



COUNTY VETERANS' AFFAIRS DEPARTMENTS

House Bill 5543

Sponsor: Rep. Karen Willard

Committee: Senior Citizens and Veterans
Affairs

Complete to 2-5-98

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5543 AS INTRODUCED 2-4-98

House Bill 5543 would amend the act that creates a county department of veterans affairs. That act requires that a county department be administered by a committee of three to five veterans who are residents of the county, and who have honorably served on active duty in the armed forces as a "participant," as defined in title 38 of the United States Code. Under that portion of the code, the term "participant" is a person who is participating in the educational benefits program. To avoid any confusion that might result from different meanings for the same word in the federal and state law, House Bill 5543 would delete "participant" and, instead, substitute "engaged as described" in title 38 of the code.

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