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SYNOPSIS

Prohibits four-year public and independent institutions of higher education from increasing New Jersey resident undergraduate tuition and fees for nine continuous semesters following student's initial enrollment.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Higher Education Committee on September 18, 2014, with amendments.

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1 AN ACT concerning undergraduate tuition and fees at public and
2 independent institutions of higher education and supplementing
3 chapter 3B of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
6 *of New Jersey:*

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8 1. a. Notwithstanding the provisions of any law, rule, or
9 regulation to the contrary, a four-year public or independent
10 institution of higher education shall not increase the tuition and fees
11 of a ¹New Jersey¹ resident undergraduate student for nine
12 continuous semesters following the student's initial enrollment in
13 the institution or, in the case of a student enrolled in an
14 undergraduate program regularly requiring more than four academic
15 years to complete, for the number of semesters required for
16 completion.

17 b. In the event that a ¹New Jersey¹ resident undergraduate
18 student is approved for a leave of absence from the institution for a
19 period of more than one year, upon re-enrollment in the institution,
20 the student shall not be eligible for the ¹New Jersey¹ resident
21 undergraduate tuition and fees charged to the student during the
22 student's initial semester of enrollment.

23 c. The provisions of this section shall not be applicable to an
24 independent institution of higher education having a total
25 endowment of more than \$1,000,000,000.

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27 2. When the governing board of a four-year public or
28 independent institution of higher education adopts the tuition and
29 fees for the upcoming academic year, the board shall also prepare a
30 nonbinding document that discloses the governing board's estimate
31 of the tuition and fees for the next four cohorts of students who will
32 initially enroll in the institution in each of the four academic years
33 following the upcoming academic year.

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35 3. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first apply to
36 students who initially enroll in four-year public or independent
37 institutions of higher education in the ¹**[2014-2015]** 2015-2016¹
38 academic year.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly AHI committee amendments adopted September 18, 2014.