

## REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Committee on **Federal and State Affairs** recommends **Substitute for HB 2681** be amended on page 3, by striking all in lines 5 through 34;

On page 12, in line 34, by striking "their"; in line 35, after "dependents" by inserting "of such veterans";

On page 13, in line 9, after "(l) " by inserting "Appoint and oversee the deputy director of veterans services pursuant to K.S.A. 73-1234, and amendments thereto.

(m)";

Also on page 13, in line 37, by striking "and"; in line 38, after "home" by inserting "; and

(4) the deputy director of veterans services pursuant to K.S.A. 73-1234, and amendments thereto";

On page 24, in line 37, after "(a)" by inserting "(1)"; in line 42, after the period, by inserting:

"(2) ";

On page 25, in line 2, after "2006." by inserting:

"(3) ";

Also on page 25 in line 3, by striking "director of the"; in line 4, by striking "veterans claims assistance program" and inserting "deputy director of veterans services"; in line 5, after "act." by inserting "The deputy director of veterans services shall provide such services to assist the director of the Kansas commission on veterans affairs office for all veterans services, except for those services relating to the Kansas soldiers' home and the Kansas veterans' home.

(4) ";

On page 26, in line 7, by striking "director of the veterans claims assistance program" and inserting "deputy director of veterans services"; in line 9, by striking "director of the claims"; in line 10, by striking "assistance program"; and inserting "deputy director of veterans services"; in line 11, by striking "director of the claims"; in line 12, by striking "assistance program" and inserting "deputy director of veterans services"; in line 18, by striking "director of the veterans claims assistance program" and inserting "deputy director of veterans services";

On page 27, in line 38, by striking "veterans claims assistance" and inserting "VCAP"; in line 42, after "(b)" by inserting "(1)"; also in line 42, by striking "the following members" and inserting "at least seven members as follows"; in line 43, by striking "(1)" and inserting "(A)"; also in line 43, after "The" by inserting "deputy"; also in line 43, by striking "the veterans claims assistance program" and inserting "veterans services";

On page 28, in line 3, by striking "(2)" and inserting "(B)"; in line 5, after "The" by inserting "deputy"; also in line 5, by striking "the veterans claims assistance program" and inserting "veterans services"; in line 10 by striking "Each such"; by striking all in lines 11 through 13; in line 14, by striking "veterans service organization." and inserting:

"(C) ";

Also on page 28, also in line 14, by striking "one veteran as a"; in line 15, by striking all before the period and inserting "two members of the advisory board who shall be veterans. With regard to members appointed by the governor, any veterans service organization may submit a list of three names for consideration by the governor in making the appointment. The governor shall consider each such list if timely submitted and may appoint from among those listed";

Also on page 28, in line 16, by striking "(3)" and inserting "(D)"; following line 20, by inserting:

"(2) If there are less than two veterans services organizations participating in the grant program under subsection (b)(1)(B), then the governor shall appoint the remaining members of the advisory board. Appointments under this paragraph shall not exceed two members.";

On page 29, in line 27, by striking "(1)" and inserting "(a)"; in line 30, by striking "(2)" and inserting "(b)";

On page 30, in line 6, after the first "the" by inserting "deputy"; in line 11, before "director" by inserting "deputy";

On page 31, in line 8, by striking "(1)" and inserting "(a)"; in line 10, by striking "(2)" and inserting "(b)";

And by renumbering sections accordingly;

On page 1, in the title, in line 4, by striking "a Kansas advisory committee"; in line 5, by striking "on veterans affairs" and inserting "the VCAP advisory board"; and the bill be passed as amended.

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