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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

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RELATING TO EDUCATION - ACADEMIC CREDIT FOR MILITARY SERVICE

Introduced By: Senators Lynch, and Felag

Date Introduced: March 06, 2013

Referred To: Senate Education

(Governor)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Title 16 of the General Laws entitled "EDUCATION" is hereby amended
2 by adding thereto the following chapter:

3 CHAPTER 101

4 ACADEMIC CREDIT FOR MILITARY SERVICE

5 **16-101-1. Academic credit for military service.** -- State public higher education
6 institutions in the state shall honor the military training, experience, correspondence courses and
7 occupations of an individual who has served in the military or armed forces of the United States
8 by allowing academic credits that meet the standards of the American Council on Education or
9 equivalent standards for awarding academic credit, if the award of the educational credit is based
10 upon the institution's admission standards and its role, scope, and mission. The board of
11 education shall adopt policies or regulations requiring each institution to award educational
12 credits to a student enrolled in the institution, based upon the student's military training or service
13 when academically appropriate.

14 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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1 This act would require that state run public higher education institutions adopt a policy
2 and promulgate regulations to award educational credits to veterans enrolled in their institution
3 for courses that were part of the student's military training.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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