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- AN ACT Relating to compensation and benefits for state employees on active military duty; and amending RCW 38.40.060.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

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- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 38.40.060 and 2001 c 71 s 1 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
 - (1) Every officer and employee of the state or of any county, city, or other political subdivision thereof who is a member of the Washington national guard or of the army, navy, air force, coast guard, or marine corps reserve of the United States, or of any organized reserve or armed forces of the United States ((shall be)) is entitled to and shall be granted military leave of absence from such employment for a period not exceeding fifteen days during each year beginning October 1st and ending the following September 30th. Such leave shall be granted ((in order)) so that the person may report for active duty, when called, or take part in active training duty in such manner and at such time as he or she may be ordered to active duty or active training duty. Such military leave of absence ((shall be)) is in addition to any vacation or sick leave to which the officer or employee might otherwise be entitled, and shall not involve any loss of efficiency

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rating, privileges, or pay. During the period of military leave, the officer or employee shall receive from the state, or the county, city, or other political subdivision, his or her normal pay.

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(2) If, on or after July 1, 2004, an officer or employee of the 4 state is called to service in the uniformed services, as those terms 5 are defined in chapter 73.16 RCW, for a period exceeding fifteen days, б the officer or employee shall receive from the state the difference 7 between his or her normal pay while employed by the state and his or 8 her normal pay while serving in the uniformed services if the pay while 9 serving in the uniformed services is less than the pay while employed 10 by the state. The officer or employee shall also continue to receive 11 from the state any pension, retirement, health insurance, or life 12 13 insurance benefits he or she was receiving prior to being called to service in the uniformed services as long as he or she continues to 14 make any necessary employee contributions to those benefits that he or 15 she would be making if still regularly employed by the state. Payment 16 and benefits provided under this subsection shall not exceed four 17 18 years.

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