

Veterans' Affairs Committee JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

Bill No.: HB-7249

AN ACT CONCERNING EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRAINING IN HEALTH

Title: CONDITIONS COMMON TO FORMER MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES.

Vote Date: 3/12/2019

Vote Action: Joint Favorable

PH Date: 3/7/2019

File No.:

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

Veterans' Affairs Committee

REASONS FOR BILL:

Under current statutes, emergency medical responders, technicians, service instructors, and advanced emergency medical technicians must be recertified every three years. The recertification process involves thirty hours of refresher training covering, among other topics, dementia-related symptoms and care. H.B. No. 7249 mandates that in addition to the aforementioned topics, recertification training must address conditions common among former members of the armed services, such as post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and how to identify former members of the armed services who may be exhibiting PTSD symptoms. Hopefully, this will help better equip emergency responders for challenges they may encounter while assisting former service members.

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

None expressed for H.B. No. 7249

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

None expressed for H.B. No. 7249

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None expressed for H.B. No. 7249

