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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 53

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE DELAWARE COMMISSION OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS.

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

- 1 Section 1. Amend Chapter 87, Title 29 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and 2 insertions as shown by underline as follows:
- 3 § 8721 Delaware Commission of Veterans' Affairs — Duties and responsibilities.
 - (b) The Commission shall hire through the State Merit System employment process and employ an Executive Director, a clerical assistant and such other personnel as are necessary to perform those duties prescribed by the Commission. The Executive Director shall be a veteran as defined in § 8720 of this title. All other employees of the Commission, including the Executive Director, shall be veterans as defined in § 8720(b) of this title or the spouse of a veteran. Said Executive Director shall be authorized to use the designation "Delaware Office of Veterans' Services" when promoting, performing or furthering the work of the Commission. Said employees shall report to the Secretary of State on all administrative matters and shall report to the Commission on all substantive matters.

SYNOPSIS

This legislation allows the Delaware Commission of Veterans' Affairs to employ the spouses of veterans and retains the stipulation that the Executive Director of the Commission must be a veteran.

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