action or to have been a prisoner of war while serving in such armed  
113 forces after January 1, 1960, which child has been accepted for  
114 admission to The University of Connecticut and is a resident of  
115 Connecticut at the time such child is accepted for admission to said  
116 institution, (2) for any veteran having served in time of war, as defined

117 in subsection (a) of section 27-103, or who served in either a combat or  
118 combat support role in the invasion of Grenada, October 25, 1983, to  
119 December 15, 1983, the invasion of Panama, December 20, 1989, to  
120 January 31, 1990, or the peace-keeping mission in Lebanon, September  
121 29, 1982, to March 30, 1984, who has been accepted for admission to  
122 said institution and is domiciled in this state at the time such veteran is  
123 accepted for admission to said institution, (3) for any resident of  
124 Connecticut sixty-two years of age or older who has been accepted for  
125 admission to said institution, provided (A) such person is enrolled in a  
126 degree-granting program, or (B) at the end of the regular registration  
127 period, there are enrolled in the course a sufficient number of students  
128 other than those persons eligible for waivers pursuant to this  
129 subdivision to offer the course in which such person intends to enroll  
130 and there is space available in such course after accommodating all  
131 such students, (4) for any active member of the Connecticut Army or  
132 Air National Guard who (A) has been certified by the Adjutant  
133 General or such Adjutant General's designee as a member in good  
134 standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted for admission to  
135 said institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an undergraduate  
136 degree-granting program, (5) for any dependent child of a (A) police  
137 officer, as defined in section 7-294a, as amended, or supernumerary or  
138 auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in section 7-323j, or  
139 member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal employee, or (D)  
140 state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in the line of duty,  
141 and (6) for any resident of the state who is the dependent child or  
142 surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who was a resident of  
143 the state. If any person who receives a tuition waiver in accordance  
144 with the provisions of this subsection also receives educational  
145 reimbursement from an employer, such waiver shall be reduced by the  
146 amount of such educational reimbursement. Veterans described in  
147 subdivision (2) of this subsection and members of the National Guard  
148 described in subdivision (4) of this subsection shall be given the same  
149 status as students not receiving tuition waivers in registering for  
150 courses at The University of Connecticut. Veterans described in

151 subdivision (2) of this subsection shall also receive a waiver of student  
152 activity fees, not to exceed three hundred dollars each, from the board.  
153 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10a-30, as used in this  
154 subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes domicile for less than one  
155 year.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2006	10a-77(d)
Sec. 2	October 1, 2006	10a-99(d)
Sec. 3	October 1, 2006	10a-105(e)

**Statement of Purpose:**

To grant veterans a waiver of student activity fees at regional community-technical colleges, the Connecticut State University System and The University of Connecticut.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*