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CHAPTER 149

HOUSE BILL 220, as amended,

with emergency clause

EMERGENCY
CLAUSE

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AN ACT

RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS; RECOGNIZING THAT NATIONAL GUARD MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES FOR UP TO THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT ALLOWABLE THROUGH THE FEDERAL SERVICEMEMBERS' GROUP LIFE INSURANCE PROGRAM; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 20-4-7.2 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2005, Chapter 2, Section 1) is amended to read:

"20-4-7.2. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.--

A. The legislature finds that:

(1) the national guard has a proud tradition of military service with thousands of New Mexicans having answered the call of the nation and served in the national guard;

(2) there have been instances in which the dependents of members of the national guard have been left without adequate financial resources when a national guard member has been killed while on active duty;

(3) members of the national guard are now being asked to serve extended periods of active duty in combat areas;


(4) members of the national guard are eligible for life insurance policies up to the maximum amount allowable through the federal servicemembers' group life

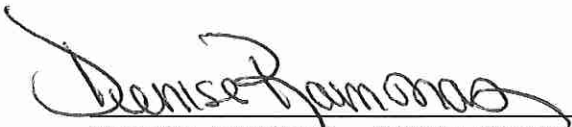
1 insurance program; and

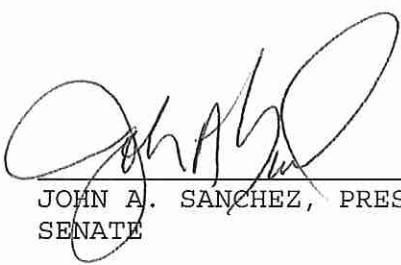
2 (5) members of the national guard provide
3 New Mexico and its citizens valuable benefits through their
4 service inside this state and through their recently extended
5 periods of active duty in combat areas outside of New Mexico,
6 and in exchange for these extended periods of active duty they
7 should receive assistance with their premiums for the federal
8 servicemembers' group life insurance program.

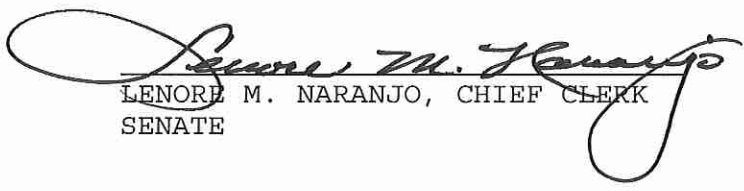
9 B. The purpose of creating and funding the service
10 members' life insurance reimbursement fund is to provide a
11 benefit to members of the national guard in exchange for and
12 in recognition of their assumption of extended periods of
13 active duty in combat areas, in addition to their increased
14 contributions to the safety and welfare of the citizens of the
15 state of New Mexico."

16 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public
17 peace, health and safety that this act take effect
18 immediately. _____

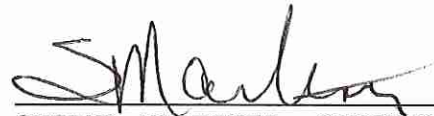

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