

HOUSE BILL 2335

By Mitchell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 4; Title 49, Chapter 7; Title 49, Chapter 8 and Title 49, Chapter 9, relative to in-state tuition for veterans.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 7, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

49-7-157.

(a) A veteran shall be eligible to pay in-state tuition and fees at any institution in the board of regents or University of Tennessee systems upon presenting:

(1) The veteran's certificate of release or discharge from active duty, department of defense form 214 (DD 214); and

(2)

(A) A Tennessee driver license or photo identification license; or

(B) Any two (2) of the following documents showing a valid

Tennessee residence address:

(i) Utility bill, including telephone service;

(ii) Bank statement, including credit card statement;

(iii) Rental contract or receipt;

(iv) Automobile, life, or health insurance policy;

(v) Tennessee motor vehicle registration;

(vi) Internal revenue service form W-2; or

(vii) Receipt for personal property or real property taxes

paid within the last year.

(b) As used in this section:

(1) "Active military service of the United States" means full-time duty in the army, navy, marine corps, air force or coast guard of the United States;

(2) "Served honorably" means the character of service condition reported as "honorable" on the certificate of release or discharge from active duty, department of defense form 214 (DD 214); and

(3) "Veteran" means a former member of the United States armed forces or a former member of a reserve or Tennessee national guard unit who was called into active military service of the United States and who served honorably.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it.