

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA BILL SUMMARY

House Bill 269 Printer's No. 1300

Prime Sponsor: Webster Committee: Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness

SYNOPSIS:

HB 269 would extend from 75 years to 85 years the amount of time when the public can access the discharge/release records of military personnel.

SUMMARY:

The bill would amend Title 16 (Counties) by:

*Codifying Act 37 of 1868 into Title 16 (Counties) – which currently requires County Recorder of Deeds to record and protect the discharge/release records of military personnel and prohibits the release of such information to non-authorized 3rd parties until 75 years after the creation of the record.

*Increasing the disclosure prohibition from 75 to 85 years after the record is created due to the increased life expectancy.

Effective Date: 60 days.

BILL HISTORY:

HB 269 was unanimously passed by the House.

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