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

- 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 based in this state or whois a
- 7 resident of this state serving in a reserve component of the United
- 8 States armed forces based in another state and is called to active
- 9 duty by the president of the United States or the United States
- 10 secretary of defense as a result of national response to September
- 11 11, 2001 or as a response to a national emergency declared by the
- 12 president of the United States and for which funds are being spent
- 13 by the federal government.
- 14 (ii) The individual's family can document the need for
- 15 financial assistance for clothing, food, housing, utilities,
- 16 medical services or prescriptions, insurance payments, vehicle
- 17 payments, or other related necessities of daily living in either of
- 18 the following situations:
- 19 (A) The need occurred during the time the individual is on
- 20 active duty. MORE THAN 30 DAYS AFTER A UNIT RECEIVED A MOBILIZATION
- 21 ORDER FOR ACTIVE FEDERAL SERVICE OR WITHIN 6 MONTHS AFTER A UNIT
- 22 RETURNED FROM ACTIVE FEDERAL SERVICE.
- 23 (B) The need occurred because the individual has incurred a
- 24 line of duty injury or illness.
- 25 (F) (e) "Reserve components of the United States armed forces"
- 26 means all of the following:
- 27 (i) The army national guard of the United States.

- $\mathbf{1}$ (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.