



# OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

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## Bill Analysis

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### **H.B. 603**

132nd General Assembly

(As Reported by H. Higher Education & Workforce Development)

**Reps.** Perales, Craig, Johnson, Lanese, Kent, O'Brien, Reece, Riedel, Romanchuk, Antani, Ramos, Edwards, Zeltwanger

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### **BILL SUMMARY**

- Qualifies active duty military service members, and their spouses and dependents, for in-state tuition at state institutions of higher education.
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### **CONTENT AND OPERATION**

#### **Active duty military families as Ohio residents**

The bill requires the Chancellor of Higher Education to grant Ohio residency to military service members on active duty, as well as their spouses and dependents, for the purposes of qualifying for in-state tuition at state institutions of higher education. Military service members, spouses, and dependents are not required to be domiciled in Ohio as of the first day of an institution's term of enrollment to qualify as Ohio residents.<sup>1</sup>

#### **Background**

Under current law, the Chancellor must define residency status for tuition purposes at state institutions of higher education. Statutory law specifies that the rules prevent individuals living in Ohio primarily to attend state institutions from being treated as residents of Ohio for the purposes of in-state tuition. Current law also generally requires the Chancellor to consider veterans who served on active duty, their spouses, and their dependents as residents of Ohio for such purposes.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> R.C. 3333.31(D).

<sup>2</sup> R.C. 3333.31(A), (B), and (C).

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## HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	04-17-18
Reported, H. Higher Education & Workforce Development	11-29-18

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