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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY BEIRNE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 391

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to veterans and public records."

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

8 * Section 1. AS 09.25 is amended by adding a new section to read:

9 Sec. 09.25.123. COPIES OF PUBLIC RECORDS FOR VETERANS. When a
10 copy of a public record is required by the division of veterans'
11 affairs, Department of Commerce and Economic Development or by the
12 United States Veterans' Administration to be used in determining the
13 eligibility of a person to participate in benefits, the official
14 custodian of the public record shall, without charge, provide the
15 applicant for the benefits, a person acting on his behalf, or an
16 authorized representative of the division of veterans' affairs or the
17 United States Veterans' Administration with a certified copy of the
18 record.

19 * Sec. 2. AS 26.10.070 is amended to read:

20 Sec. 26.10.070. RECORD OF VETERANS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE
21 UNITED STATES [WORLD WAR I]. (a) A veteran may record without fee
22 his armed forces report of separation at a recorder's office of the
23 Department of Natural Resources. Each recorder's office shall periodi-
24 cally submit to the Bureau of Vital Statistics copies of the reports of
25 separation which it records.

26 (b) The Bureau of Vital Statistics shall keep [COMPILE] a record
27 from copies of reports received under (a) of this section and from
28 information voluntarily submitted to the bureau by veterans of all
29 persons who are [WERE] bona fide residents of [THE TERRITORY OF] Alaska

1 and who actively served in the organized state militia as described
2 under AS 26.05.010 or the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, or
3 Marine Corps since [BETWEEN] April 6, 1917 [, AND NOVEMBER 11, 1918].
4 [THE RECORD SHALL BE KEPT ON FILE AT THE OFFICE OF THE BUREAU AND SHALL
5 BE AVAILABLE AND OPEN TO THE INSPECTION OF ANYONE DESIRING TO INSPECT
6 IT.] The record shall contain the name, age and place of residence at
7 the time of entering service, place and date of commission, enlistment
8 or induction, branch of service, record of service and the date, place
9 and nature of discharge.