STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

February 17, 2026

Introduced by Sen. SCARCELLA-SPANTON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs

AN ACT to amend the military law, in relation to authorizing additional paid leave for public employees who are absent on military duty

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 5 of section 242 of the military law, as amended by chapter 406 of the laws of 2017, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Every public officer or employee shall be paid [~~his or her~~] their salary or other compensation as such public officer or employee for any and all periods of absence while engaged in the performance of ordered military duty, and while going to and returning from such duty, not exceeding a total of [~~thirty~~] sixty days or [~~twenty-two~~] fifty-two working days, whichever is greater, in any one calendar year and not exceeding [~~thirty~~] sixty days or [~~twenty-two~~] fifty-two working days, whichever is greater, in any one continuous period of such absence.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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