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Mr. Speaker:

The Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **H.B. 144**, BENEFITS FOR NATIONAL GUARD MEMBERS AND FAMILIES, by Representative G. Hughes, with the following amendments

1. *Page 1, Lines 9 through 11:*

9 General Description:

10 This bill provides ~~{-for-}~~ a death benefit ~~{-}~~ and tuition waiver ~~{-~~
11 and utility allowance } for families
of National Guard members under specific circumstances.

2. *Page 1, Lines 13 through 19:*

13 This bill:

14 ► provides for a lump sum payment of \$500,000 to the surviving spouse or
children, if

15 no spouse, of a member of the National Guard killed ~~{-in-action-}~~ on federal active
duty ; and

16 ► ~~{-creates a "utility allowance" of \$200 per month for families of National~~
Guard

17 ~~members who have been deployed; and~~ }

18 ► waives the tuition at state institutions of higher education for surviving
dependents

19 of National Guard members killed ~~{-in-action-}~~ on federal active duty .

3. *Page 1, Line 27 through Page 2, Line 29:*

27 ENACTS:

28 { ~~39-1-65, Utah Code Annotated 1953~~ }

29 39-1-66, Utah Code Annotated 1953

4. *Page 2, Lines 48 through 52:*

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48 (2) If any officer or enlisted member of the National Guard is killed or dies of
wounds
49 or injuries received while serving on federal {~~or state~~} active duty, under orders of
competent
50 authority and not as a result of the member's own misconduct, the member's surviving
spouse
51 or, if no spouse, minor children shall receive a lump sum payment from the state . after
appropriation by the Legislature during the next General Session, in the amount
52 of \$500,000.

5. *Page 2, Line 53 through Page 3, Line 58:*

53 {~~Section 2. Section 39-1-65 is enacted to read:~~
54 ~~39-1-65. Utility allowance for families of deployed members.~~
55 ~~If a member of the National Guard is called into active service on behalf of the~~
~~state or~~
56 ~~the United States, an allowance of \$200 per month shall be allotted to the member's~~
~~immediate~~
57 ~~family for the payment of utilities. Eligible utilities are natural or propane gas,~~
~~electricity,~~
58 ~~water, sewer, and trash service.~~}

6. *Page 3, Lines 60 through 64:*

60 ~~39-1-66.~~ Tuition benefits for surviving dependents.
61 (1) If any officer or enlisted member of the National Guard is killed or dies of
wounds
62 or injuries received while serving on federal {~~or state~~} active duty, under orders of
competent
63 authority and not as a result of the member's own misconduct, a state institution of higher
64 education shall waive undergraduate tuition for that member's dependents under the
following



Respectfully,

DeMar "Bud" Bowman
Committee Chair

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