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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 5/216 new

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Provides that, for taxable years ending on or after December 31, 2005, each taxpayer is entitled to an income tax credit in the amount of \$1,000 per taxable year if, at any time during the taxable year, the taxpayer's spouse served on active duty in the Illinois National Guard or a reserve component of the armed forces of the United States. Allows the credit to be carried forward for 10 years and exempts the credit from the sunset provisions of the Act. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY 1

AN ACT concerning taxes.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Illinois Income Tax Act is amended by adding
Section 216 as follows:

6 (35 ILCS 5/216 new)

7 <u>Sec. 216. Armed service support credit.</u>

8 <u>(a) Intent. The armed service support credit authorized by</u> 9 <u>this Section is to compensate the homeland spouse of a</u> 10 <u>serviceperson called up to active duty for the time and effort</u> 11 <u>needed to deal with the absent spouse's interests while the</u> 12 <u>absent spouse is away on active duty.</u>

(b) Credit. For taxable years ending on or after December 31, 2005, each taxpayer is entitled to a credit against the tax imposed by subsections (a) and (b) of Section 201 in the amount of \$1,000 per taxable year if, at any time during the taxable year, the taxpayer's spouse served on active duty in the Illinois National Guard or a reserve component of the armed forces of the United States.

20 (c) Carryforward. If the amount of the credit exceeds the 21 tax liability for the year, the excess may be carried forward and applied to the tax liability of the 10 taxable years 22 following the excess credit year. The credit shall be applied 23 to the earliest year for which there is a tax liability. If 24 there are credits from more than one tax year that are 25 26 available to offset a liability, the earlier credit shall be applied first. 27

28 (d) Sunset exemption. This Section is exempt from the 29 provisions of Section 250.

30 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 31 becoming law.