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SENATE BILL NO. 741

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PASSED March 2, 1984

In Effect from Passage



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AN ACT to amend and reenact sections two, three and eleven, article one, chapter nine-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to expanding the membership of the veterans' council and requiring that at least one member be a veteran of World War II, at least one member be a veteran of the Korean Conflict and at least two members be veterans of the Vietnam era.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections two, three and eleven, article one, chapter nine-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 1. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS.

§9A-1-2. Veterans' council; administration of department.

1 There shall be a "veterans' council" which shall con-
2 sist of seven members who shall be citizens and residents
3 of this state, who have served in and been honorably dis-
4 charged or separated under honorable conditions from
5 the armed forces of the United States and whose service
6 was within a time of war as defined by the laws of the
7 United States, either Public Law No. 2—73rd Congress
8 or Public Law No. 346—78th Congress, and any and all
9 amendments thereto. At least one member of the council
10 shall be a veteran of World War II, at least one member

11 of the council shall be a veteran of the Korean Conflict
12 and at least two members of the council shall be veterans
13 of the Vietnam era. The members of the veterans' coun-
14 cil shall be selected with special reference to their ability
15 and fitness to effectuate the purposes of this article. The
16 West Virginia department of veterans' affairs shall be
17 administered by a director, and such deputy directors,
18 assistants and employees as may be deemed advisable.

**§9A-1-3. Appointment of veterans' council members; term of
office; removal.**

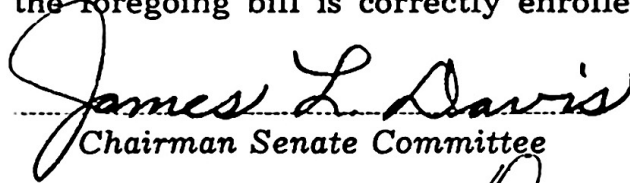
1 The term of office of the members of the veterans'
2 council shall be six years, and they shall be appointed by
3 the governor by and with the advice and consent of the
4 Senate: *Provided*, That upon the adoption of this article,
5 the governor as aforesaid shall appoint two members
6 for a term of two years, two members for a term of four
7 years, and one member for a term of six years, and there-
8 after the successors of each member shall be appointed
9 for the term of six years: *Provided, however*, That upon
10 the expansion of the council from five to seven members,
11 the governor shall initially appoint one new member
12 for a term of four years and shall initially appoint the
13 other new member for a term of six years. Thereafter the
14 successors of these members shall be appointed for the
15 term of six years. In case of a vacancy in the veterans'
16 council, the appointment shall be for the remainder of the
17 unexpired term. A member of the veterans' council shall
18 be subject to removal by the governor for cause, but
19 shall have upon his own request an open hearing before
20 the governor on the complaints or charges lodged against
21 him. The action of the governor shall be final.

§9A-1-11. Advisory council.

1 There is hereby established an advisory council to the
2 West Virginia department of veterans' affairs, which
3 shall meet on the call of the chairman of the veterans'
4 council with the veterans' council at any of its regular
5 or special meetings, in connection with the establishment
6 of policies and rules and regulations of the department
7 to effectuate the purposes of this article and promote the

8 efficient operation of the department, but the advisory
9 council shall have no vote. The director, in carrying out
10 his powers and duties, shall have the right to call on the
11 individual members of the advisory council, and through
12 them or their department, agency or organization, and
13 also to call on such other departments or agencies of the
14 state, as may be necessary, for advice, aid and assistance.
15 The members of the advisory council shall be the state
16 superintendent of free schools, secretary of agriculture,
17 adjutant general, state banking commissioner, state di-
18 rector of health, president of the board of regents, com-
19 missioner of corrections, commissioner of the department
20 of highways and the commissioner of the department of
21 human services, or their duly authorized and accredited
22 representatives.

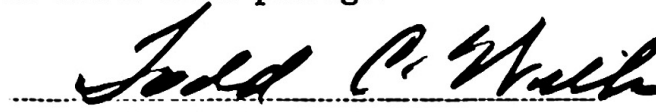
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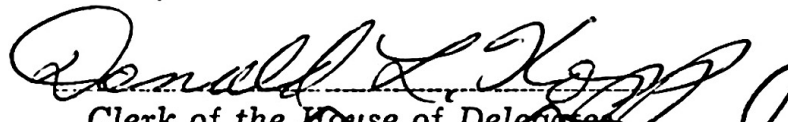

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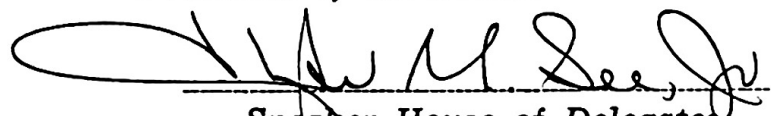
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Clerk of the Senate


Clerk of the House of Delegates


President of the Senate


Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 30
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