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## H 3747 General Bill, By J.E. Smith

Summary: National Guard, tuition assistance grants, provisions; Adjutant General, Colleges and Universities, Scholarships A BILL TO AMEND SECTION 59-114-30, AS AMENDED, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL GUARD TUITION ASSISTANCE GRANTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT NO MEMBER MAY BE PAID MORE THAN TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS PER ACADEMIC YEAR AND A TOTAL OF EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS, THAT THE TUITION ASSISTANCE BENEFIT MUST BE USED WITHIN TEN YEARS OF THE MEMBER FIRST ENTERING THE SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL GUARD, AND TO REQUIRE A NEW APPLICATION FOR EACH ACADEMIC TERM; TO AMEND SECTION 59-114-40, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE, SO AS TO CHANGE THE SERVICE OBLIGATION OF A MEMBER BEYOND THE END OF THE ACADEMIC PERIOD FOR WHICH TUITION IS REQUESTED FROM TWO YEARS TO ONE YEAR: TO AMEND SECTION 59-114-50, RELATING TO ADMINISTRATION OF THE TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE PERCENT OF THE TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET MAY BE USED TO COVER ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF THE PROGRAM; TO AMEND SECTION 59-114-70, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO MAKING TUITION ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS TO APPLICANTS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT TUITION ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS SHALL BE MADE TO ELIGIBLE INSTITUTIONS FOR CREDIT TO THE ACCOUNT OF THE MEMBER RATHER THAN DIRECTLY TO THE MEMBER, AND TO PROVIDE THAT ELIGIBLE INSTITUTIONS RECEIVING TUITION ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO ACCOUNT TO THE STATE AUDITOR FOR SUCH MONIES.

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