

1-1 By: Birdwell S.B. No. 442
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 8, 2013; February 13, 2013,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Veteran Affairs and
 1-4 Military Installations; March 25, 2013, reported favorably by the
 1-5 following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; March 25, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-13 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-14 AN ACT

1-15 relating to leave for certain veterans returning to state
 1-16 employment.

1-17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-18 SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 661, Government Code, is
 1-19 amended by adding Section 661.920 to read as follows:

1-20 Sec. 661.920. LEAVE FOR REEMPLOYED VETERANS. A state
 1-21 employee who is reemployed by a state agency after military service
 1-22 as provided by Section 431.006 or Chapter 613 shall be granted leave
 1-23 to tend to matters relating to the employee's military service or
 1-24 reintegration into civilian life, including obtaining medical or
 1-25 mental health care and receiving employee assistance counseling.
 1-26 Leave under this section may not exceed 15 days without a deduction
 1-27 in salary or loss of vacation time, sick leave, earned overtime
 1-28 credit, or state compensatory time. Leave under this section may
 1-29 not be used after the first anniversary of the date the employee is
 1-30 reemployed by the state agency.

1-31 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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