

# VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2015 SESSION

## CHAPTER 581

*An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 16 of Title 23 an article numbered 2.1, consisting of a section numbered 23-220.5, relating to the State Board for Community Colleges; policy for the award of academic credit for military training.*

[S 1335]

Approved March 23, 2015

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Chapter 16 of Title 23 an article numbered 2.1, consisting of a section numbered 23-220.5, as follows:**

*Article 2.1.*

*Award of Academic Credit for Military Training Applicable to the Student's Certificate of Degree Requirements.*

**§ 23-220.5. Policy for the award of academic credit for military training.**

*A. The State Board shall adopt a policy for the award of academic credit to any student enrolled in a comprehensive community college who has successfully completed a military training course or program as part of his military service that is applicable to the student's certificate of degree requirements and is:*

*1. Recommended for academic credit by a national higher education association that provides academic credit recommendations for military training courses or programs;*

*2. Noted on the student's military transcript issued by any of the armed forces of the United States;*  
*or*

*3. Otherwise documented in writing by any of the armed forces of the United States.*

*B. The State Board shall:*

*1. Develop a procedure for each comprehensive community college to receive the documentation necessary to identify and verify the military training course or program for which the student has applied for academic credit; and*

*2. Develop, maintain, and disseminate to each comprehensive community college a list of military training courses and programs that it has deemed qualified for the award of academic credit.*

*C. Each comprehensive community college shall provide a copy of the State Board's policy for the award of academic credit for military training courses or programs to each student applicant.*

**2. That the State Board for Community Colleges shall adopt a policy for the award of academic credit for military training pursuant to this act no later than December 31, 2015.**