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SENATE BILL **319**

AN ACT changing the membership of and extending the commission to study the effects of service-connected post-traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injury suffered in the line of duty by members of the armed forces and veterans.

SPONSORS: Sen. Carson, Dist 14; Sen. Barnes, Jr., Dist 17; Sen. Lambert, Dist 13; Rep. Baldasaro, Rock 3; Rep. Tamburello, Rock 3; Rep. Theberge, Coos 4; Rep. K. Roberts, Ches 3

COMMITTEE: Health and Human Services

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.  
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough~~].  
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twelve*

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*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

1            81:1 New Subparagraphs; Commission Membership. Amend RSA 115-D:2, I by inserting after  
2 subparagraph (p) the following new subparagraphs:

3                    (q) A representative of the New Hampshire Medical Society, appointed by the society.

4                    (r) A representative of the New Hampshire air national guard, appointed by the adjutant  
5 general.

6                    (s) A representative of Disabled American Veterans, appointed by the Manchester office  
7 of Disabled American Veterans.

8                    (t) The commissioner of the department of employment security, or designee.

9            81:2 Quorum. Amend RSA 115-D:4 to read as follows:

10            115-D:4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the commission shall elect a chairperson from  
11 among the members. The first meeting of the commission shall be called by the first-named senate  
12 member. The first meeting of the commission shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of  
13 this section. [~~Nine~~] **Eleven** members of the commission shall constitute a quorum.

14            81:3 Report. RSA 115-D:5 is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

15            115-D:5 Report. The commission shall make an interim report on or before May 1, 2012 and a  
16 final report on or before November 1, 2013 of its findings and any recommendations for proposed  
17 legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the chairman  
18 of the house health, human services and elderly affairs committee, the chairman of the senate health  
19 and human services committee, the chairman of the house state-federal relations and veterans  
20 affairs committee, the senate clerk, the house clerk, the governor, the members of the  
21 New Hampshire congressional delegation, and the state library.

22            81:4 Effective Date of Repeal of Commission. Amend 2011, 84:3, I to read as follows:

23                    I. Section 2 of this act shall take effect [~~May 1, 2012~~] **November 1, 2013**.

24            81:5 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

25 Approved: May 23, 2012

26 Effective Date: May 23, 2012