By Senator Richter

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1   A bill to be entitled

2   An act relating to out-of-state fee waivers for active

3   duty service members; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.;

4   requiring state universities, Florida College System

5   institutions, and certain centers to waive out-of-

6   state fees for active duty members of the United

7   States Armed Forces residing or stationed outside of

8   this state; prohibiting tuition and fees charged to

9   such students from exceeding a specified amount;

10   requiring an annual report of all out-of-state fee

11   waivers for such individuals; requiring the Board of

12   Governors and the State Board of education to adopt

13   related regulations and rules; providing an effective

14   date.

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16   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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18   Section 1. Subsection (14) is added to section 1009.26,

19   Florida Statutes, to read:

20   1009.26 Fee waivers.—

21   (14)(a) A state university, Florida College System

22   institution, career center operated by a school district under

23   s. 1001.44, or charter technical career center shall waive out-

24   of-state fees for a person who is an active duty member of the

25   Armed Forces of the United States residing or stationed outside

26   of this state.

27   (b) Tuition and fees charged to a student who qualifies for

28   the out-of-state fee waiver under this subsection may not exceed

29   the tuition and fees charged to a resident student.

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30   (c) Each state university, Florida College System
31 institution, career center operated by a school district under
32 s. 1001.44, and charter technical career center shall report to
33 the Board of Governors and the State Board of Education,
34 respectively, the number and value of all fee waivers granted
35 annually under this subsection.
36   (d) The Board of Governors and the State Board of Education
37 shall respectively adopt regulations and rules to administer
38 this subsection.
39   Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.

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