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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - **Representative Daisy Morales's (D- Orlando)** and **Representative Christopher Benjamin's (D- Miami Gardens)** HB 1347 that will provide disabled veterans the opportunity to receive certain federal educational assistance benefits passed it final committee of reference. This bill would allow those veterans who are deemed eligible the opportunity to receive awards for the remaining cost of tuition & fees at state universities & Florida College System institutions. The bill passed unanimously with bipartisan support.

"It's great to work as partners to help disabled veterans who have scarified so much for our country with educational opportunities to eliminate challenges they face when they have given so much for our country and allow them to support their families," said **Representative Morales**.

"Today we fought for Florida Veterans who have been disabled as a result of being deployed to have their full tuition paid. As a veteran, this bill is personal for me and fills me up with happiness to see it pass its final committee unanimously," added **Representative Benjamin**.

More information about this bill can be found <u>here</u>.