HOUSE BILL NO. 5802

June 06, 2024, Introduced by Reps. Paiz, Rheingans, McKinney, Aiyash, Byrnes and Wilson and referred to the Committee on Military, Veterans and Homeland Security.

A bill to amend 1965 PA 190, entitled

"An act to establish who is considered a veteran in this state; and to provide for a system of uniformity of service for veterans,"

by amending section 1 (MCL 35.61), as amended by 2016 PA 199.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 1. For **the** purposes of all acts of the this state
- 2 relative to veterans: , "veteran"
- 3 (a) "Veteran" means an individual who served in the United
- 4 States Armed Forces, including the reserve components, and was
- 5 discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable.

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- 1 Veteran includes an individual who died while on active duty in the
- 2 United States Armed Forces.
- 3 (b) "Veteran of the uniformed services" means an individual
- 4 who served as a commissioned officer in the National Oceanic and
- 5 Atmospheric Administration Commissioned Officer Corps or the Public
- 6 Health Service Commissioned Corps, who qualifies as a veteran under
- 7 38 USC 101 to 8528, and who was discharged or released under
- 8 conditions other than dishonorable. Veteran of the uniformed
- 9 services includes an individual who died while on active duty in
- 10 the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Commissioned
- 11 Officer Corps or the Public Health Service Commissioned Corps.