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H.B. No. 2701

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the requirement that individuals joining the Texas
3 National Guard sign a notice regarding active combat duty.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 437.007, Government Code,
6 is amended to read as follows:

7 Sec. 437.007. ENLISTMENT AND APPOINTMENT; NOTICE.

8 SECTION 2. Section 437.007, Government Code, is amended by
9 adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

10 (c) Before an individual may enlist in or accept an
11 appointment with the Texas National Guard, the individual shall
12 sign the following written notice that is printed in 24-point
13 bold-faced type:

14 BY JOINING THE TEXAS NATIONAL GUARD I UNDERSTAND THAT I MAY BE
15 CALLED TO ACTIVE DUTY BY THE PRESIDENT TO SERVE ON ACTIVE COMBAT
16 DUTY IN A WAR DECLARED BY AN ACT OF CONGRESS OR IN ANOTHER ARMED
17 CONFLICT AS ORDERED BY THE PRESIDENT. ACTIVE COMBAT DUTY MAY
18 INCLUDE:

19 (1) PARTICIPATING IN AN ARMED CONFLICT;

20 (2) PERFORMING A HAZARDOUS SERVICE;

21 (3) PERFORMING A DUTY UNDER CONDITIONS SIMULATING WAR;

22 AND

23 (4) PERFORMING A DUTY THROUGH AN INSTRUMENTALITY OF

24 WAR.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.