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Rules		
Committee of Whole		
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House Action		
Sent to Governor		Action

Introduced by Senators O'Connor, Corbet, Stinson, McNulty, Holsclaw

AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES; EXPANDING VETERANS' PREFERENCES FOR EMPLOYMENT UNDER MERIT OR CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM, AND AMENDING SECTIONS 38-491 AND 38-492, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:  
2 Section 1. Section 38-491, Arizona Revised Statutes,  
3 is amended to read:  
4 38-491. Eligibility; age limit  
5 The state, ~~or-a-county,-city,-town-or-other~~ OR ANY polit-  
6 ical subdivision of the state which employs personnel of any  
7 branch of its service under a merit system, civil service  
8 system or other system of employment on the basis of merit,  
9 by whatever name known, and whether pursuant to law, ordi-  
10 nance, rule, regulation or otherwise, shall provide that a  
11 veteran of the ~~army,-navy-or-marine-corps~~ ARMED FORCES of  
12 the United States, ~~holding-an-honorable-discharge-therefrom,~~  
13 ~~was-served-therein-during-time-of-war,~~ SEPARATED FROM ACTIVE  
14 DUTY UNDER HONORABLE CONDITIONS, shall be eligible to apply  
15 for and receive employment under such merit system regardless  
16 of age, if otherwise qualified, subject only to the require-  
17 ment that he is below the regular retirement age at the time  
18 of entering the employment, if a retirement age is prescribed.

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1           Sec. 2. Section 38-492, Arizona Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read:

3           38-492. Percentage of preference

4           A. A veteran of the ~~army, navy or marine corps~~ ARMED  
5 FORCES of the United States, ~~holding an honorable discharge~~  
6 ~~therefrom and who served therein during time of war,~~ SEPARATED  
7 THEREFROM UNDER HONORABLE CONDITIONS FOLLOWING MORE THAN SIX  
8 MONTHS OF ACTIVE DUTY, who takes an examination pursuant to  
9 ~~an application for employment by the state, or a county, city,~~  
10 ~~town or other political subdivision,~~ FOR EMPLOYMENT BY THE  
11 STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION under a merit system of  
12 employment as provided by section 38-491 shall, in the de-  
13 termination of his final rating on such examination, be given  
14 a preference of five per cent over persons other than veterans.  
15 ~~which~~ THE PREFERENCE shall be added to the grade earned by  
16 him, but only if such veteran earns a passing grade without  
17 preference.

18           B. If a department, division or agency of the state, ~~or~~  
19 ~~a county, city, town or other~~ OR ANY political subdivision is  
20 operated under a merit system prescribed by the federal gov-  
21 ernment or a department, division or agency thereof, the pro-  
22 visions of such system, including preference to veterans,  
23 shall prevail.