

**STATE
FISCAL IMPACT**

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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Waller
 Sen. Hodge

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TITLE: CONCERNING IN-STATE TUITION CLASSIFICATION FOR DEPENDENTS OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2012-2013	FY 2013-2014
State Revenue Institutional Cash Funds - Tuition		
State Expenditures Institutional Cash Funds - Tuition		
FTE Position Change		
Effective Date: Upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2012-2013: None required.		
Local Government Impact: None.		

Summary of Legislation

Beginning with the 2012-13 academic year, this bill allows an institution of higher education to adopt a policy granting resident tuition classification to a dependent of an active duty member of the armed forces if the dependent graduated from a high school outside of Colorado, so long as the dependent completed at least two years at a high school in Colorado within five years prior to enrolling at the institution. A student that qualifies for resident tuition pursuant to the bill is not eligible to receive stipends from the College Opportunity Fund.

State Revenue and Expenditures

There is no data to estimate the number of students who will meet the conditions of the bill. Assuming at least one institution of higher education adopts a policy to classify these students as residents for tuition purposes, state revenue from tuition will change. A student at that school who would otherwise pay the non-resident rate will now pay a reduced, resident tuition rate, resulting in a decrease in tuition revenue for the institution. Conversely, if the bill creates an incentive for students who otherwise would not attend a state institution, the school's tuition revenue is increased. An institution that adopts this policy will adjust expenditures to comport with the revenue from any additional students.

Departments Contacted

Higher Education

Military Affairs