



Legislative Committee Monthly Report

Delaware Commission of Veterans Affairs

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I. Overview

August 2026 saw limited legislative activity as the General Assembly remained in recess and elected officials continued campaigning ahead of the **September 15 primary election**. While legislative movement was minimal, the month included one major development relevant to the veteran community: **SB 219 was officially signed into law**.

The Legislative Committee continued monitoring the political landscape and began preparing for national-level advocacy efforts in September.

II. Legislative Activity

1. SB 219 Signed Into Law

In August 2026, **SB 219**—a priority bill supported by the Delaware Commission of Veterans Affairs—was formally signed into law.

This marks a significant legislative success for the Commission and the broader veteran community. The committee documented the bill's passage, notified veteran service organizations, and prepared follow-up materials for implementation tracking.

2. General Assembly Status

- No new veteran-related bills were introduced.
- No committee hearings or floor sessions occurred.
- Legislators remained focused on **campaigning for the September 15 primary**, resulting in limited policy engagement during the month.



The committee maintained awareness of public messaging and candidate activity to ensure readiness for post-primary outreach.

III. Committee Activity

1. Legislative Monitoring

Although legislative activity was minimal, the committee continued:

- Tracking veteran-related bills for any administrative updates
- Monitoring public statements relevant to veteran issues
- Preparing post-primary engagement plans with legislators and candidates

2. Preparation for National Advocacy

The committee began formal preparations for the **VFW Fall Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C., scheduled for September 13–17.**

Preparatory work included:

- Coordinating travel and scheduling for the VFW legislative team
- Reviewing national veteran policy priorities
- Aligning Delaware's legislative concerns with federal advocacy goals
- Preparing briefing materials and talking points for meetings on Capitol Hill

This work ensures Delaware's veteran priorities are represented at the national level.

IV. Summary

August 2026 was a quiet legislative month in Delaware, with no new bill activity and legislators focused on the upcoming primary election. The most significant development was the signing of **SB 219** into law, marking a major success for the Commission's advocacy efforts. The Legislative Committee used the month to prepare for the VFW Fall Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C., ensuring strong representation of Delaware veterans in federal discussions.