

**EDUCATION ASSISTANCE FOR NATIONAL
GUARD MEMBERS**

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STATE OF UTAH

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This act modifies provisions relating to higher education by providing that 2-1/2% of tuition waivers at state institutions of higher education be set aside for members of the Utah National Guard.

This act affects sections of Utah Code Annotated 1953 as follows:

AMENDS:

53B-8-101, as last amended by Chapter 288, Laws of Utah 2001

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

Section 1. Section **53B-8-101** is amended to read:

53B-8-101. Waiver of tuition.

(1) (a) The president of each institution may waive all or part of the tuition in behalf of meritorious or impecunious resident students to an amount not exceeding 10% of the total amount of tuition which, in the absence of the waivers, would have been collected from all Utah resident students at the institution.

(b) Two and a half percent of the waivers designated in Subsection (1)(a) shall be set aside for members of the Utah National Guard. Waivers shall be preserved by the student at least 60 days before the beginning of an academic term.

(2) (a) Each academic year the president of each of the following institutions may waive all or part of the resident portion of the tuition in behalf of the additional number of meritorious nonresident students set forth below who are not current recipients of the waiver:

Institution	Number of Nonresident Students
the University of Utah	190
Utah State University	165
Weber State University	135

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Southern Utah University	68
Snow College	18
Dixie State College of Utah	30
the College of Eastern Utah	18
Utah Valley State College	114
Salt Lake Community College	43

(b) (i) The president may continue to waive the resident portion of the tuition during the entire time the affected meritorious nonresident student remains an undergraduate student in good standing at the institution.

(ii) The resident portion of the tuition for each nonresident student is equal to the tuition for resident students at the institution.

(c) The president may waive the nonresident portion of tuition for a meritorious nonresident student receiving a waiver under Subsection (2)(a) after completion of the student's first year of full-time study at the institution.

(d) (i) In addition to the waivers authorized by Subsections (2)(a) and (c), the president may waive all or part of the nonresident portion of tuition for a meritorious nonresident student during the student's first year of full-time study at the institution.

(ii) The number of these nonresident waivers for each institution is limited to the percentage of nonresident students at each institution times the nonresident student number allowed under Subsection (2)(a).

(3) Upon recommendation of the board, the president may grant additional full or partial tuition waivers to encourage students to enroll for instruction in occupations critical to the state for which trained personnel are in short supply.

(4) The president may waive all or part of the difference between resident and nonresident tuition in the case of meritorious graduate students and nonresident summer school students.

(5) The board shall submit annual budget appropriation requests for each institution which include requests for funds sufficient in amount to equal the estimated loss of dedicated

credits that would be realized if all of the tuition waivers authorized by Subsection (2) were granted.