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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1061

By: Representative House

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR
MILITARY JUSTICE.

Subtitle

CONCERNING THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR
MILITARY JUSTICE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 12-64-501 is amended to read as follows:
12-64-501. Statutes of limitations.

(a) A person charged with desertion or absence without leave in time of war or with aiding the enemy or with mutiny may be tried and punished at any time without limitation.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person charged with ~~desertion in time of peace or with perjury~~ an offense is not liable to be tried by court-martial if the offense was committed more than ~~three (3)~~ five (5) years before the receipt of sworn charges and specifications by an officer exercising court-martial jurisdiction over the command.

(c) ~~Except as otherwise provided in this section a~~ A person charged with ~~any~~ an offense is not liable to be ~~tried by court-martial or~~ punished by nonjudicial punishment if the offense was committed more than two (2) years ~~before the receipt of sworn charges and specifications by an officer exercising court-martial jurisdiction over the command or~~ before the imposition of nonjudicial punishment.

(d) Periods in which the accused was absent from territory in which the state has authority to apprehend him or her, or in the custody of civil



authorities, or in the hands of the enemy, shall be excluded in computing the period of limitation prescribed in this section.

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