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HOUSE BILL

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AN ACT relative to the membership and governance of the state veterans council.

SPONSORS: Rep. Creighton, Hills. 30; Rep. T. Dolan, Rock. 16; Rep. Gagne, Hills. 16; Rep. Harvey-Bolia, Belk. 3; Rep. Moffett, Merr. 4; Rep. M. Murray, Hills. 37; Rep. Roy, Rock. 31; Sen. Fenton, Dist 10; Sen. McGough, Dist 11; Sen. Pearl, Dist 17

COMMITTEE: State-Federal Relations and Veterans Affairs

ANALYSIS

This bill makes changes to reflect the consolidation and organization of veterans services under the department of military affairs and veteran services and changes the total number of members of the state veterans council to 5.

This bill is a request of the department of military affairs and veterans services.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struck through.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 11:1 Council Established. Amend RSA 110-B:89 to read as follows:

2 110-B:89 Council Established.

3 I. There shall be a state veterans council of [4] **5** members to be appointed by the governor and
4 council, [3] **4** of whom shall be veterans as defined by RSA 21:50. The [fourth] **fifth** member shall be a
5 family member of a veteran or family member of a currently serving member of the armed forces. All
6 council members shall be citizens of New Hampshire. Of the first appointments of veterans under this
7 section one shall be appointed for a term of 3 years, [one] **2** for a term of 2 years, one for a term of one
8 year and thereafter each shall be appointed for a term of 3 years. The family member shall be appointed
9 for a term of 3 years. Each member of the council shall hold office until a successor is appointed and
10 qualified. Any vacancy in the council shall be filled by the governor and council for the unexpired term.

11 II. The members of the council shall meet not less than semi-annually to [~~review activities of the~~
12 ~~division of veterans services and~~] provide guidance [to] and make recommendations for improvement on
13 the adequacy and delivery of veterans programs [to] **and initiatives and administer the New Hampshire**
14 **first for veterans program** for the adjutant general. The adjutant general may designate one of the
15 members to serve as liaison to the state veterans advisory committee.

11:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.

Approved: March 27, 2026
Effective Date: July 01, 2026