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AB-3371 Veteran suicides: report. (2019-2020)



Assembly Bill No. 3371

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CHAPTER 77

An act to amend Section 102791 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to veterans.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 3371, Committee on Veterans Affairs. Veteran suicides: report.

Existing law requires the State Department of Public Health to implement an electronic death registration system and to access data within the system to compile a report on veteran suicide in California that includes information on the veterans' ages, sexes, races or ethnicities, and methods of suicide. Existing law requires the department to provide that report annually to the Legislature and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

This bill would require that report to include information on the counties of residence of the veterans, and would authorize the report to include additional information. The bill would also require the report to include a cross-tabulation of that data and to compare the data to the data from the previous year. The bill would require the report to be submitted on or before March 15 of each year.

Vote: majority Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: yes Local Program: no

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 102791 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

- **102791.** (a) (1) The State Department of Public Health shall access data within the electronic death registration system implemented pursuant to Section 102778 to compile a report on veteran suicide in California. The report shall include, but may not be limited to, information on the ages, sexes, races or ethnicities, counties of residence, and methods of suicide of veterans.
 - (2) The report shall include a cross-tabulation of the data specified in paragraph (1), and shall compare the data to the data from the previous year.
- (b) (1) The department shall, notwithstanding Section 10231.5 of the Government Code, annually provide the report compiled pursuant to subdivision (a) to the Legislature and the Department of Veterans Affairs on or before March 15 each year.
 - (2) A report to be submitted pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.