

## **Committee Members**

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Erica Crawley     Laura Lanese  
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Haraz Ghanbari     Tracy Richardson  
Adam Holmes     C. Allison Russo  
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## **Meeting Information**

Wednesdays, 11:00am  
Statehouse Room 122  
(Unless Otherwise Noted)

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# **House Armed Services and Veterans Affairs Committee**

## **Minutes 15 May 2019**

Chair Perales called the meeting of the House Armed Services and Veterans Affairs Committee to order at 11:05am in Statehouse Room 122. Representative Dean led an opening prayer followed by Representative Miller leading the pledge of allegiance.

Chair Perales recognized the members in the audience that were veterans of our Armed Forces.

Chair Perales asked the committee to review the minutes from the previous hearing. Hearing no objections, the minutes stood approved.

Chair Perales called House Resolution 110 for its second hearing. The Chair directed the committee's attention to written testimony submitted by Adam Sackowitz. The Chair recognized Vice Chair Hood who motioned to favorably report House Resolution 110. The motion was seconded by Representative Russo. With 10 affirmative votes and 0 negative votes, House Resolution 110 is favorably reported.

Chair Perales called House Bill 155 for its second hearing. The Chair recognized Robert Grim, and entertained questions from Representatives Russo, Richardson, and Lanese. The Chair recognized James Houston and there were no questions. The Chair directed the committee's attention to written testimony submitted by Todd Kleismit, Linda Ellis, R.A Davis, Peter Hritsko, Kerry Langdon, and Fredric Lynch. This concluded the second hearing on House Bill 155.

Chair Perales called Senate Bill 77 for its second hearing. The Chair recognized Gretchen Klinger, and entertained questions from Representative Miller. The Chair recognized Ashley Gorbulja-Maldonado and entertained questions from Representatives Richardson and Ghanbari. This concluded the second hearing on Senate Bill 77.

Chair Perales asked for any additional business from the committee. Representative Ghanbari updated the committee on the federal approval of "Blue Water Vietnam" benefits to those exposed in naval service to Agent Orange during the Vietnam War.

The committee adjourned at 11:59am.

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Rick Perales, Chair

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Casey Weinstein, Secretary