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House Bill 5100 (Substitute S-2 as reported)

Sponsor: Representative Rick Jones

House Committee: Family and Children Services

Senate Committee: Judiciary

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Child Custody Act to specify that, if a motion for change of a child's custody were filed during the time a parent was in "active military duty", the court could not enter an order modifying or amending a previous judgment or order, or issue a new order, that changed the child's placement that existed on the date the parent was called to active military duty, although the court could enter a temporary custody order if there were clear and convincing evidence that it was in the best interest of the child. Upon a parent's return from active military duty, the court could not consider a parent's absence due to that military duty in a best interest of the child determination.

The bill is tie-barred to Senate Bill 714, which would amend the Act to specify that "active military duty" would mean when a reserve unit member or National Guard unit member is called into active military duty.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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