### SENATE BILL NO. 306-SENATOR CARE

## MARCH 17, 2003

### Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Temporarily revises provisions governing educational benefits provided to members of Nevada National Guard. (BDR 36-991)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to the Nevada National Guard; temporarily revising the provisions governing the educational benefits provided to members of the Nevada National Guard; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

# 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 a new section to read as follows:

- 1. The Board of Regents may grant a waiver of registration fees and laboratory fees for any member of the active Nevada National Guard, including, without limitation, a recruit, who attends a school within the System as a full-time or part-time student. For the purpose of assessing fees and charges against a person to whom a waiver is granted pursuant to this subsection, including, without limitation, tuition charges pursuant to NRS 396.540, such a person shall be deemed to be a bona fide resident of this state.
- 12 2. To be eligible for a waiver pursuant to subsection 1, a 13 person must:
- 14 (a) Be a member in good standing of the active Nevada 15 National Guard, including, without limitation, a recruit, at the 16 beginning of and throughout the entire semester for which the 17 waiver is granted; and



(b) Maintain 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 grading scale is used.

3. The Board of Regents may request the Adjutant General to verify the membership in the active Nevada National Guard of a person who is seeking or has been granted a waiver of registration fees and laboratory fees pursuant to subsection 1. The Adjutant General shall, upon receiving such a request, notify the Board of Regents in writing concerning the status and dates of membership of that person in the active Nevada National Guard.

- 4. If a waiver is granted pursuant to subsection 1 for a recruit and the recruit does not enter full-time National Guard duty within 1 year after enlisting, the recruit shall reimburse the Board of Regents for all registration fees and laboratory fees waived on behalf of the recruit if his failure to enter full-time National Guard duty is attributable to his own conduct.
  - 5. As used in this section:

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- (a) "Full-time National Guard duty" has the meaning ascribed to it in 32 U.S.C § 101(19).
- (b) "Recruit" means a person who has enlisted in the Nevada National Guard but has not begun his required military duty.
- 22 **Sec. 2.** NRS 412.143 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2003, and expires by limitation on June 30, 2005.

#### TEXT OF REPEALED SECTION

### 412.143 Educational benefits.

- 1. The Adjutant General may authorize the payment of no more than 100 percent of the consolidated fee each semester for each member of the active Nevada National Guard who attends one of the universities within the University and Community College System of Nevada as a full-time or part-time student from money appropriated for this purpose.
- 2. The Adjutant General may authorize the payment of no more than 100 percent of the credit-hour cost each semester for each member of the active Nevada National Guard who attends one of the community colleges within the University and Community College System of Nevada as a full-time or part-time student from money appropriated for this purpose.
- 3. To be eligible to receive benefits, a person must be a member in good standing of the active Nevada National Guard at



the beginning of and throughout the entire semester for which benefits are received.



