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RULE PROMULGATION STATUS UPDATE

ACTS IMPACTING RULE PROMULGATION:

Act 76 of the Regular Session, 2021 by Senator English and Representative M. Berry

Act 76 amended the law concerning tuition benefits for soldiers and airmen of the Arkansas National Guard. Changes were made to NGAR Regulation 621-203 (Rule 131.00.19-00). This Act added that if there are exigent circumstances that warrant a temporary waiver of the initial active-duty training requirement in accordance with the rules, the soldier or airman is eligible to receive the tuition benefit.

Act 133 of the Regular Session of 2021 by Senator English and Representatives C. Fite and M. Berry

Act 133 amended the law to expand application of the tuition-free benefit for soldiers and airmen enrolled in courses in a program that is exclusively offered online. State-supported institutions of higher education that have degree-offering programs exclusively online are now covered in the Arkansas National Guard Tuition Waiver Program.

Status of update on the stage of promulgation

The Legal Notice advertisement ran on September 3, 4 and 5, 2021. This set forth the public comment period from September 3 through noon on October 4, 2021. It also gave Notice of the public hearing that was held on September 13, 2021.

The public comment period will end on Monday, October 4, 2021.

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SUBJECT: Rule Promulgation Status Update

Whether promulgation will include a new rule, amended rule or repeal
This promulgation will amend the current rule.

The point of contact for future updates is:

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