

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2699**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Gonzalez**

February 21, 2014

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An act to amend Section 1011 of the Military and Veterans Code, relating to veterans.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2699, as introduced, Gonzalez. Veterans' Home of California.

Existing law provides for the establishment and operation of the Veterans' Home of California at various sites, including, among others, Yountville, Barstow, and Ventura.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to this provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 1011 of the Military and Veterans Code
- 2 is amended to read:
- 3 1011. (a) There is in the department a Veterans' Home of
- 4 California, Yountville, situated at Veterans' Home, Napa County.
- 5 (b) (1) The department may establish and construct a second
- 6 home that shall be situated in the County of Imperial, Los Angeles,
- 7 Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, or Ventura. The
- 8 home may be located on one or more sites. The department shall
- 9 operate the second home concurrently with the first home.

1 (2) The initial site is the Veterans' Home of California, Barstow,  
2 situated in Barstow, San Bernardino County. That site may provide  
3 skilled nursing care for ~~up to~~ *no more than* 250 residents.

4 (3) When completed, the second site shall be the Veterans'  
5 Home of California, Chula Vista, situated in Chula Vista, San  
6 Diego County, pursuant to the recommendations made by the  
7 commission established pursuant to former Section 1011.5.

8 (4) When completed, the third site shall be the Veterans' Home  
9 of California, Lancaster, situated in Lancaster, Los Angeles County,  
10 pursuant to the recommendations made by the commission  
11 established pursuant to former Section 1011.5.

12 (5) When completed, the fourth site shall be the Veterans' Home  
13 of California, Ventura, situated in the community of Saticoy,  
14 Ventura County.

15 (6) There shall be an administrator for, and located at, each site  
16 of the southern California home.

17 (7) The department may complete any preapplication process  
18 necessary with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs  
19 for construction of the second home.

20 (c) The Legislature hereby finds and declares that the second  
21 home is a new state function. The department may perform any  
22 or all work in operating the second home by independent  
23 contractors, except the overall administration and management of  
24 the home. Any and all actions of the department taken before  
25 September 17, 1996, that are consistent with this subdivision are  
26 hereby ratified and confirmed, it having at all times been the intent  
27 of the Legislature that the department be so authorized.

28 (d) There shall be an administrator for each home or homesite,  
29 who shall be recommended by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs  
30 and appointed by the Governor, and shall be located at that home  
31 or homesite. The salary for each administrator shall be subject to  
32 the approval of the Department of Human Resources.