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# A BILL FOR AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTIES OF THE FALLEN HEROES MEMORIAL COMMISSION, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, REPEALING THE COMMISSION AND SHIFTING ALL REMAINING RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE STATE CAPITOL BUILDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

### **Bill Summary**

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <a href="http://leg.colorado.gov">http://leg.colorado.gov</a>.)

The bill repeals the fallen heroes memorial commission and requires the state capitol building advisory committee to take on any HOUSE 3rd Reading Unamended March 15, 2017

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SENATE 2nd Reading Unamended February 13, 2017 remaining duties of the commission. The bill requires the state capitol building advisory committee to perform any remaining duties with the assistance of the department of personnel and the Fallen Heroes Memorial Fund, Inc., a Colorado 501(c)(3) organization established to raise money for the construction of the memorial.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

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**SECTION 1. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general assembly 3 hereby finds and declares that: 4 (a) On April 26, 2007, Colorado Governor Bill Ritter signed into 5 law Senate Bill 07-086 endorsing a memorial to be erected to honor 6 Coloradans killed during World War I, World War II, the Korean War, 7 the Vietnam War, the Persian Gulf War, and the Wars in Afghanistan and 8 Iraq. The bill also created the Colorado Fallen Heroes Memorial 9 Commission, charged with the design of the memorial, location selection, 10 and all fundraising. 11 (b) As the work of the Colorado Fallen Heroes Memorial 12 Commission is mostly complete, it is efficient to repeal the commission 13 and require the existing state capitol building advisory committee to 14 perform any remaining duties with the assistance of the department of 15 personnel and the Fallen Heroes Memorial Fund, Inc., a Colorado 16 501(c)(3) organization established to raise money for the construction of 17 the memorial. 18 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **repeal** 24-80-1402 19 as follows: 20 24-80-1402. Fallen heroes memorial commission - fund -21 repeal. (1) (a) There is hereby created in the department of personnel the 22 fallen heroes memorial commission, referred to in this section as the 23 "commission", to erect memorials near the Colorado veterans monument

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in Lincoln park to commemorate the lives of Coloradans who died during specific military conflicts. The commission shall consist of five members. The governor, president of the senate, minority leader of the senate, speaker of the house of representatives, and minority leader of the house of representatives shall each appoint one member of the commission. The appointing authorities are encouraged to appoint veterans of foreign wars to the commission. Members of the commission shall serve terms of four years. A member may be reappointed to serve only one additional term.

- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 2-2-307, C.R.S., members of the commission, including any legislative members, shall not receive compensation for serving on the commission, but may be reimbursed for necessary expenses out of the fallen heroes memorials construction fund created in subsection (3) of this section.
- (c) The commission shall elect from its members a chair and vice-chair and may establish procedures for the commission to follow.
- (d) The commission shall make recommendations on the design and siting of appropriate memorials for such commemoration to the preservation trust committee created pursuant to section 24-80-1401. The preservation trust committee shall submit a proposal for the design and siting of appropriate memorials to the state capitol building advisory committee created pursuant to section 24-82-108. The state capitol building advisory committee shall be responsible for the final approval of the design and siting of the appropriate memorials.
- (e) In preparing its proposal for the design and siting of appropriate memorials pursuant to this section, the preservation trust committee shall coordinate with the planning department for the city and county of Denver.

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(f) The first memorial shall be to honor servicemen and servicewomen killed after September 11, 2001, during the war on terrorism, including but not limited to those killed in Afghanistan and Iraq. The proposal submitted by the preservation trust committee pursuant to paragraph (d) of this subsection (1) may include memorials for servicemen and servicewomen killed during the first world war, the second world war, the Korean war, the Vietnam war, and such other military conflicts as the preservation trust committee may determine are appropriate.

- (2) (a) The commission is authorized to solicit and accept gifts, grants, and donations to erect and maintain fallen heroes memorials. Any moneys received by the board shall be deposited in the fallen heroes memorials construction fund created in subsection (3) of this section. The commission shall not incur any obligation for the memorials in excess of the moneys available in the fund.
- (b) The department of personnel shall not provide any assistance to the commission until it can do so within existing appropriations.
- (3) (a) There is hereby created in the state treasury the fallen heroes memorials construction fund, referred to in this section as the "fund". The fund shall consist of:
  - (I) All general fund moneys appropriated to the fund; and
- (II) All private and public funds received through gifts, grants, or donations for the design or construction of fallen heroes memorials.
- (b) Any moneys in the fund not expended for the purpose of this section may be invested by the state treasurer as provided by law. All interest and income derived from the investment and deposit of moneys in the fund shall be credited to the fund. Any unexpended and

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1 unencumbered moneys remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year 2 shall remain in the fund and shall not be credited or transferred to the 3 general fund or another fund. 4 (c) Once the preservation trust committee determines that 5 appropriate memorials have been erected, the committee may request that 6 the treasurer transfer, and the treasurer shall transfer, any moneys 7 remaining in the fund to the Colorado veterans' monument preservation 8 trust fund created pursuant to section 24-80-1401. 9 (4) This section is repealed, effective July 1 of the year following 10 the receipt by the revisor of statutes of certification from the executive 11 director of the department of personnel that the appropriate memorials 12 have been erected and any moneys remaining in the fund have been 13 transferred pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection (3) of this section. 14 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-82-108, add (3)(i) 15 as follows: 16 24-82-108. State capitol building advisory committee -17 **creation - repeal.** (3) The advisory committee shall have the following 18 duties: 19 (i) (I) THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY 20 REMAINING DUTIES OF THE FORMER FALLEN HEROES MEMORIAL 21 COMMISSION AS IT EXISTED IN SECTION 24-80-1402 PRIOR TO ITS REPEAL. 22 THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHALL PERFORM ANY REMAINING DUTIES WITH 23 THE ASSISTANCE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND A COLORADO 24 501(c)(3) ORGANIZATION CREATED FOR THE PURPOSE OF RAISING FUNDS 25 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE FALLEN HEROES MEMORIAL. 26 (II) THIS SUBSECTION (3)(i) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1 OF THE 27 YEAR FOLLOWING THE RECEIPT BY THE REVISOR OF STATUTES OF

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1	CERTIFICATION FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
2	PERSONNEL THAT THE APPROPRIATE MEMORIALS HAVE BEEN
3	CONSTRUCTED.
4	SECTION 4. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act
5	takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
6	ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
7	9, 2017, if adjournment sine die is on May 10, 2017); except that, if a
8	referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
9	state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
10	within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
11	unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
12	November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
13	official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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