Chapter 47

MILITARY DEPARTMENT RECORDKEEPING

Original Senate File No. 40

AN ACT relating to the military department; amending recordkeeping provisions; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 19-7-103(b)(iii), (xiv), (xv) and by creating a new paragraph (xxiii) and 19-14-107(c) by creating a new paragraph (xi) and by renumbering (xi) as (xii) are amended to read:

19-7-103. Adjutant general; appointment; rank; removal; duties and qualifications.

- (b) The adjutant general of Wyoming shall have powers and duties and be paid a salary as follows:
- (iii) He shall keep a record of all officers commissioned by the governor and <u>maintain electronic access to</u> all <u>current</u> orders, rules and regulations prescribed by the secretary of defense and the several agencies of the department of defense for the national guard;
- (xiv) Except as federal law requires, he may shall secure and accept the assistance and cooperation of all other governmental agencies and individual citizens in securing a complete and accurate military service record of Wyoming service past and present Wyoming national guard personnel and those veterans who declare Wyoming as their residence upon separation from the military. He may accept the assistance and cooperation of all other governmental agencies and individual citizens to secure such records. He shall carefully keep and preserve such records physically or electronically in accordance with the laws and practices applied to the preservation and safekeeping of official records. All such records are confidential in accordance with the usual procedures and customs prevailing in the military service;
- (xv) He is the channel of military <u>and military department related</u> correspondence with the governor and shall have custody of all military records, correspondence and other military documents <u>until he has legal authority to properly dispose of or preserve physically or electronically such documents</u>;
- (xxiii) He may delegate part or all of his responsibilities under paragraphs (iii) and (xiv) of this subsection to the veterans' commission.

19-14-107. Creation of veterans' commission; composition; terms.

- (c) The commission shall:
- (xi) Collect, maintain and preserve physically or electronically any military service records of past and present Wyoming national guard personnel

and those veterans who have declared Wyoming as their residence upon separation from the military. This shall include any records maintained by the adjutant general pursuant to W.S. 19-7-103(b)(iii) and (xiv) if delegated such responsibility;

(xi)(xii) Perform such other and further tasks as are necessary to carry out the duties imposed by this section or as required by the legislature.

Section 2. W.S. 19-7-103(b)(xiii) is repealed.

Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2017.

Approved February 17, 2017.

Chapter 48

VETERAN LICENSE PLATE STICKERS-REPEAL

Original Senate File No. 38

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; repealing provisions authorizing veteran license stickers; providing conforming amendments; creating exemptions as specified; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 31-2-204(b) is amended to read:

31-2-204. Issuance of certificates of registration and license plates by county; form.

(b) Except as otherwise provided, license plates shall be of metal not less than twelve (12) inches long in the left-hand end of which shall be arabic numerals for the county in which issued, followed by the bucking horse and rider emblem and a distinctive number assigned to the vehicle, set forth in numerals and letters as determined by the department and above or underneath such numerals shall be the word "Wyoming" and arabic numerals for the year of issue or validation. License plates issued to dealers and for state or federal official forestry vehicles, motorcycles, multipurpose vehicles and trailers shall contain appropriate identification which may be in lieu of the bucking horse and rider emblem. After the county number on the left-hand end, the license plate may also contain a distinctive symbol or letters, as determined by the department, indicating vehicle type. License plates shall be changed or validated annually. There shall be a marked contrast between the color of the plate and that of the numerals and letters and the background of all plates shall be fully reflectorized. Plates for light utility trailers under one thousand (1,000) pounds, motorcycles and multipurpose vehicles shall not be less than three (3) inches wide and six (6) inches long. Antique license plates shall bear no date and shall bear the inscription "Pioneer Wyo". Distinctive license farm stickers shall be issued by the county treasurer upon request for trucks and trailers used by any farmer or rancher for the transportation of livestock, feed or unprocessed agricultur-