SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 6120

A bill to amend 1986 PA 268, entitled "Legislative council act,"

(MCL 4.1101 to 4.1901) by adding section 116.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 116. (1) Under the Michigan legislative state medal program established under section 113, the legislature may award the Michigan legislative medal of valor.
 - (2) The Michigan legislative medal of valor is the second highest legislatively issued military award of this state. All of the following apply to the awarding of the medal:
 - (a) The medal may be awarded to a living or deceased service member who satisfies any of the following requirements:
 - (i) Was born in this state.



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- 1 (ii) Was a resident of this state when the service member 2 entered military service.
- 3 (iii) Died in this state.
- 4 (b) The medal must be awarded to a service member who performs
- 5 specific acts of bravery or outstanding courage, or who performs
- 6 within an exceptionally short period of time a closely related
- 7 series of heroic acts, if the acts involve personal hazard or
- 8 danger and the voluntary risk of life and result in an
- 9 accomplishment so exceptional and outstanding as to clearly set the
- 10 service member apart from the service member's comrades or from
- 11 other individuals in similar circumstances. Awarding of the medal
- 12 requires a lesser degree of gallantry than awarding of the Michigan
- 13 legislative medal of honor under section 115, but requires that the
- 14 acts be performed with marked distinction.
- 15 (c) The legislature may award the medal by concurrent
- 16 resolution.
- 17 (d) Upon passage of the concurrent resolution described in
- 18 subdivision (c), the speaker of the house of representatives and
- 19 the senate majority leader shall award the medal in the presence of
- 20 the legislator or legislators who sponsored the concurrent
- 21 resolution and the representative and senator of the district where
- 22 the medal recipient resides or last resided.
- 23 (3) The council administrator, or his or her designee, shall
- 24 determine the design of the medal consistent with this subsection.
- 25 The design of the medal must meet all of the following
- 26 requirements:
- 27 (a) Be able to be worn around the neck.
- 28 (b) Be a circle that is 5 inches in diameter and 0.04 inches
- 29 thick.



- 1 (c) Be made of 100% silver.
- 2 (d) The front side of the medal must include all of the
- 3 following, arranged in the following order from the top of the
- 4 medal to the bottom:
- 5 (i) "Michigan Legislative Medal of Valor" printed in an arch.
- 6 (ii) A raised print of the eastern facade of the Michigan State
- 7 Capitol Building, including the State Capitol Building's dome,
- 8 northern chamber and steps, and southern chamber and steps.
- 9 (iii) The name of the medal recipient.
- 10 (iv) The year the medal was presented.
- 11 (e) The back side of the medal must include all of the
- 12 following, arranged in the following order from the top of the
- 13 medal to the bottom:
- 14 (i) "Michigan Legislative Medal of Valor" printed in an arch.
- 15 (ii) The name of the medal recipient.
- 16 (iii) An outline of this state's borders and the Great Lakes.
- 17 (iv) The phrase "The State of Michigan".
- 18 (v) The year that the deed for which the medal was awarded was
- 19 performed.
- 20 (4) As used in this section:
- 21 (a) "Medal" means the Michigan legislative medal of valor
- 22 described in subsection (1).
- 23 (b) "Service member" means a member of the state military
- 24 establishment, another state's military establishment, or the
- 25 United States Armed Forces.
- (c) "United States Armed Forces" means the United States Army,
- 27 Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Space Force, or Coast Guard,
- 28 including the reserve components.
- 29 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect



- 1 unless all of the following bills of the 101st Legislature are
- 2 enacted into law:
- **3** (a) House Bill No. 6118.
- **4** (b) House Bill No. 6119.
- 5 (c) House Bill No. 6121.

