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Veteran Students when VA payment is delayed/Deferment of Fees

In accordance with Title 38 US Code 3679 subsection (e), George Stone Technical College makes the following provisions for any students using U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Post 9/11 G.I.Bill® (Ch. 33) or Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment (Ch. 31) benefits, while payment to the institution is pending from the VA. This provision permits any covered individual to attend or participate in the course of education without penalty during the period beginning on the date on which the individual provides to the educational institution a certificate of eligibility (COE) for entitlement to educational assistance under Chapter 31 or 33 and *ending on the earlier of the following dates*: 1) The date on which payment from the VA is made to the institution; OR, 2) 90 days after the date the institution certified tuition and fees following the receipt of the COE. During this time of deferment, LTC will not:

- Prevent the student's enrollment;
- Assess a late penalty fee to the student;
- Require the student to secure alternative or additional funding;
- Deny the student access to any resources (access to classes, libraries, or other institutional facilities) available to other students who have satisfied their tuition and fee bills to the institution.

In order to be covered by this provision, individuals using Chapter 33 or Chapter 31 benefits must:

- Produce the VA Certificate of Eligibility (COE) by the first day of class;

