CHAPTER 1052

EMPLOYMENT AND INSURANCE COVERAGE PROTECTION FOR MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL AIR PATROL OR COAST GUARD

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AN ACT relating to protections for certain members of the military concerning employment and insurance coverage and making penalties applicable.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 29A.43, subsections 2 and 4, Code 2022, are amended to read as follows:

- 2. An officer or enlisted person of the national guard or organized reserves of the armed forces of the United States, any member of the civil air patrol, or any regular, reserve, or auxiliary member of the United States coast guard, who is insured as a dependent under a group policy for accident or health insurance as a full-time student less than twenty-five years of age, whose coverage under the group policy would otherwise terminate while the officer or enlisted person was on a leave of absence during a period of temporary duty or service, as defined for members of the national guard in section 29A.1, subsection 3, 8, or 12, while performing duties as a member of the civil air patrol pursuant to section 29A.3A, or as a member of the organized reserves called to active duty from a reserve component status, or as a regular, reserve, or auxiliary member of the United States coast guard, shall be considered to have been continuously insured under the group policy for the purpose of returning to the insured dependent status as a full-time student who is less than twenty-five years of age. This subsection does not apply to coverage of an injury suffered or a disease contracted by a member of the national guard or organized reserves of the armed forces of the United States, any member of the civil air patrol, or any regular, reserve, or auxiliary member of the United States coast guard in the line of duty.
- 4. The protections provided for in this section shall apply with equal force to members of the national guard of another state, an organized reserve unit in another state, <u>any regular, reserve</u>, or auxiliary member of the United States coast guard in another state, or a civil air patrol unit in another state who are employed in this state.

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