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House Bill 4850 (Substitute H-1 as passed by the House)

Sponsor: Representative Carol Glanville House Committee: Criminal Justice

Senate Committee: Veterans and Emergency Services

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Revised Judicature Act to exempt an individual who was a service member in the United States Armed Forces and an individual who was the spouse of a service member from jury service for specified periods upon requesting an exemption from the court and providing a copy of the service member's orders.

Among other things, the Act prescribes the qualifications of a juror and exempts specified individuals from jury service.

Under the bill, an individual who was a service member of the United States Armed Forces could claim exemption from jury service for the period during which the individual was on active duty. The member would have to be exempt upon making the request of the court and providing a copy of the service member's orders.

In addition, an individual who was the spouse of a service member of the United States Armed Forces could claim exemption from jury service for the period during which the individual resided outside of Michigan or the United States due to the service member's active duty status. The spouse would have to be exempt upon making the request of the court and providing a copy of the service member's orders.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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