# ASSEMBLY MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

### STATEMENT TO

## ASSEMBLY, No. 5852

with committee amendments

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 14, 2021

The Assembly Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 5852.

Under current law, a family member or other person may be appointed as the guardian of a veteran residing in a Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs (DMVA) memorial home.

As amended, this bill requires the Division of Veterans' Healthcare Services in the DMVA to ensure that each veterans' memorial home communicates updates to each veteran's guardian, and each person otherwise having the veteran's power of attorney, through a minimum of two communication means, which must include regular mail, email, text message, and voice.

#### **COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

The committee amended the bill to update the name of the division that will carry out the duties as specified in the bill.