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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING IN-STATE TUITION CLASSIFICATION FOR DEPENDENTS OF

102 MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries.)

The bill allows an institution of higher education (institution) to establish a policy that grants in-state tuition classification to a dependent of an active duty member of the United States armed forces (dependent) if the dependent enrolls in the institution and 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 5 years prior to enrollment in the institution.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 23-7-108.7 as 3 follows: 4 23-7-108.7. Tuition classification of dependents of members of 5 the armed forces. (1) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS 6 ARTICLE TO THE CONTRARY, BEGINNING WITH THE FALL SEMESTER OF THE 7 2012-13 ACADEMIC YEAR, THE GOVERNING BOARD OF EACH INSTITUTION 8 OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN COLORADO MAY ADOPT A POLICY THAT GRANTS 9 IN-STATE TUITION STATUS TO A DEPENDENT OF AN ACTIVE DUTY MEMBER 10 OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES IF THE DEPENDENT 11 ENROLLS IN THE INSTITUTION AND GRADUATED FROM A HIGH SCHOOL 12 OUTSIDE OF COLORADO, SO LONG AS THE DEPENDENT COMPLETED AT 13 LEAST TWO YEARS OF HIGH SCHOOL IN COLORADO WITHIN FIVE YEARS 14 PRIOR TO ENROLLMENT IN THE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION. 15 (2) A STUDENT WHO IS CLASSIFIED AS AN IN-STATE STUDENT 16 PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE COUNTED 17 AS A RESIDENT FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN IN-STATE TUITION 18 CLASSIFICATION. 19 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, 20 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate 21 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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