GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2003

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1105

Sponsors: Representatives Sexton; Moore and Pate.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

April 10, 2003

A HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO ENACT LEGISLATION THAT WOULD FAIRLY COMPENSATE INDIVIDUALS SERVING IN THE RESERVES AND NATIONAL GUARD.

Whereas, thousands of reservists and National Guard members, including hundreds from North Carolina, have been called into active duty to help fight the war on terrorism; and

7 Whereas, as employees of the uniformed services or National Guard, these 8 men and women are paid according to rank and years of service; and

9 Whereas, as civilians, some of these men and women are highly compensated 10 employees; and

Whereas, although some employers continue paying the employees their normal salaries and others pay the difference between the employees' military and civilian salaries, civilian employers are not obligated to pay such salaries while the employees serve their country; and

Whereas, an extended length of service could easily cause many reservistsand National Guard members to face undue financial burdens; and

Whereas, in 2001, legislation was introduced in Congress to ensure that federal employees taking leave without pay to perform service in the uniformed service or the National Guard would continue to receive pay in an amount that when taken with the pay and allowances the employee would receive for military service, would be no less than the basic pay the employee would receive if there had been no interruption in employment; and

- Whereas, the House of Representatives believes Congress should enact similar legislation to benefit reservists and National Guard members who are not federal employees; Now, therefore,
- 26 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

SECTION 1. The House of Representatives urges Congress to enact legislation that would fairly compensate all reservists and National Guard members who have been called into active duty to fight the war on terrorism.

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1 **SECTION 2.** The Principal Clerk shall transmit a certified copy of this 2 resolution to the members of North Carolina's congressional delegation.

3 **SECTION 3.** This resolution is effective upon adoption.