388.1875 Veterans and active military duty personnel; educational assistance; report; definition.

Sec. 275. (1) Each public university that receives an appropriation in section 236 shall do all of the following:

(a) Meet the provisions of section 5003 of the post-911 veterans educational assistance act of 2008, 38 USC 3301 to 3327, including voluntary participation in the Yellow Ribbon GI Education Enhancement Program established in that act in 38 USC 3317. By October 1 of each year, each public university shall report to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the Michigan Association of State Universities on whether or not it has chosen to participate in the Yellow Ribbon GI Education Enhancement Program. If at any time during the fiscal year a university participating in the Yellow Ribbon Program chooses to leave the Yellow Ribbon Program, it shall notify the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the Michigan Association of State Universities.

(b) Establish an on-campus veterans’ liaison to provide information and assistance to all student veterans.

(c) Provide flexible enrollment application deadlines for all veterans.

(d) Include in its admissions application process a specific question as to whether an applicant for admission is a veteran, an active member of the military, a member of the National Guard or military reserves, or the spouse or dependent of a veteran, active member of the military, or member of the National Guard or military reserves, in order to more quickly identify potential educational assistance available to that applicant.

(e) Consider all veterans residents of this state for determining their tuition rates and fees.

(f) Waive enrollment fees for all veterans.

(2) By October 1 of each year, each public university shall report to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on higher education, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the department of military and veterans affairs regarding services provided specifically to veterans and active military duty personnel, including, but not limited to, the services described in subsection (1).

(3) As used in this section, “veteran” means an honorably discharged veteran entitled to educational assistance under the provisions of section 5003 of the post-911 veterans educational assistance act of 2008, 38 USC 3301 to 3327.