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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2273

As Amended by House Committee on Veterans
and Military

Brief*

HB 2273, as amended, would modify the definitions of “veteran” and “disabled veteran” in several chapters of the *Kansas Statutes Annotated* to include those groups and individuals listed under 38 CFR § 3.7. [Note: 38 CFR § 3.7 lists 25 distinct groups or individuals who are considered to have performed active military, naval, air, or space service, and thereby deemed a veteran by the United States Congress.]

The bill would also add a definition of “veteran” to the statute governing requirements for the issuance of a 1st Infantry Division distinctive license plate and would make a technical change to update a reference to the Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs Office, now named the Kansas Office of Veterans Services (KOVs).

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Veterans and Military at the request of a representative of KOVS.

House Committee on Veterans and Military

In the House Committee hearing, representatives of KOVS and the Military Officers Association of America

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provided **proponent** testimony. The proponents generally stated the bill would ensure all persons who have been designated a veteran by an act of Congress would be so designated consistently throughout the Kansas statutes.

No other testimony was provided.

The House Committee adopted a technical amendment to fix an error in the bill's short title.

Fiscal Information

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, as introduced, KOVS, Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services, and Kansas Department of Revenue indicate enactment of the bill would have no fiscal effect.

Definitions; veterans; disabled veterans