

Session 123 - (2019-2020)

H*3438 (Rat #0039, Act #0026 of 2019) General Bill, By Pitts, McCravy, B. Cox, Huggins, Cobb-Hunter, Hixon, W. Cox, Taylor, Davis, Caskey and Mace

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Summary: Veterans Affairs

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 1-30-10, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE GOVERNMENT, SO AS TO INCLUDE THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS; BY ADDING SECTION 1-30-130 SO AS TO ENUMERATE THE ASSETS, RIGHTS, AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE FORMER DIVISION OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS TRANSFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS; TO AMEND CHAPTER 11, TITLE 25, RELATING TO THE DIVISION OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS, SO AS TO, AMONG OTHER THINGS, REDESIGNATE THE DIVISION OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS AS THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS; TO ESTABLISH THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS WITHIN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT; TO PROVIDE THAT THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT A SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE, AND TO ENUMERATE THE SECRETARY'S POWERS, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES; TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS; TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF "VETERAN" FOR PURPOSES OF APPOINTING COUNTY VETERANS' AFFAIRS OFFICERS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A COUNTY VETERANS' AFFAIRS OFFICER IS AN AT-WILL EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT WHO MAY BE REMOVED FOR CAUSE AT ANY TIME BY THE DEPARTMENT SECRETARY, A MAJORITY OF THE SENATORS REPRESENTING THE COUNTY, AND A MAJORITY OF THE HOUSE MEMBERS REPRESENTING THE COUNTY; TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES THROUGHOUT THE CHAPTER; TO ESTABLISH THE SOUTH CAROLINA MILITARY BASE TASK FORCE, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE TASK FORCE'S COMPOSITION, POWERS, DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES; AND TO PROVIDE COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS RELATING TO THE REDESIGNATION OF THE DIVISION OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS AS THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS. - ratified title

- 12/18/18 House Prefiled**
- 12/18/18 House Referred to Committee on Judiciary**
- 01/08/19 House Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 239)**
- 01/08/19 House Referred to Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 239)**
- 01/16/19 House Recalled from Committee on Judiciary (House Journal-page 48)**
- 01/16/19 House Committed to Committee on Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs (House Journal-page 48)**
- 02/07/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Cobb-Hunter**
- 02/20/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Hixon**
- 02/21/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: W.Cox, Taylor, Davis**
- 02/21/19 House Committee report: Favorable with amendment Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs (House Journal-page 117)**
- 02/26/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Caskey**
- 02/27/19 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Mace**
- 02/27/19 House Amended (House Journal-page 14)**
- 02/27/19 House Read second time (House Journal-page 14)**
- 02/27/19 House Roll call Yeas-105 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 18)**
- 02/28/19 House Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 12)**
- 02/28/19 Scrivener's error corrected**
- 02/28/19 Senate Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 9)**
- 02/28/19 Senate Referred to Committee on Family and Veterans' Services (Senate Journal-page 9)**
- 03/13/19 Senate Committee report: Favorable with amendment Family and Veterans' Services (Senate Journal-page 11)**
- 03/14/19 Scrivener's error corrected**
- 03/20/19 Senate Committee Amendment Amended and Adopted (Senate Journal-page 32)**
- 03/20/19 Senate Read second time (Senate Journal-page 32)**
- 03/20/19 Senate Roll call Ayes-43 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 32)**
- 03/21/19 Senate Read third time and returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 26)**
- 03/21/19 Scrivener's error corrected**

04/03/19 House Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled (House Journal-page 57)
04/03/19 House Roll call Yeas-81 Nays-29 (House Journal-page 58)
04/25/19 Ratified R 39 (Senate Journal-page 57)
04/26/19 Signed By Governor
05/03/19 Effective date 07/01/19
05/06/19 Act No. 26