2019 REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 316

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2019

The following bill was reported to the Senate from the House and ordered to be printed.
AN ACT relating to service member relief.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 367 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

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(3) A termination or suspension under this section shall be effective on the day notice is given under subsection (2) of this section.

(4) A service member who terminates or suspends a contract for services under the provisions of this section may reinstate the provisions of services upon providing written or electronic notice to the service provider that he or she is no longer on active military service.

(5) Nothing in this section shall be construed to conflict with the provisions of the federal Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. secs. 3901 et seq.

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