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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1530

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE LAW CONCERNING LEAVE OF ABSENCE  
10 FOR CERTAIN TRAINING PROGRAMS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD  
11 OR OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

16 TO CLARIFY THE LAW CONCERNING LEAVE OF  
17 ABSENCE FOR CERTAIN TRAINING PROGRAMS OF  
18 THE NATIONAL GUARD OR OF THE UNITED  
19 STATES ARMED FORCES.  
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 21-4-102(a)(1), concerning leave of absence  
25 for certain training programs, is amended to read as follows:

26 (a)(1) All employees of the state, as defined in § 21-4-203, or of any  
27 of its political subdivisions, who desire to take a leave of absence for the  
28 purpose of participating in the military training programs made available by  
29 the National Guard or any of the reserve and auxiliary branches of the armed  
30 forces and all state employees who are members of the United States Public  
31 Health Service Inactive Reserve Corps who desire to take a leave of absence  
32 for the purpose of participating in the civil defense and public health  
33 training programs made available by the United States Public Health Service  
34 shall be entitled to such a leave of absence for a period of fifteen (15)  
35 days plus necessary travel time for annual training requirements or other  
36 duties performed in an official duty status in any one (1) calendar year.



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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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