## March 17, 2005

**H 741. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.** *TO CREATE THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.* Retitles Article of GS Chapter 165 as the Dep't of Veterans Affairs. Completely rewrites GS 165-1 to create a Dep't of Veterans Affairs, attached to the Office of the Governor for administrative purposes, and headed by an Executive Director appointed by the Governor. Rewrites GS 165-2 to provide that the Dep't of Veterans Affairs includes the Veterans' Affairs Comm'n and is responsible for providing services to veterans in accordance with the Chapter. Amends GS 165-6 pertaining to the Department's powers and duties, to increase the maximum grant to a county from \$2,000 to \$5,000 and to delete provisions for assisting municipalities with veterans' services. Makes conforming and technical changes. Effective July 1, 2005.

Intro. by Coates.

Ref. to Military, Veterans and Indian Affairs GS 165

## April 13, 2005

**H 741. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.** Intro. 3/17/05. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Amends GS 165-6 to require (was, authorize) the Dep't of Administration to perform the listed departmental duties to assist veterans. Makes technical change.