REFERENCE TITLE: homeland security force

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SB 1132

Introduced by Senators Harper: Huppenthal, Johnson, Verschoor; Representative Clark

AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 26, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 2, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 26-128; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION; RELATING TO STATE HOMELAND SECURITY.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Title 26, chapter 1, article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 26-128, to read:

26-128. Homeland security committee: force: administration

- A. THE HOMELAND SECURITY COMMITTEE IS ESTABLISHED CONSISTING OF THREE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE WHO ARE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, THREE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WHO ARE APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THREE MEMBERS WHO ARE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR, WITH A PREFERENCE FOR HONORABLY DISCHARGED VETERANS.
- B. THE HOMELAND SECURITY FORCE IS ESTABLISHED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE COMMITTEE. THE COMMITTEE SHALL REGULATE THE MEMBERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION OF THE HOMELAND SECURITY FORCE.
- C. AFTER CONSIDERATION OF FEDERAL DEPLOYMENT LEVELS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD, IF THE GOVERNOR DETERMINES THAT AN EMERGENCY EXISTS OR THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO PROTECT LIVES OR PROPERTY IN THIS STATE, THE GOVERNOR MAY REQUEST ABLE-BODIED CITIZENS OF THIS STATE WHO ARE AT LEAST EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE TO VOLUNTEER FOR SERVICE IN THE HOMELAND SECURITY FORCE.
 - D. THE HOMELAND SECURITY FORCE:
 - 1. SHALL BE FUNDED BY LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS.
- 2. SHALL NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION, BUT MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY AND MILITARY AFFAIRS.
- 3. SHALL HAVE OFFICERS WITH PRIOR MILITARY EXPERIENCE WHO ARE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR PURSUANT TO RULES ADOPTED BY THE HOMELAND SECURITY COMMITTEE.
- 4. SHALL BE UNDER DIRECT CONTROL OF THE GOVERNOR AND RECEIVE TRAINING FROM THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.
- 5. SHALL ATTEND REQUIRED TRAINING ON NOT MORE THAN ONE SATURDAY PER MONTH AND BE SUBJECT TO THE ORDERS OF APPOINTED OFFICERS. MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD MAY ASSIST IN TRAINING.
 - 6. SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO FEDERAL ACTIVE DUTY.
- 7. SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM THE CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE BUT ARE SUBJECT TO THE LAWS OF THIS STATE.
- E. MEMBERS OF THE HOMELAND SECURITY FORCE SHALL NOT DISCUSS THEIR SEXUAL ORIENTATION WITH THE MEDIA AS A TOPIC OF AN INTERVIEW. THE ADJUTANT GENERAL SHALL EXPEL A MEMBER FOR VIOLATION OF THIS SUBSECTION UNLESS THE GOVERNOR DETERMINES THAT THE VIOLATION WAS UNINTENTIONAL.
 - Sec. 2. Appropriation; homeland security force; exemption
- A. The sum of \$_____ is appropriated from the state general fund in fiscal year 2007-2008 to the governor for administration of the homeland security force.
- B. The appropriation made in subsection A of this section is exempt from the provisions of section 35–190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating to lapsing of appropriations.

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