

By: Senator(s) Younger, McDaniel, Parker

To: Veterans and Military  
Affairs; Judiciary, Division  
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SENATE BILL NO. 2459  
(As Sent to Governor)

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 33-1-19, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 PROVIDE THAT MILITARY SERVICEMEN OR VETERANS SHALL HAVE  
3 REEMPLOYMENT PROTECTIONS WHEN PERFORMING DUTIES OR RECEIVING  
4 TRAINING WITH ARMED FORCES OF OTHER STATES; AND FOR RELATED  
5 PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 33-1-19, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
8 amended as follows:

9 33-1-19. Any person who is a member of any reserve component  
10 of the Armed Forces of the United States, or former member of the  
11 service of the United States discharged or released therefrom  
12 under conditions other than dishonorable, who, in order to perform  
13 duties or receive training with the Armed Forces of the United  
14 States, or of the State of Mississippi or any other state  
15 (including active state duty, state-training duty or any other  
16 military duty authorized under Title 10 or Title 32 of the United  
17 States Code), leaves a position, other than a temporary position,  
18 in the employ of any employer, and who shall give evidence of the  
19 satisfactory completion of such duty or training, and who is still



20 qualified to perform the duties of such position, shall be  
21 entitled to be restored to his previous or a similar position, in  
22 the same status, pay and seniority, and such period of absence for  
23 military duty or training shall be construed as an absence with  
24 leave but may be without pay.

25         **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
26 and after July 1, 2018.

