

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 174

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Defense Affairs and State-Federal Relations
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Under current law, members of the state military forces, including the National Guard, can be ordered up for state service and serve under a state mission, rather than a federal mission; however, during the time of their service, they do not receive the same protections and benefits as they do under federal law when being called up for federal service. Some of these benefits include a reduction of interest rates on certain loans, lease termination rights, protection against mortgage foreclosure in certain instances, etc... HB 174 would extend to members of the state military forces the same protections for performing state service as they currently receive when performing federal service.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. States that a member of the state military forces ordered to state active duty is entitled to the same benefits and protections given by federal law to service-members called up for federal service.

SECTION 2. Effective Date: September 1, 2003. This bill only applies to persons serving on active state duty on, or after that date without regard to the date on which the person was initially ordered to active state duty.