

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO.1024**SENATE BILL NO. 2488**

By Mr. Speaker Ramsey; Ketron, Barnes, Gresham, Beavers, Berke, Black, Bunch, Burchett, Burks, Crowe, Faulk, Finney, Ford, Harper, Haynes, Henry, Herron, Jackson, Johnson, Kelsey, Kyle, Marrero, McNally, Norris, Overbey, Southerland, Stewart, Tate, Tracy, Watson, Woodson, Yager

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2665

By Lundberg, Weaver, Kevin Brooks, Camper; Mr. Speaker Williams; Tindell, Casada, Armstrong, Windle, Cooper, Fraley, Richardson, Sontany, Lois DeBerry, Gilmore, Ty Cobb, Naifeh, Moore, Dunn, Fitzhugh, Shepard, Hill, Pitts, Bass, Bone, McDonald, Stewart, Eldridge, Coleman, Barker, Bell, Matheny, Floyd, McManus, Evans, Borchert, Litz, Maddox, Ferguson, Swafford, Maggart, Halford, Miller, Todd, Winningham, Ford, Yokley, Towns, Dean, Marsh, McDaniel, Coley, Pruitt, Favors, Lollar, Phillip Johnson, Roach, Lynn, Montgomery, Hawk, Hensley, Rich, White, Brown, Haynes, Ramsey, Jim Cobb, Dennis, Johnnie Turner, Odom, Harrison, Ulysses Jones

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, relative to creating a veteran's honor medal program.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, Chapter 3, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section thereto:

58-3-112.

(a) The Commissioner of Veterans Affairs is directed to convene an advisory committee consisting of the governor or the governor's designee, the Speaker of the House of Representatives or the speaker's designee, the Speaker of the Senate or the speaker's designee, the adjutant general or the adjutant general's designee, the Commissioner of Veterans Affairs or the commissioner's designee, and two (2) Tennessee veterans to be selected by the Commissioner of Veterans Affairs. The advisory committee shall make recommendations and issue findings regarding establishment of a veteran's honor medal program to appropriately recognize and honor Tennessee's honorably discharged veterans or Tennessee veterans killed during active duty. The advisory committee shall consider:

- (1) Design and composition of the honor medal;
- (2) Eligibility criteria for awarding the honor medal;

(3) Public and private funding sources for the program;

(4) Estimated cost of manufacturing and awarding such medals; and

(5) Other matters deemed relevant by the committee.

(b) The advisory committee shall report its recommendations and findings to the general assembly no later than January 11, 2011, at which time the advisory committee shall cease to exist.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 27, 2010



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 9th day of June 2010



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR