

Veterans' and Military Affairs Committee

JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

Bill No.: HB-5787

AN ACT CONCERNING REIMBURSEMENT FOR VETERANS WHO JOIN A CHAPTER OF THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE HEART AND RECEIVE A NUMBER PLATE RECOGNIZING THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE

Title: PURPLE HEART.

Vote Date: 2/18/2025

Vote Action: Joint Favorable

PH Date: 2/13/2025

File No.:

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

Sen. Paul Cicarella
Rep. Craig Fishbein

REASONS FOR BILL:

This bill reimburses individuals the cost to join a chapter of the Military Order of the Purple Heart if they are issued a number plate recognizing the order. Service members who are members of this order have made a significant sacrifice in the line of duty, and this bill seeks to honor that accomplishment by offering free

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

No state administration or agency provided testimony on this bill.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

General Support: Several people expressed the importance of affording veterans any form of financial relief and recommendation. Testimony was provided by:

- Robert Caffrey
- Kieran Edmondson
- Kevin Kauffman
- Hannah Linnell
- Peter Plona
- Robert Titus
- Robert Wnek

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

No one provided testimony in opposition to the bill.

Reported by: Patrick Riley

Date: 2/24/2025