

Assembly Bill No. 2548

CHAPTER 205

An act to amend Section 66.5 of the Military and Veterans Code, relating to veterans.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2548, Mitchell. California Veterans Board.

Existing law provides that the California Veterans Board consists of 7 members appointed by the Governor subject to Senate confirmation. All members of the board are required to be veterans, and certain members are required to have meet specific criteria with regard to their background, education, training, experience, or expertise.

This bill would also require one member of the board to have substantial training, professional knowledge, or experience in the issues faced by female veterans, as specified.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 66.5 of the Military and Veterans Code is amended to read:

66.5. (a) One member of the board shall have substantial training or professional expertise in mortgage lending and real estate finance.

(b) One other member of the board shall have substantial training or professional expertise in geriatrics, gerontology, or long-term care.

(c) One member of the board shall have an accounting or auditing background, and preferably shall be a certified public accountant.

(d) One member of the board shall have a degree in health care administration or shall have experience in the financial management of health care facilities.

(e) One member of the board shall have substantial training, professional knowledge, or experience in the issues faced by female veterans which may include, but are not limited to, the following issues:

- (1) Combat-related disorders.
- (2) Sexual trauma.
- (3) Homelessness.

(f) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit any member of the board from serving the remainder of his or her term.

(g) The first vacancy in the membership of the board, that occurs after the enactment of the act adding this subdivision and does not require the

training or expertise required by subdivision (a) or (b), shall be filled by the appointment of a member who meets the criteria required by subdivision (c).

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