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Senate Committee on Education Proponent Testimony: HB 2567

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Good afternoon, Chair Baumgardner, and Members of the Committee. Thank you for the opportunity to appear today to testify in favor of HB 2567.

This legislation would create a new service scholarship to be administered by our agency, in coordination with the Adjutant General. The scholarship would be for up to 200 National Guard members a year for enrollment in any master's degree program at eligible institutions. National Guard members would be selected by the Adjutant General and their service requirement would be for four years.

We are pleased to support this legislation and appreciate the House Education Committee amendments to add Washburn University as an eligible institution, and to reduce the administrative effort for adoption of regulations and exchange of documentation between the National Guard and our agency.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer testimony on this legislation.