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Short Title:	Need-Based Scholar. Funds/Military Dependents.	(Public)
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March 26, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO MAKE NONRESIDENT DEPENDENTS OF ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS AND VETERANS ELIGIBLE FOR NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE EDUCATION ASSISTANCE AUTHORITY TO SUPPORT THOSE SCHOLARSHIPS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 116-281(3) reads as rewritten:

- "(3) The student must meet at least one of the following:
 - a. Qualify as a legal resident of North Carolina and as a resident for tuition purposes under the criteria set forth in G.S. 116-143.1 and in accordance with definitions of residency that may from time to time be adopted by the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina.
 - b. Be a veteran provided the veteran's abode is in North Carolina and the veteran provides the eligible private postsecondary institution a letter of intent to establish residency in North Carolina.
 - c. Be an active duty member of the Armed Forces provided the member of the Armed Forces is abiding in this State incident to active military duty in this State.
 - d. Be the dependent relative of a veteran who is abiding in North Carolina while sharing an abode with the veteran and the dependent relative provides the eligible private postsecondary institution a letter of intent to establish residency in North Carolina.
 - e. Be the dependent relative of an active duty member of the Armed Forces who is abiding in North Carolina incident to active military duty while sharing an abode with the active duty member."

SECTION 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) for the 2020-2021 fiscal year to be allocated to the State Education Assistance Authority to be used to support need-based scholarships for dependents of active duty service members and veterans attending private institutions of higher education.

SECTION 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2019. Section 1 of this act applies beginning with the award of scholarships for the 2020-2021 academic year.

