

ENROLLED SENATE
RESOLUTION NO. 105

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A Resolution supporting Oklahoma military personnel;
memorializing Congress to pass the "Military In-State
Tuition Act of 2005"; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, United States House of Representatives H.R. 197, as introduced, known as the "Military In-State Tuition Act of 2005", by United States Representative David Scott of Georgia, would amend title 10, United States Code, to require every state to charge in-state tuition rates at public institutions of higher education to active-duty members of the Armed Forces domiciled or stationed on active duty in that state and to the dependents of such members; and

WHEREAS, a student attending a public institution of higher education in Oklahoma while on full-time active duty in the armed forces is considered as having a temporary residence in the state in which he or she is attending school. Members of the armed services stationed in Oklahoma, their spouses and dependent children are admitted without the payment of nonresident tuition and without the twelve-month domiciliary requirement, so long as they continue to be stationed in the state in full-time military service and under military orders; and

WHEREAS, although Oklahoma is a military-friendly state, not all states are. As a result, some members of the Oklahoma military and their families have been charged out-of-state tuition rates at public institutions of higher education when transferred from Oklahoma to such states; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Oklahoma State Senate to support our men and women in uniform and their families, regardless of where they may be stationed; and H.R. 197, as introduced in Congress, appears to solve this problem of inequity and discrimination against them.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 50TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate supports Oklahoma's military personnel and their families regardless of where they are stationed.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate memorializes Congress to demonstrate their support for our armed forces by passing the "Military In-State Tuition Act of 2005" or similar legislation that will accomplish the same objective.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Oklahoma Congressional Delegation.

Adopted by the Senate the 10th day of May, 2006.

Presiding Officer of the Senate