

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **78th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1991**
4 **By: Representative McGee**

A Bill

HOUSE BILL

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO SUSPEND ALL DEBTS OF A RESERVIST OR NATIONAL
9 GUARD MEMBER SERVING IN OPERATION DESERT STORM FOR THIRTY
10 (30) DAYS FOLLOWING HIS OR HER RETURN TO THIS STATE; AND
11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

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15 SECTION 1. No action shall be brought pursuant to any contract,
16 mortgage, promissory note or other instrument of indebtedness nor any remedy
17 sought under the Uniform Commercial Code until thirty (30) days has passed
18 from the time a member of a military reserve unit or a member of the national
19 guard serving in the Persian Gulf "Operation Desert Storm" returns to the
20 State of Arkansas.

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22 SECTION 2. This act shall expire on July 1, 1992.

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24 SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
25 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
26 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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28 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
29 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
30 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
31 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
32 act are declared to be severable.

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34 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
35 hereby repealed.

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SECTION 6. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Eighth General Assembly that many members of the National Guard units and military reserve units sustained reduced incomes having left their regular employment to serve in Operation Desert Storm; that during their period of service some have accumulated debts due to the change in their income; that these persons who so valiantly served this nation should be provided a "breathing period" in which to return to their regular employment and negotiate the retirement of any debts which may have accumulated; that it is anticipated that Arkansans will be returning from Operation Desert Storm very soon so this act needs to take effect immediately upon its passage and approval. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

