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BILL ANALYSIS



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House Bill 4850 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Representative Carol Glanville

House Committee: Criminal Justice

Senate Committee: Veterans and Emergency Services

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Revised Judicature Act to exempt an individual who was a service member in the United States Armed Forces and an individual who was the spouse of a service member from jury service for specified periods upon requesting an exemption from the court and providing a copy of the service member's orders.

MCL 600.1307a

BRIEF RATIONALE

According to testimony, service members who are summoned for jury duty often request personal time off work and pay for their own flights home, and they may still not be selected for jury duty. Service members in the United States Armed Forces are already dedicated to service and should not have to come home to participate in jury duty to further serve their country. It has been suggested that members of the armed forces be exempt from jury duty.

Legislative Analyst: Alex Krabill

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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