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# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL**

4 **By: Representatives Schexnayder, Landers, Foster, Bryan, S. Miller, Newman, Collier, D.**  
5 **Roberts, Willems, D. Wood, B. Wood, Rice, Dawson, Watts, Jordan, Henry and Carter**

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## **For An Act To Be Entitled**

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9 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ERECTION OF A MONUMENT ON THE  
10 STATE CAPITOL GROUNDS IN HONOR OF THOSE ARKANSANS WHO  
11 SERVED IN ALL MILITARY CONFLICTS IN THIS CENTURY; TO  
12 PROVIDE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A DESIGN COMMITTEE TO  
13 OVERSEE THE DESIGN AND PLACEMENT OF THE MONUMENT ON THE  
14 CAPITOL GROUNDS; TO CREATE A FUND IN THE STATE TREASURY  
15 KNOWN AS THE 'ARKANSAS MILITARY WAR VETERANS MONUMENT  
16 FUND'; TO AUTHORIZE THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO ACCEPT  
17 GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS TO BE DEPOSITED IN THE FUND  
18 TO BE USED TO CONSTRUCT AND ERECT THE MONUMENT; AND FOR  
19 OTHER PURPOSES."

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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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23 SECTION 1. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Eighth  
24 Arkansas General Assembly that many thousands of Arkansans served in the Armed  
25 Services of the United States in World War I, World War II, the Korean  
26 conflict, the Vietnam War, and, now, the War in the Persian Gulf and that many  
27 of these veterans have not fully received the honors and recognition deserving  
28 of those citizens from a thankful state and nation and that an appropriate  
29 monument should be established on the State Capitol grounds as a symbol to  
30 honor those men and women who gave their lives and who served with honor in  
31 the military service of their nation during war.

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33 SECTION 2. The Secretary of State is hereby authorized and directed to  
34 cause to be constructed and maintained on the State Capitol grounds an  
35 appropriate monument to all the Arkansas veterans of the wars and military

1 conflicts of the Twentieth Century after an appropriate design has been  
2 selected and when adequate funds for the construction thereof are deposited in  
3 the Arkansas Military War Veterans Monument Fund herein created.

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5 SECTION 3. (a) There is hereby created the Arkansas Military War  
6 Veterans Monument Design Selection Committee. The Design Selection Committee  
7 shall consist of six (6) members designated as follows:

8 (1) five (5) members shall be Arkansas military war veterans from  
9 a war or conflict in this century and selected by the Secretary of State. He  
10 shall select at least one (1) member each representing the military war  
11 veterans of World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and the War in the  
12 Persian Gulf.

13 (2) one (1) member shall be the Secretary of State or his  
14 designee.

15 (b) The Design Selection Committee shall meet at such times as it shall  
16 determine to be necessary to select a design and site for the Arkansas  
17 Military War Veterans Monument. The Monument shall be of such size and design  
18 to provide for a specific place of honor for the Arkansas war veterans of each  
19 of the specific Twentieth Century conflicts.

20 (c) The design and site selection shall be subject to the approval of  
21 the Capitol Zoning District Commission created under Arkansas Code §§ 22-3-301  
22 et seq.

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24 SECTION 4. The Secretary of State is hereby authorized to accept gifts,  
25 grants, and donations from individuals and organizations, to be deposited as  
26 trust funds in the "Arkansas Military War Veterans Monument Fund" which is  
27 hereby created on the books of the State Treasurer, the Auditor of State, and  
28 the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State. All funds deposited into the Arkansas  
29 Military War Veterans Monument Fund shall be used exclusively for the purpose  
30 of constructing and erecting a monument in the memory and recognition of the  
31 military war veterans of the State of Arkansas.

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33 SECTION 5. All provisions of this act of general and permanent nature  
34 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
35 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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2        SECTION 6. If any provisions of this act or the application thereof to  
3 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect  
4 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
5 the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
6 act are declared to be severable.

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8        SECTION 7. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
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