Texas Tech University Veterans, Dependents, Fry Scholarship Student Business Services Recipients Box 41099 **Choice Act Non-Resident Waiver** Lubbock, Texas 79409-1099 H.R. 3230 - Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability T: 806.742.3272 Act of 2014 F: 806.742.5910 sbs@ttu.edu Exemption 1003, 1004, 1005 TWA1 1. Full Legal Name First name Middle name Student ID (R Number) Last name 2. Local Address Number and Street City/State Zip code Choice Act - A person may qualify for a non-resident waiver if they are a Chapter 30 or 33 Veteran, dependent/spouse, or Fry Scholarship recipient, who lives in the state where the institution of higher learning is located and enrolls in the school within three years of the Veteran's discharge date from a period of active duty service of 90 days or more. Check the qualifying Federal VA benefit you are using: Fry Scholarship Chapter 30 Chapter 33 Are you the: _Dependent Spouse _Veteran If a dependent or spouse, list the name and SSN of the Veteran: Name:_ SSN: _ Date of Discharge __ Length of Service _ Date of Servicemember's Death (Fry Scholarship) With my signature below, I certify that: 1. I am a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States; OR 2. I am a spouse or child of a member of the Armed Forces of the United States; AND 3. I am eligible for benefits under the federal Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008 (38 U.S.C. Section 3301 et seq.), the Montgomery GI Bill Active Duty (MGIB-AD) or the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship; AND 4. I currently reside in Texas; AND 5. I plan to register as a student at Texas Tech University; AND 6. The attached letter, filed with Texas Tech University, demonstrates my intent to establish residence in Texas. Thus, pursuant to the federal Veterans Access, Choice and Accountability Act of 2014 "Choice Act," below I request that Texas Tech University permit me to pay the tuition, fee, and other charges provided for Texas residents without regard to the length of time that I have resided in Texas.

Signature of Student

Date

H.R. 3230 – Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014 "Choice Act" (Sec. 702)

A person is entitled to pay tuition and fees at an institution of higher learning (IHL) at the rates provided for Texas residents if they are:

- (1) A Veteran who lives in the state where the IHL is located (regardless of formal state of residence) and enrolls in the school within three years of discharge from a period of active duty service of 90 days or more
- (2) An individual using transferred benefits who lives in the state where the IHL is located (regardless of his/her formal state of residence) and enrolls in the school within three years of the transferor's discharge from a period of active duty service of 90 days or more
- (3) An individual using benefits under the Fry Scholarship who lives in the state where the IHL is located (regardless of his/her formal state of residence) and enrolls in the school within three years of the Servicemember's death in the line of duty following a period of active duty service of 90 days or more

Students maintain "covered individual" status as long as they are using Post-9/11 GI Bill or MGIB-AD benefits and remain continuously enrolled at the same public IHL.

- Continuity of enrollment is not broken by regularly scheduled breaks between courses, semesters or terms
- Individuals do not have to enroll in summer sessions or terms to maintain continuous enrollment
- If a student exhausts entitlement or chooses not to receive GI Bill benefits under the Post-9/11 GI Bill or Montgomery GI Bill – Active Duty, the provisions of section 702 no longer apply, even if the student remains continuously enrolled

Section 702 only applies after the Servicemember has been discharged.

- Does not apply to students using transferred Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits from someone still on active duty
- It does not apply to those currently on active duty

Section 702 VA Fact Sheet:

http://www.benefits.va.gov/GIBILL/docs/factsheets/Section_702_Factsheet.pdf