

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 504

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES KANDER (Sponsor), WEBBER, CALLOWAY, HUGHES, TALBOY, WEBB, ATKINS, COLONA, MORRIS, CASEY, HUMMEL, WALTON GRAY, PACE, BROWN (73), SCHUPP, CARTER, SHIVELY, HODGES, KRATKY, SCHOEMEHL, McCLANAHAN, LeBLANC, ZIMMERMAN, FISCHER (107), SKAGGS, OXFORD, STILL, HOLSMAN, LeVOTA, BURNETT, GRILL, ENGLUND, SCAVUZZO, WALSH, FALLERT, ROORDA, HARRIS, SCHOELLER AND NIEVES (Co-sponsors).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 452.412, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to military service and dissolution of marriage.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 452.412, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 452.412, to read as follows:

452.412. **1.** A party's absence, relocation, or failure to comply with custody and visitation orders shall not, by itself, be sufficient to justify a modification of a custody or visitation order if the reason for the absence, relocation, or failure to comply is the party's activation to military service and deployment out-of-state.

2. For a party in active military service and deployed out-of-state, any court order issued or modified regarding child custody or visitation during the time of such out-of-state military deployment of the party shall be temporary in nature and shall not exceed the length of time of such deployment. Upon such party's return from out-of-state military deployment, the party shall be given an opportunity to be heard on the child custody and visitation order prior to a permanent order being entered by the court.

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.