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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY ENTITLEMENTS.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to ensure that  
2 military personnel, when called to active duty, are paid without  
3 delay at the same rate as their active duty counterparts, are  
4 entitled to basic allowance for housing, and receive service  
5 credit toward public pension and retirement.

6           SECTION 2. Chapter 88, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended  
7 by adding a new section to part II, subpart E, to be  
8 appropriately designated and to read as follows:

9           "§88-     Service credit; military service; active duty.  
10 When ordered to active duty in the State, military personnel  
11 shall receive service credit for time in service while serving  
12 on active duty. This service credit shall count toward  
13 retirement if the individual is also a current state or county  
14 employee."

15           SECTION 3. Section 121-39, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
16 amended to read as follows:



1           "§121-39 Pay of officers and warrant officers while on  
2 active duty. (a) Officers and warrant officers of the army or  
3 air national guard while on active duty of the State shall  
4 receive the pay and allowances of officers and warrant officers  
5 of similar grades of the United States Army and Air Force,  
6 respectively; provided that:

7           (1) The State shall allow officers and warrant officers to  
8                 directly deposit their pay by electronic means to  
9                 their personal banking accounts; and

10          (2) No pay or allowances shall be made to officers or  
11                 warrant officers for any service for which they  
12                 receive military pay and allowances from the United  
13                 States.

14          (b) When ordered to active duty, officers and warrant  
15 officers of the army and air national guard shall be paid  
16 without delay from the date of deployment and, subject to rules  
17 adopted by the governor, shall be entitled to basic allowance  
18 for housing."

19           SECTION 4. Section 121-40, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
20 amended to read as follows:



1           "§121-40 Pay of enlisted personnel while on active duty.

2   (a) Enlisted personnel of the army and air national guard while  
3 on active duty in the service of the State, except during  
4 periods of annual field training or year-round field training,  
5 shall receive the same pay and allowances as enlisted personnel  
6 of similar rank in the United States Army and Air Force  
7 respectively; provided that the:

8           (1) State shall allow enlisted personnel to directly  
9           deposit their pay by electronic means to their  
10           personal banking accounts; and

11           (2) Aggregate of the pay and allowances, computed on a  
12           daily basis, shall in no event be less than the amount  
13           equal to ten times the hourly wage specified in  
14           section 387-2.

15           (b) When ordered to active duty, enlisted personnel of the  
16 army and air national guard shall be paid without delay from the  
17 date of deployment and, subject to rules adopted by the  
18 governor, shall be entitled to basic allowance for housing."

19           SECTION 5. Section 121-42, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
20 amended to read as follows:



1           **"§121-42 No pay without orders.** No officer or enlisted  
2 member of the army or air national guard shall be entitled to  
3 receive the pay herein provided unless the orders detailing the  
4 officer or enlisted member for duty or subsequent orders,  
5 specify that pay is to be received for the service rendered[-];  
6 provided that if a non-active duty officer or enlisted member of  
7 the army or air national guard is ordered to active duty, that  
8 military member shall be paid without delay from the date of  
9 deployment and, subject to rules adopted by the governor, shall  
10 be entitled to basic allowance for housing."

11           SECTION 6. Section 122A-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
12 amended to read as follows:

13           **"§122A-8 Pay and allowances.** (a) When in the active  
14 service of the State, members of the Hawaii state defense force  
15 shall receive from the State the same basic pay and allowance  
16 for subsistence as prescribed by federal law and regulations for  
17 members of the army national guard, of like grade and length of  
18 service, when in the active service of the United States.  
19 [~~Subject to rules adopted by the governor, members may be~~  
20 ~~subsisted in kind in lieu of a monetary allowance therefor.~~]



1 When ordered to active duty, members of the Hawaii state defense  
2 force shall be paid without delay from the date of deployment.

3 (b) Subject to rules adopted by the governor, members of  
4 the Hawaii state defense force when in the active service of the  
5 State [~~may be quartered at the expense of the State or paid a~~  
6 ~~monetary allowance in lieu thereof.~~] shall be entitled to basic  
7 allowance for housing."

8 SECTION 7. Section 123-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
9 amended to read as follows:

10 "§123-8 Pay. (a) When engaged in exercises afloat or  
11 participating in encampments for instructions ashore, and when  
12 serving on general courts-martial, officers and [~~men~~] enlisted  
13 personnel of the navy shall receive the same pay as is at the  
14 time allowed by law to those holding similar positions in the  
15 United States navy.

16 (b) When ordered to active duty, officers and enlisted  
17 personnel of the navy shall be paid without delay from the date  
18 of deployment and, subject to rules adopted by the governor,  
19 shall be entitled to basic allowance for housing."

20 SECTION 8. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
21 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



1 SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.

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# H.B. NO. 902

**Report Title:**

Department of Defense; State Activation; Active Duty Military Pay; Basic Allowance for Housing; Service Credit

**Description:**

Requires the State to pay, without delay, military personnel called to active duty at the same rate as their active duty counterparts; provide basic housing allowance; provide service credit for time on active duty; and allow state and county employees to count the time called to active duty in the State toward retirement.

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