

**SENATE BILL NO. 290**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Referred: State Affairs, Finance

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to reimbursement of premiums for Servicemembers' Group Life**  
2 **Insurance paid by members of the Alaska National Guard deployed to a combat zone;**  
3 **and providing for an effective date."**

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

5 \* **Section 1.** AS 26.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:

6 **Sec. 26.05.263. Payment of Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance**  
7 **premiums; establishment of fund.** (a) The Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance  
8 premium fund is established as a separate fund in the state treasury. The fund consists  
9 of appropriations by the legislature to it. The state shall hold the principal and earnings  
10 of the fund for the purpose of reimbursing eligible members of the Alaska National  
11 Guard deployed to a combat zone for premiums paid under 38 U.S.C. 1965 - 1980  
12 (Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance Program).

13 (b) The adjutant general may make expenditures from the fund to reimburse  
14 eligible members of the Alaska National Guard deployed to a combat zone for

1 premiums paid under the program.

2 (c) Subject to appropriation, the fund may be used to pay the expenses  
3 incurred by the commissioner of revenue in managing the fund and administrative  
4 expenses incurred by the Department of Revenue in administering this section.

5 (d) Except as provided in (c) of this section, money in the fund is available for  
6 expenditure without further appropriation.

7 (e) Nothing in this section creates a dedicated fund.

8 (f) The Department of Revenue may adopt regulations necessary to carry out  
9 the provisions of this section.

10 (g) In this section,

11 (1) "combat zone" means an area of hostile fire or imminent danger  
12 that entitles a member on duty in that area to special pay;

13 (2) "fund" means the Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance premium  
14 fund;

15 (3) "program" means the Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance  
16 program established by 38 U.S.C. 1965 - 1980.

17 \* **Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
18 read:

19 **APPLICABILITY.** The reimbursement of premiums paid by members of the Alaska  
20 National Guard deployed to a combat zone under 38 U.S.C. 1965 - 1980 (Servicemembers'  
21 Group Life Insurance Program) under AS 26.05.263, enacted in sec. 1 of this Act, applies to  
22 premiums due on or after January 1, 2006.

23 \* **Sec. 3.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
24 read:

25 **RETROACTIVITY.** AS 26.05.263, enacted by sec. 1 of this Act, is retroactive to  
26 January 1, 2006, and applies to authorize reimbursement of premiums paid by eligible Alaska  
27 National Guard members after December 31, 2005.

28 \* **Sec. 4.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).