

By: Representative Rogers

To: Military Affairs

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 336

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 35-1-3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 REVISE THE STATE VETERANS AFFAIRS BOARD'S AUTHORITY TO APPOINT  
3 THREE DIVISION DIRECTORS, A MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SPECIALIST AND  
4 A MEDICAL CONSULTANT; TO AMEND SECTION 35-1-5, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF  
5 1972, IN CONFORMITY THERETO; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 SECTION 1. Section 35-1-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
8 amended as follows:

9 35-1-3. The State Veterans Affairs Board shall appoint, to  
10 serve at the will and pleasure of the board, and who will be  
11 subject to a biennial personnel performance review every two (2)  
12 years, an executive director, (who shall also serve as Executive  
13 Secretary of the State Veterans Affairs Board), a deputy director  
14 and division directors \* \* \*. The executive director and deputy  
15 director \* \* \* shall be honorably discharged or honorably released  
16 veterans of \* \* \* the Armed Forces of the United States \* \* \*.  
17 The board may establish additional minimum qualifications for  
18 agency positions.

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20 SECTION 2. Section 35-1-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
21 amended as follows:

22 35-1-5. The members of the State Veterans Affairs Board  
23 shall receive no salary but shall be entitled to a per diem  
24 allowance in the amount provided in Section 25-3-69 while in  
25 attendance at any regular or called meeting of the board or while  
26 in the performance of other official duties in connection with the  
27 work of the board as authorized or directed by the board. The

28 members of the board shall receive, in addition thereto, actual  
29 and necessary expenses as provided by law in the performance of  
30 such duties.

31 The compensation of all employees of the board, including the  
32 executive director, deputy director and division directors, shall  
33 be paid from such monies as the Legislature shall from time to  
34 time appropriate.

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36 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from  
37 and after its passage.