MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Representative Rogers

To: Military Affairs

HOUSE BILL NO. 336 (As Passed the House)

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 35-1-3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO 1 2 REVISE THE STATE VETERANS AFFAIRS BOARD'S AUTHORITY TO APPOINT THREE DIVISION DIRECTORS, A MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SPECIALIST AND 3 A MEDICAL CONSULTANT; TO AMEND SECTION 35-1-5, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 4 5 1972, IN CONFORMITY THERETO; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 6 7 SECTION 1. Section 35-1-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 8 amended as follows: 35-1-3. The State Veterans Affairs Board shall appoint, to 9 serve at the will and pleasure of the board, and who will be 10 subject to a biennial personnel performance review every two (2) 11 years, an executive director, (who shall also serve as Executive 12 13 Secretary of the State Veterans Affairs Board), a deputy director 14 and division directors \* \* \*. The executive director and deputy director \* \* \* shall be honorably discharged or honorably released 15 veterans of \* \* \* the Armed Forces of the United States \* \* \*. 16 The board may establish additional minimum qualifications for 17 agency positions. 18 \* \* \* 19 SECTION 2. Section 35-1-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 20 amended as follows: 21 35-1-5. The members of the State Veterans Affairs Board 22 shall receive no salary but shall be entitled to a per diem 23 allowance in the amount provided in Section 25-3-69 while in 24 attendance at any regular or called meeting of the board or while 25 in the performance of other official duties in connection with the 26 27 work of the board as authorized or directed by the board. The

H. B. No. 336 99\HR03\R847CS PAGE 1 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.