

1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1997

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 1997 by replacing
3 the title with the following:

4 "AN ACT concerning the Illinois Military Flags
5 Commission."; and

6 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the
7 following:

8 "Section 5. The Military Code of Illinois is amended by
9 adding Section 25.6 as follows:

10 (20 ILCS 1805/25.6 new)

11 Sec. 25.6. Illinois Military Flags Commission.

12 (a) The Illinois Military Flags Commission is
13 established for the purpose of assisting the Adjutant General
14 with his or her responsibilities under Section 25 of this
15 Code. The Commission shall advise the Adjutant General on
16 how to best collect, preserve, and present or display to the
17 public the colors, flags, guidons, and military trophies of
18 war belonging to the State in order to disseminate
19 information relating to the history of the Illinois National
20 Guard.

21 (b) The Commission consists of 15 members: the Adjutant

1 General, the State Historian, the Director of the Illinois
2 State Museum, and the Director of the Historic Preservation
3 Agency, all ex officio; 4 members of the General Assembly,
4 one of whom shall be appointed by the President of the
5 Senate, one by the Minority Leader of the Senate, one by the
6 Speaker of the House of Representatives, and one by the
7 Minority Leader of the House of Representatives; and 7
8 residents of the State appointed by the Governor. When
9 appointing members to the Commission, the Governor must
10 endeavor to appoint persons in a manner to maintain as
11 regionally diverse a membership as possible. Persons
12 appointed to the Commission should provide it with experience
13 in areas such as, but not limited to, knowledge of military
14 history, particularly of the American Civil War, and the
15 education of citizens. Any vacancy in the Commission shall
16 be filled by an appointment in the same manner as the
17 original appointment. Members of the Commission shall serve
18 without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for their
19 reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their
20 duties.

21 (c) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2006.

22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
23 becoming law."