

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY JUNE 30, 2016  
AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY JUNE 21, 2016  
AMENDED IN SENATE JANUARY 6, 2016  
AMENDED IN SENATE JANUARY 4, 2016  
AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 6, 2015

**SENATE BILL**

**No. 384**

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**Introduced by Senator Leyva**

February 24, 2015

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An act to add Section 980.7 to the Military and Veterans Code, relating to ~~veteran~~ *veterans* housing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 384, as amended, Leyva. ~~Veteran~~ *Veterans* housing: multifamily units: underserved veterans.

Existing law, the Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Act of 2014 (the act), provides for the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation, and preservation of affordable multifamily supportive housing, affordable transitional housing, affordable rental housing, or related facilities for veterans and their families. Existing law, the Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Bond Act of 2014 (bond act), an initiative measure enacted by the voters as Proposition 41 at the June 3, 2014, primary election, authorized \$600 million in bonds to provide multifamily housing to low-income veterans and supportive housing for homeless veterans, through the act.

This bill would require, for all multifamily housing units acquired, constructed, rehabilitated, or preserved on or after January 1, 2017, for the purpose of housing veterans, that a percentage of the bond act funds

to be used for purposes of the act be reserved for housing for underserved veterans, as ~~defined~~, *defined*. *The bill would require* the percentage of the bond act funds to be determined by the Department of Veterans Affairs, the California Housing Finance Agency, and the Department of Housing and Community Development collectively, as specified.

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 980.7 is added to the Military and  
 2 Veterans Code, to read:  
 3 980.7. (a) For all multifamily housing units acquired,  
 4 constructed, rehabilitated, or preserved on or after January 1, 2017,  
 5 for the purpose of housing veterans, a percentage of the state funds  
 6 to be used for purposes of the Veterans Housing and Homeless  
 7 Prevention Act of 2014 shall be reserved for housing for  
 8 underserved veterans. The percentage reserved shall be determined  
 9 by the ~~department~~ *department, the California Housing Finance*  
 10 *Agency, and the Department of Housing and Community*  
 11 *Development, collectively, and in consultation with the appropriate*  
 12 *local agencies.*  
 13 (b) For purposes of this section, “underserved veterans” means  
 14 those veterans either experiencing or at risk of experiencing  
 15 homelessness at a disproportionate rate to their veteran or  
 16 nonveteran counterparts, as determined by the most recent United  
 17 States Department of Housing and Urban Development Annual  
 18 Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR) to Congress, ~~November~~  
 19 ~~2015~~, that includes an assessment of veteran homelessness, or  
 20 other similar source the department, the California Housing Finance  
 21 Agency, and the Department of Housing and Community  
 22 Development collectively deem appropriate.  
 23 (c) The department, the California Housing Finance Agency,  
 24 and the Department of Housing and Community Development  
 25 collectively shall determine the percentage of funds from the  
 26 Housing for Veterans Fund, established pursuant to Section ~~998.44,~~  
 27 ~~998.544~~, to be reserved annually pursuant to subdivision (a), with  
 28 the first determination to be made on July 1, 2017, and thereafter  
 29 each year on July 1. The determination shall be made using the

1 most recently released AHAR to Congress, November 2015, that  
2 includes an assessment of veteran homelessness, or other similar  
3 source that the department, the California Housing Finance Agency,  
4 and the Department of Housing and Community Development  
5 collectively deem appropriate. *recent determination of underserved*  
6 *veterans made pursuant to subdivision (b).*

7 (d) If there are insufficient applications for proposed housing  
8 projects meeting the requirements of subdivision (a), the reserved  
9 funding shall revert back to the Housing for Veterans Fund and  
10 be available for other purposes authorized by the act.

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