

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1993**
4 **By: Representative Collier**

A Bill

HOUSE BILL

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 20-81-104 TO CHANGE THE
9 NAME OF THE GOVERNOR_S TASK FORCE ON VETERANS_ AFFAIRS TO
10 THE GOVERNOR_S COMMISSION ON VETERANS_ AFFAIRS; AND FOR
11 OTHER PURPOSES"

Subtitle

14 "AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR_S TASK FORCE ON
15 VETERANS_ AFFAIRS TO THE GOVERNOR_S COMMISSION ON
16 VETERANS_ AFFAIRS."

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

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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-81-104 is hereby amended to read as
21 follows:

22 "20-81-104. Commission on Veterans' Affairs.

23 (a) A Governor's Commission on Veterans' Affairs is established to
24 serve as an advisory agency to the Veterans' Home.

25 (b)(1) The commission shall be composed of fifteen (15) members, who
26 shall be appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate.

27 (2) Members of the commission shall serve for five-year
28 overlapping terms.

29 (3) The commission shall annually elect its chairman from among
30 its membership.

31 (4)(A) Members of the commission shall be entitled to per diem at
32 the rate of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per day for each day spent in
33 attending meetings of the commission and in carrying out other official
34 duties, plus mileage at the rate prescribed by law or regulation for state
35 employees.

1 (B) Members of the commission are also authorized to attend
2 conventions, conferences, or meetings of recognized veterans' organizations,
3 herein defined as a veterans' organization listed in the current Department of
4 Veterans Affairs Directory of Veterans' Organizations as meeting the criteria
5 of 38 CFR 14.628, and are entitled to reimbursement for expenses incurred in
6 attending such conventions, conferences, or meetings in accordance with
7 procedures and limits prescribed by law or regulation for state employees.

8 (C) Provided, a member of the commission shall not be
9 entitled to receive more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) during any fiscal
10 year for per diem and reimbursement of expenses incurred as a member of the
11 commission.

12 (c) (1) The Governor's Commission on Veterans' Affairs shall make
13 recommendations to the Director of the Department of Veterans' Affairs for the
14 operation and improvement of the Veterans' Home.

15 (2) It shall also act as an advisory board to the General
16 Assembly on all other matters affecting Arkansas veterans, their dependents,
17 and survivors.

18 (d) Quarterly meetings of the commission are authorized at the call of
19 the chairman."
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21 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of general and permanent nature
22 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
23 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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25 SECTION 3. If any provisions of this act or the application thereof to
26 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect
27 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
28 the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this
29 act are declared to be severable.
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31 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
32 hereby repealed.
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