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#### **SYNOPSIS**

Requires DMVA veterans' facilities provide payroll-based journal information to NJ Long-Term Care Ombudsman.

### **CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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AN ACT requiring veterans' facilities operated by the Department of

2	Military and Veterans' Affairs to provide the New Jersey Long-
3	Term Care Ombudsman with payroll-based journal information
4	and supplementing P.L.1977, c.239 (C.52:27G-1 et seq.).
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6	BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
7	of New Jersey:
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9	1. a. Notwithstanding the provisions of any law, rule, or
10	regulation to the contrary, veterans' facilities, as that term is
11	defined in section 1 of P.L.1989, c.162 (C.38A:3-6.3), shall provide
12	an annual report of such facilities' payroll-based journal. The
13	Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman shall establish and
14	implement procedures for receiving, processing, and responding to
15	such annual reports.
16	b. A veterans' facility shall make an annual report to the
17	Ombudsman on or before the last day of the State fiscal year and
18	such additional reports as the Ombudsman may from time to time
19	request.
20	c. As used in this section, "payroll-based journal" means an
21	auditable and accessible database of staffing records.
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23	2. This act shall take effect immediately.
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26	STATEMENT
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28	This bill requires veterans' facilities operated by the Department
29	of Military and Veterans' Affairs (DMVA) to provide payroll-based
30	journal information to the New Jersey Long-Term Care
31	Ombudsman.
32	A payroll-based journal is an auditable and accessible database
33	of staffing records. DMVA veterans' facilities would be required to
34	provide an annual report to the Ombudsman on this journal. The
35	Ombudsman would establish and implement procedures for
36	receiving, processing, and responding to the reports. The reports
37	would be due on or before the last day of the State fiscal year. The
38	Ombudsman would be permitted to request additional reports.