

HB0691/403127/1

BY: Appropriations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 691

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “**Pensions**” and substitute “**State Personnel**”; and in line 5, strike “, pensions,”.

On page 2, in line 14, strike the first comma and substitute “and”; in the same line, strike “, and 38–101(a)”; in line 19, strike “and 38–101(b–1) and (e–1)”; in the same line, strike “(h–1),”; in line 24, strike “2–704,” and substitute “2–705(b), 2–706(b) and (c),”; in the same line, after “7–207(c),” insert “and”; and in lines 24 and 25, strike “, 38–101(d), 38–103(d), and 38–104(c)”.

On page 3, in line 7, strike “7–208(a)(1) and (b),”; in line 8, strike “9–265(b),”; in line 19, strike “7–208(a)(2) and (3),”; and in line 20, strike “9–265(a),”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, after line 10, insert:

“(A) “VETERAN” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 9–901 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

(B);

in line 12, strike the bracket; and strike beginning with the bracket in line 16 down through “**ARTICLE**” in line 17.

On page 5, in line 15, strike the first opening bracket; and in the same line, strike the closing bracket.

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On page 7, strike in their entirety lines 10 through 23, inclusive.

On page 8, in line 4, before “In” insert “**(A)**”; in the same line, strike beginning with the comma through the colon and substitute “**THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.**”

(B)”;

in line 5, after “(1)” insert “**“RETURNING VETERAN”**”; in the same line, strike “military”; in line 6, after “service” insert “**IN THE UNIFORMED SERVICES**”; in line 8, after “(2)” insert “**“RETURNING VETERAN”**”; after line 9, insert:

“(C) “SERVICE IN THE UNIFORMED SERVICES” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN 38 U.S.C. § 4303.”;

in lines 11, 17, 18, 19, and 21, in each instance, strike the bracket; in line 16, strike “AND”; in line 30, strike “military”; and in the same line, strike “armed forces” and substitute “**UNIFORMED SERVICES**”.

On page 9, in line 1, strike “military”; in the same line, after “service” insert “**IN THE UNIFORMED SERVICES**”; in line 7, strike the bracket; and strike in their entirety lines 8 through 15, inclusive, and substitute:

“2-705.

(b) If, because of a disability sustained during [military] service **IN THE UNIFORMED SERVICES**, a returning veteran is not qualified to perform the duties of the position that the veteran previously held, the returning veteran shall be reinstated to a position that:

(1) has duties that the veteran is qualified to perform; and

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(2) provides the rate of pay, seniority, and status that are the same as or as similar as the circumstances of the case allow to those of the position previously held by the veteran.

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(b) In calculating seniority, status, and length of State employment of a returning veteran who is reinstated under this subtitle, the period from the day the veteran entered [military] service **IN THE UNIFORMED SERVICES** to the day that the veteran is reinstated shall be added to the period of the veteran's State employment.

(c) A returning veteran who is reinstated under this subtitle is entitled to:

(1) all benefits and privileges, including rate of pay, that result from the additional seniority and status credited under subsection (b) of this section;

(2) pension and retirement rights as determined under Title 38, Subtitle 1 of this article; and

(3) any service status that the veteran had when the veteran entered [military] service **IN THE UNIFORMED SERVICES**, with adjustments to reflect the additional seniority credited under subsection (b) of this section.”.

On page 10, in lines 7, 9, 12, 15, 19, 20, 22, and 28, in each instance, strike the bracket; in line 9, strike beginning with the comma through “means” and substitute “**SPOUSE**” **MEANS**”; strike beginning with “of” in line 12 down through “States” in line 13; strike beginning with “the” in line 14 down through “reserves” in line 15 and substitute “**A RESERVE COMPONENT**”; and in lines 19, 20, and 28, in each instance, strike “A”.

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On pages 11 through 13, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 7 on page 11 through line 11 on page 13, inclusive.

On page 16, in line 9, strike “OFFICIAL”.

On pages 17 and 18, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 22 on page 17 through line 30 on page 18, inclusive.

On pages 20 and 21, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 20 on page 20 through line 17 on page 21, inclusive.