



North Carolina National Guard Association

Dear Legislator,

I ask that you support Senate Bill 153, which provides State income tax incentives for both Federal and State military forces either joining service from or retiring in North Carolina. North Carolina is proud to declare itself as the Most Military Friendly State. However, when it comes to taxing Military Retirement Pay (Pension), the only Military retirees who are not taxed by the state fall under the Retirement Income Exclusion – Bailey Act: those with five or more years of creditable service prior to August 1989.

There are currently nineteen states that exempt all military pension from State Income Tax and additional nine states without an income tax. In all, twenty-eight states provide military retirees tax relief leaving North Carolina in the bottom twenty-two states for supporting military members and retirees.

Thank you, as always, for your service to our great state and continued support of the North Carolina National Guard. Your support will ensure the NCNG continues to recruit and retain the best North Carolina has to offer.

Respectfully,