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Committee on Governmental Employees

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

proposing an amendment to section 6 of article 5 of the constitution, in
relation to civil service appointments and promotions; veterans' pref-
erences and credits

1 Section 1. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That section 6 of article
2 5 of the constitution be amended to read as follows:
3 § 6. Appointments and promotions in the civil service of the state and
4 all of the civil divisions thereof, including cities and villages, shall
5 be made according to merit and fitness to be ascertained, as far as
6 practicable, by examination which, as far as practicable, shall be
7 competitive; provided, however, that any member of the armed forces of
8 the United States [~~who served therein in time of war, and~~] who, at the
9 time of such member's appointment or promotion, is a citizen or an
10 [~~alien~~] immigrant lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the
11 United States and a resident of this state and is honorably discharged
12 or released under honorable circumstances from such service, shall be
13 entitled to receive five points additional credit in a competitive exam-
14 ination for original appointment and two and one-half points additional
15 credit in an examination for promotion or, if such member was disabled
16 in the actual performance of duty [~~in any war~~] and [~~his or her~~] such
17 member's disability is certified by the United States department of
18 veterans affairs to be in existence at the time of application for
19 appointment or promotion, [~~he or she~~] such member shall be entitled to
20 receive ten points additional credit in a competitive examination for
21 original appointment and five points additional credit in an examination
22 for promotion. Such additional credit shall be added to the final earned
23 rating of such member after [~~he or she~~] such member has qualified in an
24 examination and shall be granted only at the time of establishment of an
25 eligible list. No such member shall receive the additional credit grant-

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 ed by this section after [~~he or she~~] such member has received one
2 appointment, either original entrance or promotion, from an eligible
3 list on which [~~he or she~~] such member was allowed the additional credit
4 granted by this section, except where a member has been appointed or
5 promoted from an eligible list on which [~~he or she~~] such member was
6 allowed additional credit for military service and subsequent to such
7 appointment [~~he or she~~] such member is disabled as provided in this
8 section, such member shall be entitled to ten points additional credit
9 less the number of points of additional credit allowed for the prior
10 appointment.

11 § 2. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the foregoing amendment be
12 referred to the first regular legislative session convening after the
13 next succeeding general election of members of the assembly, and, in
14 conformity with section 1 of article 19 of the constitution, be
15 published for 3 months previous to the time of such election.