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A Bill

SENATE BILL 159

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS;
9 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN EMPLOYMENT
10 REQUIREMENTS AND QUALIFICATIONS OF THE DIRECTOR AND
11 OF VETERANS' CLAIMS SPECIALISTS; AND FOR OTHER
12 PURPOSES.

Subtitle

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19 VETERANS' CLAIMS SPECIALISTS.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-81-103(c), concerning the qualifications
26 required for the director and employees of the Department of Veterans
27 Affairs, is amended to read as follows:

28 (c) The director ~~shall maintain his or her office in space provided by~~
29 ~~the United States Department of Veterans Affairs Regional Benefit Office~~
30 ~~Building in Little Rock, Arkansas, and~~ may establish, maintain, and operate
31 ~~such other~~ district offices within the State of Arkansas as may be necessary.
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33 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 20-81-103(e)(1), concerning the
34 qualifications required for the director and employees of the Department of
35 Veterans Affairs, is amended to read as follows:

36 (e)(1) ~~All~~ A veterans' claims specialists shall have served in the



1 United States Armed Forces ~~during armed conflict, as set forth by Congress,~~
2 and shall have been honorably discharged therefrom. ~~They shall have been~~
3 ~~citizens of the State of Arkansas for a period of three (3) years prior to~~
4 ~~appointment.~~

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