

By: Representative Rushing

To: Military Affairs

HOUSE BILL NO. 1103

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 35-1-3, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO  
2 REVISE THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND DEPUTY  
3 DIRECTOR OF THE STATE VETERANS AFFAIRS BOARD; AND FOR RELATED  
4 PURPOSES.

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

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

8 35-1-3. The State Veterans Affairs Board shall appoint, to  
9 serve at the will and pleasure of the board, an executive  
10 director, (who shall also serve as Executive Secretary of the  
11 State Veterans Affairs Board), a deputy director, individuals to  
12 manage each of the agency's major functional areas and individuals  
13 to manage each of the state veterans homes. The executive  
14 director and deputy director shall not be \* \* \* dishonorably  
15 discharged or \* \* \* dishonorably released veterans of the Armed  
16 Forces of the United States. The board may establish additional  
17 minimum qualifications for agency positions.

18 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
19 and after July 1, 2018.

