

1 **COLLEGE CREDIT FOR VETERANS**

2 2014 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Chief Sponsor: Tim M. Cosgrove**

5 Senate Sponsor: Peter C. Knudson

7 **LONG TITLE**

8 **General Description:**

9 This bill requires a college or university within the state system of higher education to
10 notify veterans applying for admission that in order to receive credit for military
11 training and experience, the veteran is required to meet with a college counselor.

12 **Highlighted Provisions:**

13 This bill:

14 ▶ requires institutions of higher education to provide a written notification process for
15 advising veterans of certain requirements necessary to receive college credit for
16 military training and experience.

17 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

18 None

19 **Other Special Clauses:**

20 None

21 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

22 AMENDS:

23 **53B-16-107**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2013, Chapter 126

25 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

26 Section 1. Section **53B-16-107** is amended to read:

27 **53B-16-107. Credit for military service and training -- Notification --**

28 **Transferability -- Reporting.**

29 (1) As used in this section, "credit" includes proof of equivalent noncredit course

30 completion awarded by the Utah College of Applied Technology.

31 (2) An institution of higher education listed in Section [53B-2-101](#) shall [award]
32 provide written notification to each student applying for admission that the student is required
33 to meet with a college counselor in order to receive credit for military service and training as
34 recommended by a postsecondary accreditation agency or association designated by the State
35 Board of Regents or the Utah College of Applied Technology Board of Trustees if:

36 (a) credit for military service and training is requested by the student; and

37 (b) the student has met with an advisor at an institution of higher education listed in
38 Section [53B-2-101](#) at which the student intends to enroll to discuss applicability of credit to
39 program requirements, possible financial aid implications, and other factors that may impact
40 attainment of the student's educational goals.

41 (3) Upon transfer within the state system of higher education, a student may present a
42 transcript to the receiving institution for evaluation and to determine the applicability of credit
43 to the student's program of study, and the receiving institution shall evaluate the credit to be
44 transferred pursuant to Subsection (2).

45 (4) The State Board of Regents and the Utah College of Applied Technology Board of
46 Trustees shall annually report the number of credits awarded under this section by each
47 institution of higher education to the Education Interim Committee and the Utah Department of
48 Veterans' Affairs.