

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 115

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

220th LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by:

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SYNOPSIS

Urges federal Department of Veterans Affairs to increase awareness and education on programs regarding services for veterans.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 **A SENATE RESOLUTION** urging the federal Department of Veterans
2 Affairs to increase awareness and education on programs
3 regarding the services available to veterans.

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5 **WHEREAS**, Many veterans face challenges separating from military
6 service and returning to civilian life, and generally adjusting to a
7 world that is less structured than what the veteran experienced in
8 the military; and

9 **WHEREAS**, A veteran has to quickly return to dealing with the
10 necessities of a civilian life, and navigating the paperwork and
11 process of obtaining benefits and services, all of which are services;
12 and

13 **WHEREAS**, The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) was
14 established to serve the men and women who are America's
15 veterans by providing benefits and services at the highest level of
16 compassion, commitment, professionalism, integrity, and
17 accountability; and

18 **WHEREAS**, VA programs provide veterans with disability and health
19 care services, continued education, housing assistance, and
20 employment coaching; and

21 **WHEREAS**, The Veterans Health Administration is the largest
22 integrated health care system in the United States, providing care at
23 1,298 facilities, including 171 VA Medical Centers and 1,113
24 outpatient sites, to over 9 million veterans enrolled in the VA health
25 care program; and

26 **WHEREAS**, With over 350,000 veterans in New Jersey, there is an
27 opportunity for the VA to expand its reach in increasing awareness
28 and education on programs regarding the services available to
29 veterans provided by the VA; and

30 **WHEREAS**, New Jersey is grateful for the military service of the many
31 men and women who have served, honorably and with courage, for
32 their nation and this State; and

33 **WHEREAS**, Given the importance of the services provided by the VA,
34 it is fitting and proper for the VA to increase its engagement and
35 outreach with the purpose of bringing more awareness and
36 education to the services they currently offer for veterans; now,
37 therefore,

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39 **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the Senate of the State of New Jersey:*

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41 1. This House respectfully urges the VA to increase awareness
42 and education on programs they currently offer for veterans.

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44 2. Copies of this resolution, as filed with the Secretary of State,
45 shall be transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the Secretary
46 of Veterans Affairs.

STATEMENT

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