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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the Alabama National
9 Guard Educational Assistance Act authorizes the
10 Alabama Commission on Higher Education to pay
11 instate tuition costs for certain qualified members
12 of the Alabama National Guard.

13 This bill would revise the definition of
14 tuition for purposes of the act.

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16 A BILL

17 TO BE ENTITLED

18 AN ACT

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20 To amend Section 31-10-2, Code of Alabama 1975,
21 relating to the Alabama National Guard Educational Assistance
22 Act, to revise the definition of tuition.

23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

24 Section 1. Section 31-10-2 of the Code of Alabama
25 1975, is amended to read as follows:

26 "§31-10-2.

"The following words used in this article shall have the meanings as set forth by this section:

"(1) ALABAMA NATIONAL GUARD. Federally recognized units of the Alabama National Guard.

"(3) (2) ACTIVE MEMBER. A member of a federally recognized unit of the Alabama National Guard meeting the minimum requirements for satisfactory membership as defined in the Department of the Army and Department of the Air Force regulations.

"(5) (3) TUITION. The cost of instruction and fees to the student as stated in the institution's catalog, plus the average cost of books and supplies, to a minimum of one hundred dollars (\$100), and not to exceed \$500 per semester or quarter or not more than \$1,000 annually 50 percent of the remaining balance after all federal benefits have been applied to the account of the student, for a total amount not exceeding two thousand dollars (\$2,000) annually.

"(4) VETERAN. Any person with more than 180 days active duty under Title 10, United States Code, annotated, and entitled to federal educational benefits will be considered a veteran and not eligible for benefits under this article.

"(2) WORDS IMPORTING THE MASCULINE GENDER ONLY.
Apply to female as well as male."

Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first day of the third month following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.