

1 **TUITION AND FEES ASSISTANCE FOR UTAH NATIONAL**
2 **GUARD MEMBERS**

3 2015 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: Val L. Peterson**

6 Senate Sponsor: Peter C. Knudson

8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10 This bill expands the allowable tuition assistance for a Utah National Guard member to
11 include fees.

12 **Highlighted Provisions:**

13 This bill:

- 14 ▶ modifies the tuition assistance the Utah National Guard may provide to an active
- 15 member to attend an institution of higher education to include fees;
- 16 ▶ defines terms; and
- 17 ▶ makes technical amendments.

18 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

19 None

20 **Other Special Clauses:**

21 None

22 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

23 AMENDS:

24 **39-1-63**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1998, Chapter 233

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

27 Section 1. Section **39-1-63** is amended to read:

28 **39-1-63. Tuition and fees assistance for Utah National Guard members -- Use and**
29 **allocation -- Appropriation.**

30 (1) (a) As used in this section, "fees" means general course fees, in addition to tuition,
31 that are:

32 (i) imposed by an institution of higher education; and

33 (ii) required to be paid by a student to engage in a course of study at the institution of
34 higher education.

35 (b) "Fees" does not include a special course fee.

36 ~~[(1)]~~ (2) The Utah National Guard may provide tuition and fees assistance to [members
37 for study at postsecondary institutions of learning, including Applied Technology Centers] a
38 member of the Utah National Guard for study at an institution of higher education, subject to
39 the following requirements:

40 (a) the individual must be, at the time [he or she] the individual receives the assistance,
41 an active member of the Utah National Guard[-]; and

42 (b) the assistance is for tuition and fees only and [shall be not] may not be more than
43 the resident tuition and fees for the actual course of postsecondary study engaged in by the
44 individual.

45 ~~[(2)]~~ (3) (a) Tuition and fees assistance shall be awarded for each academic year.
46 [Students]

47 (b) An individual may apply to the adjutant general of the state for assistance for each
48 year during which [he or she] the individual is an active member of the Utah National Guard.

49 (c) In awarding assistance, the adjutant general shall consider the recruitment and
50 retention needs of the Utah National Guard.

51 ~~[(3) Tuition assistance is to be paid by the]~~

52 (4) The adjutant general of the state shall pay the tuition and fees assistance directly to
53 [the institutions involved] an institution of higher education from the funds appropriated.

54 ~~[(4)]~~ (5) The adjutant general of the state shall establish regulations, procedures, forms,
55 and reports necessary to administer the allocation of assistance and payment of funds under this
56 section.

57 ~~[(5)]~~ (6) The adjutant general of the state shall include a request each year for funds for

58 this program in the annual budget for the Utah National Guard.

59 [~~(6) A person~~] (7) An individual who transfers from the Select Reserve to the Utah

60 National Guard is not eligible for the tuition and fees assistance in this section for one year

61 from the date of transfer.