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PUBLIC ACT SUMMARY



PA 24-57—SB 238

Veterans' and Military Affairs Committee

**AN ACT EXPANDING ELIGIBILITY FOR GRANTS FROM THE
MILITARY RELIEF FUND**

SUMMARY: This act expands eligibility for Military Relief Fund grants. By law, the Connecticut Military Department may give servicemembers and their immediate family members grants to pay for essential personal or household goods or services if these expenses would be a hardship due to the servicemember's military service. Under the act, the department may also provide grants if these expenses would be a hardship due to the servicemember's or immediate family member's serious injury, serious illness, or death.

The act retains the existing grant amount cap (up to \$5,000 or the balance of the fund that is available for grants) and also makes minor, clarifying changes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2024