

COLLEGE CREDIT FOR VETERANS

2014 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Tim M. Cosgrove

Senate Sponsor: Peter C. Knudson

LONG TITLE

Committee Note:

The Veterans Reintegration Task Force recommended this bill.

Membership: 5 legislators 15 non-legislators

Legislative Vote: 5 voting for 0 voting against 0 absent

General Description:

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

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

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

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

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



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

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

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

(1) As used in this section, "credit" includes proof of equivalent noncredit course completion awarded by the Utah College of Applied Technology.

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

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

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

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

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

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