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# H. R. 2283

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. ENHANCEMENT OF AUTHORITIES RELATING**  
4                       **TO THE PROVISION OF HONOR GUARD DE-**  
5                       **TAILS AT FUNERALS OF VETERANS.**

6           (a) DUTY STATUS.—Section 1491 of title 10, United  
7       States Code, is amended—

8                       (1) by redesignating subsections (e) and (f) as  
9       subsections (f) and (g), respectively; and

1           (2) by inserting after subsection (d) the fol-  
2       lowing new subsection (e):

3       “(e) RESERVE DUTY.—Performance of duty as a  
4       member of an honor guard detail for the funeral of a vet-  
5       eran, and training for such duty, by a member of a reserve  
6       component may be considered to be a period of drill or  
7       training in addition to training otherwise required.”.

8       (b) RETIREMENT POINTS.—Section 12733 of title  
9       10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end  
10      the following new paragraph:

11           “(5) One day for each day, not otherwise count-  
12      ed under this section, on which the person per-  
13      formed duty as a member of an honor guard detail  
14      for the funeral of a veteran, or training for such  
15      duty, that was considered by the Secretary con-  
16      cerned to be a period of drill or training in addition  
17      to training otherwise required.”.

18      (c) EXEMPTION FROM END STRENGTHS.—A mem-  
19      ber of a reserve component who is on active duty under  
20      a call or order to active duty for a period of more than  
21      180 days and who is retained on active duty solely for  
22      the purpose of participating in honor guard details for fu-  
23      nerals of veterans shall not during the period of such re-  
24      tention on active duty be counted toward the active duty

1 end strength limitation for that fiscal year for that mem-  
2 ber’s Armed Force.

3 (d) WORKERS’ COMPENSATION AND LIABILITY IN-  
4 SURANCE.—Section 1588(a) of title 10, United States  
5 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new  
6 paragraph:

7 “(4) Voluntary services under section 1491 of  
8 this title to participate in an honor guard detail for  
9 the funeral of a veteran.”.

10 (e) SUPPORT OF REQUIRED STATE FUNCTIONS.—  
11 Section 114 of title 32, United States Code, is amended  
12 by adding at the end the following: “Such use of appro-  
13 priated funds may include support of State law require-  
14 ments relating to National Guard participation in funerals  
15 of veterans.”.

16 (f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
17 this section shall apply with respect to duty performed as  
18 a member of an honor guard detail for the funeral of a  
19 veteran, or training for such duty, on or after the date  
20 of the enactment of this Act.

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