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98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and Health, April 30, 2015, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 41, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the office of military advocate.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 41, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new 2 section, to be known as section 41.1012, to read as follows:

There is 41.1012. 1. hereby established in the Missouri department of economic development the "Office of Military Advocate", for the purpose of advocating for the military services and military bases in Missouri, creating a long-term plan on military sustainability, 5 and helping to fulfill the statutory mission of the Missouri military preparedness and enhancement commission. The military advocate 6 shall report directly to the director of the department of economic 7 8 development and will provide support and coordination to the Missouri 9 military preparedness and enhancement commission.

2. The office shall be administered by the military advocate who shall be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The military advocate shall hold office for a term of six years and shall continue to hold the office until a successor has been duly appointed. The department of economic development shall provide administrative support and staff as deemed necessary to assist the military advocate and to fulfill the statutory mission of the Missouri military preparedness and enhancement commission.