



COMMITTEE TO STUDY CERTAIN ISSUES AFFECTING VETERANS

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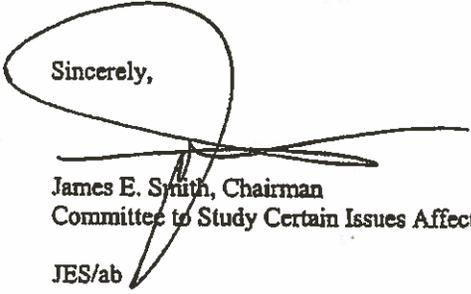
The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Governor, State of South Carolina
South Carolina State House, First Floor
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Governor Haley:

Pursuant to Act 320 of 2012, the Committee to Study Certain Issues Affecting Veterans submits the enclosed report. This Committee was originally created in 2010, pursuant to Act 342 of 2010. Over the past several years, the Committee met several times to conduct research and receive testimony from the State Office of Veterans' Affairs, the South Carolina Association of County Veterans' Affairs Service Officers, the Department of Mental Health which oversees nursing homes for veterans, and members of the veterans' community regarding the long term care and other health needs of our veterans.

As you will see in this report, actions were taken on some of those recommendations. We believe that we have dutifully served the veterans of our state by vigorously pursuing these goals.

Sincerely,


James E. Smith, Chairman
Committee to Study Certain Issues Affecting Veterans

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Enclosure