



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2015 Senate Bill 164

Senate Amendment 1

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CURRENT LAW

Under current law, the Technical College System (TCS) Board establishes program fees that the technical college districts must charge students. With exceptions, the fee charged to students who are not residents of this state is 150% of the fee charged to students who are residents of this state.

2015 SENATE BILL 164

Senate Bill 164 requires the TCS Board to charge resident fees to: (1) a veteran living in this state, regardless of whether the veteran is a resident, if the veteran was discharged or released from at least 90 days of active service within the three years before the date of enrollment in the technical college; and (2) the veteran's spouse or child, living in this state, who is eligible for certain federal benefits by virtue of his or her relationship to the veteran.

SENATE AMENDMENT 1

Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 164 clarifies that an individual who is enrolled in a technical college and has been charged resident fees under the bill's provisions on the date that begins the third year after the qualifying veteran was discharged or released from service shall continue to be charged resident fees for as long as the individual maintains continuous enrollment at the college.

BILL HISTORY

Senator Petrowski offered Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 164 on May 20, 2015. On May 27, 2015, the Senate Committee on Transportation and Veterans Affairs voted unanimously to recommend adoption of Senate Amendment 1 and passage of Senate Bill 164, as amended.

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