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**HOUSE BILL 8  
Committee Substitute Favorable 2/26/19**

Short Title: In-State Tuition Pilot Program.

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Sponsors:

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Referred to:

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January 31, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO  
2 IMPLEMENT AN IN-STATE TUITION PILOT PROGRAM FOR RESIDENTS OF  
3 CERTAIN GEORGIA COUNTIES.  
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.(a)** Pilot Program. – Notwithstanding G.S. 115D-39(a) and  
7 G.S. 116-143.1, the State Board of Community Colleges shall establish and implement an  
8 in-State tuition pilot program for certain border counties in the State of Georgia. The pilot  
9 program shall allow Tri-County Community College to offer in-State tuition to residents of the  
10 following Georgia counties:

- 11 (1) Fannin County.
- 12 (2) Rabun County.
- 13 (3) Towns County.
- 14 (4) Union County.

15 No out-of-state student eligible for in-State tuition due to this pilot program shall  
16 displace a North Carolina resident eligible for in-State tuition who is seeking to enroll in a  
17 program offered by Tri-County Community College.

18 **SECTION 1.(b)** Report. – By September 30, 2020, and annually thereafter, the State  
19 Board of Community Colleges shall report the results of the pilot program to the Joint Legislative  
20 Education Oversight Committee and the Fiscal Research Division of the General Assembly. This  
21 report shall include information about the number of out-of-state students who enrolled at the  
22 in-State tuition rate, the programs that these students chose, any programs unavailable to these  
23 students due to potential displacement of North Carolina residents, any indicators of increased  
24 economic development as a result of this program, and the number of out-of-state students  
25 enrolled who do not qualify for the in-State tuition rate.

26 **SECTION 1.(c)** Expiration. – The pilot program required by this section shall expire  
27 at the end of the 2022-2023 academic year.

28 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies beginning with  
29 the 2019-2020 academic year.

