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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013–14 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 614

**Introduced by Assembly Member Chávez
(Coauthor: Assembly Member Atkins)**

February 20, 2013

An act to amend Section 1012.1 of the Military and Veterans Code, relating to veterans.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 614, as amended, Chávez. Veterans' homes of California: financial investigation.

Existing law provides for the establishment and operation of the Veterans' Home of California at various sites for aged and disabled veterans who meet certain eligibility requirements. Existing law authorizes, prior to the admission of a veteran as a member of the home, and at any time during which the veteran is a member, the Department of Veterans Affairs to investigate the veteran's financial status to ensure that the veteran is unable to pay for the necessary hospital or domiciliary care outside of the home, as provided.

This bill would instead, prior to the admission of a veteran as a member of the home, require the department to ~~investigate~~ *review* the veteran's financial status to ensure that the veteran is unable to pay for the necessary hospital or domiciliary care outside of the home. This bill would authorize the department to promulgate and maintain regulations.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 1012.1 of the Military and Veterans Code
- 2 is amended to read:
- 3 1012.1. (a) Prior to the admission of a veteran as a member
- 4 of the home, the department shall ~~investigate~~ *review* the veteran's
- 5 financial status to ensure that the veteran is unable to pay for
- 6 necessary hospital or domiciliary care outside of the home.
- 7 (b) The department may at any time during which a veteran is
- 8 a member of the home investigate the veteran's financial status to
- 9 ensure that the veteran is unable to pay for necessary hospital or
- 10 domiciliary care outside of the home.
- 11 (c) The department may contract with any other state agency
- 12 to conduct any investigation on its behalf.
- 13 (d) The department may promulgate regulations to implement
- 14 this section.

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