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FOR THE MILITARY AND VETERANS'
AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Chapter 23

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE LEGISLATURE; CREATING THE INTERIM MILITARY
AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. CREATION OF INTERIM MILITARY AND VETERANS'
AFFAIRS COMMITTEE--MEMBERS--APPOINTMENT--TERMS--VOTING.--

A. There is created a joint interim committee of
the legislature to be called the "military and veterans'
affairs committee". The committee shall be composed of eight
voting members.

B. The New Mexico legislative council shall
appoint four members from the house of representatives and
four members from the senate. At the time of making the
appointment, the New Mexico legislative council shall
designate the chair and vice chair of the committee. Members
shall be appointed so as to give the two major political
parties in each house the same proportionate representation
on the committee as prevails in each house; provided that in
no event shall either of the parties have less than one
member from each house on the committee.

C. No action shall be taken by the committee if a
majority of the total membership from either house on the
committee rejects such action.

Section 2. DUTIES OF THE MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

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1 COMMITTEE--STAFF--SUBCOMMITTEES--REPORTING.--

2 A. The military and veterans' affairs committee
3 shall conduct meetings in several geographically dispersed
4 areas of the state and shall conduct hearings related to
5 military issues and veterans' issues. The committee shall
6 make an annual report and recommend any necessary legislation
7 to each session of the legislature. The committee shall
8 request necessary action to the federal congress, the United
9 States department of veterans affairs and the United States
10 department of defense.

11 B. The staff of the committee shall be provided by
12 the legislative council service.

13 C. Subcommittees shall be created only by majority
14 vote of all the members appointed to the committee and with
15 the prior approval of the New Mexico legislative council. A
16 subcommittee shall be composed of at least one member from the
17 senate and one member from the house of representatives, and
18 at least one member of the minority party shall be a member of
19 the subcommittee. All meetings and expenditures of a
20 subcommittee shall be approved by the full committee in
21 advance of the meeting or expenditure, and the approval shall
22 be shown in the minutes of the committee. _____

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