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SPONSOR(S) Cottrell

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COMMITTEE: ASSEMBLY: Veterans & Military Affairs

SENATE: Senior Citizens

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SENATE: July 23, 1992

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SENATE: Yes

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P.L.1982, CHAPTER 88, approved August 13, 1982
1982 Assembly No. 1383

1 AN ACT transferring the Council on Armed Forces and Veterans'
2 Affairs to the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs,
3 supplementing chapter 3 of Title 38A of the New Jersey
4 Statutes and repealing P.L.1983, c.61.

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6 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the
7 State of New Jersey:

8 1. The Legislature finds that:

9 a. The existing military and naval installations in the State
10 make a major contribution to the total defense posture of the
11 nation.

12 b. The continued operation of these installations is highly
13 desirable because of the available employment opportunities
14 which they provide, as well as for other economic benefits
15 accruing to the areas in which these facilities are located.

16 c. There has been an alarming tendency in recent years to
17 close many military and naval installations located in this State,
18 and to transfer major units from this State to other states.

19 d. The Permanent Council on Armed Forces Liaison was
20 established in the Department of Labor and Industry in 1977 and
21 reconstituted as the Council on Armed Forces and Veterans'
22 Affairs within the Department of Commerce and Economic
23 Development by P.L.1983, c.61, approved on February 7, 1983.
24 The Legislature now determines that the work of the council
25 would be more effective and efficient if the council were
26 transferred to and established in the Department of Military and
27 Veterans' Affairs and the Adjutant General of that department
28 added to its membership.

29 2. The Council on Armed Forces and Veterans' Affairs
30 established in the Department of Commerce and Economic
31 Development pursuant to P.L.1983, c.61 (C.52:27H-45 et seq.) is
32 hereby transferred to and established in the Department of
33 Military and Veterans' Affairs. The council shall consist of 10
34 members: two to be appointed by the President of the Senate
35 from the members thereof, no more than one of whom shall be
36 from the same political party; two to be appointed by the Speaker
37 of the General Assembly from the members thereof, no more
38 than one of whom shall be from the same political party; the
39 Adjutant General of the Department of Military and Veterans'
40 Affairs, the Commissioner of Commerce, Energy and Economic
41 Development, and the Commissioner of Labor, or their designees;
42 and three public members to be appointed by the Governor, with

1 the advice and consent of the Senate. Members of the
2 Legislature shall serve on the commission for the two-year
3 legislative term during which they are appointed. Each public
4 member shall serve for a term of three years from the date of
5 the member's appointment and until the member's successor is
6 appointed and qualified. Vacancies resulting from causes other
7 than by expiration of term shall be filled for the unexpired term
8 only and shall be filled in the same manner as the original
9 appointments were made.

10 3. All members of the council shall serve without
11 compensation, but they shall be entitled to be reimbursed for all
12 necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

13 4. The council shall select from among its members a
14 chairman and also shall select a secretary, who need not be a
15 member of the council.

16 5. The council shall be a structural liaison and public relations
17 body on behalf of this State in all matters relating to federal
18 military and naval installations located within this State or
19 proposed to be located herein. The council shall communicate
20 and cooperate with the President of the United States and will all
21 other federal officials and employees and private persons for the
22 effectuation of the purposes of this act.

23 6. The council shall report its findings and recommendations to
24 the Governor and the Legislature annually on the second Tuesday
25 in January and at any other time as it deems necessary or
26 desirable.

27 7. The council may hold hearings in any part of the State and
28 by its subpoena may compel the attendance of witnesses and the
29 production of books, papers and records. It shall be entitled to
30 the assistance and services of any State, county, municipal and
31 school district employees as may be required, and the council
32 may employ competent counsel, expert advisors and any other
33 assistants as may be required for the proper accomplishment of
34 the purposes of this act, provided that the compensation to be
35 paid to the counsel, advisors and assistants shall be within the
36 limits of the appropriation made therefor.

37 8. This act shall not affect the membership or the terms of
38 office of those persons who are members of the council on the
39 effective date of this act.

40 9. P.L.1983, c.61 (C.52:27H-45 et seq.) is repealed.

41 10. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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50 and Economic Development by P.L.1983, c.61 (C.52:27H-45
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**Transfers the Council on Armed Forces and Veterans' Affairs to
the Department of Military Veterans' Affairs.**

ASSEMBLY, No. 1383

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MAY 4, 1992

By Assemblyman COTTRELL, Assemblywoman ANDERSON,
Assemblymen Singer, Wolfe, Moran,
Assemblywoman Haines, Assemblymen Mikulak,
Connors and Azzolina

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ASSEMBLY VETERANS AND MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1383

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 14, 1992

The Assembly Veterans and Military Affairs Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1383.

This bill transfers the Council on Armed Forces and Veterans' Affairs from the Department of Commerce and Economic Development to the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs (DMAVA). It also adds the Adjutant General of DMAVA as a member of the council.

The primary objective of the council is to serve as a structural liaison and public relations body on behalf of this State in all matters relating to federal military and naval installations located within this State or proposed to be located herein. The bill provides that the council shall communicate and cooperate with the President of the United States and with all other federal officials and employees and private persons necessary to effectuate its purposes.

In addition to the Adjutant General, the membership of the council shall consist of: two persons to be appointed by the President of the Senate from the members thereof, no more than one of whom shall be from the same political party; two to be appointed by the Speaker of the General Assembly from the members thereof, no more than one of whom shall be from the same political party; the Commissioner of Commerce, Energy and Economic Development, and the Commissioner of Labor, or their designees; and three public members to be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate. The bill provides that its passage shall not effect the membership or the terms of the office of those persons who are members of the council on the date this bill becomes law.

The Permanent Council on Armed Forces Liaison was established in the Department of Labor and Industry in 1977 and reconstituted as the Council on Armed Forces and Veterans' Affairs within the Department of Commerce and Economic Development by P.L.1983, c.61, approved on February 7, 1983.

SENATE SENIOR CITIZENS, VETERANS
AFFAIRS AND AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1383

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 15, 1992

The Senate Senior Citizens, Veterans Affairs and Agriculture Committee favorably reports Assembly Bill No. 1383.

This bill transfers the Council on Armed Forces and Veterans' Affairs from the Department of Commerce and Economic Development to the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs (DMAVA). It also adds the Adjutant General of DMAVA as a member of the council.

The council serves as a structural liaison and public relations body on behalf of this State in all matters relating to federal military and naval installations located within this State or proposed to be located herein. In addition to the Adjutant General, the council shall consist of nine other members as follows: two members of the Senate; two members of the General Assembly; the Commissioners of the Departments of Commerce, Energy and Economic Development and Labor, or their designees; and three public members. The bill provides that its passage shall not affect the membership or the terms of the office of those persons who are members of the council on the date this bill becomes law.

The Permanent Council on Armed Forces Liaison was established in the Department of Labor and Industry in 1977 and reconstituted as the Council on Armed Forces and Veterans' Affairs within the Department of Commerce and Economic Development by P.L.1983, c.61 (C.52:27H-45 et seq.). This bill repeals that statute.

COUNCIL ON ARMED FORCES AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

RECOMMENDATION:

The Governor's Management Review Commission recommends the elimination of the Council on Armed Forces and Veterans Affairs since its mission and purpose are served by the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs.

PURPOSE:

Created by N.J.S.A. 52:27H-46 and established in the Department of Commerce, Energy and Economic Development, the Council serves as a structural liaison and public relations body on behalf of this State in all matters relating to federal military and naval installations proposed to be or located within this State.

MEMBERS:

The Council shall consist of 9 members as follows:

- 3 public members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate;
- 2 Senate representatives appointed by the President of the Senate, who shall be of separate political parties;
- 2 Assembly representatives appointed by the Speaker of the General Assembly, who shall be of separate political parties;
- the Commissioner of the Commerce, Energy and Economic Development or his designee; and,
- the Commissioner of Labor or his designee.

CHAIRMANSHIP:

The Council members appoint the Chairperson for a variable term.

TERMS:

The public members shall serve a term of 3 years, and legislative members serve a term of 2 years.

SALARY/COMPENSATION:

Members serve without compensation but are reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties.

STAFF:

This Council has no Executive Director and no paid staff.

AGENCY AFFILIATION:

The Department of Commerce, Energy and Economic Development