

HB 881 -- TAXATION OF MILITARY PERSONNEL

SPONSOR: Bruns

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on Tax Policy by a vote of 17 to 0.

This bill allows as a deduction from state individual income tax any income received for military service in a combat zone, as defined in the bill. The deduction will apply to all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2004.

FISCAL NOTE: Estimated Cost on General Revenue Fund of Unknown in FY 2005, FY 2006, and FY 2007. No impact on Other State Funds in FY 2005, FY 2006, and FY 2007.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill will have a personal positive impact on military families by providing an exemption from income tax while serving in a combat zone.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Bruns; Tawyna Morrow; and Missouri National Guard.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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