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SYNOPSIS

Excludes Armed Services combat zone pay from gross income taxation.

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AN ACT excluding United States Armed Forces combat zone pay 1 2 from gross income taxation, and supplementing Title 54A of the 3 New Jersey Statutes. 4 5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 6 of New Jersey: 7 8 1. Gross income shall not include amounts received as combat 9 zone compensation by members of the Armed Forces of the United States that is excluded from federal taxable income pursuant to 10 section 112 of the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 11 12 U.S.C. s.112). 13 14 2. This act shall take effect immediately and apply to taxable 15 years beginning on or after January 1 next following the date of 16 enactment. 17 18 19 **STATEMENT** 20 This bill excludes military pay for service in a combat zone or 21 22 for hospitalization as the result of injury while serving in a combat 23 zone from taxable gross income under the New Jersey gross income 24 tax. 25 The bill uses federal definitions of combat zone pay to exclude 26 from New Jersey taxation the same pay that is excluded from 27 federal income taxation. A combat zone is any area the President of 28 the United States designates by Executive Order as an area in which 29 the U.S. Armed Forces are engaging or have engaged in combat. An 30 area usually becomes a combat zone and ceases to be a combat zone on the dates the President designates by Executive Order. 31