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# **SENATE BILL NO. 830**

### 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 173, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to combat veterans.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 173, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 173.900, to read as follows:  $\mathbf{2}$ 

173.900. 1. For the purpose of this section, the term "combat veteran" shall mean a person who served in armed combat in the  $\mathbf{2}$ military after September 11, 2001, and to whom the following criteria 3 shall apply: 4

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(1) The veteran was a Missouri resident when first entering the 6 military; and

7 (2) The veteran was discharged from military service under 8 honorable conditions.

9 2. All institutions of higher education that receive any state 10 funds whatsoever shall limit the amount of tuition such institutions charge to combat veterans to fifty dollars per credit hour, as long as 11 the veteran achieves and maintains a cumulative grade point average 12of at least two and one-half on a four point scale, or its equivalent. 13

3. The period during which a combat veteran is eligible for a 1415tuition limitation under this section shall expire at the end of the tenyear period beginning on the date of such veteran's last discharge from 1617 service.

4. The coordinating board for higher education shall ensure that 18all applicable institutions of higher education in this state comply with 19 20the provisions of this section and may promulgate rules for the efficient implementation of this section. 21

225. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in this 23section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to 24all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 2526536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to 27chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date, or to 28disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, 2930 then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or 31 adopted after August 28, 2008, shall be invalid and void.

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