

By Senator Thompson

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to persons excused from jury service;  
3           amending s. 40.013, F.S.; allowing a woman  
4           breastfeeding her child to be excused from jury  
5           service for a specified period following the child's  
6           birth; providing for additional excused periods;  
7           providing an effective date.

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9   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11           Section 1. Subsection (10) is added to section 40.013,  
12   Florida Statutes, to read:

13           40.013 Persons disqualified or excused from jury service.—

14           (10) A mother breastfeeding her child shall, upon request,  
15 be excused from jury service for 1 year following the child's  
16 birth. As long as she continues to breastfeed her child, she may  
17 be excused for additional 1-year periods.

18           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.