## **100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

# State of Illinois

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### SB3547

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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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Creates the Service-Member Employment and Reemployment Rights Act. Contains provisions concerning matters relevant to the employment rights of service-members, including employment protections, additional benefits for public employee members of a reserve component, prohibitions on discrimination, a notice of rights and duties, violations, enforcement, remedies, and rulemaking. Provides that the Attorney General shall appoint an Illinois Service-Member Employment and Reemployment Rights Act Advocate to carry out various duties related to the Act. Provides that in times of national or State emergency, the Governor may extend the protections of the Act. Limits the concurrent exercise of power by home rule units. Makes corresponding and related changes throughout the statutes. Repeals the Military Leave of Absence Act, the Public Employee Armed Services Rights Act, the Municipal Employees Military Active Duty Act, and the Local Government Employees Benefits Continuation Act. Amends the Service Member's Employment Tenure Act to change the short title to the Service Member's Tenure Act.

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AN ACT concerning service-members.

2 WHEREAS, The persistent use of the reserve components as an 3 operational force in continuous support of active duty has 4 reinforced the need for robust service-member employment 5 protections; and

6 WHEREAS, Extreme weather events require State activations 7 of the National Guard to save lives and protect property; and

8 WHEREAS, The Uniformed Services Employment and 9 Reemployment Rights Act (38 U.S.C. 4301-4335) establishes the 10 minimal legal protections of service-member employees; and

11 WHEREAS, This Act is meant to consolidate and clarify 12 existing State employment rights; therefore

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:

15 Article 1. General Provisions.

16 Section 1-1. Short title; references to Act.

17 (a) Short title. This Act may be cited as the18 Service-Member Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

19 (b) References to Act. This Act may be referred to as

1 ISERRA.

2 Section 1-5. Legislative intent. As a guide to the 3 interpretation and application of this Act, the public policy 4 of the State is declared as follows:

5 (1) The General Assembly recognizes the common public 6 interest in safeguarding and promoting military service 7 by:

8 (A) minimizing disadvantages to military service
9 in civilian careers;

10 (B) providing for prompt reemployment and 11 protections of service-members in a manner that 12 minimizes disruption to the lives of such employees, 13 their employers, and co-workers; and

14 (C) prohibiting discrimination against and15 interference with military service.

16 (2) This law should be interpreted as comprising a foundation of protections guaranteed by this Act; 17 18 therefore, nothing in this Act shall supersede, nullify, or diminish any federal or State law, including any local law 19 20 or ordinance, contract, agreement, policy, plan, practice, 21 or other matter that establishes a right or benefit that is 22 more beneficial to, or is in addition to, a right or benefit provided for in this Act. 23

24 Section 1-10. Definitions. As used in this Act:

"Accrue" means to accumulate in regular or increasing
 amounts over time subject to customary allocation of cost.

3 "Active duty" means any full-time military service 4 regardless of length or voluntariness including, but not 5 limited to, annual training, full-time National Guard duty, and 6 State active duty. "Active Duty" does not include any form of 7 inactive duty service such as drill duty or muster duty. 8 "Active duty", unless provided otherwise, includes active duty 9 without pay.

"Active service" means all forms of active and inactive 10 11 duty regardless of voluntariness including, but not limited to, 12 annual training, active duty for training, initial active duty 13 training, overseas training duty, full-time National Guard 14 duty, active duty other than training, state active duty, 15 mobilizations, and muster duty. "Active service", unless 16 provided otherwise, includes active service without pay. 17 "Active service" includes, but is not limited to:

18 (1) Reserve component voluntary active service means
 19 service under one of the following authorities;

20 (A) additional or other training duty under 10
 21 U.S.C. 12301(d) or 32 U.S.C. 502(f)(1)(B);

(B) active guard reserve duty, operational
support, or additional duty under 10 U.S.C. 12301(d) or
32 U.S.C. 502(f)(1)(B);

25 (C) funeral honors under 10 U.S.C. 12503 or 32
 26 U.S.C. 115;

- 4 - LRB100 20872 MJP 36372 b SB3547 (D) medical care under 10 U.S.C. 12301(h); 1 2 (E) medical evaluation and treatment under 10 U.S.C. 12322; 3 4 (F) duty at the National Guard Bureau under 10 U.S.C. 12402; 5 (G) unsatisfactory participation under 10 U.S.C. 6 10148 or 10 U.S.C. 12303; 7 8 (H) disciplinary under 10 U.S.C. 802(d); 9 (I) extended active duty under 10 U.S.C. 12311; and 10 (J) reserve program administrator under 10 U.S.C. 11 10211. 12 (2) Reserve component involuntary active service means 13 service under one of the following authorities; (A) annual training or drill requirements under 10 14 15 U.S.C. 10147, 10 U.S.C. 12301(b) or 32 U.S.C. 502(a). 16 (B) additional training duty or other duty under 32 17 U.S.C. 502(f)(1)(A); pre-planned or pre-programmed combatant 18 (C) commander support under 10 U.S.C. 12304b; 19 (D) mobilization under 10 U.S.C. 12301(a) or 10 20 21 U.S.C. 12302; 22 (E) presidential reserve call-up under 10 U.S.C. 23 12304; 24 (F) emergencies and natural disasters under 10 25 U.S.C. 12304a or 14 U.S.C. 712; 26 (G) muster duty under 10 U.S.C. 12319;

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(H) retiree recall under 10 U.S.C. 688;

2 (I) captive status under 10 U.S.C. 12301(g);
3 (J) insurrection under 10 U.S.C. 331, U.S.C. 332,

4 or 10 U.S.C. 12406;

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5 (K) pending line of duty for response to sexual
6 assault under 10 U.S.C.12323; and

(L) initial active duty for training under 10 U.S.C. 671.

9 Reserve component active service not listed in paragraph 10 (1) or (2) shall be considered involuntary active service under 11 paragraph (2).

12 "Base pay" means the main component of military pay, 13 whether active or inactive, based on rank and time in service. It does not include the addition of conditional funds for 14 specific purposes such as allowances, incentive and special 15 16 pay. Base pay, also known as basic pay, can be determined by 17 referencing the appropriate military pay chart covering the time period in question located on the federal Defense Finance 18 and Accounting Services website or as reflected on a federal 19 20 Military Leave and Earnings Statement.

"Benefits" means the terms, conditions, or privileges of employment, including any advantage, profit, privilege, gain, status, account, or interest, including wages or salary for work performed, that accrues by reason of an employment contract or agreement or an employer policy, plan, or practice and includes rights and benefits under a pension plan, a health plan, an employee stock ownership plan, insurance coverage and awards, bonuses, severance pay, supplemental unemployment benefits, vacations, and the opportunity to select work hours or location of employment.

5 "Differential compensation" means pay due when the 6 employee's daily rate of compensation for military activities 7 is less than his or her daily rate of compensation as a public 8 employee.

9 "Emergency care" means emergency medical attention given 10 to an individual who needs it. "Emergency care" includes those 11 medical services required for the immediate diagnosis and 12 treatment of medical conditions which, if not immediately 13 diagnosed and treated, could lead to serious physical or mental 14 disability or death, and treatment for conditions such as 15 cancer and serious mental illness.

16 "Employee" means anyone employed by an employer. 17 "Employee" includes any person who is a citizen, national, or permanent resident alien of the United States employed in a 18 19 workplace that the State has legal authority to regulate business and employment. "Employee" does not include an 20 independent contractor. 21

"Employer" means any person, institution, organization, or other entity that pays salary or wages for work performed or that has control over employment opportunities, including:

(1) a person, institution, organization, or other
 entity to whom the employer has delegated the performance

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of employment-related responsibilities;

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(2) the State of Illinois;

3 (3) any successor in interest to a person, institution,
4 organization, or other entity referred to under this
5 definition; and

6 (4) a person, institution, organization, or other 7 entity that has been denied initial employment in violation 8 of Section 5-15.

9 "Military leave" means a furlough or leave of absence while 10 performing active service. It cannot be substituted for accrued 11 vacation, annual, or similar leave with pay except at the sole 12 discretion of the service-member employee. It is not a benefit 13 of employment that is requested but a legal requirement upon 14 receiving notice of pending military service.

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"Military service" means:

(1) Service in the Armed Forces of the United States,
the National Guard of any State or Territory regardless of
status, and the State Guard as defined in the State Guard
Act. "Military service", whether active or reserve,
includes service under the authority of U.S.C. Titles 10,
14, or 32, or State active duty.

(2) Service in a federally recognized auxiliary of the
United States Armed Forces when performing official duties
in support of military or civilian authorities as a result
of an emergency.

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(3) A period for which an employee is absent from a

position of employment for the purpose of medical or dental treatment for a condition, illness, or injury sustained or aggravated during a period of active service in which treatment is paid by the United States Department of Defense Military Health System.

6 "Mobilization for a contingency operation" means any 7 activation by a member of a reserve component for, or in 8 support of, a military operation that;

9 (1) is designated by the Secretary of Defense as an 10 operation in which members of the military service are or 11 may become involved in military actions, operations, or 12 hostilities against an enemy of the United States or 13 against an opposing military force; or

14 (2) results in the call or order to, or retention on, active duty under Section 688, 12301(a), 12302, 12304, 15 16 12304a, 12305, or 12406 of Title 10 of the United States 17 Code, chapter 15 of Title 10 of the United States Code, Section 712 of Title 14 of the United States Code, or any 18 other provision of law during a war or during a national 19 20 emergency declared by the President of the United States or 21 Congress.

"Public employee" means any person classified as a full-time employee of the State of Illinois, a unit of local government, a public institution of higher education as defined in Section 1 of the Board of Higher Education Act, or a school district, other than an independent contractor.

1 "Reserve component" means the reserve components of 2 Illinois and the United States Armed Forces regardless of 3 status.

4 "Service-member" means any person who is a member of a 5 military service.

6 "Special needs family member" means any family member with 7 a chronic illness or disabling condition such as physical, 8 emotional, behavioral, or learning disability or impairment 9 that causes the family member to require additional or 10 specialized services or accommodations such as in education or 11 recreation.

12 "State active duty" means full-time State-funded military 13 duty under the command and control of the Governor and subject 14 to the Military Code of Illinois.

15 "Unit of local government" means any city, village, town, 16 county, or special district.

17 Section 1-15. Differential compensation.

(a) As used in this Section, "work days" are the actual number of days the employee would have worked during the period of military leave. "Work days" are tabulated without regard for the number of hours in a work day. Work hours that extend into the next calendar day count as 2 work days.

(b) Differential compensation under this Act is calculated
on a daily basis and only applies to days in which the employee
would have otherwise been required to work as a public

1 employee. Differential compensation applies to all forms of 2 active service except active service without pay. Differential 3 compensation is calculated as follows:

4 (1) To calculate differential compensation, subtract
5 the daily rate of compensation for military activities from
6 the daily rate of compensation as a public employee.

7 (2) To calculate the daily rate of compensation as a 8 public employee, divide the employee's regular 9 compensation as a public employee during the pay period by 10 the number of work days in the pay period.

11 (3) To calculate the rate of compensation for military 12 activities, divide the employee's base pay for the 13 applicable military activities by the number of calendar 14 days in the month.

Section 1-20. Independent contractors. Whether an individual is an employee or independent contractor under this Act is determined based on the following factors:

18 (1) the extent of the employer's right to control the19 manner in which the individual's work is to be performed;

20 (2) the opportunity for profit or loss that depends
21 upon the individual's managerial skill;

(3) any investment in equipment or materials required
for the individual's tasks, or his or her employment of
helpers;

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(4) whether the service the individual performs

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1 requires a special skill;

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2 (5) the degree of permanence of the individual's
3 working relationship; and

4 (6) whether the service the individual performs is an
5 integral part of the employer's business.

No single one of these factors is controlling, but all are
relevant to determining whether an individual is an employee or
an independent contractor.

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Article 5. Service-Member Employment Protections.

10 Section 5-5. Basic Protections. This Section incorporates 11 Sections 4304, 4312, 4313, 4316, 4317, and 4318 of the 12 Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act 13 under Title 38 of the United States Code and regulations 14 promulgated under that Act, subject to the following;

(1) For the purposes of this Section, all employment
rights shall be extended to all employees in military
service under this Act, unless otherwise stated.

18 (2) Military leave. A service-member employee is not
19 required to get permission from his or her employer for
20 military leave. The service-member employee is only
21 required to give such employer notice of pending service.
22 This notice entitles a service-member employee to military
23 leave.

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An employer may not impose conditions for military

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leave, such as work shift replacement, not otherwise imposed by this Act or other applicable law.

3 service-member employee is required А not to accommodate his or her employer's needs as to the timing, 4 5 frequency, or duration of military leave; however, 6 employers are permitted to bring concerns over the timing, 7 frequency, or duration of military leave to the attention 8 of the appropriate military authority. The accommodation 9 of these requests are subject to military law and 10 discretion.

11 Military necessity as an exception to advanced notice 12 of pending military leave for state active duty will be 13 determined by appropriate State military authority and is 14 not subject to judicial review.

For purposes of notice of pending military service under paragraphs (2) or (3) of the definition of "military service" under Section 1-10, an employer may require notice by appropriate military authority on official letterhead. For purposes of this paragraph, notice exceptions do not apply.

(3) Service, efficiency, and performance rating. A service-member employee who is absent on military leave shall, minimally, for the period of military leave, be credited with the average of the efficiency or performance ratings or evaluations received for the 3 years immediately before the absence for military leave. Additionally, the 1 rating shall not be less than the rating that he or she 2 received for the rated period immediately prior to his or 3 her absence on military leave. In computing seniority and 4 service requirements for promotion eligibility or any 5 other benefit of employment, the period of military duty 6 shall be counted as civilian service.

7 State active duty ineligible discharge. (4) For 8 purposes of state active duty, a disqualifying discharge or 9 separation will be the State equivalent under the Military Illinois for purposes of ineligibility of 10 Code of 11 reemployment under the Uniformed Services Employment and 12 Reemployment Rights Act as determined by appropriate State 13 military authority.

(5) A retroactive upgrade of a disqualifying discharge 14 15 or release will restore reemployment rights providing the 16 service-member employee otherwise meets this Acts 17 eligibility criteria. A retroactive upgrade does not entitle such service-member employee to back pay and other 18 19 benefits attributable to the time period between discharge 20 and retroactive upgrade.

21 Section 5-10. Additional benefits for public employee
22 members of a reserve component.

(a) Concurrent compensation. During periods of military
 leave for active duty, public employees shall continue to
 receive full compensation as a public employee for up to 15

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1 days per calendar year and subject to the following:

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(1) Military leave for purposes of receiving concurrent compensation may be performed nonsynchronously.

4 (2) Concurrent compensation shall not be paid for State
5 active duty.

6 (3) Concurrent compensation shall not be paid for 7 active service without pay.

8 (b) Differential Compensation. During periods of military 9 leave for active service, public employees shall receive 10 differential compensation subject to the following:

(1) Public employees may elect the use of accrued vacation, annual, or similar leave with pay in lieu of differential compensation during any period of military leave.

15 (2) Differential compensation for voluntary active16 service is limited to 40 work days in a calendar year.

17 (3) Differential compensation shall not be paid for18 active service without pay.

19 (4) Differential compensation shall not be paid for20 State active duty.

(c) Employer-based health plan benefits shall continue in
 accordance with Section 5-5 of this Act except:

(1) The employer's share of the full premium and
administrative costs may not be charged for active duty
beyond 30 days in cases of mobilization for a contingency
operation for service-member employees of a State agency

1 under the Governor.

2 (2) The employer's share of the full premium and 3 administrative costs may not be charged for active duty 4 beyond 30 days in cases of involuntary active service where 5 a family member is undergoing emergency care, and would 6 lose their emergency care physician because such emergency 7 care physician does not accept TRICARE.

8 (3) The employer's share of the full premium and 9 administrative costs may not be charged for active duty 10 beyond 30 days in cases of involuntary active service where 11 a special needs family member is undergoing treatment or 12 care for his or her special needs, and the family member 13 would lose his or her special needs care provider because 14 the special needs care provider does not accept TRICARE.

(d) Employer-based pension plan benefits shall continue in accordance with Section 5-5 of this Act, except the employee's share of the pension payments may not be charged for mobilization for a contingency operation for service-member employees of a State agency under the Governor.

(e) In the event that 20% or more employees of a unit of local government are mobilized under 10 U.S.C. 12301(a), 10 U.S.C. 12302, 10 U.S.C. 12304, or 10 U.S.C. 12304a, or 14 U.S.C. 712 concurrently, additional benefits under this Section are not required without a specific appropriation for that purpose. SB3547 - 16 - LRB100 20872 MJP 36372 b

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Section 5-15. Prohibitions on Discrimination.

(a) For the purposes of this Section, Section 4311 of the
federal Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights
Act entitled Discrimination Against Persons Who Serve in the
Uniformed Services and Acts of Reprisal Prohibited and the
regulations promulgated under that Act are incorporated.

7 Section 5-20. Notice of rights and duties

8 (a) Each employer shall provide to employees entitled to 9 rights and benefits under this Act a notice of the rights, 10 benefits, and obligations of service-member employees under 11 this Act.

12 (b) The requirement for the provision of notice under this 13 Act may be met by the posting of the notice where the 14 employer's customarily place notices for employees.

15 Article 10. Violations.

Section 10-5. Violations. Any violation of Article 5 is a violation of this Act.

18 Article 15. Compliance.

Section 15-5. Private right enforcement. A service-member may bring a private civil action for enforcement of a violation of this Act. Section 15-10. Circuit court actions by the Attorney
 General.

(a) If the Attorney General has reasonable cause to believe
that any employer is engaged in a violation of this Act, then
the Attorney General may commence a civil action in the name of
the People of the State, as parens patriae on behalf of persons
within the State to enforce the provisions of this Act in any
appropriate circuit court.

9 (b) Prior to initiating a civil action, the Attorney 10 General shall conduct a preliminary investigation to determine 11 whether there is reasonable cause to believe that any employer 12 is engaged in a violation of this Act and whether the dispute 13 can be resolved without litigation. In conducting this 14 investigation, the Attorney General may:

15 (1) require the individual or entity to file a 16 statement or report in writing under oath or otherwise, as 17 to all information the Attorney General may consider 18 necessary;

(2) examine under oath any person alleged to have
 participated in or with knowledge of the alleged violation;
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(3) issue subpoenas or conduct hearings in aid of anyinvestigation.

(c) Service by the Attorney General of any notice requiringa person to file a statement or report, or of a subpoena upon

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1 any person, shall be made:

(1) personally by delivery of a duly executed copy
thereof to the person to be served or, if a person is not a
natural person, in the manner provided by the Civil
Procedure law when a complaint is filed; or

6 (2) by mailing by certified mail a duly executed copy 7 thereof to the person to be served at his last known abode 8 or principal place of business within this State.

9 (d) In lieu of a civil action, the individual or entity 10 alleged to have violated this Act may enter into an Assurance 11 of Voluntary Compliance with respect to the alleged violation.

12 (e) Whenever any person fails to comply with any subpoena 13 issued under this Section or whenever satisfactory copying or reproduction of any material requested in an investigation 14 15 cannot be done and the person refuses to surrender the 16 material, the Attorney General may file in any appropriate 17 circuit court, and serve upon the person, a petition for a court order for the enforcement of the subpoena or other 18 19 request.

Any person who has received a subpoena issued under subsection (b) may file in the appropriate circuit court, and serve upon the Attorney General, a petition for a court order to modify or set aside the subpoena or other request. The petition must be filed either: (1) within 20 days after the date of service of the subpoena or at any time before the return date specified in the subpoena, whichever date is

1 earlier, or (2) within a longer period as may be prescribed in 2 writing by the Attorney General.

The petition shall specify each ground upon which the 3 petitioner relies in seeking relief under this subsection and 4 5 may be based upon any failure of the subpoena to comply with 6 the provisions of this Section or upon any constitutional or 7 other legal right or privilege of the petitioner. During the 8 pendency of the petition in the court, the court may stay, as 9 it deems proper, the running of the time allowed for compliance 10 with the subpoena or other request, in whole or in part, except 11 that the petitioner shall comply with any portion of the 12 subpoena or other request not sought to be modified or set aside. 13

14 Section 15-20. Remedies.

15 (a) A court in its discretion may award actual damages or16 any other relief that the court deems proper.

Punitive damages are not authorized except in cases involving violations under Section 5-15 and may not exceed \$50,000 per violation.

20 Reasonable attorney's fees may be awarded to the prevailing 21 party, however, prevailing defendants may only receive 22 attorney's fees if the court makes a finding that the plaintiff 23 acted in bad faith.

(b) The Attorney General may bring an action in the name ofthe People of the State against any employer to restrain by

1 preliminary or permanent injunction the use of any practice 2 that violates this Act. In such an action, the court may award 3 restitution to a service-member. In addition, the court may 4 assess a civil penalty not to exceed \$5,000 per violation of 5 this Act.

6 If a court orders a party to make payments to the Attorney 7 General and the payments are to be used for the operations of 8 the Office of the Attorney General or a party agrees, in an 9 Assurance of Voluntary Compliance under this Act, to make 10 payment to the Attorney General for the operations of the 11 Office of the Attorney General, then moneys shall be deposited 12 Attorney General Court Ordered and Voluntary into the Compliance Payment Projects Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be 13 14 used, subject to appropriation, for the performance of any 15 function pertaining to the exercise of the duties of the Attorney General including, but not limited to, enforcement of 16 17 any law of this State and conducting public education programs; however, any moneys in the Fund that are required by the court 18 19 or by an agreement to be used for a particular purpose shall be 20 used for that purpose.

In any action brought under the provisions of this Act, the Attorney General is entitled to recover costs.

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Article 20. Home Rule.

Section 20-5. Home Rule. A home rule unit may not regulate

1 its employees in a manner that is inconsistent with the 2 regulation of employees by the State under this Act. This 3 Section is a limitation under subsection (i) of Section 6 of 4 Article VII of the Illinois Constitution on the concurrent 5 exercise by home rule units of powers and functions exercised 6 by the State.

7 Article 25. Statute of Limitations.

8 Section 25-5. Inapplicability of Statute of Limitations. 9 No statute of limitations applies to any private right or 10 Attorney General action under this Act.

Article 30. Illinois Service-Member Employment and
 Reemployment Rights Act Advocate.

13 Section 30-5. ISERRA Advocate.

14 (a) The Attorney General shall appoint an Illinois
15 Service-member Employment and Reemployment Rights Act Advocate
16 and provide staff as are deemed necessary by the Attorney
17 General for the Advocate. The ISERRA Advocate shall be an
18 attorney licensed to practice in Illinois.

19 (b) Through the ISERRA Advocate, the Attorney General shall20 have the power:

(1) to establish and make available a program to
 provide training to employers and service-members;

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(2) to prepare and make available interpretative and
 educational materials and programs;

3 (3) to respond to informal inquiries made by members of
4 the public and public bodies;

5 (4) to prepare and make available required 6 Service-Member Employment & Reemployment Rights Act notice 7 to employers;

8 (5) to investigate allegations of violations of this
9 Act on behalf of the Attorney General; and

10 (6) to prepare an annual report on this Act for the11 Attorney General.

12 Article 35. Rulemaking.

Section 35-5. Rules. To accomplish the objectives and to carry out the duties prescribed by this Act, the Attorney General may adopt the rules necessary to implement this Act.

16 Article 40. Coverage Under Special Circumstances.

17 Section 40-5. Governor's election. In a time of national or 18 State emergency, the Governor has the authority to designate 19 any category of persons as entitled to protections under this 20 Act.

Article 90. Amendatory Provisions.

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1 (5 ILCS 325/Act rep.) 2 90-5. The Military Leave of Absence Act is Section 3 repealed. (5 ILCS 330/Act rep.) 4 Section 90-10. The Public Employee Armed Services Rights 5 6 Act is repealed. 7 Section 90-15. The Military Code of Illinois is amended by 8 changing the heading of Article V-A as follows: 9 (20 ILCS 1805/Art. V-A heading) ARTICLE V-A. NATIONAL GUARD SUPPLEMENTAL EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS 10 11 (20 ILCS 1805/22-10 rep.) 12 (20 ILCS 1805/30.1 rep.) 13 (20 ILCS 1805/30.5 rep.) (20 ILCS 1805/30.10 rep.) 14 15 (20 ILCS 1805/30.20 rep.) 16 (20 ILCS 1805/30.15 rep.) 17 Section 90-20. The Military Code of Illinois is amended by repealing Sections 22-10, 30.1, 30.5, 30.10, 30.20, and 30.15. 18 19 (20 ILCS 1815/79 rep.)

20 Section 90-25. The State Guard Act is amended by repealing

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1 Section 79.

2 (50 ILCS 120/Act rep.)

3 Section 90-30. The Municipal Employees Military Active
4 Duty Act is repealed.

5 (50 ILCS 140/Act rep.)

6 Section 90-35. The Local Government Employees Benefits
7 Continuation Act is repealed.

8 Section 90-40. The Metropolitan Transit Authority Act is
9 amended by changing Section 29 as follows:

10 (70 ILCS 3605/29) (from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 329)

11 Sec. 29. If the Authority acquires a transportation system 12 in operation by a public utility, all of the employees in the 13 operating and maintenance divisions of such public utility and all other employees except executive and administrative 14 15 officers and employees, shall be transferred to and appointed as employees of the Authority, subject to all rights and 16 benefits of this Act, and these employees shall be given 17 18 seniority credit in accordance with the records and labor 19 agreements of the public utility. Employees who left the employ of such a public utility to enter the military service of the 20 21 United States shall have the same rights as to the Authority, 22 under the provisions of the Service-Member Employment and

Reemployment Rights Act Service Member's Employment Tenure Act as they would have had thereunder as to such public utility. After such acquisition the authority shall be required to extend to such former employees of such public utility only the rights and benefits as to pensions and retirement as are accorded other employees of the Authority.

7 (Source: P.A. 93-828, eff. 7-28-04.)

8 Section 90-45. The Local Mass Transit District Act is 9 amended by changing Section 3.5 as follows:

10 (70 ILCS 3610/3.5) (from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 353.5)

11 Sec. 3.5. If the district acquires a mass transit facility, all of the employees in such mass transit facility shall be 12 13 transferred to and appointed as employees of the district, 14 subject to all rights and benefits of this Act, and these 15 employees shall be given seniority credit in accordance with 16 the records and labor agreements of the mass transit facility. 17 Employees who left the employ of such a mass transit facility 18 to enter the military service of the United States shall have 19 the same rights as to the district, under the provisions of the 20 Service-Member Employment and Reemployment Rights, Act Service 21 Member's Employment Tenure Act as they would have had thereunder as to such mass transit facility. After such 22 23 acquisition the district shall be required to extend to such 24 former employees of such mass transit facility only the rights

SB3547 - 26 - LRB100 20872 MJP 36372 b 1 and benefits as to pensions and retirement as are accorded 2 other employees of the district. (Source: P.A. 93-590, eff. 1-1-04; 93-828, eff. 7-28-04.) 3 4 Section 90-50. The Service Member's Employment Tenure Act is amended by changing Sections 1, 2, and 3 as follows: 5 6 (330 ILCS 60/1) (from Ch. 126 1/2, par. 29) 7 Sec. 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Service 8 Member's Employment Tenure Act. 9 (Source: P.A. 93-828, eff. 7-28-04.) 10 (330 ILCS 60/2) (from Ch. 126 1/2, par. 30) 11 Sec. 2. As a guide to the interpretation and application of 12 this Act, the public policy of the State is declared as 13 follows: 14 As a constituent commonwealth of the United States of America, the State of Illinois is dedicated to the urgent task 15 16 of strengthening and expediting the national defense under the 17 emergent conditions which are threatening the peace and security of this nation. It is the considered judgment of the 18 General Assembly that the service members wage earners of 19 20 Illinois who respond to their country's call to service in this 21 time of crisis, are deserving of every protection of their 22 employment status which the law may afford, and that repetition 23 of the regrettable experience existing after the great war of

1 1917-1918, wherein returning service men were subjected to 2 serious discrimination with regard to tenure and other rights 3 of employment, must be avoided, since any form of economic 4 discrimination against returning service men is a serious 5 menace to the entire social fabric of the United States of 6 America and the State of Illinois.

By safeguarding the employment and the rights and privileges inhering in the employment contract, of service men, the State of Illinois encourages its workers to participate to the fullest extent in the national defense program and thereby heightens the contribution of our State to the protection of our heritage of liberty and democracy.

13 (Source: Laws 1941, vol. 1, p. 1202.)

### 14 (330 ILCS 60/3) (from Ch. 126 1/2, par. 31)

15 Sec. 3. Definitions. The term "persons in the military 16 service", as used in this Act, shall include the following persons and no others: All members of the Army of the United 17 States, the United States Navy, the Marine Corps, the Air 18 Force, the Coast Guard and all members of the State Militia 19 called into the service or training of the United States of 20 21 America or of this State. The term "military service", as used 22 in this Act, shall signify Federal service or active duty with any branch of service heretofore referred to as well as 23 24 training or education under the supervision of the United 25 States preliminary to induction into the military service. The

term "military service" also includes any period of active duty 1 2 with the State of Illinois pursuant to the orders of the 3 President of the United States or the Governor. The term "military service" also includes any period of active duty by 4 5 members of the National Guard who are called to active duty pursuant to an order of the Governor of this State or an order 6 7 of a governor of any other state as provided by law. The term 8 "military service" also includes the full-time duties of the 9 Adjutant General and Assistant Adjutants General under Section 10 17 of the Military Code of Illinois.

11 The foregoing definitions shall apply both to voluntary 12 enlistment and to induction into service by draft or 13 conscription.

14The term "political subdivision", as used in this Act,15means any unit of local government or school district.

16 (Source: P.A. 99-88, eff. 7-21-15; 99-557, eff. 1-1-17.)

17 (330 ILCS 60/4 rep.)

- 18 (330 ILCS 60/4.5 rep.)
- 19 (330 ILCS 60/5 rep.)
- 20 (330 ILCS 60/6 rep.)
- 21 (330 ILCS 60/7 rep.)
- 22 (330 ILCS 60/8 rep.)

23 Section 90-55. The Service Member's Employment Tenure Act 24 is amended by repealing Sections 4, 4.5, 5, 6, 7, and 8.

Section 90-60. The Illinois Service Member Civil Relief Act
 is amended by changing Section 10 as follows:

3 (330 ILCS 63/10)

4 Sec. 10. Definitions. In this Act:

5 "Military service" means any full-time training or duty, no
6 matter how described under federal or State law, for which a
7 service member is ordered to report by the President, Governor
8 of a state, commonwealth, or territory of the United States, or
9 other appropriate military authority.

10 "Primary occupant" means the current residential customer 11 of record in whose name the utility company or electric 12 cooperative account is registered.

13 "Service member" means a resident of Illinois who is a 14 member of any component of the U.S. Armed Forces or the 15 National Guard of any state, the District of Columbia, a 16 commonwealth, or a territory of the United States.

17 "State Active Duty" has the same meaning ascribed to that 18 term in Section <u>1-10 of the Service-Member Employment and</u> 19 <u>Reemployment Rights Act</u> <del>30.10 of the Military Code of Illinois</del>.

"Training or duty under Title 32 of the United States Code" has the same meaning ascribed to that term in Section 30.10 of the Military Code of Illinois.

23 (Source: P.A. 97-913, eff. 1-1-13.)

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Section 90-65. The Criminal Code of 2012 is amended by

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1 changing Section 17-6 as follows:

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2 (720 ILCS 5/17-6) (from Ch. 38, par. 17-6)

3 Sec. 17-6. State benefits fraud.

4 (a) A person commits State benefits fraud when he or she 5 obtains or attempts to obtain money or benefits from the State 6 of Illinois, from any political subdivision thereof, or from 7 any program funded or administered in whole or in part by the 8 State of Illinois or any political subdivision thereof through 9 the knowing use of false identification documents or through the knowing misrepresentation of his or her age, place of 10 11 residence, number of dependents, marital or family status, 12 employment status, financial status, or any other material fact upon which his eligibility for or degree of participation in 13 14 any benefit program might be based.

15 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of State law to the 16 contrary, every application or other document submitted to an 17 agency or department of the State of Illinois or any political subdivision thereof to establish or determine eligibility for 18 19 money or benefits from the State of Illinois or from any 20 political subdivision thereof, or from any program funded or 21 administered in whole or in part by the State of Illinois or 22 any political subdivision thereof, shall be made available upon 23 request to any law enforcement agency for use in the 24 investigation or prosecution of State benefits fraud or for use 25 in the investigation or prosecution of any other crime arising 1 out of the same transaction or occurrence. Except as otherwise 2 permitted by law, information disclosed pursuant to this 3 subsection shall be used and disclosed only for the purposes 4 provided herein. The provisions of this Section shall be 5 operative only to the extent that they do not conflict with any 6 federal law or regulation governing federal grants to this 7 State.

8 (c) Any employee of the State of Illinois or any agency or 9 political subdivision thereof may seize as evidence any false 10 or fraudulent document presented to him or her in connection 11 with an application for or receipt of money or benefits from 12 the State of Illinois, from any political subdivision thereof, 13 or from any program funded or administered in whole or in part 14 by the State of Illinois or any political subdivision thereof.

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(d) Sentence.

16 (1) State benefits fraud is a Class 4 felony except when 17 more than \$300 is obtained, in which case State benefits fraud 18 is a Class 3 felony.

19 If a person knowingly misrepresents oneself as a (2)20 veteran or as a dependent of a veteran with the intent of obtaining benefits or privileges provided by the State or its 21 22 political subdivisions to veterans or their dependents, then 23 State benefits fraud is a Class 3 felony when \$300 or less is obtained and a Class 2 felony when more than \$300 is obtained. 24 25 For the purposes of this paragraph (2), benefits and privileges 26 include, but are not limited to, those benefits and privileges

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available under the Veterans' Employment Act, the Viet Nam 1 2 Veterans Compensation Act, the Prisoner of War Bonus Act, the 3 War Bonus Extension Act, the Military Veterans Assistance Act, the Veterans' Employment Representative Act, the Veterans 4 5 Preference Act, Service-Member Employment and Reemployment Rights Act, the Service Member's Employment Tenure Act, the 6 Housing for Veterans with Disabilities Act, the Under Age 7 8 Veterans Benefits Act, the Survivors Compensation Act, the 9 Children of Deceased Veterans Act, the Veterans Burial Places 10 Act, the Higher Education Student Assistance Act, or any other 11 loans, assistance in employment, monetary payments, or tax 12 exemptions offered by the State or its political subdivisions for veterans or their dependents. 13

14 (Source: P.A. 99-143, eff. 7-27-15.)

Section 90-70. The Illinois Human Rights Act is amended by changing Section 6-102 as follows:

17 (775 ILCS 5/6-102)

Sec. 6-102. Violations of other Acts. A person who violates the Military Leave of Absence Act, the Public Employee Armed Services Rights Act, Section 11-117-12.2 of the Illinois Municipal Code, Section 224.05 of the Illinois Insurance Code, Section 8-201.5 of the Public Utilities Act, Sections 2-1401.1, 9-107.10, 9-107.11, and 15-1501.6 of the Code of Civil Procedure, Section 4.05 of the Interest Act, the Military

Personnel Cellular Phone Contract Termination Act, Section 1 2 405-272 of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois, Section 3 10-63 of the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act, Sections 30.25 and 30.30 of the Military Code of Illinois, Section 16 of 4 5 the Landlord and Tenant Act, Section 26.5 of the Retail 6 Installment Sales Act, or Section 37 of the Motor Vehicle 7 Leasing Act commits a civil rights violation within the meaning 8 of this Act.

9 (Source: P.A. 97-913, eff. 1-1-13.)

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