

HOUSE BILL 259: 2023 Appropriations Act, Sec. 33.4: Department of Military and Veterans Affairs -Children of Veterans' Scholarships.

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Analysis of:	Sec. 33.4 of S.L. 2023-134		Staff Attorney

OVERVIEW: Section 33.4 of S.L. 2023-134 makes the following changes to the North Carolina Scholarships for Children of Wartime Veterans Program (Program):

- Requires students who have been awarded scholarships under the Program to maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 throughout the four academic years for which the student is eligible for a scholarship under the Program.
- Directs the Veterans' Affairs Commission (Commission) of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA) to require State and private educational institutions to annually report (i) the number of scholarship recipients who maintained a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 under the Program and (ii) the number of scholarship recipients who completed the degree requirements for graduation under the Program.
- Requires DVMA to annually report to various legislative committees the number of scholarship recipients who maintained a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 under the Program.

This section became effective July 1, 2023.

BILL ANALYSIS: Section 33.4(a) of S.L. 2023-134 requires students who have been awarded scholarships under the Program to maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 throughout the four academic years for which the student is eligible for a scholarship under the Program.

Section 33.4(b) of S.L. 2023-134 directs the Commission to require State and private educational institutions to report, no later than December 15 of each year, (i) the number of scholarship recipients who maintained a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 under the Program and (ii) the number of scholarship recipients who completed the degree requirements for graduation under the Program.

Section 33.4(c) of S.L. 2023-134 requires DMVA to report, by January 1 of each year, to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government, the Senate Appropriations Committee on General Government and Information Technology, the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee on General Government, and the Fiscal Research Division the number of scholarship recipients who maintained a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 under the Program.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Section 33.4 of S.L. 2023-134 became effective July 1, 2023.

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