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Overview

Under current law, a public employee is entitled to 15 days of paid leave each year for National Guard or military reserve service. This bill requires the adjutant general to administer a reimbursement grant program to reimburse local units of government for paying salary and benefits to public safety employees on this leave.

For purposes of this program:

- “public safety employees” means peace officers, firefighters, and ambulance service personnel who are full-time employees; and
- “local unit of government” means a county or city.

The bill provides that if the appropriation made for purposes of this program is insufficient to pay all of the grants, the grants must be reduced proportionally.

The bill is effective for costs incurred starting in calendar year 2016.