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**An Act To Allow a Resident Veteran's Child Who Is Enrolled in an
Out-of-state College or University To Take a Course in Maine at a
State Postsecondary Education Institution for Free**

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

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ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative STANLEY of Medway.
Cosponsored by Senator GRATWICK of Penobscot and
Representatives: HANINGTON of Lincoln, HARLOW of Portland, SHERMAN of Hodgdon,
SKOLFIELD of Weld.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 37-B MRSA §390-D** is enacted to read:

3 **§390-D. Free course for certain children of veterans**

4 **1. Definitions.** As used in this section, unless the context otherwise indicates, the
5 following terms have the following meanings.

6 A. "Course" has the same meaning as in section 352, subsection 1.

7 B. "State postsecondary education institution" has the same meaning as in section
8 352, subsection 4.

9 C. "Veteran" means a person who has served on active duty in the United States
10 Armed Forces including the Reserves of the United States Armed Forces and the
11 National Guard and received a discharge other than dishonorable.

12 **2. Free course.** A person who is enrolled as a student at a postsecondary education
13 institution outside this State and who is the child of a veteran who is a resident of this
14 State may take one course at a state postsecondary education institution with no charge
15 for tuition. This tuition benefit must be provided in the form of a tuition waiver provided
16 by the state postsecondary education institution.

17 **SUMMARY**

18 This bill provides that a person who is enrolled as a student at a postsecondary
19 education institution outside this State and who is the child of a veteran who is a resident
20 of this State may take one course at a state postsecondary education institution in this
21 State with no charge for tuition.