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HOUSE BILL No. 2652

By Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security

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AN ACT concerning colleges and universities, relating to tuitionrequirements for resident fee purposes; amending K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 76-729 and repealing the existing section.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 76-729 is hereby amended to read as 6 7 follows: 76-729. (a) (1) Persons enrolling at the state educational 8 institutions under the control and supervision of the state board of regents 9 who, if such persons are adults, have been domiciliary residents of the 10 state of Kansas or, if such persons are minors, whose parents have been 11 domiciliary residents of the state of Kansas for at least 12 months prior to 12 enrollment for any term or session at a state educational institution are 13 residents for fee purposes. A person who has been a resident of the state of 14 Kansas for fee purposes and who leaves the state of Kansas to become a resident of another state or country shall retain status as a resident of the 15 16 state of Kansas for fee purposes if the person returns to domiciliary residency in the state of Kansas within 60 months of departure. All other 17 18 persons are nonresidents of the state of Kansas for fee purposes.

19 (2) The provisions of this subsection shall be applicable to any person 20 enrolling at a state educational institution from and after July 1, 2006. Any 21 person who (A) qualifies as a resident of the state of Kansas for fee 22 purposes under the provisions of this subsection, (B) attended a state 23 educational institution during academic year 2006-2007 and (C) paid fees 24 as if such person was not a resident of the state of Kansas, may apply to 25 such state educational institution to be reimbursed in an amount equal to 26 the difference between the amount the person paid in fees and the amount 27 the person would have paid if such person had been treated as a resident of 28 the state of Kansas. Such reimbursement shall be paid by the state 29 educational institution at which such person was enrolled during academic 30 vear 2006-2007.

31 (3) The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to a person who
32 is deemed a resident for fee purposes pursuant to K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 7633 731a, and amendments thereto.

(b) The state board of regents may authorize the following persons, or
 any class or classes thereof, and their spouses and dependents to pay an
 amount equal to resident fees:

- (1) Persons who are employees of a state educational institution;
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(2) persons who are in military service; (3) persons who are domiciliary residents of the state, who were in-3 active military service prior to becoming domiciliary residents of the state, 4 who were present in the state for a period of not less than two years during 5 6 their tenure in active military service, whose domiciliary residence was-7 established in the state within 30 days of discharge or retirement from 8 active military service under honorable conditions, but whose domiciliary 9 residence was not timely enough established to meet the residenceduration requirement of subsection (a): 10

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(4) persons having special domestic relations circumstances;

12 (5)(3) persons who have lost their resident status within six months of 13 enrollment;

14 (6)(4) persons who are not domiciliary residents of the state, who 15 have graduated from a high school accredited by the state board of 16 education within six months of enrollment, who were domiciliary residents 17 of the state at the time of graduation from high school or within 12 months 18 prior to graduation from high school, and who are entitled to admission at 19 a state educational institution pursuant to K.S.A. 72-116, and amendments 12 thereto;

21 (7)(5) persons who are domiciliary residents of the state, whose 22 domiciliary residence was established in the state for the purpose of 23 accepting, upon recruitment by an employer, or retaining, upon transfer required by an employer, a position of full-time employment at a place of 24 25 employment in Kansas, but the domiciliary residence of whom was not timely enough established to meet the residence duration requirement of 26 27 subsection (a), and who are not otherwise eligible for authorization to pay 28 an amount equal to resident fees under this subsection; and

29 (8)(6) persons who have graduated from a high school accredited by the state board of education within six months of enrollment and who, at 30 31 the time of graduation from such a high school or while enrolled and in 32 attendance at such a high school prior to graduation therefrom, were 33 dependents of a person in military service within the state; if the person, 34 whose dependent is eligible for authorization to pay an amount equal to 35 resident fees under this provision, does not establish domiciliary residence 36 in the state upon retirement from military service, eligibility of the 37 dependent for authorization to pay an amount equal to resident fees shall 38 lapse; and

(9) persons who have retired or have been honorably discharged from
 military service, had a permanent change of station order for active duty in
 Kansas during such military service and live in Kansas at the time of
 enrollment.

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(c) (1) The state board of regents shall authorize the following class

1 of persons to pay an amount equal to resident fees: (A) Persons who are in military service;

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(B) persons who are domiciliary residents of the state at the time of 3 4 enrollment, were in active military service for a period of not less than 36 5 months prior to becoming domiciliary residents of the state and have been 6 discharged or retired from military service under honorable conditions; 7 and

8 any dependent or spouse of a person in military service who is (C)9 reassigned from Kansas to another duty station so long as such dependent 10 or spouse continues to reside in Kansas.

(2) So long as a persondependent or spouse of a person in military 11 12 service, as described in paragraph (1) of this subsection, remains continuously enrolled, exclusive of summer sessions, a person who 13 qualifies to pay resident fees by virtue of being a spouse or dependent of a 14 15 person in military service shall not lose such status because of a divorce or 16 the death of a spouse.

(d) As used in this section:

18 (1) "Parents" means and includes natural parents, adoptive parents, 19 stepparents, guardians and custodians.

(2) "Guardian" has the meaning ascribed thereto by provided by 20 21 K.S.A. 59-3051, and amendments thereto.

22 (3) "Custodian" means a person, agency or association granted legal 23 custody of a minor under the revised Kansas code for care of children.

24 (4) "Domiciliary resident" means a person who has present and fixed 25 residence in Kansas where the person intends to remain for an indefinite period and to which the person intends to return following absence. 26

27 (5) "Full-time employment" means employment requiring at least 28 1,500 hours of work per year.

29 (6) "Dependent" means: (A) A birth child, adopted child or stepchild; 30 or

31 (B) any child other than the foregoing who is actually dependent in 32 whole or in part on the person in military service and who is related to 33 such individual by marriage or consanguinity.

"Military service" means: (A) Any active service in any armed 34 (7)35 service of the United States; or (B) membership in the Kansas army or air 36 national guard.

(8) "Academic year" means the twelve-month period ending June 30.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 76-729 is hereby repealed.

39 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book. 40

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