A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION AWARENESS AND COMPLIANCE ACT.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature recognizes that sufficient
- 2 armed strength must be maintained to ensure the national
- 3 security of the United States. In a free society, the
- 4 obligations and privileges of serving in the armed forces and
- 5 the reserve components should be shared in accordance with a
- 6 system of selection that is fair and just and consistent with
- 7 maintaining an effective national economy.
- 8 The legislature finds that to achieve these national
- 9 security goals, the United States Congress has enacted the
- 10 United States Military Selective Service Act (50 U.S.C. 3801 et
- 11 seq.), which requires all male citizens and males residing in
- 12 the United States, except for lawfully admitted non-immigrants,
- 13 to register with the Selective Service System upon reaching the
- 14 age of eighteen.
- 15 The legislature further finds that any person who is not in
- 16 compliance with the Military Selective Service Act is ineligible



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- 1 for federal student financial assistance and employment within
- 2 the executive branch of the federal government.
- 3 The purpose of this Act is to require compliance with the
- 4 Military Selective Service Act to qualify for state financial
- 5 assistance for post-secondary education.
- 6 The legislature finds that these issues are a matter of
- 7 statewide concern and fall within the purview of the legislature
- 8 pursuant to article X, section 6, of the Hawaii State
- 9 Constitution.
- 10 SECTION 2. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by
- 11 adding a new chapter to be appropriately designated and to read
- 12 as follows:
- 13 "CHAPTER
- 14 SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION AWARENESS AND COMPLIANCE ACT
- 15 § -1 Short title. This chapter shall be known as the
- 16 "Selective Service Registration Awareness and Compliance Act".
- 17 § -2 Definitions. As used in this chapter:
- 18 "Military Selective Service Act" means title 50 United
- 19 States Code section 3801 et seq.
- 20 § -3 Compliance; post-secondary education financial
- 21 assistance. (a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, any



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- 1 person who is not in compliance with the Military Selective
- 2 Service Act, shall be ineligible to receive a loan, grant,
- 3 scholarship, tuition waiver, or other financial assistance for
- 4 post-secondary education that is provided by, supported by, or
- 5 quaranteed by the State.
- 6 (b) The University of Hawaii shall ensure that applicants
- 7 and enrollees under its jurisdiction comply with the Military
- 8 Selective Service Act for the purposes of this section.
- 9 § -4 Exceptions. A person shall not be denied a right,
- 10 privilege, or benefit under this chapter for noncompliance with
- 11 the Military Selective Service Act if the person is:
- 12 (1) Eighteen years of age or under, or over twenty-six
- years of age;
- 14 (2) In the armed forces of the United States on active
- duty, other than in a reserve unit or has already
- 16 served in the armed forces or has a condition that
- 17 would preclude acceptability for military service;
- 18 (3) Neither a United States citizen nor a resident
- immigrant;
- 20 (4) A permanent resident of the Trust Territory of the
- 21 Pacific Islands or the Northern Mariana Islands; or

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1	(5) Is excused from registration for some other reason
2	provided by the Military Selective Service Act and
3	that reason is included in a written statement.
4	§ -5 Severability. If any provision of this chapter, or
5	the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held
6	invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or
7	applications of the chapter which can be given without the
8	invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions
9	of this chapter are severable."
10	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.
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Report Title:

Selective Service Registration Awareness and Compliance Act; State Financial Assistance; Eligibility

Description:

Requires compliance with the Military Selective Service Act to qualify for state financial assistance for post-secondary education. Provides exceptions. Takes effect on 7/1/2017. (SD1)

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