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## HOUSE BILL NO. 431

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION  $33\mathcal{-}7\mathcal{-}403$  , MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF THE TERM "TUITION" AS USED UNDER THE 1 2 3 MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE LAW; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. 4 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 6 SECTION 1. Section 33-7-403, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 7 amended as follows: 33-7-403. As used in this article, the following words shall 8 have the meanings as set forth by this section: 9 10 (a) "Mississippi National Guard" means federally recognized units of the Mississippi National Guard. 11 12 (b) "Gender" means words importing the masculine gender 13 only shall apply to female as well as male. (c) "Active member" means a member of a federally 14 15 recognized unit of the Mississippi National Guard meeting the minimum requirements for satisfactory membership as defined in the 16 17 Department of the Army and Air Force Regulations. (d) "Tuition" means actual cost, including any fees and 18 books, not to exceed the highest actual cost charged by any 19 20 public, accredited institution of higher learning, vocational education school or community or junior college in Mississippi. 21 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 2.2 and after July 1, 2000. 23

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