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Introduced by Representatives Hango of Berkshire, Birong of Vergennes,  
Sibilia of Dover, Austin of Colchester, Bartley of Fairfax, Beck  
of St. Johnsbury, Boyden of Cambridge, Branagan of Georgia,  
Brennan of Colchester, Burditt of West Rutland, Canfield of  
Fair Haven, Chase of Colchester, Cina of Burlington, Clifford  
of Rutland City, Demar of Enosburgh, Dickinson of St. Albans  
Town, Donahue of Northfield, Galfetti of Barre Town, Goslant  
of Northfield, Graham of Williamstown, Gregoire of Fairfield,  
Harrison of Chittenden, Higley of Lowell, Hooper of Randolph,  
Hooper of Burlington, Labor of Morgan, Laroche of Franklin,  
Lipsky of Stowe, Maguire of Rutland City, Mattos of Milton,  
McCoy of Poultney, McFaun of Barre Town, Morgan, M. of  
Milton, Morris of Springfield, Morrissey of Bennington, Noyes  
of Wolcott, Ode of Burlington, Oliver of Sheldon, Page of  
Newport City, Parsons of Newbury, Peterson of Clarendon,  
Sammis of Castleton, Shaw of Pittsford, Small of Winooski,  
Smith of Derby, Taylor of Milton, Toof of St. Albans Town,  
Williams of Granby, and Wilson of Lyndon

Referred to Committee on  
Date:

1 Subject: Education; National Guard Tuition Benefit Program

2 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to amend the  
3 National Guard Tuition Benefit Program to include courses offered at a non-  
4 Vermont approved postsecondary education institution approved for Title IV  
5 funding where the degree program is not offered in Vermont.

6 An act relating to the Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Program

7 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

8 Sec. 1. 16 V.S.A. § 2857 is amended to read:

9 § 2857. VERMONT NATIONAL GUARD TUITION BENEFIT PROGRAM

10 (a) Program creation. The Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit  
11 Program (Program) is created, under which a member of the Vermont National  
12 Guard (member) who meets the eligibility requirements in subsection (c) of  
13 this section is entitled to the following tuition benefit for up to full-time  
14 attendance:

15 (1) For courses at any Vermont State College institution or the  
16 University of Vermont and State Agricultural College (UVM), the benefit shall  
17 be the in-state residence tuition rate for the relevant institution.

18 (2) For courses at any eligible Vermont private postsecondary  
19 institution, the benefit shall be the in-state tuition rate charged by UVM.

