

**SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 4811**

A bill to amend 2004 PA 363, entitled  
"Military family relief fund act,"  
by amending sections 2 and 4 (MCL 35.1212 and 35.1214).

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 2. As used in this act:

2       (a) "Department" means the department of military and veterans  
3       affairs.

4       (b) "Family" or "families" means the military dependents as  
5       determined by the qualified individual's branch of service.

6       (c) "Fund" means the military family relief fund created in  
7       section 3.

8       (D) "NEED" MEANS AN UNFORESEEN SITUATION THAT CAUSES A  
9       TEMPORARY OR SHORT-TERM FINANCIAL EMERGENCY OR HARDSHIP THAT A

House Bill No. 4811 as amended March 12, 2014

1 GRANT UNDER THIS ACT WILL RESOLVE AND FOR WHICH AN APPLICANT CAN  
2 DEMONSTRATE THE ABILITY TO MEET EXPENSES IN THE FUTURE.

3 (E) ~~(d)~~—"Qualified individual" means an individual who meets  
4 all of the following criteria:

5 (i) The individual is or was a member of a reserve component of  
6 the United States armed forces <<OR THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD>>  
7 based in this state or ~~who~~ is a  
8 resident of this state serving in a reserve component of the United  
9 States armed forces <<OR THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD>> based in  
10 another state and is called to active  
11 duty by the president of the United States or the United States  
12 secretary of defense as a result of national response to September  
13 11, 2001 or as a response to a national emergency declared by the  
14 president of the United States and for which funds are being spent  
15 by the federal government.

16 (ii) The individual's family can document the need for  
17 financial assistance for clothing, food, housing, utilities,  
18 medical services or prescriptions, insurance payments, vehicle  
19 payments, or other related necessities of daily living in either of  
20 the following situations:

21 (A) The need occurred ~~during the time the individual is on~~  
22 ~~active duty.~~<< >>AFTER A UNIT RECEIVED AN ALERT ORDER  
23 FOR ACTIVE FEDERAL SERVICE OR WITHIN 6 MONTHS AFTER A UNIT RETURNED  
24 FROM ACTIVE FEDERAL SERVICE.

25 (B) The need occurred because the individual has incurred a  
26 line of duty injury or illness.

27 (F) ~~(e)~~—"Reserve components of the United States armed forces"  
means all of the following:

(i) The army national guard of the United States.

1           (ii) The army, naval, marine corps, air force, and coast guard  
2 reserves.

3           (iii) The air national guard of the United States.

4           (G) "UNIT" MEANS A MOBILIZED UNIT IN WHICH THE QUALIFIED  
5 INDIVIDUAL IS IN ACTIVE FEDERAL SERVICE.

6           Sec. 4. (1) Each year that the contribution designation  
7 program **ADMINISTERED** under section ~~438~~**435** of the income tax act of  
8 1967, 1967 PA 281, MCL ~~206.438~~,**206.435**, is in effect, an amount  
9 equal to the cumulative designations, plus interest and dividends  
10 earned, made under that section shall be appropriated from the  
11 general fund to the fund for use solely in support of the purposes  
12 provided in this act. ~~No~~**EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS**  
13 **SUBSECTION, NO** money from the fund shall be used for the purpose of  
14 administering the fund or implementing section 438 of the income  
15 tax act of 1967, 1967 PA 281, MCL 206.438. **NOT MORE THAN \$50,000.00**  
16 **SHALL BE ALLOCATED ANNUALLY FROM THE FUND TO BE USED FOR**  
17 **ADVERTISING, MARKETING, AND PROMOTING THE GOALS OF THE FUND TO THE**  
18 **PUBLIC.**

19           (2) The money in the fund shall not be used by the department  
20 to replace funds otherwise designated to support similar programs  
21 within the department.