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H. R. 513

To amend title 10, United States Code, to provide more equitable civil service retirement and retention provisions for National Guard technicians.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Peterson of Minnesota (for himself, Mr. Walsh, Mr. McGovern, Mr. Cramer, Mr. Evans, Mr. Lahood, Mr. Petri, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Stenholm, Ms. Hooley of Oregon, Mr. Oberstar, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Frost, Mr. Strickland, Mrs. Kelly, Mr. Filner, Mr. Hinchey, Mrs. Myrick, Mr. Kucinich, Mr. Kind, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Bonior, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Calvert, Mr. Terry, Mr. Goodlatte, and Mr. Green of Wisconsin) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Fairness for National
- 5 Guard Technicians Act".

1	SEC. 2. CIVIL SERVICE RETENTION OF NATIONAL GUARD
2	TECHNICIANS.
3	(a) In General.—Chapter 1007 of title 10, United
4	States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
5	lowing new section:
6	"§ 10219. National Guard technicians: conditions for
7	retention; mandatory retirement under
8	civil service laws
9	"(a) Separation and Retirement of National
10	GUARD TECHNICIANS (DUAL STATUS).—(1) An indi-
11	vidual employed by the National Guard as a military tech-
12	nician (dual status) who after the date of the enactment
13	of this section loses dual status is subject to paragraph
14	(2) or (3), as the case may be.
15	"(2) If a technician described in paragraph (1) is eli-
16	gible at the time dual status is lost for an unreduced annu-
17	ity and is age 60 or older at that time, the technician shall
18	be separated not later than 30 days after the date on
19	which dual status is lost.
20	"(3) If a technician described in paragraph (1) is not
21	eligible at the time dual status is lost for an unreduced
22	annuity or is under age 60 at that time, the technician
23	shall be offered the opportunity—
24	"(A) to reapply for, and if qualified be ap-
25	pointed to, a position as a military technician (dual
26	status); or

- 1 "(B) to apply for a civil service position that is
- 2 not a technician position.
- 3 "(4) For purposes of this subsection, a military tech-
- 4 nician is considered to lose dual status upon—
- 5 "(A) being separated from the Selected Re-
- 6 serve; or
- 7 "(B) ceasing to hold the military grade speci-
- 8 field by the Secretary concerned for the position held
- 9 by the technician.
- 10 "(b) Unreduced Annuity Defined.—For pur-
- 11 poses of this section, a technician shall be considered to
- 12 be eligible for an unreduced annuity if the technician is
- 13 eligible for an annuity under section 8336, 8412, or 8414
- 14 of title 5 that is not subject to a reduction by reason of
- 15 the age or years of service of the technician.".
- 16 (2) The table of sections at the beginning of such
- 17 chapter is amended by adding at the end the following
- 18 new item:

"10219. National Guard technicians: conditions for retention; mandatory retirement under civil service laws.".

- 19 (b) Conforming Amendment.—Section 10218(a)
- 20 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking
- 21 "MILITARY" after "SEPARATION AND RETIREMENT OF"
- 22 and inserting "RESERVE".

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