



HOUSE BILL No. 4771

May 2, 1995, Introduced by Reps. LeTarte, Freeman, Voorhees, McBryde, Bodem, Weeks, Kukuk, Perricone, Wetters, Middleton, Jersevic, Yokich, LaForge, DeLange, Dalman, Hammerstrom, Pitoniak and Green and referred to the Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.

A bill to amend section 1 of Act No. 192 of the Public Acts of 1953, entitled

"An act to create a county department of veterans' affairs in certain counties, and to prescribe its powers and duties; and to transfer the powers and duties of the soldiers' relief commission in such counties,"

being section 35.621 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 1 of Act No. 192 of the Public Acts of
2 1953, being section 35.621 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 1. The county board of commissioners may create a
5 county department of veterans' affairs. The department shall be
6 under the administration of a committee of ~~4~~ 5 veterans,
7 appointed by the county board of commissioners, who shall be
8 residents of the county and who have served honorably on active

1 duty in the armed forces ~~—~~ AS volunteers or regulars or women
2 marines, OR who served actively in a war in which the United
3 States has been, is, or may hereafter be a participant as defined
4 in title 38 of the United States code, 38 U.S.C. 101 TO 8528,
5 including the conflict in Vietnam, 1 of whom shall have served in
6 World War I, 1 of whom shall have served in World War II, 1 of
7 whom shall have served in the Korean War, ~~and~~ 1 of whom shall
8 have served during the conflict in Vietnam, AND 1 OF WHOM SHALL
9 HAVE SERVED IN THE PERSIAN GULF WAR, to be appointed upon the
10 recommendation of the posts of each chartered veterans' organiza-
11 tion within the county. If a ~~World War I~~ veteran OF A WAR OR
12 CONFLICT DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION cannot be located who is will-
13 ing to serve, a veteran of any war may be appointed to serve on
14 the committee. Notwithstanding the provisions of any law of this
15 state to the contrary, a member of the board of commissioners of
16 a county shall be eligible for appointment. Members appointed by
17 the board of commissioners shall be appointed for a term of 4
18 years each. Of the members first appointed, 1 shall be appointed
19 for a term of 1 year, 1 for a term of 2 years, 1 for a term of 3
20 years and 1 for a term of 4 years. Vacancies shall be filled in
21 the same manner as original appointments for the unexpired
22 terms.