## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 2386 Session of 1996

INTRODUCED BY O'BRIEN, LUCYK, KAISER, OLASZ, GEORGE, BEBKO-JONES, FICHTER, FAIRCHILD, COY, NYCE, L. I. COHEN, PESCI, PHILLIPS, MILLER, BAKER, WAUGH, BOSCOLA, McGEEHAN, STERN, COLAIZZO, ITKIN, STABACK, DEMPSEY, ROBERTS, MERRY, TRELLO, SANTONI, DIGIROLAMO, LEDERER, GEIST, SHEEHAN, HALUSKA, SAYLOR, B. SMITH, BROWN, ADOLPH, GODSHALL, PLATTS, McCALL, YOUNGBLOOD, J. TAYLOR, HENNESSEY, E. Z. TAYLOR, WOGAN AND ALLEN, FEBRUARY 7, 1996

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, FEBRUARY 7, 1996

## AN ACT

- Amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), entitled 2 "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the 3 executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the Executive Department thereof and the administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof, 5 including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or 7 Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or 8 authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative 9 departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and 10 duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative 11 officers, and of the several administrative departments, 12 boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive 13 14 and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and 15 16 other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, 17 and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and 18 19 20 commissions shall be determined, "providing for a veterans' 21 ombudsman.
- 22 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 23 hereby enacts as follows:
- 24 Section 1. Section 1412 of the act of April 9, 1929

- 1 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, is
- 2 amended by adding a subsection to read:
- 3 Section 1412. Deputy Adjutant General in Charge of Veteran
- 4 Affairs; Specific Duties. --\* \* \*
- 5 (c) The Governor shall appoint and fix the compensation of
- 6 <u>an attorney to act as a veterans' ombudsman who shall assist</u>
- 7 <u>veterans in securing their rights in hiring actions as</u>
- 8 prescribed by law governing veterans' preference, and in other
- 9 issues as directed by the deputy adjutant general in charge of
- 10 <u>veteran affairs</u>.
- 11 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.