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Susan K. Livio - For The Star-ledger, 'New laws give veterans homes more rights in emergencies', South Jersey Times (online), 18 Sep 2021 007

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P.L. 2021, CHAPTER 218, *approved September 16, 2021*
Assembly, No. 5853 (*First Reprint*)

1 AN ACT concerning certain personnel at State veterans' memorial
2 homes and amending P.L.1987, c.444.

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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**[**1. Section 30 of P.L.1987, c.444 (C.38A:3-2b) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 30. a. The Division of Veterans' **[Administrative]** Services
10 shall:

11 **[a. Supervise]** (1) supervise and operate the New Jersey
12 Veterans' Memorial Home-Menlo Park, the New Jersey Veterans'
13 Memorial Home-Vineland and the New Jersey Veterans' Memorial
14 Home-Paramus; and

15 **[b. Supervise]** (2) supervise and operate the New Jersey
16 Veterans' Memorial Cemetery-Arneytown.

17 b. The administrator and assistant administrator at a State
18 veterans' memorial home, as provided in paragraph (1) of
19 subsection a. of this section, shall have prior experience in a clinical
20 setting, including training and expertise in long-term care treatment.

21 As used in this subsection, "clinical" means directly pertaining to
22 the observation, diagnosis, treatment, or rehabilitation of an
23 individual in a hospital, long-term care facility, rehabilitation
24 center, or other similar facility and not through research.

25 (cf: P.L.1988, c.138, s.7)**]**¹

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27 ¹1. Section 30 of P.L.1987, c.444 (C.38A:3-2b) is amended to
28 read as follows:

29 30. The Division of Veterans' **[Administrative]** Healthcare
30 Services shall **[**:

31 a. **[Supervise]** supervise and operate the New Jersey Veterans'
32 Memorial Home-Menlo Park, the New Jersey Veterans' Memorial
33 Home-Vineland and the New Jersey Veterans' Memorial Home-
34 Paramus **[**; and

35 b. Supervise and operate the New Jersey Veterans' Memorial
36 Cemetery-Arneytown**]**.

37 The administrator and at least one assistant administrator at a
38 State veterans' memorial home shall have prior experience in a
39 clinical setting, including training or expertise in long-term care
40 treatment.

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.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly AMV committee amendments adopted June 14, 2021.

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2 the observation, diagnosis, treatment, or rehabilitation of an
3 individual in a hospital, long-term care facility, rehabilitation
4 center, or other similar facility and not through research.¹

5 (cf: P.L.1988, c.138, s.7)

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7 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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 setting.

CHAPTER 218
(CORRECTED COPY)

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C.38A:3-2b Duties, qualifications of Division of Veterans' Healthcare Services.

30. The Division of Veterans' Healthcare Services shall supervise and operate the New Jersey Veterans' Memorial Home-Menlo Park, the New Jersey Veterans' Memorial Home-Vineland and the New Jersey Veterans' Memorial Home-Paramus.

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2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved September 16, 2021.

ASSEMBLY, No. 5853

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 3, 2021

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman JOE DANIELSEN

District 17 (Middlesex and Somerset)

Assemblyman PEDRO MEJIA

District 32 (Bergen and Hudson)

Assemblywoman ANGELICA M. JIMENEZ

District 32 (Bergen and Hudson)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblyman Tully, Assemblywoman Swain, Assemblymen Benson and Armato

SYNOPSIS

Requires administrator and assistant administrator at State veterans' memorial home have prior work experience in clinical setting.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/14/2021)

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STATEMENT

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32 a State veterans' memorial home to have prior work experience in
33 clinical setting. Under the bill, "clinical" means directly pertaining
34 to the observation, diagnosis, treatment, or rehabilitation of an
35 individual in a hospital, long-term care facility, rehabilitation center,
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ASSEMBLY MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO
ASSEMBLY, No. 5853

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 14, 2021

The Assembly Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly No. 5853.

As amended, this bill requires the administrator and assistant administrator at a State veterans' memorial home to have prior work experience in a clinical setting. Under the bill, "clinical" means directly pertaining to the observation, diagnosis, treatment, or rehabilitation of an individual in a hospital, long-term care facility, rehabilitation center, or other similar facility and not through research.

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The committee amended the bill to update the name of the division, and to remove duties for which the division is no longer responsible.

SENATE, No. 3903

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 219th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 10, 2021

Sponsored by:

Senator PATRICK J. DIEGNAN, JR.

District 18 (Middlesex)

Senator JOSEPH F. VITALE

District 19 (Middlesex)

Co-Sponsored by:

Senator Lagana

SYNOPSIS

Requires administrator and assistant administrator at State veterans' memorial home have prior work experience in clinical setting.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

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(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/10/2021)

S3903 DIEGNAN, VITALE

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SENATE MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO
SENATE, No. 3903

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 15, 2021

The Senate Military and Veterans Affairs Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 3903.

As amended, this bill requires the administrator and assistant administrator at a State veterans' memorial home to have prior work experience in a clinical setting. Under the bill, "clinical" means directly pertaining to the observation, diagnosis, treatment, or rehabilitation of an individual in a hospital, long-term care facility, rehabilitation center, or other similar facility and not through research.

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Governor Murphy Takes Action on Legislation

09/16/2021

TRENTON – Today, Governor Murphy signed the following bills into law:

A-5121/S-3287 (Coughlin, Zwicker, Karabinchak/Singleton, Smith) – Concerns provision of energy to certain manufacturing facilities by providing exemptions to certain energy related taxes

A-5849/S-3918 (Carter, Tucker, Vainieri Huttel/Lagana, Turner) – Requires Adjutant General of DMVA send weekly reports to Commissioner of DOH on status of veterans' homes in State during every future public health emergency; requires such reports through December 31, 2021

A-5850/S-3906 (Armato, Mazzeo, Conaway/Gopal, Lagana) – Requires DMVA veterans' memorial homes to hold quarterly town hall meetings with veterans' guardians

A-5851/S-3905 (Swain, Tully, Freiman/Gopal, Lagana) – Allows veteran's guardian to remove veteran from DMVA veterans' memorial home under certain emergency circumstances

A-5852/S-3904 (Houghtaling, Johnson, Chaparro/Gopal, Lagana) – Requires DMVA veterans' memorial homes to communicate with veterans' guardians via at least two communication means

A-5853/S-3903 (Danielsen, Mejia, Jimenez/Diegnan, Vitale) – Requires administrator and assistant administrator at State veterans' memorial home have prior work experience in clinical setting

A-5854/S-3907 (Mazzeo, Armato, Chaparro/Gopal, Lagana) – Requires position of resident advocate at each State veterans' memorial home

A-5855/S-3908 (Tucker, Speight, Vainieri Huttel/Cruz-Perez) – Requires DMVA veterans' facilities provide payroll-based journal information to NJ Long-Term Care Ombudsman

A-5856/S-3909 (Zwicker, Jimenez, Conaway/Vitale, Diegnan) – Requires Director of Division of Veterans' Healthcare Services in DMVA to have prior clinical and long-term care experience