Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.
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By: Representative Gazaway
By: Senator B. Johnson

For An Act To Be Entitled
AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE LAW CONCERNING LEAVE OF ABSENCE
FOR CERTAIN TRAINING PROGRAMS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD
OR OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.

Subtitle
TO CLARIFY THE LAW CONCERNING LEAVE OF
ABSENCE FOR CERTAIN TRAINING PROGRAMS OF
THE NATIONAL GUARD OR OF THE UNITED
STATES ARMED FORCES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 21-4-102(a)(1), concerning leave of absence
for certain training programs, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) All employees of the state, as defined in § 21-4-203, or of any
of its political subdivisions, who desire to take a leave of absence for the
purpose of participating in the military training programs made available by
the National Guard or any of the reserve and auxiliary branches of the armed
forces and all state employees who are members of the United States Public
Health Service Inactive Reserve Corps who desire to take a leave of absence
for the purpose of participating in the civil defense and public health
training programs made available by the United States Public Health Service
shall be entitled to such a leave of absence for a period of fifteen (15)
days plus necessary travel time for annual training requirements or other
duties performed in an official duty status in any one (1) calendar year.
SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 21-4-212(a)(1), concerning the definition of "military leave", is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1) Employees who are members of the armed forces of this state or any other state, including without limitation the National Guard or a reserve component or auxiliary of the United States Armed Forces, shall be granted leave at the rate of fifteen (15) days per calendar year plus necessary travel time for annual training requirements or other duties performed in an official duty status.

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