

SCNG College Assistance Program Advisory Committee
May 14, 2014
10:00 a.m.

Agenda Items for Discussion

- 1. Introduction and distribution of Minutes**
- 2. Proposed Regulation Changes for FY 2014-15 (See Attachment)**
- 3. 62-252 Program Benefits and Maximum Assistance**

- a. Effective 4/07/14, the annual maximum grant will be determined prior to the beginning of each academic year based on the amount of available program funds.**

62-252 A. Qualifying members of the National Guard may receive college assistance program benefits up to an amount equal to one hundred percent of college cost of attendance, provided, however, these college assistance program benefits in combination with all other grants and scholarships shall not exceed the cost of attendance at the particular eligible institution in any given award year; and the cumulative total of all college assistance program benefits received may not exceed eighteen thousand dollars. (Language based on proposed revised language)

In 2007, the maximum annual award for CAP was \$4,500 for the Army Guard and \$9,000 for Air Guard. Since 2007 there has not been an increase in the annual award although there has been an increase in tuition. For example, in academic year 2007-08 (when CAP started), in-state tuition at Clemson was \$9,870. Academic year 2011-12, in-state tuition at Clemson was \$12,304. This reflects a 24.7% increase over 5 years. For the same years the Citadel and SC State experienced 32.1% and 26.5% increases, respectively. See Table 1 (page 3) for details of other public institutions.

Should the annual maximum grant factor in tuition increases?

- b. 130 CAP Hours from the time of initial eligibility**

62-252 B. A member shall not qualify for college assistance program benefits for more than one hundred thirty attempted hours from the time of initial eligibility into the college assistance program. (Language based on proposed revised language)

Scenarios:

- 1) There was no funding available spring 2013 for CAP participants. Are the hours that were earned by CAP participants, who still enrolled spring 2013, counted towards the 130 maximum hours?
- 2) A service member uses the maximum CAP funding for the fall 2014 and the maximum funding for the spring 2015. If that service member goes to summer school, summer 2015, and pay for summer school out of their pocket, is these hours earned during summer 2015 counted towards the 130 maximum?
- 3) 62-256 Military Mobilization (*D. Service members of the United States Armed Forces will not be penalized for any credit hours earned while on military mobilization. The credit hours earned will be used toward the maximum credit hour requirement for the college assistance program.*)

A service member, who is deployed, earned online credit hours from an institution not located in South Carolina. Because the institution is not in SC, CAP funding cannot be used although the service member's home institution accepts the credit hours towards their degree. Are these hours used toward the maximum 130 credit hours?

4. Other Business for Discussion

Table 1.

Ten-Year Summary of Tuition and Required Fees for Full-Time In-State Undergraduates														
Public Institutions														
Institutions	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	% Change			
											(10 Year) 2011-12 Over 2002-03	(5 Year) 2011-12 Over 2007-08	(1 Year) 2011-12 Over 2010-11	
Research Institutions														
Clemson	\$5,834	\$6,934	\$7,840	\$8,886	\$9,400	\$9,870	\$10,378	\$11,078	\$11,854	\$12,304		110.9%	24.7%	3.8%
USC Columbia ¹	5,024	5,778	6,416	7,314	7,808	8,346	8,838	9,156	9,786	10,168		102.4%	21.8%	3.9%
MUSC ²	6,230	7,608	8,368	9,302	10,277	10,790	11,731	12,937	13,729	14,026		125.1%	30.0%	2.2%
Comprehensive Teaching Institutions														
The Citadel	\$4,067	\$4,999	\$5,900	\$6,522	\$7,168	\$7,735	\$8,403	\$8,735	\$9,871	\$10,216		151.2%	32.1%	3.5%
Coastal Carolina	4,350	5,190	6,100	6,860	7,500	7,600	8,650	8,950	9,390	9,760		124.4%	28.4%	3.9%
College of Charleston	4,858	5,770	6,202	6,668	7,234	7,778	8,400	8,988	9,616	9,616		97.9%	23.6%	0.0%
Francis Marion	4,340	5,082	5,540	5,984	6,512	7,038	7,682	7,960	8,480	8,802		102.8%	25.1%	3.8%
Lander	4,704	5,400	5,866	6,668	7,162	7,728	8,380	8,760	9,144	9,504		102.0%	23.0%	3.9%
SC State	4,898	5,570	6,170	6,480	7,278	7,318	7,806	8,462	8,898	9,258		89.0%	26.5%	4.0%
USC Aiken	4,374	5,084	5,622	6,128	6,670	7,006	7,532	7,900	8,374	8,700		98.9%	24.2%	3.9%
USC Beaufort ³	3,080	4,208	4,670	5,214	5,724	6,250	7,000	7,250	7,756	9,108		195.7%	45.7%	17.4%
USC Upstate	4,748	5,460	6,060	6,636	7,218	7,760	8,342	8,642	9,072	9,426		98.5%	21.5%	3.9%
Winthrop	5,600	6,652	7,816	8,756	9,500	10,210	11,140	11,606	12,176	12,656		126.0%	24.0%	3.9%
Two-Year Regional Campuses of USC														
USC Lancaster	\$3,080	\$3,656	\$4,058	\$4,324	\$4,652	\$4,868	\$5,264	\$5,528	\$5,864	\$6,092		97.8%	25.1%	3.9%
USC Salkehatchie	3,080	3,656	4,058	4,324	4,652	4,868	5,264	5,528	5,864	\$6,092		97.8%	25.1%	3.9%
USC Sumter	3,080	3,656	4,058	4,324	4,652	4,868	5,264	5,528	5,864	\$6,092		97.8%	25.1%	3.9%
USC Union	3,080	3,656	4,058	4,324	4,652	4,868	5,264	5,528	5,864	\$6,092		97.8%	25.1%	3.9%
Technical Colleges														
Aiken	\$2,192	\$2,600	\$2,836	\$3,036	\$3,190	\$3,298	\$3,506	\$3,626	\$3,706	\$3,722		69.8%	12.9%	0.4%
Central Carolina	2,092	2,500	2,500	2,700	2,900	2,920	3,020	3,308	3,380	3,476		66.2%	19.0%	2.8%
Denmark	2,152	2,248	2,278	2,378	2,278	2,278	2,378	2,492	2,590	2,500		16.2%	9.7%	-3.5%
Florence-Darlington	2,112	2,976	2,986	3,026	3,190	3,190	3,190	3,302	3,526	3,526		67.0%	10.5%	0.0%
Greenville	2,142	2,600	2,900	3,000	3,190	3,290	3,396	3,492	3,616	3,748		75.0%	13.9%	3.7%
Horry-Georgetown	2,136	2,394	2,680	2,800	2,944	3,114	3,194	3,206	3,408	3,460		62.0%	11.1%	1.5%
Midlands	2,192	2,836	2,908	3,004	3,100	3,244	3,360	3,608	3,680	3,706		69.1%	14.2%	0.7%
Northeastern	2,092	2,346	2,346	2,526	2,646	2,982	3,270	3,342	3,342	3,438		64.3%	15.3%	2.9%
Orangeburg-Calhoun	1,992	2,496	2,640	2,640	2,832	2,832	3,048	3,218	3,434	3,554		78.4%	25.5%	3.5%
Piedmont	2,350	2,596	2,740	2,860	2,956	3,126	3,076	3,334	3,540	3,572		52.0%	14.3%	0.9%
Spartanburg CC	2,132	2,660	2,806	2,902	3,094	3,194	3,314	3,434	3,576	3,740		75.4%	17.1%	4.6%
TC of the Lowcountry	2,142	2,600	2,900	3,050	3,050	3,150	3,270	3,382	3,556	3,604		68.3%	14.4%	1.3%
Tri-County	2,022	2,450	2,546	2,738	2,856	2,976	3,060	3,168	3,360	3,570		76.6%	20.0%	6.3%
Trident	2,092	2,446	2,688	2,950	3,114	3,220	3,330	3,450	3,530	3,600		72.1%	11.8%	2.0%
Williamsburg	2,112	2,112	2,692	2,692	2,830	2,830	2,942	3,042	3,264	3,438		62.8%	21.5%	5.3%
York	2,108	2,736	2,886	3,036	3,124	3,124	3,244	3,352	3,496	3,628		72.1%	16.1%	3.8%
Average Research Excl MUSC	\$5,429	\$6,356	\$7,128	\$8,100	\$8,604	\$9,108	\$9,608	\$10,117	\$10,820	\$11,236		107.0%	23.4%	3.8%
Average Teaching ⁴	4,660	5,467	6,142	6,592	7,197	7,642	8,334	8,725	9,278	9,705		108.3%	27.0%	4.6%
Average 4 year Excl MUSC ⁴	4,800	5,629	6,321	6,843	7,431	7,887	8,546	8,957	9,535	9,960		107.5%	26.3%	4.5%
Average Regional	\$3,080	\$3,656	\$4,058	\$4,324	\$4,652	\$4,868	\$5,264	\$5,528	\$5,864	\$6,092		97.8%	25.1%	3.9%
Average Tech	2,129	2,537	2,708	2,834	2,956	3,048	3,162	3,297	3,438	3,518		65.2%	15.4%	2.3%
Average 2 Year	2,319	2,761	2,978	3,132	3,295	3,412	3,583	3,743	3,923	4,033		73.9%	18.2%	2.8%

¹Excludes Medicine and Law

²Excludes Medicine, Dentistry, and Pharmacy. Includes Nursing and Health Professions only. (In 2000 & prior, MUSC had undergraduate pharmacy that was included.)

³USC Beaufort was approved to move from 2- to 4-year status in June 2002.

⁴USC Beaufort is excluded from the average for the Teaching and four-year institutions through 2004-05 and is included from 2005-06 forward.