



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5131

LCO No. 287

Referred to Committee on SELECT COMMITTEE ON
VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Introduced by:
REP. NICASTRO, 79th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION
BENEFITS FOR SPOUSES OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES
WHO ARE DEPLOYED OR TRANSFERRED.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

- 1 That chapter 567 of the general statutes be amended to make an
- 2 individual who voluntarily leaves employment to accompany a spouse
- 3 who is required to relocate during active-duty service with the armed
- 4 forces eligible for unemployment compensation benefits for the
- 5 duration of such a relocation, notwithstanding the requirement that an
- 6 individual must be available for work and make reasonable efforts to
- 7 obtain work to receive unemployment compensation benefits.

Statement of Purpose:

To close a gap that prevents individuals from receiving unemployment
compensation benefits while they are relocating with a spouse who is a
member of the armed forces and has been transferred or deployed.