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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TUITION ASSISTANCE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECTION 1. Section 121-45, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
3	"(a) The adjutant general, subject to the availability of
4	funds, may award tuition assistance to qualified enlisted
5	persons, warrant officers, and [company grade] officers [$(0-1)$
6	through 0-3)] in the Hawaii national guard who are:
7	(1) Residents of the State, as defined by the board of
8	regents pursuant to section [+]304A-402[+]; and
9	(2) [Undergraduate_students] <u>Students</u> working toward a
10	degree on any campus of the University of Hawaii.
11	Students working toward an undergraduate degree shall receive
12	priority consideration for the awarding of available funding for
13	tuition assistance."
14	SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
15	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
16	much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2009-2010 and
17	the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
18	year 2010-2011 to provide tuition assistance to members of the
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Hawaii national guard who are students working toward a degree
 on any campus of the University of Hawaii system.

3 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department4 of defense for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;
provided that section 2 shall take effect on July 1, 2009.

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Description:

Broadens the scope of the tuition assistance to Hawaii national guard members attending the University of Hawaii and appropriates funds for that purpose.

