

AMENDMENTS TO LB 746

Introduced by Government, Military and Veterans Affairs.

1 1. Insert the following new section:

2 Sec. 2. Section 85-505.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative
3 Supplement, 2006, is amended to read:

4 85-505.01 (1) The tuition assistance program prescribed
5 in sections 85-505 to 85-508 shall not be available to:

6 (a) More than one thousand two hundred members during any
7 fiscal year;

8 (b) Commissioned and warrant officers who have a
9 baccalaureate degree or are eligible for any other equivalent
10 federal benefits;

11 (c) Enlisted personnel entitled to any equivalent federal
12 educational benefits, except that this subdivision shall not apply
13 to personnel receiving assistance from the federal Educational
14 Assistance Program for Members of the Selected Reserve, as it
15 existed on September 1, 2001; and

16 (d) Enlisted personnel who have a baccalaureate degree.

17 (2) The tuition assistance program prescribed in sections
18 85-505 to 85-508 shall be available to members of the Nebraska
19 National Guard for a period of ten years, as provided in section
20 85-505, from the date of initial membership.

21 (3) Any member of the Nebraska National Guard receiving
22 tuition assistance under sections 85-505 to 85-508 may obtain only
23 one undergraduate degree under such tuition assistance program.

1 Only credit-bearing courses which meet degree requirements shall be
2 approved for tuition assistance. Members shall not receive tuition
3 assistance for any noncredit courses.

4 (4) If a member of the Nebraska National Guard
5 voluntarily withdraws from a course for which he or she is
6 receiving tuition assistance, the member shall be liable for all
7 costs relating to such withdrawal, including, but not limited to,
8 all of the costs billed by the educational institution to the
9 Nebraska National Guard. Reimbursement shall be in accordance with
10 section 72-1601.

11 (5) Any member of the Nebraska National Guard who
12 receives tuition assistance shall agree in writing to serve in
13 the Nebraska National Guard for three years after the completion
14 of the courses for which tuition assistance was given. Any member
15 who receives tuition assistance may be asked to reimburse the State
16 of Nebraska if any such member leaves the Nebraska National Guard
17 during such three-year period. Reimbursement shall be in accordance
18 with section 72-1601.

19 (6) The Military Department shall retain the
20 responsibility and authority to establish any limitations
21 and controls it deems necessary to ensure maximum fiscal efficiency
22 and productivity of the tuition assistance program prescribed in
23 sections 85-505 to 85-508.

24 2. On page 2, line 19, strike "eighty" and insert
25 "twenty".

26 3. Amend the repealer and renumber the remaining sections
27 accordingly.