CS/SB 464 — Military Affairs/Leave of Absence

by Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations Committee; and Senators Fasano and Baker

This bill increases the number of allowable annual leave of absence hours a member of the National Guard or military reserve forces may be granted by his or her state, county, or municipal government employer. The new maximum annual leave of absence limit is 240 hours which recognizes increased requirements placed upon National Guard and reserve force members for training.

In addition, the bill authorizes the Adjutant General to appoint a second Assistant Adjutant General for Army subject to Senate confirmation. This change reflects force structure revisions that have been adopted by the National Guard Bureau.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2010.

Vote: Senate 37-0; House 106-0