

HOUSE BILL No. 1550

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 10-17.

Synopsis: Military family relief fund. Makes changes to the definition of a "qualified service member" for purposes of determining eligibility for assistance from the military family relief fund. Makes related changes.

Effective: July 1, 2011.

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January 20, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Veterans Affairs and Public Safety.

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2010 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning public safety.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 10-17-12-7.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.50-2009,
2 SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2011]: Sec. 7.5. As used in this chapter, "qualified service
4 member" means an individual who is:

- 5 (1) an Indiana resident;
- 6 (2) a member of:
 - 7 (A) the armed forces; or
 - 8 (B) the National Guard; and
- 9 (3) serving on active duty.
 - 10 ~~(A) after September 11, 2001; and~~
 - 11 ~~(B) during a time of national conflict or war.~~

12 SECTION 2. IC 10-17-12-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.113-2010,
13 SECTION 77, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
14 JULY 1, 2011]: Sec. 8. (a) The military family relief fund is established
15 to provide assistance with food, housing, utilities, medical services,
16 basic transportation, child care, education, employment or workforce,
17 and other essential family support expenses that have become difficult



1 to afford for qualified service members or dependents of qualified
2 service members.

3 (b) Except as provided in section 9 of this chapter, the commission
4 shall expend the money in the fund exclusively to provide grants for
5 assistance as described in subsection (a).

6 (c) A qualified service member or the qualified service member's
7 dependent may be eligible to receive assistance from the fund for up to
8 one (1) year after ~~the earlier of the following:~~

9 ~~(1) the date the qualified service member's active duty service~~
10 ~~ends.~~

11 ~~(2) The date, as established by presidential proclamation or by~~
12 ~~law, of the cessation of the national conflict or war with respect~~
13 ~~to which the qualified service member is eligible to receive~~
14 ~~assistance under section 7.5(3)(B) of this chapter.~~

15 (d) The commission shall administer the fund.

16 SECTION 3. IC 10-17-13-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.113-2010,
17 SECTION 88, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
18 JULY 1, 2011]: Sec. 10. (a) The commission shall manage and develop
19 the fund and the assets of the fund.

20 (b) The commission shall do the following:

21 (1) Carry out the duties of the commission set forth in IC 10-17-1.

22 (2) Establish a policy for the investment of the assets of the fund.
23 In establishing a policy under this subdivision, the commission
24 shall:

25 (A) establish adequate long term financial goals for the fund;
26 and

27 (B) provide adequate funding for the military family relief
28 fund established by IC 10-17-12-8. ~~during a time of war or~~
29 ~~national conflict.~~

30 (3) Acquire money for the fund through the solicitation of private
31 or public donations and other revenue producing activities.

32 (4) Perform other tasks consistent with prudent management and
33 development of the fund.

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