

# SENATE, No. 3784

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

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**SYNOPSIS**

Permits spouses and dependents of military service members to qualify for in-State tuition in event that service member is transferred to another state.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/1/2021)

1 AN ACT concerning in-State tuition rates for certain students  
2 attending public institutions of higher education and amending  
3 P.L.1985, c.231.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
6 *of New Jersey:*

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8 1. Section 1 of P.L.1985, c.231 (C.18A:62-4.1) is amended to  
9 read as follows:

10 United States military personnel and their spouses and  
11 dependents who are living in New Jersey and are attending public  
12 institutions of higher education in New Jersey shall be regarded as  
13 residents of the State for the purpose of determining tuition.

14 In the event that a United States military service member is  
15 relocated out of the State due to the service member's continued  
16 military service, the service member's spouse or dependent shall  
17 continue to be regarded as residents of the State for the purpose of  
18 determining tuition provided that: (1) the spouse or dependent was  
19 enrolled in a public institution of higher education in New Jersey  
20 prior to the service member's relocation; and (2) the spouse or  
21 dependent maintains continuous enrollment at the public institution  
22 of higher education.

23 (cf: P.L.1985, c. 231, s. 1)

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25 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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28 STATEMENT

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30 Under current law, United States military personnel and their  
31 dependents who are living in New Jersey and are attending public  
32 institutions of higher education in New Jersey are regarded as  
33 residents of the State for the purpose of determining tuition. This  
34 bill amends that law to provide that:

- 35 • the in-State tuition classification also applies to the military  
36 service member's spouse; and  
37 • in the event that the military service member is relocated out  
38 of the State due to the service member's continued military  
39 service, the service member's spouse or dependent will not  
40 lose their in-State tuition classification provided that: (1) the  
41 spouse or dependent was enrolled in a public institution of  
42 higher education in New Jersey prior to the service  
43 member's relocation; and (2) the spouse or dependent  
44 maintains continuous enrollment at the public institution of  
45 higher education.

**EXPLANATION** – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is  
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.