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A BILL

To amend section 5901.02 of the Revised Code to	1
include the Korean War Veterans Association among	2
the organizations that may recommend persons to be	3
appointed to a county Veterans Service Commission.	4

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 5901.02 of the Revised Code be5amended to read as follows:6Sec. 5901.02. In each county there shall be a commission7known as "the veterans service commission" composed of five8persons. Those persons shall be residents of the county and shall9be appointed to five-year terms by a judge of the court of common10pleas. At the time of appointment or reappointment to the11

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commission, no commission member shall be an employee of the commission or hold an elective or other appointive office of the county served by the commission.

Each member of the commission shall be an honorably 15 discharged or honorably separated veteran. Within sixty days after 16 the date of appointment, each member of the commission shall file 17 the member's form DD214 with the governor's office of veterans 18 affairs in accordance with guidelines established by the director 19 of that office. Appointments to the commission shall be made from 20 lists of recommended persons, in the manner specified in the 21 following paragraph. One person shall be a representative 22 23 recommended by the American Legion; one person shall be a representative recommended by the Veterans of Foreign Wars; one 24 person shall be a representative recommended by the Disabled 25 American Veterans; one person shall be a representative 26 recommended by the AMVETS; and one person shall be a 27 representative recommended by the Military Order of the Purple 28 Heart of the U.S.A. or, the Vietnam Veterans of America, or the 29 Korean War Veterans Association. If any such organization has no 30 post or chapter located in the county, the appointment shall be 31 made from lists of recommended persons submitted by posts or 32 chapters of any other congressionally chartered veterans 33 organizations located in the county. If no such other 34 organizations have posts or chapters located in the county, the 35 judge described in the following paragraph may appoint any 36 qualified veteran to represent the veteran community. 37

On or before the fifteenth day of October of each year, the 38 judge of the court of common pleas who is responsible for making 39 appointments to the commission shall notify each post or chapter, 40 of each organization within the county from which the member may 41 or must be appointed that it may submit a list containing three 42 recommendations of persons who are eligible for appointment. If 43

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44 the judge does not receive any recommendations within sixty days after providing the required notification, the judge may appoint 45 any qualified veteran to represent the veteran community. The 46 judge shall make the appointment on or before the fifteenth day of 47 January of each year. Vacancies occurring on the commission shall 48 be filled in the same manner as the original appointments. 49

Beginning in the year 2000, appointments to the commission shall be made as follows:

(A) Appointments for members to represent the American Legion shall be made for terms to commence in years ending in zero and 53 five. 54

(B) Appointments for members to represent the Veterans of Foreign Wars shall be made for terms to commence in years ending in one and six.

(C) Appointments for members to represent the Disabled American Veterans shall be made for terms to commence in years ending in two and seven.

(D) Appointments for members to represent the AMVETS shall be 61 made for terms to commence in years ending in three and eight. 62

(E) Appointments for members to represent the Military Order 63 of the Purple Heart of the U.S.A. or, the Vietnam Veterans of 64 America, or the Korean War Veterans Association shall be made for 65 terms to commence in years ending in four and nine. 66

The terms immediately preceding the initial appointments made 67 under divisions (A) to (E) of this section may be for periods of 68 less than five years. 69

Section 2. That existing section 5901.02 of the Revised Code 70 71 is hereby repealed.

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