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SENATE BILL No. 31

DIGEST OF SB 31 (Updated January 10, 2012 11:18 am - DI 71)

Citations Affected: IC 10-17.

Synopsis: Grants from military family relief fund. Extends the period during which a qualified service member or dependent may be eligible to receive assistance from the military family relief fund from one year to three years. Provides that a member of the Indiana national guard may be eligible to receive assistance from the military family relief fund if the member is activated for state duty. Makes technical corrections. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the commission on military and veterans affairs.)

Effective: July 1, 2012.

Paul, Arnold, Banks, Becker

January 4, 2012, read first time and referred to Committee on Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs.
January 10, 2012, reported favorably — Do Pass. Pursuant to Senate Rule 68(b); reassigned to Committee on Appropriations.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type.~~

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 2011 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:

SECTION 1. IC 10-17-12-7.5, AS ADDED BY P.L.50-2009, SECTION 5, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2012]: Sec. 7.5. As used in this chapter, "qualified service member" means an individual who is:

(1) an Indiana resident;

(2) a member of:

(A) the armed forces; or

(B) the National Guard; and

(3) serving on: ~~active duty:~~

~~(A) after September 11, 2001; and~~

~~(B) during a time of national conflict or war.~~

(A) active duty during a time of national conflict or war; or

(B) state duty under IC 10-16-7-7.

SECTION 2. IC 10-17-12-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.113-2010, SECTION 77, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2012]: Sec. 8. (a) The military family relief fund is established to provide assistance with food, housing, utilities, medical services,

basic transportation, child care, education, employment or workforce, and other essential family support expenses that have become difficult to afford for qualified service members or dependents of qualified service members.

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

(c) A qualified service member or the qualified service member's dependent may be eligible to receive assistance from the fund for up to ~~one (1) year~~ **three (3) years** after:

(1) for a qualified service member ordered to state duty under IC 10-16-7-7, the date the qualified service member's state duty ends; or

(2) for a qualified service member on active duty, the earlier of: ~~the following:~~

~~(1)~~ **(A)** the date the qualified service member's active duty service ends; **or**

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

(d) The commission shall administer the fund.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 31, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill DO PASS.

(Reference is made to Senate Bill 31 as introduced.)

WYSS, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0.

Report of the President
Pro Tempore

Madam President: Pursuant to Senate Rule 68(b), I hereby report that, subsequent to the adoption of the Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs Committee Report on January 10, 2012, Senate Bill 31 was reassigned to the Committee on Appropriations.

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