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House of Representatives, January 27, 2021

### **An Act To Allow Veterans To Opt Out of Jury Duty**

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ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative GROHOSKI of Ellsworth.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: DOUDERA of Camden, HARNETT of Gardiner, RIELLY of Westbrook, SHEEHAN of Biddeford, Senator: LUCHINI of Hancock.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §1213, sub-§2, ¶D** is enacted to read:

3 D. A person who served in the United States Armed Forces and received an honorable  
4 discharge or general discharge under honorable conditions who does not wish to serve  
5 on a jury is excused from jury service.

6 **SUMMARY**

7 This bill allows a veteran who does not wish to serve as a juror to be excused from jury  
8 duty. The veteran must have received an honorable discharge or a general discharge under  
9 honorable conditions to qualify for the jury service excuse.