

1 SB116
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3 By Senator Whatley
4 RFD: Judiciary
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SYNOPSIS: This bill would establish a program to allow children of members of the military relocating to Alabama under military orders to enroll provisionally in a local public school in advance of arrival in the state without proof of residency.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to public K-12 education; to establish a program of advance enrollment for children of military families.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. A student who is not a domiciliary of the state shall be permitted to register to enroll in a public K-12 school by remote means, including electronic means, prior to commencement of the student's residency in this state if all of the following apply:

1 (1) A parent or legal guardian is on active military
2 duty and is transferred or pending transfer to a military
3 installation or reservation in this state.

4 (2) Upon request by the local board of education, a
5 parent or legal guardian provides a copy of the official
6 military order transferring to a military installation or
7 reservation located in this state.

8 (3) A parent or legal guardian completes and submits
9 the board of education's required enrollment forms and
10 documentation, except that proof of residency shall not be
11 required until the student physically transfers to this state,
12 at which time the student shall be required to provide proof
13 of residency prior to commencing attendance.

14 (4) The local board of education shall make
15 available to a student who registers to enroll pursuant to
16 this section the same opportunities for school assignment and
17 selection of courses and sporting activities as those offered
18 to resident students.

19 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
20 first day of the third month following its passage and
21 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.