

CHAPTER 24

MILITARY AND VETERANS

SENATE BILL 20-091

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AN ACT**CONCERNING INCREASING THE MINIMUM PAY FOR STATE MILITARY FORCES CALLED INTO SERVICE BY THE GOVERNOR.**

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 28-3-904 as follows:

28-3-904. Pay and allowances. Every member of the military forces not salaried as such ~~shall~~ MUST receive from the state, while engaged in any service ordered by the governor, pay and allowances at the rate paid or allowed by law to members of similar rank and length of service in the regular Army or regular Air Force of the United States, as the case may be, but ~~no~~ EACH such member ~~shall receive less than twenty dollars per day~~ MUST RECEIVE AT LEAST THE PAY AND ALLOWANCES PROVIDED TO AN ENLISTED PERSON IN THE MILITARY FORCES HOLDING THE RANK OF E-4 WITH OVER SIX YEARS OF SERVICE. Subject to available appropriations, after a member of the military forces has been engaged in service pursuant to this section for a period of more than thirty consecutive days, the member ~~shall be~~ IS eligible to enroll in any benefit plan created for employees of the state, including but not limited to state employee group benefits pursuant to part 6 of article 50 of title 24 ~~C.R.S.~~; and the public employees' retirement association created pursuant to article 51 of title 24. ~~C.R.S.~~

SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act takes effect at

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12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 5, 2020, if adjournment sine die is on May 6, 2020); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

Approved: March 18, 2020