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Veterans' Affairs Committee

MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, February 4, 2021

11:00 AM IN ZOOM AND YOUTUBE LIVE

- I. CONVENE MEETING
- II. REMARKS BY THE CHAIRS
- III. CONCEPTS TO BE RAISED
 1. AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPOSIT OF REIMBURSEMENTS FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR PHARMACEUTICAL PURCHASES INTO THE INSTITUTIONAL GENERAL WELFARE FUND.
 2. AN ACT EXEMPTING CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS FROM THE FEES FOR CERTIFIED COPIES OF VITAL RECORDS.
 3. AN ACT CREATING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE EXPANSION OF PROPERTY TAX RELIEF FOR VETERANS
 4. AN ACT CONCERNING ADVANCE ENROLLMENT AND THE PURPLE STAR SCHOOLS PROGRAM
 5. AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF VETERANS
- IV. PROPOSED BILLS TO BE RESERVED FOR SUBJECT MATTER PUBLIC HEARING
 1. [Proposed H.B. No. 5592](#) AN ACT CONCERNING VETERANS' BENEFITS FOR VETERANS DISCHARGED OTHER THAN HONORABLY. (VA)
 2. [Proposed S.B. No. 788](#) AN ACT CONCERNING VETERANS' BENEFITS FOR VETERANS DISCHARGED OTHER THAN HONORABLY. (VA)

3. [Proposed H.B. No. 5730](#) AN ACT ELIMINATING SERVICE IN TIME OF WAR AS AN ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR VETERANS' BENEFITS. (VA)
4. [Proposed H.B. No. 5731](#) AN ACT ELIMINATING SERVICE IN TIME OF WAR AS AN ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR VETERANS' BENEFITS. (VA)
5. [Proposed S.B. No. 611](#) AN ACT REQUIRING THE COMMISSIONER OF VETERANS AFFAIRS TO CONDUCT A STUDY OF PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENTS. (VA)
6. [Proposed H.B. No. 5738](#) AN ACT EXCLUDING VETERANS' DISABILITY BENEFITS FROM QUALIFYING INCOME WHEN DETERMINING PROPERTY TAX RELIEF. (VA)
7. [Proposed H.B. No. 5739](#) AN ACT REQUIRING MUNICIPALITIES TO GRANT A PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION TO GOLD STAR PARENTS AND GOLD STAR SPOUSES. (VA)
8. [Proposed S.B. No. 787](#) AN ACT EXEMPTING CERTAIN DISABLED VETERANS FROM PROPERTY TAX. (VA)
9. [Proposed H.B. No. 6315](#) AN ACT INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF A PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN VETERANS. (VA)
10. [Proposed H.B. No. 5732](#) AN ACT ESTABLISHING RECIPROCITY FOR CERTAIN LICENSES HELD BY MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES. (VA)
11. [Proposed H.B. No. 6314](#) AN ACT EXTENDING THE TIME PERIOD FOR VETERANS TO APPLY FOR MILITARY TRAINING EVALUATION. (VA)
12. [Proposed H.B. No. 6316](#) AN ACT RECOGNIZING SKILLS GAINED DURING MILITARY SERVICE. (VA)
13. [Proposed H.B. No. 5736](#) AN ACT CONCERNING PRICE PREFERENCES FOR VETERAN-OWNED BUSINESSES. (VA)
14. [Proposed H.B. No. 5737](#) AN ACT CREATING A VETERANS' TRAIL. (VA)
15. [Proposed S.B. No. 612](#) AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PROCESS FOR IDENTIFYING VETERANS WHO QUALIFY AS PATIENTS FOR MEDICAL MARIJUANA AND CONCERNING RELATED FEES. (VA)
16. [Proposed S.B. No. 614](#) AN ACT CONCERNING BUS PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION CHARGES FOR VETERANS. (VA)

V. STRAIGHT CHANGE OF REFERENCE TO FINANCE, REVENUE, AND BONDING

1. [Proposed H.B. No. 5595](#) AN ACT EXEMPTING VETERANS FROM THE FEES FOR VETERAN SPECIALTY LICENSE PLATES. (VA)
2. [Proposed H.B. No. 5734](#) AN ACT EXEMPTING CERTAIN ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS FROM PAYING FEES FOR MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR LICENSES AND REGISTRATIONS. (VA)

VI. ANNOUNCEMENT OF TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The committee meeting will be livestreamed via [YouTube Live](#). In addition, the committee meeting may be recorded and broadcast live on [CT-N.com](#)