

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL 138

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8 [higher education - in-state status for dependents
9 of military personnel - ~~effective date~~ -
10 emergency]

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 290, O.S.L.
14 2012 (70 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 3247), is amended to read as
15 follows:

16 Section 3247. A. A student shall be eligible for in-state
17 status regardless of the residency of the student if the student is
18 the dependent child of a:

19 1. Person currently serving as a member of the active uniformed
20 military services of the United States on full-time active duty
21 status of more than thirty (30) days and for whom Oklahoma is the
22 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~~ in-state status as
5 provided for in subsection A of this section and to maintain
6 eligibility, the 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 in a program of study at an institution within The
12 Oklahoma 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 shall be eligible for resident tuition regardless
18 of the residency of the student if the student:

19 1. Has been discharged or released from a period of not fewer
20 than ninety (90) days of military service when the service ended,
21 less than five (5) years before the date of enrollment in the
22 course(s) concerned; and

23 2. Is receiving Chapter 30 or 33 Veterans Affairs educational
24 assistance while living in the state; or

1 3. Is receiving Veterans Affairs educational assistance under
2 Section 3311(b) (9) or 3319 of Title 38, Code of Federal Regulations,
3 by virtue of a relationship to an eligible individual as described
4 in paragraph 1 of this subsection.

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

8 1. File with the institution within The Oklahoma State System
9 of Higher Education at which the student intends to register a
10 letter of intent to establish residence in this state and shall
11 reside in this state while enrolled in the institution;

12 2. Satisfy admission and retention standards as determined by
13 the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education for the appropriate
14 type of institution;

15 3. Have secured admission to and enrolled full-time or part-
16 time in a program of study at an institution within The Oklahoma
17 State System of Higher Education;

18 4. Be enrolled in a program of study leading to a degree; and

19 5. Be continuously enrolled in a program of study at an
20 institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

21 E. A student who meets the requirements of this section shall
22 continue to be classified as in-state status for as long as they
23 remain continuously enrolled in a program of study at an institution
24 within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

1 ~~D.~~ F. A student who meets the requirements of this section
2 shall continue to be classified as in-state status even after the
3 person who was serving on active duty has been discharged or
4 released under conditions other than dishonorable as long as the
5 student remains continuously enrolled in a program of study at an
6 institution within The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education.

7 ~~E.~~ G. For purposes of this section, "home of record" means the
8 place where one was living when the person enlisted or was
9 commissioned into the military or reenlisted in the military.

10 H. The State Regents for Higher Education shall develop
11 policies and procedures necessary to implement the provisions of
12 this section.

13 ~~SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2015.~~

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

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