
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1630 Session of
2019

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BARRAR AND SCHWEYER, JUNE 14, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS, JUNE 14, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of April 8, 1868 (P.L.73, No.37), entitled "An
2 act to authorize the recorder of deeds in the several
3 counties of this Commonwealth to record the discharges of all
4 honorably discharged officers and soldiers," further
5 providing for confidentiality of records.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Section 2 of the act of April 8, 1868 (P.L.73,
9 No.37), entitled "An act to authorize the recorder of deeds in
10 the several counties of this Commonwealth to record the
11 discharges of all honorably discharged officers and soldiers,"
12 is amended to read:

13 Section 2. Records of discharges, reports of separation and
14 similar forms recorded or received by the recorder of deeds for
15 recording under section 1 shall be confidential and no
16 disclosure thereof shall be made by the recorder of deeds except
17 as follows:

1 (1) To the person who is the subject of the record, report
2 or form; or to a member of his immediate family; or to his agent
3 or representative duly authorized in writing.

4 [(2) To a person making a request for a record, report or
5 form when the event that resulted in the record, report or form
6 occurred more than seventy-five years prior to the request.]

7 (3) When required by process of a court to be produced in
8 any suit or proceeding therein pending.

9 (4) When required by the county director of veterans affairs
10 or any department or other agency of the State or United States
11 Government.

12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.