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House of Representatives, January 27, 2021

An Act To Allow Veterans To Opt Out of Jury Duty

Received by the Clerk of the House on January 25, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Judiciary pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

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ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative GROHOSKI of Ellsworth.
Cosponsored by Representatives: DOUDERA of Camden, HARNETT of Gardiner, RIELLY of Westbrook, SHEEHAN of Biddeford, Senator: LUCHINI of Hancock.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §1213, sub-§2, ¶D is enacted to read:

D. A person who served in the United States Armed Forces and received an honorable discharge or general discharge under honorable conditions who does not wish to serve on a jury is excused from jury service.

SUMMARY

This bill allows a veteran who does not wish to serve as a juror to be excused from jury duty. The veteran must have received an honorable discharge or a general discharge under honorable conditions to qualify for the jury service excuse.