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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TUITION WAIVERS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 304A-502, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 " ~~[+]§304A-502[+]~~ **Power of regents to grant tuition**
4 **waivers.** (a) The board of regents, or its designated
5 representatives, is authorized to grant, modify, or suspend
6 tuition waivers.

7 The board may:

8 (1) Waive entirely or reduce the tuition fee or any of the
9 other fees for graduate teaching and research
10 assistants;

11 (2) Enter into agreements with government and university
12 officials of any other state or foreign country to
13 provide for reciprocal waiver of the nonresident
14 tuition and fee differential;

15 (3) Waive the nonresident tuition and fee differential for
16 selected students from Pacific and Asian jurisdictions
17 when their presence would be beneficial to the
18 university or the State;



- 1 (4) Waive entirely or reduce the tuition fee or any of the
2 other fees for students, resident or nonresident; and
3 (5) Waive the nonresident tuition and fee differential for
4 members in good standing of the following military
5 units, regardless of their actual state of residence:
6 (A) The Hawaii national guard; and
7 (B) The federal reserve components of the Army, Navy,
8 Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard who
9 attend drills with units located within the
10 State.

11 The board shall determine the percentage of allowable tuition
12 and fee waivers for financial need and other university
13 priorities. These tuition waivers and waivers of the
14 nonresident tuition and fee differential shall be awarded in
15 accordance with guidelines established by the board.

16 (b) The board of regents shall waive entirely the tuition
17 fee and any other fees for a qualified student who is a spouse
18 or child of:

- 19 (1) An eligible veteran or national guard member who
20 became totally disabled as a result of serving in
21 active federal military service; or



1 (2) An active or reserve member of the armed forces or
 2 national guard who was killed while engaged in active
 3 federal military service; provided that upon
 4 remarriage, the surviving spouse of the armed services
 5 or national guard member shall no longer be eligible
 6 for the fee waivers provided under this subsection."

7 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

University of Hawaii; Veterans; Tuition Waiver

Description:

Requires the University of Hawaii to waive all tuition and fees for qualified students who are the spouse or child of United States Armed Services and National Guard members who are totally disabled or were killed in action.

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