

I would like to retract my previous letter to the Veteran committee. The ODVS advisory committee is strictly advisory in nature. It is not uncommon for members not to be present or not vote on any specific issue. In the case of HB 192, any vote by the committee would be advisory in nature and not necessarily represent the beliefs or interests of all the member organizations. That being said the committee really wants to do good things for Veterans and Ohio.

Any legislation that effects the Ohio Veteran community is welcome at the ODVS advisory committee, we strive to educate our members in coming changes to legislation and appreciate the chance to provide inputs to legislation that affects us, the veterans.

As a reminder, the council has representation from the following organizations:

- A representative of the American Legion
- A representative of the AMVETS
- A representative of the Army and Navy Union, U.S.A.
- A representative of the Catholic War Veterans of the U.S.A.
- A representative of the Disabled American Veterans
- A representative of the Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A.
- A representative of the Korean War Veterans Association
- A representative of the Marine Corps League
- A representative of the Military Officers Association of America
- A representative of the Military Order of the Purple Heart of the U.S.A.
- A representative of the office of the National Guard Association of the U.S.A.
- A representative of the Veterans of Foreign Wars
- A representative of the Vietnam Veterans of America
- Three representatives of the Ohio State Association of County Veterans Service Commissioners
- Three representatives of the State Association of County Veterans Service Officers
- A representative of the County Commissioners Association of Ohio
- A representative of the Advisory Committee on Women Veterans
- A representative of a labor organization
- A representative of the Office of the Attorney General

We all stand ready to help guide and advise any legislation involving Veterans in Ohio. In short, please do not make legislation about us, without us. We do want the best for Veterans and Ohio.

Please contact a council member organization, ODVS or myself to get on our schedule.

Thank- You for your service in honoring the Veteran sacrifice.

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