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04/07/2016	5733	Introduction and first reading Referred to Finance

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A bill for an act

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relating to military veterans; providing tuition relief for disabled veterans to

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attend MnSCU institutions; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes,

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chapter 136F.

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

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Section 1. **[136F.191] MILITARY VETERANS TUITION RELIEF.**

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A resident student who is a veteran, as defined in section 197.447, and who has a

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100 percent service-connected permanent and total disability rating as adjudicated by the

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United States Veterans Administration, or by the retirement board of one of the several

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branches of the armed forces, is not required to pay the portion of tuition and mandatory

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fees at a state college or university in excess of the amount of tuition covered by the

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student's federal Pell grant and state grant awards to attend that college or university. A

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student must apply for a federal Pell grant and a state grant to be eligible for the tuition

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relief under this section. This section applies only while the student is making satisfactory

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academic progress as determined by the college or university.

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Sec. 2. **MNSCU; APPROPRIATION.**

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\$..... is appropriated in fiscal year 2017 from the general fund to the Board of

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Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities for the purpose of the tuition

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relief provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 136F.191.