



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 6391

LCO No. 4472



Referred to Committee on VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Introduced by:
(VA)

**AN ACT INCREASING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR VETERANS
AND MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Mental
2 Health and Addiction Services, in consultation with the Commissioner
3 of Veterans' Affairs, shall conduct a study of the Connecticut Military
4 Support program within the Department of Mental Health and
5 Addiction Services to determine whether there is a need to expand
6 state provided mental health services for members of the armed forces,
7 veterans and their families. The commissioners shall report, in
8 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
9 the findings of such study to the joint standing committees of the
10 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to military
11 and veterans' affairs and public health on or before October 1, 2015.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To require the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and Department of Veterans' Affairs to study state provided mental health services to members of the armed forces, veterans and their families.

[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.]

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