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AN ACT relating to education; authorizing the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to waive certain fees and tuition for a child, widow or widower of a person who was killed while serving in the Nevada National Guard; authorizing the waiver of certain fees and tuition for the spouse or child of a person who is identified as a prisoner of war or missing in action while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law authorizes the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to waive certain fees for a member of the Nevada National Guard or a recruit for the Nevada National Guard. (NRS 396.544) Additionally, existing law requires the Board of Regents to pay certain fees and expenses for the dependent child of a police officer, firefighter, officer of the Nevada Highway Patrol or volunteer ambulance driver or attendant who was killed while performing his duties. (NRS 396.545) **Section 2** of this bill authorizes the Board of Regents to waive certain fees for a child, widow or widower of a person who was killed while performing his duties as a member of the Nevada National Guard. **Section 3** of this bill authorizes the Board of Regents to waive certain fees for the spouse or child of a person who is identified as a prisoner of war or missing in action while performing his duties as a member of the Armed Forces of the United States.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 396 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 and 3 of this act.

Sec. 2. 1. *The Board of Regents may grant a waiver of registration fees and laboratory fees for a child, widow or widower of a person who was killed while performing his duties as a member of the Nevada National Guard. For the purpose of assessing fees and charges against a person to whom such a waiver is granted, including, without limitation, tuition charges pursuant to NRS 396.540, the person shall be deemed to be a bona fide resident of this State.*

2. A person is eligible for a waiver pursuant to subsection 1 if he maintains at least a 2.0 grade point average, on a 4.0 grading scale, each semester or the equivalent of a 2.0 grade point average if a different scale is used.

3. A child may use a waiver granted pursuant to this section for 10 years after he attains the age of 18 years or, if he enrolls in



the System before the age of 18 years, for 10 years after the date of such enrollment. A widow or widower may use a waiver granted pursuant to this section for 10 years after the date of the death of the member.

4. The Board of Regents may request the Adjutant General to verify that a person is the child, widow or widower of a person who was killed while performing his duties as a member of the Nevada National Guard. The Adjutant General shall, upon receiving such a request, notify the Board of Regents in writing concerning the status of that person.

Sec. 3. *1. The Board of Regents may grant a waiver of registration fees and laboratory fees for a spouse or child of a person who is identified as a prisoner of war or missing in action while performing his duties as a member of the Armed Forces of the United States. For the purpose of assessing fees and charges against a person to whom such a waiver is granted, including, without limitation, tuition charges pursuant to NRS 396.540, the person shall be deemed to be a bona fide resident of this State.*

2. A person is eligible for a waiver pursuant to subsection 1 if he maintains at least a 2.0 grade point average, on a 4.0 grading scale, each semester or the equivalent of a 2.0 grade point average if a different scale is used.

3. A spouse may use a waiver granted pursuant to this section for 10 years after the date on which the member of the Armed Forces was identified as a prisoner of war or missing in action. A child may use a waiver granted pursuant to this section for 10 years after he attains the age of 18 years or, if he enrolls in the System before the age of 18 years, for 10 years after the date of such enrollment.

4. The Board of Regents may request such documentation as it deems necessary to verify that a person is the spouse or child of a member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is identified as a prisoner of war or missing in action while performing his duties as a member of the Armed Forces.

Sec. 4. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2009.

