SENATE, No. 3909

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

219th LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by: Senator JOSEPH F. VITALE District 19 (Middlesex) Senator PATRICK J. DIEGNAN, JR. District 18 (Middlesex)

SYNOPSIS

Requires Director of Division of Veterans' Healthcare Services in DMVA to have prior clinical and long-term care experience.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1	AN ACT concerning the Division of Veterans' Healthcare Services
2	in the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs and
3	amending P.L.1987, c.444.
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5	BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
6	of New Jersey:
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8	1. Section 31 of P.L.1987, c.444 (C.38A:3-2c) is amended to
9	read as follows:
10	31. <u>a.</u> The Division of Veterans' [Administrative] Services
11	shall be under the immediate supervision of a director who shall be
12	an honorably discharged veteran qualified by training and
13	experience to direct the work of the division. The director shall be
14	appointed by the Adjutant General, with the approval of the
15	Governor, and shall serve at the pleasure of the Adjutant General.
16	b. The Division of Veterans' Healthcare Services in the
17	Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs shall be under the
18	immediate supervision of a director with prior work experience in a
19	clinical or long-term care facility setting. The director shall be
20	appointed by the Adjutant General, with the approval of the
21	Governor, and shall serve at the pleasure of the Adjutant General.
22	As used in this subsection, "clinical" means directly pertaining to
23	the observation, diagnosis, treatment, or rehabilitation of an
24	individual in a hospital, long-term care facility, rehabilitation
25	center, or other similar facility and not through research; and
26	"long-term care facility" means a nursing home, assisted living
27	residence, comprehensive personal care home, residential health
28	care facility, or dementia care home licensed pursuant to P.L.1971,
29	c.136 (C.26:2H-1 et seq.).
30	(cf: P.L.1987, c.444, s.31)
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32	2. This act shall take effect immediately.
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35	STATEMENT
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37	This bill requires the Director of the Division of Veterans'
38	Healthcare Services in the Department of Military and Veterans'
39	Affairs to have prior work experience in a clinical or long-term care
40	facility setting.
41	As used in the bill, "clinical" means directly pertaining to the
42	observation, diagnosis, treatment, or rehabilitation of an individual
43	in a hospital, long-term care facility, rehabilitation center, or other
44	similar facility and not through research; and
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EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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- 1 "long-term care facility" means a nursing home, assisted living
- 2 residence, comprehensive personal care home, residential health
- 3 care facility, or dementia care home licensed pursuant to current
- 4 law.