

AN ACT concerning State government.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Military Code of Illinois is amended by adding Section 22-9.2 as follows:

(20 ILCS 1805/22-9.2 new)

Sec. 22-9.2. Joint Enlistment Enhancement Program (JEEP).

(a) The Department of Military Affairs has the authority to make grants from the Military Affairs Trust Fund for the purpose of incentivizing recruitment into the Illinois National Guard. The Joint Enlistment Enhancement Program (JEEP) is established for the purpose of increasing recruitment through peer-to-peer referrals, fostering esprit de corps, and promoting cross-component cooperation between the Illinois Army National Guard and the Illinois Air National Guard. Under the JEEP program, the Department of Military Affairs may provide grants to current members of the Illinois National Guard who are not assigned as recruiters, are in good standing, and serve as JEEP lead generators by supporting or facilitating the enlistment or accession of soldiers or airmen into the Illinois National Guard.

(b) In addition to amounts transferred into the Military Affairs Trust Fund by appropriation, the State Treasurer shall

accept and deposit into the Fund all gifts, grants, transfers, appropriations, and other funds from any lawful public or private source that are designated for deposit into the Fund.

(c) The Department of Military Affairs shall establish eligibility criteria, grant conditions, and administrative requirements for the JEEP program by rule.