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Bill Number:	H. 3563 Introduced on January 14, 2025
Subject:	County Veterans' Affairs Office
Requestor:	House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs
RFA Analyst(s):	Boggs
Impact Date:	February 4, 2025

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill requires the secretary of the Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) or his designee to evaluate each county office no less than once per year to ensure level of services and compliance with procedures. If any deficiencies are noted in a county office during the initial inspection, DVA is to assist the county in creating and executing a corrective plan and must reevaluate the office no more than six months after the initial inspection. Additionally, this bill requires the secretary to report the results of the final inspection, in writing, to the legislative delegation and the county administrator of each county within ninety days of the final evaluation. Further, a county officer who fails to participate in the annual evaluation is ineligible for reappointment by the county legislative delegation unless the secretary waives the requirement in writing.

This bill will have no expenditure impact on DVA as the agency anticipates being able to implement the evaluation of the county offices with existing current staff and appropriations.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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DVA anticipates being able to implement the evaluation of the county offices with existing current staff and appropriations. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact on the agency.

State Revenue N/A **Local Expenditure** N/A

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