
SENATE BILL 5214

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By Senators Carrell, Hobbs, Hewitt, Schoesler, Delvin, Kilmer, and Benton

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Operations & Elections.

1 AN ACT Relating to military monuments; adding a new section to
2 chapter 38.40 RCW; and creating a new section.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the military and
5 its personnel play a vital role in defending the lives and freedom of
6 all Americans. The legislature intends to honor the contribution of
7 the military by the establishment of appropriate monuments located on
8 state property near each military base in the state.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 38.40 RCW
10 to read as follows:

11 The military department, in consultation with the department of
12 transportation, shall erect and maintain a monument to be constructed
13 from permanent materials, such as masonry, stone, or concrete, at an
14 appropriate location on state property near each military base in the
15 state. The purpose of the monument is to alert persons as to the
16 presence and location of the military base. The monument, at a
17 minimum, shall identify the military base's name, branch of service,
18 and appropriate military insignia. To the extent possible, and in

1 conformance with applicable traffic safety standards as determined by
2 the department of transportation, these monuments shall be uniform in
3 size and design throughout the state.

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