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HOUSE BILL No. 2392

By Committee on Veterans and Military

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AN ACT concerning veterans and military; updating the Kansas code of 2716, 2606, 48-2701, 48-2702, 48-2703, 48-2704, 48-2705, 48-2706, 2707, 48-2710, 48-2711, 48-2712, 48-2713, 48-2714, 48-2715, 48-2404, 48-2405, 48-2406, 48-2501, 48-2501a, 48-2502, 48-2503, 48-48-2207, 48-2208, 48-2401, 48-2401a, 48-2402, 48-2402a, 48-2403, 3112 and K.S.A. 2022 Supp. 48-2301 and repealing the existing 3102, 48-3103, 48-3104, 48-3105, 48-3108, 48-3109, 48-3110 and 48-3039, 48-3040, 48-3041, 48-3042, 48-3043, 48-3044, 48-3101, 48-3033a, 48-3034, 48-3035, 48-3035a, 48-3036, 48-3037, 48-3038, 48-3027, 48-3028, 48-3029, 48-3030, 48-3031, 48-3032, 48-3033, 48-48-2103, 48-2105, 48-2106, 48-2201, 48-2203, 48-2204, 48-2602, 48military justice relating to certain definitions, unlawful acts and 2930, 48-2931, 48-2932, 48-3001, 48-3106, 48-3107 and 48-3114. 2504, 48-2505, 48-2506, 48-2507, 48-2601, 48-2603, 48-2604, 48sections; also repealing K.S.A. 48-2104, 48-2202, 48-2205, 48-2206 3006, 48-3007, 48-3008, 48-3009, 48-3010, 48-3011, 48-3012, 48-2605, 48-2708, 48-2709, 48-2801, 48-2802, 48-3003, 48-3005, 48punishment requirements thereof; amending K.S.A. 48-2101, 48-2102, 48-2924, 48-2925, 48-2926, 48-2927, 48-2928, 48-2929, 48-2917, 48-2918, 48-2919, 48-2920, 48-2717, 48-2718, 48-2719, 48-2803, 48-2804, 48-2915, 48-3021, 48-3022, 48-3023, 48-3024, 48-3025, 48-3026, 48-48-3014, 48-3015, 48-3016, 48-3017, 48-3018, 48-3019, 48-48-2921, 48-2922,

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

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New Section 1. (a) No member of the state military forces may be placed in confinement in immediate association with enemy prisoners, both foreign and domestic, or other foreign nationals who are not members of the armed forces.

New Sec. 2. (a) A person punished under K.S.A. 48-2301, and amendments thereto, by a company-grade commanding officer who considers the findings unsupported by the evidence or the punishment unjust or disproportionate to the offense can demand from the commanding officer a de novo review of the findings and punishment.

(1) Upon such demand, any punishment shall be stayed and the hearing record, evidence and supporting documents under K.S.A. 48-

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field-grade commander. 2301, and amendments thereto, shall be forwarded to the next superior

- an opportunity to be heard, make a written decision on: obtain a written legal review of the matter and, after providing the accused (2) Upon receipt of such evidence, the next superior commander shall
- Whether to uphold or reverse any finding of guilt; and
- (B) whether to uphold, mitigate or reduce any punishment.

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- punishment. disproportionate to the offense can, through the proper channel, appeal to flag rank in command who considers the punishment unjust or thereto, by a field-grade commanding officer, or an officer of a general or the next superior commander within 10 days of being informed about the A person punished under K.S.A. 48-2301, and amendments
- imposed in K.S.A. 48-2301(f), and amendments thereto. commander may exercise the same powers with respect to the punishment person punished may be required to undergo the punishment. The superior (1) The appeal shall be promptly forwarded and decided, but the

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superior commander. which the opportunity to be heard is exercised at the sole discretion of the the case to a judge advocate for consideration and advice. The manner in the appeal must give the accused the opportunity to be heard and can refer (2) Before acting on an appeal, the superior commander in charge of

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- properly punishable under this code. omission does not bar a trial by a civilian court of competent jurisdiction punishment under K.S.A. 48-2301, and amendments thereto, for any act or for a serious crime or offense related to the same act or omission and not New Sec. 3. (a) The imposition and enforcement of disciplinary
- in the determination of punishment if the accused is found guilty. the accused during trial proceedings and, when shown, shall be considered (b) The enforcement of a disciplinary punishment may be shown by
- the direction of a commanding officer if such person is: New Sec. 4. (a) Any person subject to this code shall be punished at
- (1) An officer or noncomissioned officer,
- protected junior member of the armed forces; and (2) In a training leadership position with respect to a specially

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- protected junior member of the armed forces. (3) engaging in prohibited sexual activity with such specially
- of a commanding officer if they are: (b) Any person subject to this code shall be punished at the direction
- an applicant for military service; (1) A military recruiter and engage in prohibited sexual activity with
- specially protected member of the armed forces who is enlisted under a a military recruiter and engage in prohibited sexual activity with a

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thereto, is entitled to one appeal but is not entitled to any appeal under (c) A person punished under K.S.A. 48-2201, and amendments this section.

delayed entry program; or

- (3) a military cadre and engages in prohibited sexual activity with a specially protected junior member of the armed forces who is enlisted under a delayed entry program.
- (c) Consent is not a defense for any conduct listed in this section.
- (d) As used in this section:

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(1) "Applicant for military service" means a person who, under regulations prescribed by the secretary of the military department concerned, is an applicant for original enlistment or appointment in the United States armed forces or state military forces.

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- (2) "Military recruiter" means a person who, under regulations prescribed by the secretary of the military department concerned, is an applicant for original enlistment or appointment in the United States armed forces or state military forces:
- (3) "Prohibited sexual activity" means, as specified in military regulations, inappropriate physical intimacy under circumstances described in such regulations.
- (4) "Specially protected junior member of the armed forces" means:
- (A) A member of the armed forces or state military forces who is assigned to, or is awaiting assignment to, basic training or other initial active duty for training, including a member who is enlisted under a delayed entry program;
- (B) a member of the armed forces or state military forces who is a cadet, midshipmen, an officer candidate or a student in any other officer qualification program; and
- (C) a member of the armed forces or state military forces in any program that, by regulation prescribed by the secretary of the military department concerned, is identified as a training program for initial career qualification.

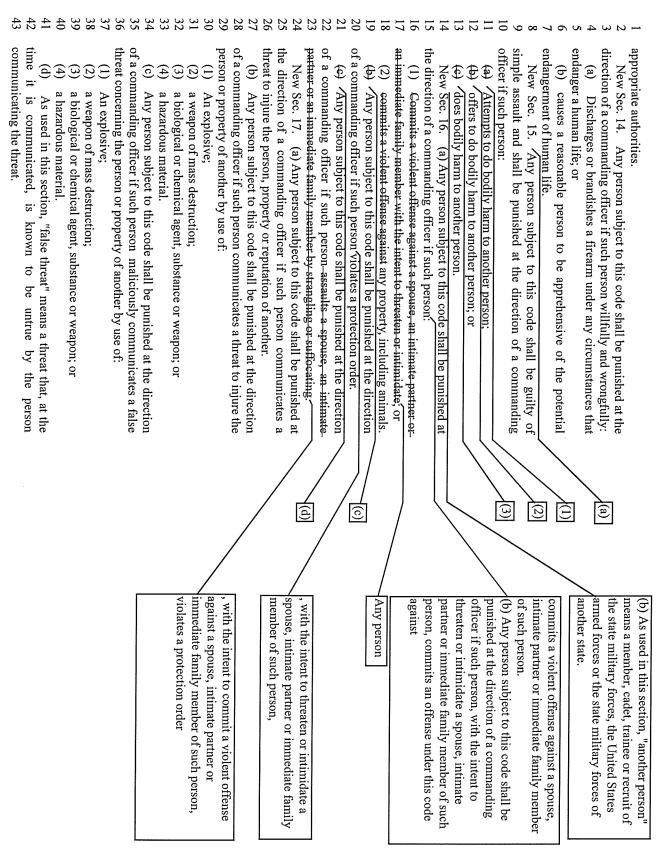
- (5) "Training leadership position" means any person subject to this code that is assigned or attached to a unit whose primary purpose is the recruitment of members into the United States armed forces or state military forces or who serve as faculty, staff, drill instructor or in other leadership position in:
- (A) A basic training program;
- (B) a training program for entry into the United States armed forces or state military forces;
- (C) a reserve officers' training unit;
- (D) an officers' candidate school; or
- (E) any program that is identified as a training program or initial career qualification.
- New Sec. 5. Any person subject to this code shall be punished at the direction of a commanding officer if such person:

has the primary duty to recruit persons for military service

be guilty of the offense of sexual harassment and

person's conduct meets the following elements

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direction of a commanding officer if such person intentionally: (a) Falsely makes or alters any signature or any part of any writing that would, if genuine, impose a legal liability on another or change their legal rights or liability; or (b) utters, offers, issues or transfers such writing, known by the person to be so made or altered. New Sec. 10. (a) Any person subject to this code shall be punished at the direction of a commanding officer if such person willfully impersonates:	is in execution of duties as a sentinel or lookout, shall be punished at the direction of a commanding officer. New Sec. 8. Any person subject to this code shall be punished at the direction of a commanding officer if such person willfully: (a) Alters, conceals, removes, mutilates, obliterates or destroys a public record; or (b) takes a public record with the intent to alter, conceal, remove, mutilate, obliterate or destroy such public record. New Sec. 9. Any person subject to this code shall be punished at the	New Sec. 7. (a) Any person subject to this code who, knowing that another person is a sentinel or lookout, uses wrongful and disrespectful language that is directed toward and within the hearing of the sentinel or lookout, who is in execution of duties as a sentinel or lookout, shall be punished at the direction of a commanding officer. (b) Any person subject to this code who, knowing that another person is a sentinel or lookout, behaves in a wrongful and disrespectful manner that is directed toward and within the sight of the sentinel or lookout, who	basis for career or employment decisions-against such person; or (3) the conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering- with a person's work performance or creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment. New Sec. 6. (a) Any sentinel or lookout who is drunk, sleeps or leaves while on post before being regularly relieved shall be punished at the direction of a commanding officer. (b) Any sentinel or lookout who loiters or wrongfully sits down on post shall be punished at the direction of a commanding officer.	(a) Repeatedly engages in behavior that involves unwelcome sexual advances; (b) requests sexual favors from or offers sexual favors to a subordinate; or (c) engages in other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature, if: (1) Submission to or rejection of such conduct—is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of a person's job, pay or career; (2) submission to or rejection of such conduct by a nerson is used as a
		affecting such person's job, pay, career, benefits or entitlements was so severe, repetitive or pervasive that a reasonable person would perceive, and such person did perceive, an intimidating, hostile or offensive work environment	would be, benefits or entitlements would cause a reasonable person to believe, and such person did believe, that	Such person made sexual advances, demands or requests for sexual favors or knowingly engaged in other conduct of a sexual nature; (b) such conduct was unwelcome; and (c) under the circumstances, such conduct Would cause a reasonable person to believe, and such person did believe, that



conduct and shall be punished at the direction of a commanding officer if distribution of intimate visual images or visual images of sexually explicit New Sec. 18. (a) Any person subject to this code is guilty of wrongful

conduct involving a person who: visual image of another person or a visual image of sexually explicit Knowingly and wrongfully broadcasts or distributes an intimate

such person:

- (A) Is at least 18 years of age at the time the intimate visual image or
- 9 8 visual image of sexually explicit conduct was created;
- sexually explicit conduct or from information displayed in connection with the intimate visual image or visual image of sexually explicit conduct; and (B) is identifiable from the intimate visual image or visual image of (C) does not explicitly consent to the broadcast or distribution of the
- intimate visual image or visual image of sexually explicit conduct;
- image or visual image of sexually explicit conduct; of privacy regarding any broadcast or distribution of the intimate visual circumstances in which the person depicted in the intimate visual image or image or visual image of sexually explicit conduct was made under visual image of sexually explicit conduct retained a reasonable expectation (2) knows or reasonably should have known that the intimate visual
 - explicit conduct is likely to: distribution of the intimate visual image or visual image of sexually (3) knows or reasonably should have known that the broadcast or
 - image of sexually explicit conduct; or financial loss for the person depicted in the intimate visual image or visual (A) Cause harm, harassment, intimidation, emotional distress or
 - reputation or personal relations; or person's health, safety, business, calling, career, financial condition, harm substantially the depicted person with respect to that
 - military mission or military environment. (4) engaged in conduct that had a reasonably direct connection to a
 - **(b)** As used in this section:
 - the intent that it be viewed by a person or persons. Ξ "Broadcast" means to electronically transmit a visual image with
 - possession of another person, including transmission by mail or electronic means. "Distribute" means to deliver to the actual or constructive
 - naked or underwear-clad genitalia, anus, buttocks or female areola or "Intimate visual image" means a visual image that depicts the
 - buttocks or female areola or nipple. "Private area" means the naked or underwear-clad genitalia, anus
- "Reasonable expectation of privacy" means circumstances in

private area of a person

of Kansas or the United States, wrongfully refuses to qualify as a witness court-martial, a board of officers, a military commission, a court of authority. or to answer a question after having been directed to do so by the presiding direction of a commanding officer if such person, in the presence of a inquiry, a preliminary hearing or an officer taking a deposition for the state

such property. otherwise dispose of the property with the intent to prevent the seizure of seize or are endeavoring to seize property then destroy, remove or persons authorized to make searches and seizures are seizing, about to direction of a commanding officer if such person knows that one or more New Sec. 23. Any person subject to this code shall be punished at the

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this code and: an adverse administrative action is pending against any person subject to direction of a commanding officer if such person has reason to believe that New Sec. 24. Any person subject to this code shall be punished at the

the proceeding; or (a) Intentionally acts to influence, impede or obstruct the conduct of

(b) acts to obstruct the due administration of justice.

direction of a commanding officer if such person: New Sec. 25. Any person subject to this code shall be punished at the

EOccupies an official position or has official duties; and Amongfully asks for, accepts or receives something of value with

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the intent to have the person's decision or action influenced regarding an official matter in which the state of Kansas or the United States is interested.

direction of a commanding officer if such person: New Sec. 26. Any person subject to this code shall be punished at the Occupies an official position or has official duties; and

(b) 'wrongfully asks for, accepts or receives something of value as compensation for or in recognition of services rendered or to be rendered the United States is interested. by the person regarding an official matter in which the state of Kansas or

the direction of a commanding officer if such person, with the knowing intent to defraud and obtain money, property, services or something of value, uses: New Sec. 27. (a) Any person subject to this code shall be punished at

- A stolen credit card, debit card or other access device;
- other access device; or (2) a revoked, canceled or otherwise invalid credit card, debit card or
- authorization of a person whose authorization is required for such use (3) a credit card, debit card or other access device without the
- As used in this section:

- at the direction of a commanding officer if such (b) Any person subject to this code shall be punished person:
- of value to a person who occupies an official position or has official duties; and (1) Wrongfully promises, offers or gives something
- state of Kansas or the United States is interested. the person regarding an official matter in which the (2) intends to influence the decisions or actions of

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at the direction of a commanding officer if such Kansas or the United States is interested regarding an official matter in which the state of recognition of services rendered by such person has official duties as compensation for or in to a person who occupies an official position or who person promises, offers or gives something of value (b) Any person subject to this code shall be punished

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consent and when that other person has a reasonable expectation of justification or lawful authorization: something of value or any acquittance, advantage or immunity. compels another person to engage in an act of prostitution with any person. circumstances prescribed in paragraphs (1) and (2). person knew or reasonably should have known was made under the means the private area of another person without that other person's reasonable expectation of privacy; person without the other person's consent and when that other person has a the direction of a commanding officer if such person, without legal person communicates threats to another person with the intention to obtain extortion and be punished at the direction of a commanding officer if such member's service in the state military forces. United States government or the state of Kansas or because of the military forces, the United States armed forces, the state military forces something of value in return. defined in UCMJ 120 and where the person performing the act receives or female areola or nipple. intentionally exposes, in an indecent manner, the genitalia, anus, buttocks of a commanding officer and is guilty of indecent exposure if such person of a commanding officer and is guilty of forcible pandering if such person privacy; or repugnant to common propriety and tends to excite sexual desire or possession of another, including transmission by electronic means. from another state, a cadet, a candidate, a trainee or a recruit. the intent that it be viewed by a person or persons. immorality relating to sexual impurity that is vulgar, obscene and (d) (2) knowingly photographs, videotapes, films or records by any (1) Knowingly and wrongfully views the private area of another New Sec. 29. (a) Any person subject to this code shall be punished at New Sec. 28. Any person subject to this code shall be guilty of (3) knowingly broadcasts or distributes any such recording that the (3) "Broadcast" means to electronically transmit a visual image with (c) Any person subject to this code shall be punished at the direction (b) Any person subject to this code shall be punished at the direction (5) "Indecent manner" means conduct that amounts to a form of "Distribute" means to deliver to the actual or constructive "Another person" or "other person" means a member of the state "Act of prostitution" means a sexual act or sexual contact as "Credit card" and "debit card" mean cards issued on behalf of the "Access device" means the same as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 1029. In this section:

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deprave morals with respect to sexual relations.

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portions of the code that can be given effect without the invalid portion or person or circumstance shall remain valid and enforceable." application, and the applicability of such other portions of the code to any held unconstitutional or invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other application of any portion of the code to any person or circumstance is portion of the code is declared unconstitutional or invalid, or the New Sec. 33. "The provisions of this code are severable. If any

2101. In this act, unless the context otherwise requires: Sec. 34. K.S.A. 48-2101 is hereby amended to read as follows: 48-

other military force organized under the laws of the state when not in a name of any state force that does not meet this definition shall be part of militia, state defense force, state national guard, home guard or any other under title 10 of chapter 47 of the United States Code. The unorganized status subjecting the state military forces to exclusive federal jurisdiction the state military forces under this code. defined in-section 101 (3) of title 32; of the United States Code, and any (1) "State military forces" means the national guard of the state, as

"Officer" means both a commissioned or warrant officer.

administering nonjudicial punishment under K.S.A. 48-2301, and amendments thereto. The term "commander" has the same meaning as "commanding officer" unless otherwise noted. the state military forces and shall include officers in charge only when "Commanding officer" includes only commissioned officers of

superior in rank or command. "Superior commissioned officer" means a commissioned officer

grade. "Enlisted member" means-any a person serving in an enlisted

regulation. military rank, that is established and designated as a grade by law or 6 "Grade" means a step or degree, in a graduated scale of office or

state military forces. (7) "Rank" means the order of precedence among members of the

under authority vested in the governor by law, performance of regular assemblies and paid for by state funds, including travel to and from such duties by technicians, regularly scheduled drills and other legally called military-service of the state forces under an order of the governor issued (8) "Active-State active duty" means full-time duty in the-active state

order issued by authority of law, including travel to and from such duty. service and not full-time duty in the active service of the state, under an duty and means any other type of-state military duty duty not in federal (9) "Duty status other than state active duty"-includes active state

(10) "Military court" means a court-martial, a court of inquiry, or a

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command of such person's superior commissioned officer if such person willfully disobeys a lawful be punished at the direction of a commanding New Sec. 34. Any person subject to this code shall

	relating to the proceedings; or	43
	court-martial, means: (a) An official written transcript, written summary or other writing-	41 42
	(21) "Record," when used in connection with the proceedings of a	
	or a designee as competent to perform such military justice duties	
	a certified as a non-federally recognized judge advocate under	
	(b)—an officer of the air force or the marine corps who is designated as	
	and as an officer of the coast guard or a reserve component of the armed	
	or space force, or of the state military forces designated as a law specialist	
air force,	(a)—An officer of the Certified or designated as a judge advocate in	
	state bar of Kansas and is:	
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	rioters, looters, dissidents, and others opposing or interfering with law and	
	organized group designated by the proper civil authority that causes or perpetuates an insurrection against the United States or state of Kansas,	
	designated as such by the United States, designated terrorist group or	
	(19)(16) "Hostile force Enemy" means—enemy any hostile force	
	(17)(14) "Shall" is used in an imperative, mandatory sense.	
	the act prescribed.	
	may" means that no person is required, authorized; or permitted to do	
	being, or a successor in command.	
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military justice	(15) "Convening authority" includes, in addition to the person who	
therein and for the administration of	$\frac{(14)(12)}{(12)}$ "Military" refers to any or all of the armed forces.	
military forces and military legal matters	another, and any person who has an interest other than an official interest	
personnel and services of the state	any person who directs that charges nominally be signed and sworn to by	
overseeing and managing all legal	(13)(11) "Accuser" means a person who signs and swears to charges,	
adjutant general who is	responsible for supervising the authinstitation of the military forces.	
iudge advocate appointed by the	(12)(10) "Judge advocate general" means the commissioned officer	
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	(11) "Military judge" means an official of a general or special court-	
	provost court.	

separation from any later period of service. relieved from amenability to the jurisdiction of this code by virtue of a (b)—No person who has deserted from the state military forces may be

undergoing sentence shall not affect the jurisdiction of any-court-martial code is separated from the service while proceedings are pending or while proceeding. (e)(b) The fact that any person charged with an offense under this

shall neither preclude nor limit civilian jurisdiction over an offense, 2105. (a) This code applies-throughout the state to all times and places, serving inside the state. the state, in the same manner and to the same extent as if they were state, and while they are going to and returning from such service outside persons otherwise subject to this code while they are serving outside the this code under Article 2 of the KCMA This grant of military jurisdiction provided that the person subject to the code is in a duty status or subject to limited only by the prohibition of double jeopardy. It also applies to all Sec. 37. K.S.A. 48-2105 is hereby amended to read as follows: 48

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K.S.A. 48-2102, and amendments thereto

state may be tried and punished either inside or outside the state. jurisdiction and powers as to persons subject to this code as if the proceedings were held inside the state, and offenses committed outside the courts of inquiry may be convened and held in units of the state military forces while those units are serving outside the state with the same (b)—Courts-martial Nonjudicial punishment may be convened and

the state for at least five (5) years. the highest court of the state and must have been a member of the bar of under the supervision of the administration of military justice in that force. judge advocate's designee shall make frequent inspections in the field general advocates in each component of the state's military forces or such shall appoint an officer of the state military forces as staff judge advocate To be eligible for appointment, an officer must be a member of the bar of 2106. (a) The governor, on the recommendation of the adjutant general, K.S.A. 48-2106 is hereby amended to read as follows: 48-

advocates must be officers of the state military forces and members of the assistant judge advocates. To be eligible for appointment, assistant judge bar of the highest court of the state. advocate general as he or she considers necessary who shall be designated (b) The adjutant general may appoint as many assistants to the judge

advocate of a superior or subordinate command; or with the Judge any command is entitled to communicate directly with the staff judge communicate directly with their staff judge advocates in matters relating to the administration of military justice; and the staff. The judge advocate of (c) Convening authorities(b) Commanding officers shall at all times

advocate general

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the reduction-or any officer subordinate to the one who imposes the reduction;

- 14 days, which need not be consecutive; and (7) extra duties, including fatigue or other duties, for not more than
- 6 5 4 3 2 7 promote the member on whom the reduction is imposed. the officer imposing the reduction need not have actual authority to from duty, for not more than 14 days, which need not be consecutive, but (8) restriction to certain specified limits, with or without suspension
- 10 11 8 9 above, or an officer of a general or flag rank in command may in addition following disciplinary punishments upon enlisted members of the officer's command: to or in lieu of admonition or reprimand, after holding a hearing in which the accused is entitled to be present, impose not more than three of the (c) Any field-grade commanding officer-of the grade of O-4, or
 - Withholding of privileges for not more than two consecutive weeks; (1)—Any punishment authorized in subsections (b)(1), (2) and (3)
 - (2) extra duties for not more than two consecutive weeks;
 - for two months 30 days' pay; (2)(3) the forfeiture of not more than $-\frac{1}{2}$ of one month's pay per month
 - (3)(4) a fine of not more than one month's 30 days' pay; or
 - two pay grades; enlisted member in a pay grade above E-4 may not be reduced more than authority to promote the member on whom the reduction is imposed. An the reduction, but the officer imposing the reduction need not have actual imposing the reduction or any officer subordinate to the one who imposes grade from which demoted is within the promotion authority of the officer (4)(5) a reduction to the lowest or any intermediate pay grade, if the
 - 45 days, which need not be consecutive; and (5) extra duties, including fatigue or other duties, for not more than
 - from duty, for not more than 60 days, which need not be consecutive. (6) restriction to certain specified limits, with or without suspension
 - a hearing in which the accused is entitled to be present, impose any of the command may in addition to or in lieu of admonition or reprimand, after eourt-martial convening authority or an officer of a general or flag rank in following disciplinary punishments upon officers of the officer's command: (1)—Upon officers of the officer's command, any punishment (d) The governor, the adjutant general; an officer exercising general
- authorized in subsection (e) the forfeiture of not more than 30 days' pay, privileges for not more than two consecutive weeks; and (2)—upon enlisted members of the officer's command, any punishment

not more than 30 days, which need not be consecutive

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authorized in subsections (e)(1), (2), (3) and (6) and arrest in quarters for

included but not to exceed two hours per day, holidays

48-2301, 48-2503, 48-2505, 48-2702, 48-2801, 48-3001—to 48-3042 through 48-3044, inclusive, and 48-3103-to through 48-3105, inclusive, as well as those required sections of the United States code of military justice, shall be carefully explained to every enlisted member at the time of the member's enlistment or transfer or induction into the state military forces or within thirty (30) days thereafter. They Such provisions shall also be explained annually to each unit of the state military forces. A complete text of this code and of the regulations prescribed by the governor thereunder shall be made available to any member of the state military forces, upon the member's request, for her such member's personal examination.

Sec. 95. K.S.A. 48-3104 is hereby amended to read as follows: 48-3104. (a) Any member of the state military forces who believes himself or herself such member was wronged by the member's Commanding officer, and who, upon due application to that commanding officer, is refused redress, may complain to any superior commissioned officer, who shall forward the complaint to the governor or adjutant general first general in the member's chain of command. Such general officer shall investigate the complaint and take proper measures for redressing the wrong. The first general in the member's chain of command shall, as soon as possible, send to the adjutant general a true statement of the complaint with an explanation of the proceedings held thereon.

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(b) An alleged wrong is inappropriate for redress under this section when other adequate processes exist to address the wrong alleged in the complaint. An action is an inappropriate matter for resolution when:

(1) Review is provided specifically by the code;

(2) such matter is taken under the recommendation of an administrative board authorized by policy, regulation or instruction at which the complainant was afforded substantially the rights of a respondent; or

(3) service policy, regulation or instruction specifically authorizes an administrative appeal or similar redress for such matter.

Sec. 96. K.S.A. 48-3105 is hereby amended to read as follows: 48-3105. (a) Whenever complaint is made to any commanding officer that willful damage has been done to the property of any person or that the person's property has been wrongfully taken by members of the state military forces, the person may, subject to such regulations as the governor may prescribe, convene a board to investigate the complaint. The board shall consist of from one to three commissioned officers and, for the purpose of that investigation, it has power to summon witnesses and examine them upon oath or affirmation, to receive depositions or other documentary evidence, and to assess the damages sustained against the responsible parties. The assessment of damages made by the board is

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