

House Bill 1452
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The Texas Veterans Commission shall operate programs in this state to enhance the employment opportunities of veterans, including the employment programs funded under 38 U.S.C. Chapters 41 and 42. The programs must exclusively enhance the employment opportunities of eligible veterans, and the services provided under those programs must be provided by state employees.

A state employee providing services under a program may only provide services to veterans.

SECTION 2. Section 302.014, Labor Code, is repealed.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected

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The Texas Veterans Commission shall operate programs funded under 38 U.S.C. Chapters 41 and 42. The commission may provide services to enhance the employment and training opportunities of veterans, covered persons, active duty service members, spouses of active duty service members, and members of the Texas National Guard. The services provided under this section must be provided by state employees.

(b) The Texas Veterans Commission may adopt rules necessary to implement this section.

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to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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