

Veterans Benefits and Transition Act of 2018 - Section 103

In accordance with the Veterans Benefits and Transition Act of 2018, a covered individual* will be permitted to attend or participate in the course of education during the period beginning on the date on which the individual provides to the educational institution a certificate of eligibility for entitlement to educational assistance under Chapter 31 or 33.

Southeastern Technical Institute (STI) will not impose any penalty, including the assessment of late fees, the denial of access to classes, libraries or other institutional facilities. STI will not require a Chapter 31 or Chapter 33 recipient to borrow additional funds to cover the individual's inability to meet his or her financial obligations to the institution due to the delayed disbursement of a payment by the U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

To qualify for this provision, the covered individual may be required to produce the VA's Certificate of Eligibility (COE) by the first day of class, provide a written request to be certified (Request for VA Certification), and or provide additional information needed to certify the enrollment as described in other institutional. The Request for VA Certification form can be obtained from the STI office.

This provision will end when payment for the course of education has been received by STI or 90 days after the date STI has received the Certificate of Eligibility and has certified tuition and fees for the course of education, whichever is earlier.

**Covered Individual - defined as any individual who is entitled to education assistance under the US Department of Veterans Affairs(VA) Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Ch.31), or Post 9/11 GI Bill® (Ch. 33) benefit.*