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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
12/10/2013	.	
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The Committee on Education (Legg) recommended the following:

1 **Senate Substitute for Amendment (883370) (with title**
2 **amendment)**

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4 Delete everything after the enacting clause
5 and insert:

6 Section 1. This act is cited as the "Congressman C. W. Bill
7 Young Veteran Tuition Waiver Act."

8 Section 2. Subsection (12) is added to section 1009.26,
9 Florida Statutes, to read:

10 (12) There is established the Congressman C. W. Bill Young
11 Veteran Tuition Waiver Program. A state university or Florida



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12 College System institution shall waive out-of-state fees for an
13 honorably discharged veteran of the Armed Forces of the United
14 States, including the National Guard and reserve components
15 thereof, who physically resides in this state while enrolled in
16 the institution. Tuition and fees charged to a veteran who
17 qualifies for the out-of-state fee waiver under this subsection
18 may not exceed the tuition and fees charged to a resident
19 student. The waiver is applicable for 110 percent of the
20 required credit hours of the degree or certificate program for
21 which the student is enrolled. Each state university and Florida
22 College System institution shall report to the Board of
23 Governors and the State Board of Education, respectively, the
24 number and value of all fee waivers granted annually under this
25 subsection.

26 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.

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28 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

29 And the title is amended as follows:

30 Delete everything before the enacting clause
31 and insert:

32 A bill to be entitled
33 An act relating to waivers of out-of-state fees for
34 veterans; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; providing a short
35 title; establishing the Congressman C. W. Bill Young
36 Veteran Tuition Waiver Program; requiring a state
37 university or Florida College System institution to
38 waive out-of-state fees for certain veterans of the
39 Armed Forces of the United States, including the
40 National Guard and reserve components thereof;



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41 providing applicability; requiring a state university
42 and Florida College System institution to report to
43 the Board of Governors and the State Board of
44 Education, respectively, the number and value of all
45 fee waivers; providing an effective date.
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47 WHEREAS, Charles William (Bill) Young, born in 1930, was
48 raised in humble surroundings and was later elected to the
49 United States House of Representatives by the electors of the
50 Thirteenth Congressional District of Florida, and

51 WHEREAS, after Congressman Young completed his 22nd term in
52 the United States House of Representatives, he became the
53 longest serving Republican member at the time of his death on
54 October 18, 2013, and

55 WHEREAS, as a husband, father, laborer, businessman, and
56 United States Army Reservist, Congressman Young was the
57 embodiment of a distinguished gentleman and statesman who was
58 noted for his unflappable civility, and

59 WHEREAS, Congressman Young was instrumental in safeguarding
60 from decommission the MacDill Air Force Base in Florida, now
61 home to the United States Central Command and the United States
62 Special Operations Command, during the Federal Government's
63 efforts to reduce the number of Air Force bases, and

64 WHEREAS, Congressman Young is credited with the substantial
65 growth of one of this nation's largest veteran's hospitals
66 located in Saint Petersburg, Florida, which now bears his name,
67 and

68 WHEREAS, Congressman Young's most gratifying
69 accomplishment, realized in conjunction with the United States



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70 Navy, was establishing a national registry for bone marrow
71 donors which is credited with saving tens of thousands of lives,
72 and

73 WHEREAS, adoption of this act, which is cited as the
74 "Congressman C. W. Bill Young Veteran Tuition Waiver Act"
75 exemplifies and honors Congressman Young for his unwavering,
76 lifelong support of the Armed Forces of the United States and
77 the brave military men and women who serve this nation and stand
78 in defense of liberty, NOW, THEREFORE,