

701—40.61(422) Exclusion of active duty pay of national guard members and armed forces military reserve members for service under orders for Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Noble Eagle or Operation Enduring Freedom. For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2003, active duty pay received by national guard members and armed forces reserve members is excluded to the extent the income is included in federal adjusted gross income and to the extent the active duty pay is for service under military orders for Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Noble Eagle or Operation Enduring Freedom. National guard members and military reserve members receiving active duty pay on or after January 1, 2003, for service not covered by military orders for one of the three operations specified above are subject to Iowa income tax on the active duty pay to the extent the active duty pay is included in federal adjusted gross income. An example of a situation where the active duty pay may not be included in federal adjusted gross income is when the active duty pay was received for service in an area designated as a combat zone or in an area designated as a hazardous duty area so the income may be excluded from federal adjusted gross income. That is, if an individual's active duty military pay is not subject to federal income tax, the active duty military pay will not be taxable on the individual's Iowa income tax return.

National guard members and military reserve members who are receiving active duty pay for service on or after January 1, 2003, that is exempt from Iowa income tax, may complete an IA W-4 Employee Withholding Allowance Certificate and claim exemption from Iowa income tax for active duty pay received during the time they are serving on active duty pursuant to military orders for Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Noble Eagle or Operation Enduring Freedom.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.7 as amended by 2003 Iowa Acts, House File 674.