

HOUSE BILL 373: University of North Carolina Tuition Discounts for Certain Students.

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S.L. 2025-17 (House Bill 373), as amended by Section 2.4 of S.L. 2025-92 (House Bill 358), allows constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina (UNC) to discount tuition to qualifying military students up to the difference between the maximum amount of military tuition assistance funds received by the student and the applicable tuition. Qualifying military students are those that are residents of the State for tuition purposes and receive either (i) federal military tuition assistance funds, or (ii) military tuition assistance for members of the North Carolina National Guard.

This act also allows constituent institutions to discount tuition to students who are enrolled in an employer-sponsored financial support program approved by the Board of Governors of UNC (BOG). The discount can be up to the difference between the maximum amount provided by the employer and the applicable tuition. Any employer-sponsored financial support program is a program in which the employer of a student has committed to providing financial support to the student to offset the costs of tuition or fees for the student's degree or credential program.

No later than February 15 of each year, the BOG is required to report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee and the Fiscal Research Division on the discounted tuition provided in the previous academic year for qualifying military students and students enrolled in employer-sponsored financial support programs, including the number of students that received the discounts and the annual financial impact on each constituent institution because of the discounted tuition.

This act became effective June 26, 2025, and applies beginning with the 2025-2026 academic year.