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SYNOPSIS

Grants certain leaves of absence for Vietnam Veterans of America conventions.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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1 **AN ACT** concerning certain leaves of absence to attend State or
 2 national conventions and amending R.S.38:23-2.
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 4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
 5 *of New Jersey:*
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 7 1. R.S.38:23-2 is amended to read as follows:
 8 38:23-2. The head of every public department and of every
 9 court of this State, every superintendent or foreman on the public
 10 works of this State, the heads of the county offices of the several
 11 counties and the head of every department, bureau and office in the
 12 government of the various municipalities, shall give a leave of
 13 absence with pay to every person in the service of the State, county
 14 or municipality who is a duly authorized representative of the
 15 **【Grand Army of the Republic, United Spanish-American War**
 16 **Veterans,】** Disabled American Veterans, Disabled American
 17 Veterans' Auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Ladies Auxiliaries
 18 of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Ladies Auxiliary, Veterans of World
 19 War I of the U.S.A., American Gold Star Mothers, Indian War
 20 Veterans, American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, Jewish
 21 War Veterans of the United States, Ladies Auxiliary, Department of
 22 New Jersey, Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A., Catholic War
 23 Veterans of the United States, Ladies Auxiliary of New Jersey State
 24 Department, Catholic War Veterans, The 369th Veterans
 25 Association, Incorporated, Women's Overseas Service League,
 26 American Veterans of World War Two, Korea and Vietnam, and
 27 AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary, Reserve Officers Association of the
 28 United States, Marine Corps League of the United States, Army and
 29 Navy Legion of Valor, the Twenty-ninth Division Association,
 30 Council of State Employees, War Veteran Public Employees
 31 Association, New Jersey Civil Service Association, Blind Veterans
 32 Association of New Jersey, Army and Air National Guard
 33 Association of New Jersey, The National Guard Association of the
 34 United States, The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Navy
 35 League, Veterans of World War I of the United States of America,
 36 Polish Legion of American Veterans, Polish Legion of American
 37 Veterans, Ladies Auxiliary, the Italian American War Veterans of
 38 the United States, Incorporated, the Ladies Auxiliary, Italian
 39 American War Veterans of the United States, Incorporated, the New
 40 Jersey Firemen's Association, the New Jersey State Exempt
 41 Firemen's Association **【and】** , the Tuskegee Airmen, Incorporated,
 42 and the Vietnam Veterans of America to attend any State or
 43 national convention of such organization.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **【thus】 in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 A certificate of attendance to the State convention or
2 encampment shall, upon request, be submitted by the representative
3 so attending.

4 Leave of absence shall be for a period inclusive of the duration
5 of the convention with a reasonable time allowed for time to travel
6 to and from the convention. No person shall be entitled to a total of
7 more than five days' leave of absence with pay each calendar year
8 for the purpose of attending, as authorized representative, the State
9 or national convention of one or more of the above enumerated
10 organizations. The leaves of absence authorized hereunder shall not
11 be cumulative and any unused leaves shall be canceled at the end of
12 any given year.

13 (cf: P.L.1993, c.79, s.1)

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15 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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20 This bill adds the Vietnam Veterans of America to the list of
21 organizations whose duly authorized representatives are entitled to
22 receive a leave of absence with pay to attend State and national
23 conventions under R.S.38:23-2, which applies to persons in the
24 service of the State, a county, or a municipality.

25 This bill also removes two defunct organizations from the list.