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SENATE BILL 725
Education/Higher Education Committee Substitute Adopted 5/4/05

Short Title: NCNGuard–Tuition Assistance Program Changes. (Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 22, 2005

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO MODIFY THE TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR MEMBERS
3 OF THE NORTH CAROLINA NATIONAL GUARD.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 SECTION 1. G.S. 127A-193 reads as rewritten:

6 "§ 127A-193. Benefit.

7 The benefit provided under this Article shall consist of a monetary educational
8 assistance grant not to exceed ~~two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per academic year~~ the
9 highest amount charged by a State educational institution per academic year or a lesser
10 amount, as prescribed by the Secretary, to remain within the funds appropriated, to
11 qualifying members of the North Carolina national guard. Benefits shall be payable for
12 a period of one academic year at a time, renewable at the option of the Secretary ~~for a~~
13 ~~maximum of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000).~~ Secretary."

14 SECTION 2. G.S. 127A-195(c) reads as rewritten:

15 "(c) All tuition benefit disbursements shall be made to the business or trade school
16 or State or private educational institution concerned, for credit to the tuition account of
17 each recipient."

18 SECTION 3. G.S. 127A-195 is amended by adding a new subsection to
19 read:

20 "(f) Any balance of the monetary educational assistance grant up to the maximum
21 for the academic year remaining after tuition is paid pursuant to subsection (c) of this
22 section may be disbursed to the recipient as reimbursement for required course books
23 and materials. The manner of obtaining the reimbursement payment for these required
24 books and materials shall be as prescribed by the Secretary."

25 SECTION 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 2005.