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2014 Issues for JCMVA on 17 Sep 2013

Carryovers:

SB 5318: In State Tuition for Veterans. Passed Senate 48-0, stopped in House, having received Do Pass from House Higher Ed, but stopped in Approps. Sen Bailey sponsor.

Companion **HB 1011** by Rep Appleton.

HB 1858: Academic credit for veterans. Passed House 97-0, stopped in Senate.

Zero fiscal. Rep McCoy sponsor. Sen O'Ban doing companion.

HB 1859: Occupational license credit for veterans. Passed House 97-0, stopped in Senate Rules after Do Pass from Govt Ops.

Zero Fiscal. Rep McCoy sponsor. Sen O'Ban doing companion.

HB 1107: Additional child custody protections for deployed military members. Passed House 98-0, stopped in Senate at Second Reading Rules after Do Pass from Senate Law & Justice. 3X failed.

Zero fiscal. Rep McCoy sponsor.

In Work:

- **Military Student Identifier Issue:** [Assign an identifier for military children in education data systems](#): Although military children experience life challenges as a result of parents' military service, there is no method of tracking their attendance and academic progress in public schools. States can assist DoD in developing policy and military child education initiatives, by identifying military children and providing data on their educational outcomes.
- **Medicaid Waiver Issue:** [Allow Service members to retain their earned priority for receiving Medicaid home and community care waivers](#): Because states set their own eligibility requirements, members may be on waiting lists for several years that exceed their time on station. Allowing Service members to enroll their exceptional family member in the State they designate as their legal residence (i.e. where they pay taxes, vote, etc.) can stabilize their request for support.

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