
HOUSE BILL 1858

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By Representatives McCoy, Appleton, Morrell, Ryu, and Ormsby

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1 AN ACT Relating to awarding academic credit for military training;
2 and adding a new section to chapter 28B.10 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.10 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Before December 31, 2014, each institution of higher education
7 must adopt a policy to award academic credit to an individual who:

8 (a) Is enrolled in the institution of higher education;

9 (b) Has successfully completed any military training course or
10 program as part of his or her military service that is:

11 (i) Recommended for credit by a national higher education
12 association that provides credit recommendations for military training
13 courses and programs;

14 (ii) Included in the individual's military transcript issued by any
15 branch of the armed services; or

16 (iii) Any other documentation of military training or experience;
17 and

18 (c) That is substantially equivalent to any course or program
19 offered by the institution of higher education.

1 (2) Each institution of higher education must develop a procedure
2 for receiving the necessary documentation to identify and verify the
3 military training course or program that an individual is claiming for
4 academic credit.

5 (3) Each institution of higher education must provide a copy of its
6 policy for awarding academic credit for military training to any
7 enrolled student who listed prior or present military service in his or
8 her application. Each institution of higher education must develop and
9 maintain a list of military training courses and programs that have
10 qualified for academic credit.

11 (4) Each institution of higher education must submit its policy for
12 awarding academic credit for military training to the prior learning
13 assessment work group convened pursuant to RCW 28B.77.230. The work
14 group must evaluate each policy and make recommendations to each
15 institution.

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