

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Interested parties assert that state law extending certain protections under federal law to service members of the Texas military forces ordered to state active duty or to state training and other duty should be updated to reflect changes in that federal law. H.B. 3066 seeks to make this update.

H.B. 3066 amends current law relating to certain benefits and protections for service members of the Texas military forces ordered to state active duty or to state training and other duty.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 437.213, Government Code, as follows:

Sec. 437.213. CERTAIN BENEFITS AND PROTECTIONS FOR STATE SERVICE. Provides that a service member of the Texas military forces who is ordered to state active duty or to state training and other duty by the governor, the adjutant general, or another proper authority under the law of this state is entitled to the same benefits and protections provided to persons:

(1) performing service in the uniformed services as provided by 38 U.S.C. Sections 4301-4313 and 4316-4319, rather than by 38 U.S.C. Sections 4301-4313 and 4316-4319, as that law existed on April 1, 2003; and

(2) in the military service of the United States as provided 50 U.S.C. Sections 3901-3959, 3991, and 4011-4026, rather than by 50 App. U.S.C. Sections 501-536, 560, and 580-594, as that law existed on April 1, 2003.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2017.