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HOUSE BILL NO. 387

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BY REPRESENTATIVE DICKERSON

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

AN ACT

VETERANS: Provides relative to care for nonveterans

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 29:383, relative to the Department of Veterans Affairs; to 3 provide for maintenance and care of nonveterans; to provide for rules and 4 regulations; and to provide for related matters. 5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 6 Section 1. R.S. 29:383 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: 7 §383. Charges for care and maintenance 8 At the discretion of the department of veterans affairs, reasonable rates may 9 be charged for maintenance and care to those veterans and nonveteran residents who 10 are capable of paying for any or all of the use of the facilities. In determining 11 whether or not a veteran is capable of paying for the use of the facilities, the department of veterans affairs shall establish by the adoption and promulgation of 12 13 rules and regulations a charge system of taking into consideration the income and 14 estate of the veteran resident receiving care.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for the charging of reasonable rates for maintenance and care to nonveteran residents at veterans affairs facilities.

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CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words <u>underscored</u> are additions.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the Dept. of Veterans Affairs may charge reasonable rates for maintenance and care to veterans who reside in its facilities.

<u>Present law</u> furthers allows for the promulgation of rules and regulations to create a charge system for such charges.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and provides that charges for maintenance and care may be charged for nonveteran residents of veterans affairs facilities.

(Amends R.S. 29:383)