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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Introduced by:  
(VA)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE WAIVER OF FEES FOR VETERANS AT  
COMMUNITY-TECHNICAL COLLEGES, THE CONNECTICUT STATE  
UNIVERSITY SYSTEM AND THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT.**

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 general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3 *1, 2007*):

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] the Adjutant General's designee as a member in good  
31 standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled in or accepted for admission  
32 to such institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an  
33 undergraduate degree-granting program, (6) for any dependent child  
34 of a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or supernumerary  
35 or 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 (7) for any resident of the state who is a dependent child or surviving  
39 spouse of a specified terrorist victim who was a resident of this state,  
40 and (8) for any dependent child of a resident of the state who was  
41 killed in a multivehicle crash at or near the intersection of Routes 44  
42 and 10 and Nod Road in Avon on July 29, 2005. Said board of trustees  
43 shall also waive the payment of fees fixed by the board for such other  
44 purposes as the board deems necessary pursuant to subsection (a) of  
45 this section for veterans described in subdivision (2) of this subsection.  
46 If any person who receives a tuition waiver in accordance with the  
47 provisions of this subsection also receives educational reimbursement  
48 from an employer, such waiver shall be reduced by the amount of such  
49 educational reimbursement. Veterans described in subdivision (2) of  
50 this subsection and members of the National Guard described in

51 subdivision (5) of this subsection shall be given the same status as  
52 students not receiving tuition or fee waivers in registering for courses  
53 at regional community-technical colleges. Notwithstanding the  
54 provisions of section 10a-30, as used in this subsection, "domiciled in  
55 this state" includes domicile for less than one year.

56 Sec. 2. Subsection (d) of section 10a-99 of the general statutes is  
57 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
58 *1, 2007*):

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

84 courses taken in such program, (5) for any active member of the  
 85 Connecticut Army or Air National Guard who (A) has been certified  
 86 by the Adjutant General or [such] the Adjutant General's designee as a  
 87 member in good standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled in or  
 88 accepted for admission to such institution on a full-time or part-time  
 89 basis in an undergraduate degree-granting program, (6) for any  
 90 dependent child of a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or  
 91 supernumerary or auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in  
 92 section 7-323j, or member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal  
 93 employee, or (D) state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in  
 94 the line of duty, (7) for any resident of [this] the state who is a  
 95 dependent child or surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who  
 96 was a resident of the state, and (8) for any dependent child of a  
 97 resident of the state who was killed in a multivehicle crash at or near  
 98 the intersection of Routes 44 and 10 and Nod Road in Avon on July 29,  
 99 2005. Said board shall also waive the payment of fees fixed by the  
 100 board for such other purposes as the board deems necessary pursuant  
 101 to subsection (a) of this section for veterans described in subdivision  
 102 (2) of this subsection. If any person who receives a tuition waiver in  
 103 accordance with the provisions of this subsection also receives  
 104 educational reimbursement from an employer, such waiver shall be  
 105 reduced by the amount of such educational reimbursement. Veterans  
 106 described in subdivision (2) of this subsection and members of the  
 107 National Guard described in subdivision (5) of this subsection shall be  
 108 given the same status as students not receiving tuition or fee waivers  
 109 in registering for courses at Connecticut state universities.  
 110 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10a-30, as used in this  
 111 subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes domicile for less than one  
 112 year.

113 Sec. 3. Subsection (e) of section 10a-105 of the general statutes is  
 114 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
 115 *1, 2007*):

116 (e) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition fees at

117 The University of Connecticut (1) for any dependent child of a person  
118 whom the armed forces of the United States has declared to be missing  
119 in action or to have been a prisoner of war while serving in such armed  
120 forces after January 1, 1960, which child has been accepted for  
121 admission to The University of Connecticut and is a resident of  
122 Connecticut at the time such child is accepted for admission to said  
123 institution, (2) for any veteran having served in time of war, as defined  
124 in subsection (a) of section 27-103, or who served in either a combat or  
125 combat support role in the invasion of Grenada, October 25, 1983, to  
126 December 15, 1983, the invasion of Panama, December 20, 1989, to  
127 January 31, 1990, or the peace-keeping mission in Lebanon, September  
128 29, 1982, to March 30, 1984, who has been accepted for admission to  
129 said institution and is domiciled in this state at the time such veteran is  
130 accepted for admission to said institution, (3) for any resident of  
131 Connecticut sixty-two years of age or older who has been accepted for  
132 admission to said institution, provided (A) such person is enrolled in a  
133 degree-granting program, or (B) at the end of the regular registration  
134 period, there are enrolled in the course a sufficient number of students  
135 other than those persons eligible for waivers pursuant to this  
136 subdivision to offer the course in which such person intends to enroll  
137 and there is space available in such course after accommodating all  
138 such students, (4) for any active member of the Connecticut Army or  
139 Air National Guard who (A) has been certified by the Adjutant  
140 General or [such] the Adjutant General's designee as a member in good  
141 standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled in or accepted for admission  
142 to said institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an undergraduate  
143 degree-granting program, (5) for any dependent child of a (A) police  
144 officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or supernumerary or auxiliary  
145 police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in section 7-323j, or member of  
146 a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal employee, or (D) state  
147 employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in the line of duty, (6) for  
148 any resident of the state who is the dependent child or surviving  
149 spouse of a specified terrorist victim who was a resident of the state,  
150 and (7) for any dependent child of a resident of the state who was  
151 killed in a multivehicle crash at or near the intersection of Routes 44

152 and 10 and Nod Road in Avon on July 29, 2005. Said board of trustees  
153 shall also waive the payment of fees fixed by the board for such other  
154 purposes as the board deems necessary pursuant to subsection (a) of  
155 this section for veterans described in subdivision (2) of this subsection.  
156 If any person who receives a tuition waiver in accordance with the  
157 provisions of this subsection also receives educational reimbursement  
158 from an employer, such waiver shall be reduced by the amount of such  
159 educational reimbursement. Veterans described in subdivision (2) of  
160 this subsection and members of the National Guard described in  
161 subdivision (4) of this subsection shall be given the same status as  
162 students not receiving tuition or fee waivers in registering for courses  
163 at The University of Connecticut. Notwithstanding the provisions of  
164 section 10a-30, as used in this subsection, "domiciled in this state"  
165 includes domicile for less than one year.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: |                     |            |
| Section 1                                                                     | <i>July 1, 2007</i> | 10a-77(d)  |
| Sec. 2                                                                        | <i>July 1, 2007</i> | 10a-99(d)  |
| Sec. 3                                                                        | <i>July 1, 2007</i> | 10a-105(e) |

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