

House Bill 164

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia  
2 Annotated, relating to pay, pensions, and allowances for militia members, so as to provide  
3 that the state shall pay for life insurance for certain members of the national guard or air  
4 national guard who are residents of this state while on active duty or active duty for training;  
5 to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for  
6 other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
10 relating to pay, pensions, and allowances for militia members, is amended by adding a new  
11 Code Section 38-2-251 to read as follows:

12 "38-2-251.

13 (a) As used in this Code section, the term:

14 (1) 'Active duty' means full time duty in the United States armed forces, other than active  
15 duty for training, for a period of more than 30 consecutive days.

16 (2) 'Active duty for training' means full time duty in the United States armed forces for  
17 a period of more than 30 consecutive days for training purposes performed by members  
18 of the national guard and air national guard who are residents of this state.

19 (3) 'Life insurance' means insurance coverage through the Servicemembers' Group Life  
20 Insurance Program administered by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for  
21 the maximum benefit amount available under such program for the loss of life of a  
22 member of the national guard or air national guard who is a resident of this state while  
23 on active duty or active duty for training.

24 (b) The state shall pay to the United States Department of Defense or the United States  
25 Department of Veterans Affairs, whichever is appropriate, the premium for life insurance

1 for each member of the national guard or air national guard who is a resident of this state  
2 while on active duty or active duty for training."

3 **SECTION 2.**

4 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law  
5 without such approval.

6 **SECTION 3.**

7 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.