

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 April 9, 2012

3 As Amended

4 ENGROSSED HOUSE
5 BILL NO. 2689

6 By: Joyner, Banz, Pittman,
7 Roberts (Dustin), Roan,
8 Hoskin, Walker and Dorman
9 of the House

10 and

11 Ellis of the Senate

12
13 **[higher education - dependents of military personnel
14 eligible for in-state residency - codification -
15 effective date -**

16 **emergency]**

17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

18 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3247 of Title 70, unless there
20 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 A. A student shall be eligible for in-state status regardless
22 of the residency of the student if the student is the dependent
23 child of a:

24 1. Person currently serving as a member of the active uniformed
military services of the United States on full-time active duty
status of more than thirty (30) days and for whom Oklahoma is the
home of record; or

1 2. Person currently serving as a member of the military reserve
2 on active duty orders of more than thirty (30) days and for whom
3 Oklahoma is the home of record.

4 B. To be eligible for resident tuition as provided for in
5 subsection A of this section and to maintain eligibility, the
6 student shall:

7 1. Satisfy admission and retention standards as determined by
8 the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education for the appropriate
9 type of institution;

10 2. Have secured admission to and enrolled in a full-time or
11 part-time program of study at an institution within The Oklahoma
12 State System of Higher Education;

13 3. Be enrolled in a program of study leading to an associate or
14 a baccalaureate degree; and

15 4. Be continuously enrolled in a program of study at an
16 institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

17 C. A student who meets the requirements of this section shall
18 continue to be classified as in-state status for as long as they
19 remain continuously enrolled in a program of study at an institution
20 within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

21 D. A student who meets the requirements of this section shall
22 continue to be classified as in-state status even after the person
23 who was serving on active duty has been discharged or released under
24 conditions other than dishonorable as long as the student remains

1 continuously enrolled in a program of study at an institution within
2 The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

3 E. For purposes of this section, "home of record" means the
4 place where one was living when the person enlisted or was
5 commissioned into the military or reenlisted in the military.

6 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2012.

7 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
8 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
9 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
10 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

11 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, dated 4-4-12 - DO
12 PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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