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National Guard Members To Receive Enhanced Higher Education Benefit

PIERRE, S.D. – National Guard members enrolled in a state university or technical school will soon receive enhanced tuition benefits under a bill signed into law by Gov. Dennis Daugaard last week.

House Bill 1203 allows the Board of Regents to make changes to its fee structure to better leverage federal tuition reimbursements for National Guard students. The changes are expected to save National Guard students \$141 per course beginning in the summer of 2016.

In addition, the bill moves state funds for tuition reimbursement from the Department of Military's budget to the Regents' and technical institutes' budgets, so institutions can directly manage costs.

The bill also freezes tuition at South Dakota's public universities and technical schools for resident on-campus students.

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