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Bill Analysis

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Primary Sponsors: Sens. Craig and Johnson

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SUMMARY

- Requires the Director of Commerce, in consultation with the Director of Veterans Services, to create a veterans' benefits and services poster.
- Requires the Director of Commerce to provide an employer with a copy of the poster at the employer's request, and allows the employer to display it on the employer's premises.

DETAILED ANALYSIS

Veterans' benefits and services poster

The bill directs the Director of Commerce, in consultation with the Director of Veterans Services, to create a veterans' benefits and services poster. The Director of Commerce must include information about the following topics in the poster:¹

- Department of Veterans Services' programs, contact information, and website;
- The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs veterans crisis hotline;
- Substance abuse and mental health treatment programs;
- Educational, workforce, and training resources;
- Tax benefits and exemptions;
- Availability of armed forces designation on Ohio driver's license or identification card;

* This analysis was prepared before the report of the Senate Veterans and Public Safety Committee appeared in the Senate Journal. Note that the legislative history may be incomplete.

¹ R.C. 4113.13(A).

- Unemployment benefits;
- Legal services;
- Availability of any other benefit or service for veterans that the Directors determine should be included.

The bill requires the Director of Commerce to provide an employer with a copy of the poster free of charge at the request of the employer. The bill permits an employer employing employees in Ohio to display a copy of the poster on the employer's premises in a conspicuous place that is frequented by the largest number of employees and to which all employees have access.²

HISTORY

Action	Date
Introduced	05-29-24
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² R.C. 4113.13(B).