

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## HB 1277

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As of March 11, 2015

**Title:** An act relating to transient lodging for military service members in armories.

**Brief Description:** Concerning transient lodging for military service members in armories.

**Sponsors:** Representatives Klippert, Appleton, MacEwen, Muri, Orwall, Goodman, Shea, Haler, Moscoso, Young, Scott, Zeiger and McCaslin.

**Brief History:** Passed House: 2/09/15, 96-0.

**Committee Activity:** Human Services, Mental Health & Housing:

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES, MENTAL HEALTH & HOUSING

**Staff:** Alison Mendiola (786-7444)

**Background:** There are an estimated 8200 Washington Air and Army National Guard soldiers and airmen. National Guardsmen traditionally serve in a part-time status where they participate in drill one weekend per month and participate in annual training for two weeks of the year. The cost of participating in drill, other than their salary, is the responsibility of the guardsmen.

The Military Department manages readiness centers, also known as armories, throughout the state. The National Guard utilizes armories when conducting training. Currently armory use is limited to casual civic purposes, amateur and professional sports, and theatrical events. However during an emergency, the Adjutant General may allow temporary lodging of service personnel in armories.

**Summary of Bill:** The Adjutant General may allow temporary lodging of service personnel in armories.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Committee/Commission/Task Force Created:** No.

**Effective Date:** Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

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