

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2017 and 2018 HB5784

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2805/2.13 new

Amends the Department of Veterans' Affairs Act. Provides that the Department of Veterans' Affairs shall submit a quarterly report to the General Assembly by January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1 of each year about the health and welfare of residents at Veterans Homes. Provides that each report shall include specified information, including, but not limited to, the number and nature of complaints made by residents and other specified parties and information on epidemics and cases of communicable disease at the Veterans Home. Effective July 2, 2018.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Department of Veterans' Affairs Act is amended by adding Section 2.13 as follows:
- 6 (20 ILCS 2805/2.13 new)
- 7 <u>Sec. 2.13. Veterans Homes; complaints; communicable</u> 8 disease reports.
- 9 (a) As used in this Section:
- 10 <u>"Case" means a person that lived as a resident in a</u>
 11 Veterans Home and had an illness due to a communicable disease.
- "Communicable disease" means an illness due to a specific

 infectious agent or its toxic products that arises through

 transmission of that agent or its products from an infected

 person, animal, or inanimate source to a susceptible host,

 either directly or indirectly, through an intermediate plant or
- 17 <u>animal host, a vector, or the inanimate environment.</u>
- 18 (b) The Department shall submit a quarterly report to the

 19 General Assembly by January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1

 20 of each year about the health and welfare of residents at

 21 Veterans Homes. Each report shall include, but not be limited
- 22 <u>to, the following:</u>
- 23 (1) the number and nature of complaints made by

Τ	residents, a resident's emergency contacts or next of kin,
2	or a resident's power of attorney during the quarter;
3	(2) information on any epidemic reported at a Veterans
4	Home during the quarter; and
5	(3) the number of cases and information on the cases,
6	including, but not limited to, any dates a resident showed
7	signs and symptoms of having a communicable disease, any
8	dates of a confirmed diagnosis of any resident with a
9	communicable disease, and the action taken by the Veterans
10	Home to eradicate the spread of communicable disease,
11	during the quarter.
12	Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 2,
13	2018.