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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Introduced by:

(VA )

***AN ACT CONCERNING FEES PAID BY MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD AND WAIVER OF STUDENT ACTIVITY FEES FOR VETERANS.***

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The student activity fees  
2 shall be waived for any veteran who served in time of war, as defined  
3 in section 27-103 of the general statutes, at regional community-  
4 technical colleges, the Connecticut State University system and The  
5 University of Connecticut.

6 Sec. 2. Section 10a-77 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
7 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2008*):

8 (a) Subject to the provisions of section 10a-26, the Board of Trustees  
9 of the Community-Technical Colleges shall fix fees for tuition at the  
10 regional community-technical colleges and shall fix fees for such other  
11 purposes as the board deems necessary at the regional community-  
12 technical colleges, and may make refunds to the same. The student  
13 activity fee shall be waived pursuant to section 1 of this act.

14 (b) The Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges  
15 shall establish and administer a fund to be known as the Regional  
16 Community-Technical Colleges Operating Fund. Appropriations from  
17 general revenues of the state and, upon request by the board and with  
18 an annual review and approval by the Secretary of the Office of Policy  
19 and Management, the amount of the appropriations for fringe benefits  
20 and workers' compensation applicable to the community-technical  
21 colleges pursuant to subsection (a) of section 4-73, shall be transferred  
22 from the Comptroller, and all tuition revenue received by the regional  
23 community-technical colleges in accordance with the provisions of  
24 subsection (a) of this section shall be deposited in said fund. Income  
25 from student fees or related charges; the proceeds of auxiliary activities  
26 and business enterprises, gifts and donations; federal funds and grants  
27 for purposes other than research, and all receipts derived from the  
28 conduct by the colleges of their education extension programs and  
29 summer school sessions shall be credited to said fund but shall be  
30 allocated to the central office and institutional operating accounts  
31 which shall be established and maintained for the central office and  
32 each community-technical college. If the Secretary of the Office of  
33 Policy and Management disapproves such transfer, the secretary may  
34 require the amount of the appropriation for operating expenses to be  
35 used for personal services and fringe benefits to be excluded from said  
36 fund. The State Treasurer shall review and approve the transfer prior  
37 to such request by the board of trustees. The board shall establish an  
38 equitable policy for allocation of appropriations from general revenues  
39 of the state, fringe benefits transferred from the Comptroller and  
40 tuition revenue deposited in the Regional Community-Technical  
41 Colleges Operating Fund. At the beginning of each quarter of the fiscal  
42 year, the board shall allocate and transfer, in accordance with said  
43 policy, moneys for expenditure in such institutional operating  
44 accounts, exclusive of amounts retained for central office operations  
45 and reasonable reserves for future distribution. All costs of waiving or  
46 remitting tuition pursuant to subsection [(e)] (g) of this section shall be  
47 charged to the Regional Community-Technical Colleges Operating

48 Fund. Repairs, alterations or additions to facilities supported by  
49 operating funds and costing one million dollars or more shall require  
50 the approval of the General Assembly, or when the General Assembly  
51 is not in session, of the Finance Advisory Committee. Any balance of  
52 receipts above expenditures shall remain in said fund, except such  
53 sums as may be required for deposit into a debt service fund or the  
54 General Fund for further payment by the Treasurer of debt service on  
55 general obligation bonds of the state issued for purposes of  
56 community-technical colleges.

57 (c) Commencing December 1, 1984, and thereafter within sixty days  
58 of the close of each quarter, the board of trustees shall submit to the  
59 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance  
60 of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies  
61 and the Office of Policy and Management, through the Board of  
62 Governors of Higher Education, a report on the actual expenditures of  
63 the Regional Community-Technical Colleges Operating Fund  
64 containing such relevant information as the Board of Governors of  
65 Higher Education may require.

66 (d) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition at any  
67 of the regional community-technical colleges (1) for any dependent  
68 child of a person whom the armed forces of the United States has  
69 declared to be missing in action or to have been a prisoner of war  
70 while serving in such armed forces after January 1, 1960, which child  
71 has been accepted for admission to such institution and is a resident of  
72 Connecticut at the time such child is accepted for admission to such  
73 institution, (2) [for any veteran having served in time of war, as  
74 defined in subsection (a) of section 27-103, or who served in either a  
75 combat or combat support role in the invasion of Grenada, October 25,  
76 1983, to December 15, 1983, the invasion of Panama, December 20,  
77 1989, to January 31, 1990, or the peace-keeping mission in Lebanon,  
78 September 29, 1982, to March 30, 1984, who has been accepted for  
79 admission to such institution and is domiciled in this state at the time  
80 such veteran is accepted for admission to such institution, (3)] for any

81 resident of Connecticut sixty-two years of age or older, provided, at  
82 the end of the regular registration period, there are enrolled in the  
83 course a sufficient number of students other than those persons  
84 eligible for waivers pursuant to this subdivision to offer the course in  
85 which such person intends to enroll and there is space available in  
86 such course after accommodating all such students, [(4)] (3) for any  
87 student attending the Connecticut State Police Academy who is  
88 enrolled in a law enforcement program at said academy offered in  
89 coordination with a regional community-technical college which  
90 accredits courses taken in such program, [(5)] (4) for any active  
91 member of the Connecticut Army or Air National Guard who (A) has  
92 been certified by the Adjutant General or such Adjutant General's  
93 designee as a member in good standing of the guard, and (B) is  
94 enrolled or accepted for admission to such institution on a full-time or  
95 part-time basis in an undergraduate degree-granting program, [(6)] (5)  
96 for any dependent child of a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-  
97 294a, or supernumerary or auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as  
98 defined in section 7-323j, or member of a volunteer fire company, (C)  
99 municipal employee, or (D) state employee, as defined in section 5-154,  
100 killed in the line of duty, [(7)] (6) for any resident of the state who is a  
101 dependent child or surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who  
102 was a resident of this state, and [(8)] (7) for any dependent child of a  
103 resident of the state who was killed in a multivehicle crash at or near  
104 the intersection of Routes 44 and 10 and Nod Road in Avon on July 29,  
105 2005. If any person who receives a tuition waiver in accordance with  
106 the provisions of this subsection or subsection (e) of this section also  
107 receives educational reimbursement from an employer, such waiver  
108 shall be reduced by the amount of such educational reimbursement.  
109 [Veterans described in subdivision (2) of this subsection and members  
110 of the National Guard described in subdivision (5) of this subsection  
111 shall be given the same status as students not receiving tuition waivers  
112 in registering for courses at regional community-technical colleges.]  
113 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10a-30, as used in this  
114 subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes domicile for less than one

115 year.

116 (e) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition and any  
117 other fees fixed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section for any  
118 member of the Connecticut National Guard who has been accepted for  
119 admission to such institution and is a resident of Connecticut at the  
120 time such member of the National Guard is accepted for admission.

121 (f) Members of the National Guard described in subdivision (4) of  
122 subsection (d) of this section shall be given the same status as students  
123 not receiving tuition waivers in registering for courses at regional  
124 community-technical colleges.

125 [(e)] (g) Said board shall set aside from its anticipated regional  
126 community-technical college tuition revenue, an amount not less than  
127 that required by the board of governors' tuition policy established  
128 under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 10a-6. Such funds  
129 shall be used to provide tuition waivers, tuition remissions, grants for  
130 educational expenses and student employment for residents enrolled  
131 in regional community-technical colleges as full or part-time  
132 matriculated students in a degree-granting program, or enrolled in a  
133 precollege remedial program, who demonstrate substantial financial  
134 need. Said board may also set aside from its anticipated tuition  
135 revenue an additional amount equal to one per cent of said tuition  
136 revenue for financial assistance for students who would not otherwise  
137 be eligible for financial assistance but who do have a financial need as  
138 determined by the college in accordance with this subsection. In  
139 determining such financial need, the college shall exclude the value of  
140 equity in the principal residence of the student's parents or legal  
141 guardians, or in the student's principal residence if the student is not  
142 considered to be a dependent of his parents or legal guardians and  
143 shall assess the earnings of a dependent student at the rate of thirty per  
144 cent.

145 [(f)] (h) The Regional Community-Technical Colleges Operating  
146 Fund shall be reimbursed for the amount by which the tuition waivers

147 granted under [subsection] subsections (d) and (e) of this section  
148 exceed five per cent of tuition revenue through an annual state  
149 appropriation. The board of trustees shall request such an  
150 appropriation and said appropriation shall be based upon an estimate  
151 of tuition revenue loss using tuition rates in effect for the fiscal year in  
152 which such appropriation will apply.

153 [(g)] (i) Said board of trustees shall allow any student who is a  
154 member of the armed forces called to active duty during any semester  
155 to enroll in any course for which such student had remitted tuition but  
156 which was not completed due to active duty status. Such course  
157 reenrollment shall be offered to any qualifying student for a period not  
158 exceeding four years after the date of release from active duty without  
159 additional tuition, student fee or related charge, except if such student  
160 has been fully reimbursed for the tuition, fees and charges for the  
161 course that was not completed.

162 Sec. 3. Section 10a-99 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
163 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2008*):

164 (a) Subject to the provisions of section 10a-26, the Board of Trustees  
165 of the Connecticut State University System shall fix fees for tuition and  
166 shall fix fees for such other purposes as the board deems necessary at  
167 the university, and may make refunds of the same. The student  
168 activity fee shall be waived pursuant to section 1 of this act.

169 (b) The Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University  
170 System shall establish and administer a fund to be known as the  
171 Connecticut State University System Operating Fund. Appropriations  
172 from general revenues of the state and upon request by the  
173 Connecticut State University system and with the annual review and  
174 approval by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the  
175 amount of the appropriations for fringe benefits pursuant to  
176 subsection (a) of section 4-73, shall be transferred from the State  
177 Comptroller and all tuition revenue received by the Connecticut State  
178 University system in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a)

179 of this section shall be deposited in said fund. Income from student  
180 fees or related charges, the proceeds of auxiliary activities and business  
181 enterprises, gifts and donations, federal funds and grants, subject to  
182 the provisions of sections 10a-98 to 10a-98g, inclusive, and all receipts  
183 derived from the conduct by a state university of its education  
184 extension program and its summer school session shall be credited to  
185 said fund but shall be allocated to the central office and institutional  
186 operating accounts which shall be established and maintained for the  
187 central office and each state university. Any such gifts and donations,  
188 federal funds and grants for purposes of research shall be allocated to  
189 separate accounts within such central office and institutional operating  
190 accounts. If the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management  
191 disapproves such transfer, he may require the amount of the  
192 appropriation for operating expenses to be used for personal services  
193 and fringe benefits to be excluded from said fund. The State Treasurer  
194 shall review and approve the transfer prior to such request by the  
195 university. The board of trustees shall establish an equitable policy for  
196 allocation of appropriations from general revenues of the state, fringe  
197 benefits transferred from the State Comptroller and tuition revenue  
198 deposited in the Connecticut State University System Operating Fund.  
199 At the beginning of each quarter of the fiscal year, the board shall  
200 allocate and transfer, in accordance with said policy, moneys for  
201 expenditure in such institutional operating accounts, exclusive of  
202 amounts retained for central office operations and reasonable reserves  
203 for future distribution. All costs of waiving or remitting tuition  
204 pursuant to subsection [(e)] (g) of this section shall be charged to the  
205 Connecticut State University System Operating Fund. Repairs,  
206 alterations or additions to facilities supported by the Connecticut State  
207 University System Operating Fund and costing one million dollars or  
208 more shall require the approval of the General Assembly, or when the  
209 General Assembly is not in session, of the Finance Advisory  
210 Committee. Any balance of receipts above expenditures shall remain  
211 in said fund, except such sums as may be required for deposit into a  
212 debt service fund or the General Fund for further payment by the

213 Treasurer of debt service on general obligation bonds of the state  
214 issued for purposes of the Connecticut State University system.

215 (c) Commencing December 1, 1984, and thereafter within sixty days  
216 of the close of each quarter, the board of trustees shall submit to the  
217 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance  
218 of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies  
219 and the Office of Policy and Management, through the Board of  
220 Governors of Higher Education, a report on the actual expenditures of  
221 the Connecticut State University System Operating Fund containing  
222 such relevant information as the Board of Governors of Higher  
223 Education may require.

224 (d) Said board shall waive the payment of tuition fees at the  
225 Connecticut State University system (1) for any dependent child of a  
226 person whom the armed forces of the United States has declared to be  
227 missing in action or to have been a prisoner of war while serving in  
228 such armed forces after January 1, 1960, which child has been accepted  
229 for admission to such institution and is a resident of Connecticut at the  
230 time such child is accepted for admission to such institution, (2) [ for  
231 any veteran having served in time of war, as defined in subsection (a)  
232 of section 27-103, or who served in either a combat or combat support  
233 role in the invasion of Grenada, October 25, 1983, to December 15,  
234 1983, the invasion of Panama, December 20, 1989, to January 31, 1990,  
235 or the peace-keeping mission in Lebanon, September 29, 1982, to  
236 March 30, 1984, who has been accepted for admission to such  
237 institution and is domiciled in this state at the time such veteran is  
238 accepted for admission to such institution, (3)] for any resident of  
239 Connecticut sixty-two years of age or older who has been accepted for  
240 admission to such institution, provided (A) such person is enrolled in a  
241 degree-granting program, or (B) at the end of the regular registration  
242 period, there are enrolled in the course a sufficient number of students  
243 other than those persons eligible for waivers pursuant to this  
244 subdivision to offer the course in which such person intends to enroll  
245 and there is space available in such course after accommodating all

246 such students, [(4)] (3) for any student attending the Connecticut Police  
247 Academy who is enrolled in a law enforcement program at said  
248 academy offered in coordination with the university which accredits  
249 courses taken in such program, [(5)] (4) for any active member of the  
250 Connecticut Army or Air National Guard who (A) has been certified  
251 by the Adjutant General or such Adjutant General's designee as a  
252 member in good standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted  
253 for admission to such institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an  
254 undergraduate degree-granting program, [(6)] (5) for any dependent  
255 child of a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or  
256 supernumerary or auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in  
257 section 7-323j, or member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal  
258 employee, or (D) state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in  
259 the line of duty, [(7)] (6) for any resident of this state who is a  
260 dependent child or surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who  
261 was a resident of the state, and [(8)] (7) for any dependent child of a  
262 resident of the state who was killed in a multivehicle crash at or near  
263 the intersection of Routes 44 and 10 and Nod Road in Avon on July 29,  
264 2005. If any person who receives a tuition waiver in accordance with  
265 the provisions of this subsection or subsection (e) of this section also  
266 receives educational reimbursement from an employer, such waiver  
267 shall be reduced by the amount of such educational reimbursement.  
268 [Veterans described in subdivision (2) of this subsection and members  
269 of the National Guard described in subdivision (5) of this subsection  
270 shall be given the same status as students not receiving tuition waivers  
271 in registering for courses at Connecticut state universities.]  
272 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 10a-30, as used in this  
273 subsection, "domiciled in this state" includes domicile for less than one  
274 year.

275 (e) Said board shall waive the payment of tuition and any other fees  
276 fixed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section at the Connecticut  
277 University system for any member of the Connecticut National Guard  
278 who has been accepted for admission to such institution and is a  
279 resident of Connecticut at the time such member of the National Guard

280 is accepted for admission.

281 (f) Members of the National Guard described in subdivision (4) of  
282 subsection (d) of this section shall be given the same status as students  
283 not receiving tuition waivers in registering for courses at Connecticut  
284 state universities.

285 ~~[(e)]~~ (g) Said board shall set aside from its anticipated tuition  
286 revenue, an amount not less than that required by the board of  
287 governors' tuition policy established under subdivision (3) of  
288 subsection (a) of section 10a-6. Such funds shall be used to provide  
289 tuition waivers, tuition remissions, grants for educational expenses  
290 and student employment for any undergraduate or graduate student  
291 who is enrolled as a full or part-time matriculated student in a degree-  
292 granting program, or enrolled in a precollege remedial program, and  
293 who demonstrates substantial financial need. Said board may also set  
294 aside from its anticipated tuition revenue an additional amount equal  
295 to one per cent of said tuition revenue for financial assistance for  
296 students who would not otherwise be eligible for financial assistance  
297 but who do have a financial need as determined by the university in  
298 accordance with this subsection. In determining such financial need,  
299 the university shall exclude the value of equity in the principal  
300 residence of the student's parents or legal guardians, or in the student's  
301 principal residence if the student is not considered to be a dependent  
302 of his parents or legal guardians and shall assess the earnings of a  
303 dependent student at the rate of thirty per cent.

304 ~~[(f)]~~ (h) The Connecticut State University System Operating Fund  
305 shall be reimbursed for the amount by which the tuition waivers  
306 granted under ~~[subsection]~~ subsections (d) and (e) of this section  
307 exceed two and one-half per cent of tuition revenue through an annual  
308 state appropriation. The board of trustees shall request such an  
309 appropriation and said appropriation shall be based upon an estimate  
310 of tuition revenue loss using tuition rates in effect for the fiscal year in  
311 which such appropriation will apply.

312 [(g)] (i) Said board of trustees shall allow any student who is a  
313 member of the armed forces called to active duty during any semester  
314 to enroll in any course for which such student had remitted tuition but  
315 which was not completed due to active duty status. Such course  
316 reenrollment shall be offered to any qualifying student for a period not  
317 exceeding four years after the date of release from active duty without  
318 additional tuition, student fee or related charge, except if such student  
319 has been fully reimbursed for the tuition, fees and charges for the  
320 course that was not completed.

321 Sec. 4. Section 10a-105 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
322 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2008*):

323 (a) Subject to the provisions of sections 10a-8 and 10a-26, the Board  
324 of Trustees of The University of Connecticut shall fix fees for tuition  
325 and shall fix fees for such other purposes as the board deems necessary  
326 at The University of Connecticut, and may make refunds of the same.  
327 The student activity fee shall be waived pursuant to section 1 of this  
328 act.

329 (b) The Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut shall  
330 establish and administer a fund to be known as The University of  
331 Connecticut Operating Fund, and in addition, may establish a Special  
332 External Gift Fund, and an endowment fund, as defined in section 10a-  
333 109c of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, and such other  
334 funds as may be established pursuant to subdivision (13) of subsection  
335 (a) of section 10a-109d of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes.  
336 Appropriations from general revenues of the state and, upon request  
337 by the university and with an annual review and approval by the  
338 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the amount of the  
339 appropriations for fringe benefits and workers' compensation  
340 applicable to the university pursuant to subsection (a) of section 4-73,  
341 shall be transferred from the Comptroller, and all tuition revenue  
342 received by the university in accordance with the provisions of  
343 subsection (a) of this section, income from student fees or related

344 charges, the proceeds of auxiliary activities and business enterprises,  
345 gifts and donations, federal funds and grants for purposes other than  
346 research and all receipts derived from the conduct by The University  
347 of Connecticut of its education extension program and its summer  
348 school session, except funds received by The University of Connecticut  
349 Health Center, shall be deposited in said operating fund. If the  
350 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management disapproves such  
351 transfer, he may require the amount of the appropriation for operating  
352 expenses to be used for personal services and fringe benefits to be  
353 excluded from said fund. The State Treasurer shall review and  
354 approve the transfer prior to such request by the university. All costs  
355 of waiving or remitting tuition pursuant to [subsection] subsections (e)  
356 and (f) of this section, except the cost of waiving or remitting tuition  
357 for students enrolled in the schools of medicine or dental medicine,  
358 shall be charged to said fund. Repairs, alterations or additions to  
359 facilities supported by said fund costing one million dollars or more  
360 shall require the approval of the General Assembly, or when the  
361 General Assembly is not in session, of the Finance Advisory  
362 Committee. Any balance of receipts above expenditures shall remain  
363 in said fund, except such sums as may be required for deposit into a  
364 debt service fund or the General Fund for further payment by the  
365 Treasurer of debt service on general obligation bonds of the state  
366 issued for purposes of The University of Connecticut.

367 (c) The Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut shall  
368 establish and administer a fund to be known as The University of  
369 Connecticut Health Center Operating Fund. Appropriations from  
370 general revenues of the state except the amount of the appropriation  
371 for operating expenses to be used for personal services and the  
372 appropriations for fringe benefits pursuant to subsection (a) of section  
373 4-73, all tuition revenue received by the health center in accordance  
374 with the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, income from  
375 student fees or related charges, proceeds from auxiliary and business  
376 enterprises, gifts and donations, federal funds and grants for purposes  
377 other than research and other income relative to these activities shall

378 be deposited in said fund. All costs of waiving or remitting tuition  
379 pursuant to subsection (f) of this section for students enrolled in the  
380 schools of medicine or dental medicine shall be charged to said fund.  
381 Repairs, alterations or additions to facilities supported by said fund  
382 costing one million dollars or more shall require the approval of the  
383 General Assembly, or when the General Assembly is not in session, of  
384 the Finance Advisory Committee. Any balance of receipts above  
385 expenditures shall remain in said fund, except such sums as may be  
386 required for deposit into a debt service fund or the General Fund for  
387 further payment by the Treasurer of debt service on general obligation  
388 bonds of the state issued for purposes of The University of Connecticut  
389 Health Center.

390 (d) Commencing December 1, 1981, and thereafter within sixty days  
391 of the close of each quarter, the board of trustees shall submit to the  
392 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance  
393 of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies  
394 and the Office of Policy and Management, through the Board of  
395 Governors of Higher Education, a report on the actual expenditures of  
396 The University of Connecticut Operating Fund and The University of  
397 Connecticut Health Center Operating Fund containing such relevant  
398 information as the Board of Governors of Higher Education may  
399 require.

400 (e) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition fees at  
401 The University of Connecticut (1) for any dependent child of a person  
402 whom the armed forces of the United States has declared to be missing  
403 in action or to have been a prisoner of war while serving in such armed  
404 forces after January 1, 1960, which child has been accepted for  
405 admission to The University of Connecticut and is a resident of  
406 Connecticut at the time such child is accepted for admission to said  
407 institution, (2) [for any veteran having served in time of war, as  
408 defined in subsection (a) of section 27-103, or who served in either a  
409 combat or combat support role in the invasion of Grenada, October 25,  
410 1983, to December 15, 1983, the invasion of Panama, December 20,

1989, to January 31, 1990, or the peace-keeping mission in Lebanon, September 29, 1982, to March 30, 1984, who has been accepted for admission to said institution and is domiciled in this state at the time such veteran is accepted for admission to said institution, (3)] for any resident of Connecticut sixty-two years of age or older who has been accepted for admission to said institution, provided (A) such person is enrolled in a degree-granting program, or (B) at the end of the regular registration period, there are enrolled in the course a sufficient number of students other than those persons eligible for waivers pursuant to this subdivision to offer the course in which such person intends to enroll and there is space available in such course after accommodating all such students, [(4)] (3) for any active member of the Connecticut Army or Air National Guard who (A) has been certified by the Adjutant General or such Adjutant General's designee as a member in good standing of the guard, and (B) is enrolled or accepted for admission to said institution on a full-time or part-time basis in an undergraduate degree-granting program, [(5)] (4) for any dependent child of a (A) police officer, as defined in section 7-294a, or supernumerary or auxiliary police officer, (B) firefighter, as defined in section 7-323j, or member of a volunteer fire company, (C) municipal employee, or (D) state employee, as defined in section 5-154, killed in the line of duty, [(6)] (5) for any resident of the state who is the dependent child or surviving spouse of a specified terrorist victim who was a resident of the state, and [(7)] (6) for any dependent child of a resident of the state who was killed in a multivehicle crash at or near the intersection of Routes 44 and 10 and Nod Road in Avon on July 29, 2005. If any person who receives a tuition waiver in accordance with the provisions of this subsection also receives educational reimbursement from an employer, such waiver shall be reduced by the amount of such educational reimbursement. [Veterans described in subdivision (2) of this subsection and members of the National Guard described in subdivision (4) of this subsection shall be given the same status as students not receiving tuition waivers in registering for courses at The University of Connecticut.] Notwithstanding the

445 provisions of section 10a-30, as used in this subsection, "domiciled in  
446 this state" includes domicile for less than one year.

447 (f) Said board of trustees shall waive the payment of tuition and any  
448 other fees fixed pursuant to subsection (a) of this section for any  
449 member of the Connecticut National Guard who has been accepted for  
450 admission to such institution and is a resident of Connecticut at the  
451 time such member of the National Guard is accepted for admission.

452 (g) Members of the National Guard described in subdivision (4) of  
453 subsection (d) of this section shall be given the same status as students  
454 not receiving tuition waivers in registering for courses at The  
455 University of Connecticut.

456 ~~[(f)]~~ (h) Said board shall set aside from its anticipated tuition  
457 revenue, an amount not less than that required by the board of  
458 governors' tuition policy established under subdivision (3) of  
459 subsection (a) of section 10a-6. Such funds shall be used to provide  
460 tuition waivers, tuition remissions, grants for educational expenses  
461 and student employment for any undergraduate, graduate or  
462 professional student who is enrolled as a full or part-time matriculated  
463 student in a degree-granting program, or enrolled in a precollege  
464 remedial program, and who demonstrates substantial financial need.  
465 Said board may also set aside from its anticipated tuition revenue an  
466 additional amount equal to one per cent of said tuition revenue for  
467 financial assistance for students who would not otherwise be eligible  
468 for financial assistance but who do have a financial need as determined  
469 by the university in accordance with this subsection. In determining  
470 such financial need, the university shall exclude the value of equity in  
471 the principal residence of the student's parents or legal guardians, or in  
472 the student's principal residence if the student is not considered to be a  
473 dependent of his parents or legal guardians and shall assess the  
474 earnings of a dependent student at the rate of thirty per cent.

475 ~~[(g)]~~ (i) The University of Connecticut Operating Fund shall be  
476 reimbursed for the amount by which tuition waivers granted under

477 subsection (e) of this section exceed two and one-half per cent of  
478 tuition revenue through an annual state appropriation. The board of  
479 trustees shall request such an appropriation and said appropriation  
480 shall be based upon an estimate of tuition revenue loss using tuition  
481 rates in effect for the fiscal year in which such appropriation will  
482 apply.

483 [(h)] (j) Said board shall grant remission or waiver of tuition for  
484 graduate assistants at the university. Assistantship payments to  
485 graduate assistants shall not be considered salaries and wages under  
486 the provisions of section 3-119, and shall be paid according to a  
487 schedule prescribed by the university and approved by the State  
488 Comptroller.

489 [(i)] (k) Said board of trustees shall allow any student who is a  
490 member of the armed forces called to active duty during any semester  
491 to enroll in any course for which such student had remitted tuition but  
492 which was not completed due to active duty status. Such course  
493 reenrollment shall be offered to any qualifying student for a period not  
494 exceeding four years after the date of release from active duty without  
495 additional tuition, student fee or related charge, except if such student  
496 has been fully reimbursed for the tuition, fees and charges for the  
497 course that was not completed.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	10a-77
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	10a-99
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	10a-105

**Statement of Purpose:**

To provide student activity waivers for veterans and provide tuition waivers and any other fee waivers for members of the National Guard.

*[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.]*