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FLORIDA LEGISLATION

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HB 45 Postsecondary Education Course Registration for Veterans

GENERAL BILL by Smith

Postsecondary Education Course Registration for Veterans: Requires certain Florida College System institutions & state universities to provide priority course registration for veterans; provides eligibility requirements; encourages certain independent postsecondary educational institutions to provide priority course registration.

Effective Date: July 1, 2012

Last Event: Sunday, April 29, 2012 - Chapter No. 2012-162; companion bill(s) passed, see CS/CS/SB 922 (Ch. 2012-159)

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H.R.276 : To amend title 38, United States Code, to allow for the transfer of educational assistance under the Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program to certain dependents to be used for special education.

Sponsor: Rep Fortenberry, Jeff [NE-1] (introduced 1/12/2011) Cosponsors (4)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 2/25/2011 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

No Recent changes

H.R.614 : Post 9/11 G.I. Bill Dependent Coverage Improvement Act

Sponsor: Rep Moore, Gwen [WI-4] (introduced 2/10/2011) Cosponsors (16)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/15/2011 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

No Recent changes

H.R.1130 : Education Assistance to Realign New Eligibilities for Dependents (EARNED) Act of 2011

Sponsor: Rep Alexander, Rodney [LA-5] (introduced 3/16/2011) Cosponsors (10)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/1/2011 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

No recent changes

H.R.1383

Latest Title: Restoring GI Bill Fairness Act of 2011

Sponsor: [Rep Miller, Jeff \[FL-1\]](#) (introduced 4/6/2011) **Cosponsors (11)**

Related Bills:[S.745](#)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 112-26 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

House Reports: [112-81](#)

H.R.1451 : Post 9/11 GI Bill Payment Restoration Act

To repeal a modification of authority to make certain interval payments of educational assistance under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Davis, Susan A. \[CA-53\]](#) (introduced 4/8/2011) **Cosponsors (14)**

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 4/29/2011 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

No recent changes

H.R.1910 : To extend for one year the authority of certain members of the Armed Forces and veterans to transfer unused Post-9/11 Educational Assistance benefits to family members.

Sponsor: [Rep Bartlett, Roscoe G. \[MD-6\]](#) (introduced 5/13/2011)**Cosponsors (22)**

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/27/2011 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

No recent changes

H.R.2002 : To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit disabled or injured members of the Armed Forces to transfer Post 9/11 Educational Assistance benefits after retirement, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Chaffetz, Jason \[UT-3\]](#) (introduced 5/26/2011) **Cosponsors (3)**

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/24/2011 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

No Recent changes

H.R.2274 : To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense to submit to Congress annual reports on the Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Bilirakis, Gus M. \[FL-9\]](#) (introduced 6/22/2011) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 7/21/2011 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote .

No Recent changes

H.R.2301 : Streamlining Education Claims Processing Act of 2011

Sponsor: Rep Stutzman, Marlin A. [IN-3] (introduced 6/22/2011)

Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/21/2011 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by Voice Vote.

No Recent changes

H.R.2550 : Spouses of Fallen Heroes Scholarship Act

Sponsor: Rep Boren, Dan [OK-2] (introduced 7/15/2011) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2011 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

No Recent changes

H.R.3329 : To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the eligibility period for veterans to enroll in certain vocational rehabilitation programs.

Sponsor: Rep Sanchez, Linda T. [CA-39] (introduced 11/2/2011) Cosponsors (7)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/8/2012 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

No Recent changes

H.R.3351 : Franchise Education for Veterans Act

Sponsor: Rep Griffin, Tim [AR-2] (introduced 11/3/2011) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 11/10/2011 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

No Recent changes

H.R.3447 : Veterans' Education Protection Act

Sponsor: Rep Quigley, Mike [IL-5] (introduced 11/16/2011) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Education and the Workforce

Latest Major Action: 3/29/2012 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training.

No Recent changes

H.R.3462 : To require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make tuition payments for veterans enrolled in institutions of higher learning who are receiving assistance under the Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program by not later than the tuition due date for the quarter, semester, or term.

Sponsor: Rep Clarke, Hansen [MI-13] (introduced 11/17/2011) Cosponsors (17)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 12/6/2011 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

No Recent changes

H.R.3483 : Veterans Education Equity Act of 2011

Sponsor: Rep Butterfield, G. K. [NC-1] (introduced 11/18/2011) Cosponsors (57)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 12/6/2011 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

No Recent changes

H.R.3764 : Ensuring Quality Education for Veterans Act

Sponsor: Rep Waters, Maxine [CA-35] (introduced 12/20/2011) Cosponsors(2)

Committees: House Education and the Workforce; House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/29/2012 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training.

No Recent changes

H.R.4055 : Military and Veterans Education Protection Act. A bill to count revenues from military and veteran education programs toward the limit on Federal revenues that certain proprietary institutions of higher education are allowed to receive for purposes of section 487 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Speier, Jackie [CA-12] (introduced 2/16/2012) Cosponsors (32) Related Bills: S.2116

Committees: House Education and the Workforce; House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs Latest Major Action 3/29/2012 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training.

No recent changes

H.R.4140 : Restore the Promise GI Bill. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to eliminate the time limitation for use of eligibility and entitlement to educational assistance under the Montgomery GI Bill.

Sponsor: Rep Murphy, Christopher S. [CT-5] (introduced 3/5/2012) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 3/21/2012 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

No recent changes

H.R.4155 : Veteran Skills to Jobs Act

Sponsor: Rep Denham, Jeff [CA-19] (introduced 3/7/2012) Cosponsors (21) To direct the head of each Federal department and agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 6/27/2012 House committee/subcommittee actions.

Status: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.

**7/23/12 Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 112-147 [GPO: Text, PDF]
House Reports: 112-585**

H.R.4279 : Veteran Self Relief Act of 2012

Sponsor: Rep Young, Todd C. [IN-9] (introduced 3/28/2012) Cosponsors (4)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/28/2012 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

No recent changes

H.R.4300 : Veterans Work Study Opportunities Act

Sponsor: Rep McNerney, Jerry [CA-11] (introduced 3/29/2012) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/10/2012 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

No recent changes

H.R.5836 : Veterans and Service Members Educational Benefits Safety Act

Sponsor: Rep Boswell, Leonard L. [IA-3] (introduced 5/18/2012) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Education and the Workforce; House Armed Services; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/26/2012 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training.

No recent changes

H.R.6123

Latest Title: Fulfilling Our Promise to Student Veterans Act of 2012

Sponsor: Rep Matsui, Doris O. [CA-5] (introduced 7/12/2012) Cosponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 7/26/2012 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

No recent changes

S.536 : A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide that utilization of survivors' and dependents' educational assistance shall not be subject to the 48-month limitation on the aggregate amount of assistance utilizable under multiple veterans and related educational assistance programs.

Sponsor: Sen Webb, Jim [VA] (introduced 3/9/2011) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/8/2011 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held.

No recent changes

S.745 : A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to protect certain veterans who would otherwise be subject to a reduction in educational assistance benefits, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Schumer, Charles E. [NY] (introduced 4/6/2011) Cosponsors

(5)

Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/19/2011 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 105.

No recent changes

S.1633

Latest Title: Selected Reserve Education Enhancement Act

To amend chapter 1606 of title 10, United States Code, to modify the basis utilized for annual adjustments in amounts of educational assistance for members of the Selected Reserve.

Sponsor: Sen Tester, Jon [MT] (introduced 9/26/2011) Cosponsors (2)

Latest Major Action: 9/26/2011 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

No recent changes

S.1634 : A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the approval and disapproval of programs of education for purposes of educational benefits under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Tester, Jon [MT] (introduced 9/26/2011) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action 6/13/2012 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held.

No recent changes

S.1852 : Spouses of Heroes Education Act

Sponsor: Sen Merkley, Jeff [OR] (introduced 11/10/2011) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/13/2012 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held.

No recent changes

S.2116 : Military and Veterans Education Protection Act. A bill to count revenues from military and veteran education programs toward the limit on Federal revenues that certain proprietary institutions of higher education are allowed to receive for purposes of section 487 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Carper, Thomas R. [DE] (introduced 2/16/2012) Cosponsors (10) Related Bills: H.R.4055

Committees: Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Latest Major Action: 2/16/2012 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

No recent changes

S.2179 : VA/DoD Educational Assistance Oversight. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve oversight of educational assistance provided under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Sen Webb, Jim [VA] (introduced 3/8/2012) Cosponsors (16)
Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/13/2012 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held.

No recent changes

S.2206 : GI Educational Freedom Act of 2012
Sponsor: Sen Lautenberg, Frank R. [NJ] (introduced 3/20/2012) Cosponsors (6)
Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs
Latest Major Action: 6/13/2012 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hearings held.

No recent changes

S.3318 : GI Bill Protection Act of 2012
Sponsor: Sen Boxer, Barbara [CA] (introduced 6/20/2012) Cosponsors (14)
Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs
Latest Major Action: 6/20/2012 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

No recent changes

S.3488 : A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide additional educational assistance under Post-9/11 Educational Assistance to veterans pursuing a degree in science, technology, engineering, or math, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Sen Brown, Sherrod [OH] (introduced 8/2/2012) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs
Latest Major Action: 8/2/2012 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

No recent changes

S.3503 : A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of work-study allowances by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to individuals who are pursuing programs of rehabilitation, education, or training under laws administered by the Secretary, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Sen Brown, Sherrod [OH] (introduced 8/2/2012) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs
Latest Major Action: 8/2/2012 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

No recent changes

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H.R.179

Latest Title: Franchise Education for Veterans Act

Sponsor: Rep Griffin, Tim [AR-2] (introduced 1/4/2013) Cosponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/8/2013 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

H.R.357

Latest Title: GI Bill Tuition Fairness Act of 2013

Sponsor: Rep Miller, Jeff [FL-1] (introduced 1/23/2013) Cosponsors (28)

Related Bills:S.257

Latest Major Action: 2/8/2013 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R.331 : To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to permit the centralized reporting of veteran enrollment by certain groups, districts, and consortiums of educational institutions.

Sponsor: Rep Calvert, Ken [CA-42] (introduced 1/22/2013) Cosponsors (5)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2013 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R.562 : VRAP Extension Act of 2013

Sponsor: Rep Miller, Jeff [FL-1] (introduced 2/6/2013) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 2/22/2013 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R.595

Latest Title: Veterans Education Equity Act of 2013

Sponsor: Rep Butterfield, G. K. [NC-1] (introduced 2/8/2013) Cosponsors (45)

Related Bills:S.262

Latest Major Action: 2/22/2013 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R.604 : Chris Kotch VA Education Access Act

Sponsor: Rep Pingree, Chellie [ME-1] (introduced 2/8/2013) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 2/8/2013 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R.883 : To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit certain veterans who were discharged or released from the Armed Forces by reason of service-connected disability to transfer benefits under the Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Chaffetz, Jason [UT-3] (introduced 2/28/2013) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/8/2013 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

H.R.1251 : Veteran Excellence Through Education Act of 2013

Sponsor: Rep Negrete McLeod, Gloria [CA-35] (introduced 3/19/2013)

Cosponsors (8)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 4/2/2013 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

S.257 : GI Bill Tuition Fairness Act of 2013

Sponsor: Sen Boozman, John [AR] (introduced 2/7/2013) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 2/7/2013 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

S.262 : Veterans Education Equity Act of 2013

Sponsor: Sen Durbin, Richard [IL] (introduced 2/7/2013) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 2/7/2013 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

S.492 : A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require States to recognize the military experience of veterans when issuing licenses and credentials to veterans, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Burr, Richard [NC] (introduced 3/7/2013) Cosponsors (0)

Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/7/2013 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

S.514 : A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide additional educational assistance under Post-9/11 Educational Assistance to veterans pursuing a degree in science, technology, engineering, math, or an area that leads to employment in a high-demand occupation, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Brown, Sherrod [OH] (introduced 3/11/2013) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/11/2013 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

***** Legislation that has had recent activity and/or new legislation is Red and Bold, Legislation that has been passed in is Blue