

## **A L E R T:**

### **Veterans & Active Military Earned Education Benefits Applied to Career Education At Risk!**

**R**ights and prerogatives of military veterans and active service members to apply their earned education benefits toward a credential at a career college or school are in jeopardy. Congressional proposals would:

- Require at least 15% of revenue earned by your enterprise be derived from non-federal sources (instead of 10%, the current requirement) AND ...
- Require the Department of Education/Federal Student Aid (FSA) to apply earned veterans education benefits and earned active military tuition assistance funds toward the "federal" side rather than the "non-federal" side of the ratio.

Institutions unable to comply with the 85/15 ratio, after excluding all military education benefits from the "non-public" side of the ratio, **would lose eligibility to participate in Title IV - FSA programs.**

**A**t a national level, CECU estimates that at least 260 career colleges and schools serving some of the more than 158,000 veterans would lose FSA eligibility, and their veteran/active military students would be displaced. As a direct consequence of losing FSA eligibility, many of those institutions would be forced to cease operations, potentially displacing about 500,000 students total. (<https://www.career.org/veterans.html>)

Advocates are pushing for modification to the 90/10 rules in the Higher Education Act. HEA legislation is expected to move this summer in Congress.

**Y**our Kentucky Association of Career Colleges and Schools is working to preserve and protect the rights of Veterans and Active Military to use their earned education benefits for career education and training at the institution of their choice. But KACCS needs your help!

**Please review the appeal for information sent to all member schools and respond in a timely way. Veterans' rights and benefits depend on it!**