

SENATE BILL No. 1177

November 8, 2018, Introduced by Senator O'BRIEN and referred to the Committee on Veterans, Military Affairs and Homeland Security.

A bill to amend 1897 PA 8, entitled

"An act to provide permanent headquarters in the capitol building as the Michigan veterans' headquarters, to designate the purpose for which the same shall be used, and to provide for an annual report by the commander,"

by amending the title and sections 1 and 2 (MCL 35.231 and 35.232).

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TITLE

An act to provide permanent ~~headquarters~~ **RECOGNITION** in the
~~capitol building as~~ **STATE CAPITOL BUILDING FOR** the **CONTRIBUTIONS OF**
Michigan veterans' ~~headquarters, to designate the purpose for which~~
~~the same shall be used, and to provide for an annual report by the~~
~~commander.~~ **VETERANS.**

Sec. 1. (1) ~~The board of state auditors~~ **MICHIGAN STATE CAPITOL**
COMMISSION shall ~~set apart a suitable furnished room in the capitol~~
~~at Lansing, as the Michigan veterans' headquarters to be located in~~

1 ~~the present headquarters room of the Grand Army of the Republic,~~
2 ~~department of Michigan. Said room shall be given like care and~~
3 ~~attention as is given to other office rooms in the capitol. The~~
4 ~~room shall be under the charge of a custodian, who shall be a~~
5 ~~veteran of World War I or World War II, appointed by the governor,~~
6 ~~on the recommendation of the several veterans organizations~~
7 ~~composed of veterans of World War I or World War II, or both, and~~
8 ~~said room shall be used for the purpose of storing supplies and~~
9 ~~property, arranging and keeping the records and history of veterans~~
10 ~~of World War I or World War II, and conducting the general office~~
11 ~~business. The records shall be accessible under suitable rules and~~
12 ~~regulations established by the custodian, to persons engaged in~~
13 ~~collecting historical information. There shall be placed by the~~
14 ~~superintendent of the capitol either within or in the vicinity of~~
15 ~~the veterans' headquarters a~~ **PROVIDE, WITHIN THE STATE CAPITOL**
16 **BUILDING, RECOGNITION FOR THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF VETERANS TO THIS**
17 **STATE.**

18 **(2) THE MICHIGAN STATE CAPITOL COMMISSION SHALL DISPLAY WITHIN**
19 **THE STATE CAPITOL BUILDING 1 OR MORE** suitable plaque **PLAQUES**
20 commemorating ~~the room in the name of the Grand Army of the~~
21 ~~Republic, to which shall be attached the pictures of all the past~~
22 ~~commanders of the Grand Army of the Republic, the charter of the~~
23 ~~Grand Army of the Republic, and the picture of R. A. Alger.~~ **AND**
24 **SERVICES OF MICHIGAN RESIDENTS IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED**
25 **STATES OF AMERICA AND THE MICHIGAN NATIONAL GUARD.**

26 **(3) AS USED IN THIS SECTION:**

27 **(A) "MICHIGAN STATE CAPITOL COMMISSION" MEANS THE MICHIGAN**

1 STATE CAPITOL COMMISSION ESTABLISHED IN SECTION 5 OF THE MICHIGAN
2 STATE CAPITOL HISTORIC SITE ACT, 2013 PA 240, MCL 4.1945.

3 (B) "VETERAN" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1 OF 1965
4 PA 190, MCL 35.61.

5 Sec. 2. ~~The custodian of the Michigan veterans' headquarters~~
6 ~~shall receive such compensation as shall be appropriated by the~~
7 ~~legislature, and he is hereby authorized to incur such expense as~~
8 ~~shall be necessary, within the appropriation made therefor by the~~
9 ~~legislature. Annually on or before the first day of July of each~~
10 ~~year, the custodian shall make a report to the governor of the~~
11 ~~activities of the Michigan veterans' headquarters during the~~
12 ~~preceding year.~~

13 ~~— All the ANY records, files, and OR documents of the FORMER~~
14 ~~department of the Michigan Grand Army of the Republic shall be THAT~~
15 **HAVE BEEN** turned over to the Michigan historical commission, ~~on~~
16 ~~the effective date of this act, and CREATED IN SECTION 3 OF THE~~
17 **MICHIGAN HISTORICAL COMMISSION ACT, 2016 PA 469, MCL 399.833,** shall
18 be preserved by the Michigan historical commission.

19 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
20 after the date it is enacted into law.