

# An Act

ENROLLED SENATE  
BILL NO. 456

By: Newhouse, Scott and Sharp  
of the Senate

and

McDugle of the House

An Act relating to veterans; amending Section 1 of Enrolled House Bill No. 1189 of the 1st Session of the 56th Legislature; modifying the registry to allow development of a separate list of all 100% service-disabled veterans within the registry; and requiring the Department to verify the service disability status of all 100% service disabled veterans in the registry every four years; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Veterans

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1 of Enrolled House Bill No. 1198 of the 1st Session of the 56th Oklahoma Legislature, is amended to read as follows:

Section 421. A. The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs shall create and maintain a registry of all veterans in this state by January 1, 2020. The registry shall include the following information regarding the veteran:

1. Name;
2. Military ranking and branch of service;

3. Dates of service; ~~and~~

4. Documentation of one hundred percent (100%) service-disability, if applicable; and

5. Date of death and place of burial, if applicable.

B. As a component of the veterans registry created pursuant to subsection A of this section, the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs shall designate those veterans within the registry as one hundred percent (100%) service-disabled Oklahoma veterans, if applicable. The registry designation shall also be maintained as a separate list within the registry for all one hundred percent (100%) service-disabled Oklahoma veterans. The Department shall be responsible for verification of all information provided through the registry and shall verify veteran service disability status at least once every four (4) years.

C. The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs shall promulgate rules for implementing the provisions of this section.

~~C.~~ D. For purposes of this section, "veteran" means a person who served on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States who was discharged or released with an honorable discharge. For those veterans with a designation of one hundred percent (100%) service-disabled, the veteran shall have been assigned a disability percentage of one hundred percent (100%) by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

Passed the Senate the 26th day of May, 2017.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 26th day of May, 2017.

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