

By Mr. Scaccia of Boston, petition of Angelo M. Scaccia relative to establishing the Massachusetts National Guard educational assistance program. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Eight.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE MASSACHUSETTS NATIONAL GUARD EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter thirty-three of the General Laws is
2 hereby amended by inserting after section 137 the following new
3 section:

4 *Section 138.* There shall hereby be established a Massachusetts
5 National Guard Educational Assistance Program. This program
6 shall be administered by the secretary of the Massachusetts
7 department of education in consultation with the Adjutant
8 General who shall have the authority to authorize the payment of
9 fifty percent of the matriculation fee and tuition, each semester, for
10 the eligible member of the Massachusetts National Guard who
11 attends any Commonwealth supported educational institution.

1 SECTION 2. To be eligible to receive benefits from this fund, a
2 guardsman shall: —

3 (a) Be a member in good standing of the active Massachusetts
4 Army of Air National Guard at the beginning of each semester that
5 benefits are payable under this section, and

6 (b) Remain a member in good standing of the active
7 Massachusetts Army of Air National Guard throughout the entire
8 semester for which benefits are payable under this section.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

