



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 307***

LCO No. 1698

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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Introduced by:  
(VA )

***AN ACT CONCERNING RECOGNITION OF VETERANS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) If the Secretary of the State  
2 has access to a list of eligible veterans in each town, she is required to  
3 share this list with the Commissioner of Veterans' Affairs. This  
4 coordination shall result in the commissioner giving the certificates  
5 and the medals to veterans simultaneously.

6 Sec. 2. Section 27-73e of the general statutes is repealed and the  
7 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

8 The Commissioner of Veterans' Affairs in conjunction with the  
9 Adjutant General shall award a ribbon and medal to each veteran who  
10 served in time of war, as defined in subsection (a) of section 27-103,  
11 and who either (1) was a resident of this state at the time he or she was  
12 called to active duty for such service, or (2) is domiciled in this state on  
13 the date of such award. The commissioner in conjunction with the  
14 Adjutant General shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter  
15 54, setting forth the process for designing the ribbon and medal,  
16 identifying veterans who are eligible for the ribbon and medal under

17 this section and establishing procedures for distributing the ribbon and  
18 medal to each eligible veteran. The cost of the ribbons and medals shall  
19 be paid from the funds appropriated to the military assistance account  
20 within the Military Department. [Awards] On or after July 1, 2005,  
21 awards under this section may [not] be made posthumously.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	27-73e

**Statement of Purpose:**

To ensure that the Commissioner of Veterans' Affairs has access to the list of eligible veterans and to award certain medals posthumously.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*