

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2019
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB6

Hearing Date: Tuesday January 22, 2019
Committee On: Education
Introducer: Blood
One Liner: Change residency provisions relating to persons on active duty and their dependents for college tuition purposes

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:
Aye: 8 Senators Brewer, Groene, Kolowski, Linehan, Morfeld, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Walz
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Oral Testimony:

Proponents:
SENATOR CAROL BLOOD
MARTIN DEMPSEY

Representing:
INTRODUCER
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Section 1

Legislative Bill 6 amends Neb. Rev. Stat. Sec. 85-502, which determines residency for state college and university purposes.

Under present law, a person currently on active duty in the military and assigned to permanent duty in Nebraska, or a legal dependent of such person, is a resident of Nebraska for tuition purposes.

LB 6 amends this so that a person, the person's spouse, or the person's legal dependent may receive in-state tuition so long as the person 1) was on active duty in the military and assigned to Nebraska at the time the person, spouse, or legal dependent was accepted for admission to the state college or university and 2) the person, spouse, or legal dependent remain continually enrolled at the institution.

Section 2

In order to amend Neb. Rev. Stat. Sec. 85-502, the original version is repealed.

Explanation of amendments:

AM 381 replaces LB 6.

AM 381 removes LB 6's original provision that affects active duty military persons assigned to a permanent duty station in Nebraska and instead only addresses the active duty military person's spouse or legal dependent.

Under current law and under AM 381 to LB 6, an active duty military person assigned a permanent duty station in Nebraska will still receive in-state tuition. Under AM 381, the spouse or legal dependent of such person will also receive in-state tuition as long as such person was on active duty assigned a permanent duty station in Nebraska at the time the spouse or legal dependent is accepted for admission into the postsecondary institution and the spouse or legal dependent remains continually enrolled at the institution since the time of acceptance.

Mike Groene, Chairperson