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House Bill 5028

Sponsor: Rep. Sal Rocca

Committee: Military & Veterans Affairs

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5028 AS INTRODUCED 6-27-91

The bill would amend the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Act to require the Vietnam veterans memorial monument to be situated on state-owned land that was 1) located in downtown Lansing and bounded by Ottawa Street on the north, Allegan Street on the south, the vacated portion of Sycamore Street between Ottawa and Allegan Streets on the east, and Logan Street on the west, and 2) not more than two acres within the described area that was directly west of the Capitol Dome peak and directly north of the Library of Michigan arch. Upon ground-breaking for construction of the monument, the land described in the bill would have to be dedicated as a memorial park and be used only for the construction of memorial monuments dedicated to veterans who served in a U.S. war or conflict. The park would have to be landscaped in "an appropriate manner" and could only contain parking facilities to accommodate park visitors.

The act now authorizes the Vietnam Monument Commission to oversee the financing and construction of the monument; the bill would permit the commission to use money in the Vietnam veterans memorial fund for the act's purposes. Further, interest that accrued on money in the fund would have to be credited to the fund.

MCL 35.1053, 35.1055 and 35.1057

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