



## SENATE BILL 409: Study NC Veterans Registry.

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**OVERVIEW:** *Senate Bill 409 would direct the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs to study the issue of creating a North Carolina veterans registry.*

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Senate Bill 409 would direct the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA) to study the issue of creating a North Carolina veterans registry, in consultation with the Department of Information Technology and the General Assembly's Program Evaluation Division.

The registry's purpose would be to improve the access of veterans and their families to State benefits, programs and services for veterans and their families. Upon registering, a veteran or a family member of a veteran would receive access to information about available benefits, programs, and services. Registrants would have the option of leaving the registry.

The study would include determining the information technology needed to create and maintain the registry and the best ways to:

- Summarize and present information about State benefits, programs and services for veterans and their families
- Communicate this information to registrants
- Notify veterans and their families about the registry and how to register
- Allow veterans and their families to opt in or opt out of the registry
- Maintain the security of registrants' personal information

DMVA would be required to report its findings and recommendations to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government by February 1, 2020.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act would be effective when it becomes law.

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