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LEGISLATIVE BILL 35

FINAL READING

Introduced by Pansing Brooks, 28; Brewer, 43.

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Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to state history; to amend section 82-803,
- 2 Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2020; to change a membership
- 3 provision of the First Regiment Nebraska Volunteer Infantry at Fort
- 4 Donelson Committee; and to repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 82-803, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
2 2020, is amended to read:

3 82-803 (1) The First Regiment Nebraska Volunteer Infantry at Fort
4 Donelson Committee is created. The purpose of the committee is to provide
5 for the creation, production, transportation, installation, and unveiling
6 of the monument. The committee shall consist of: An employee of the
7 Nebraska State Historical Society appointed by the Secretary of State;
8 two members of the public who are members of a local Civil War round
9 table organization appointed by the Secretary of State; a professor of
10 history from the University of Nebraska appointed by the Secretary of
11 State; and, as a nonvoting, ex officio member, the Chairperson of the
12 Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee of the Legislature or
13 his or her designee.

14 (2) The members of the committee shall elect a chairperson and vice-
15 chairperson from among its appointed members during the first meeting. A
16 member may be reelected to serve as chairperson or vice-chairperson. The
17 committee shall meet at least twice each calendar year. A majority of the
18 members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

19 (3) The committee may conduct its meetings by telephone conference
20 call or videoconferencing, if practicable.

21 (4) The First Regiment Nebraska Volunteer Infantry at Fort Donelson
22 Committee shall, in conformance with regulations of the Fort Donelson
23 National Battlefield:

24 (a) Select a designer, sculptor, and mason, as appropriate, to
25 create a monument and approve the design of the monument;

26 (b) Approve the production of the monument;

27 (c) Approve the method of transportation of the monument to the
28 battlefield and its installation;

29 (d) Approve the unveiling ceremony for the monument; and

30 (e) Approve any other action the committee determines is necessary
31 to achieve its purpose.

1 (5) If there is a vacancy on the committee, the Secretary of State
2 shall fill such vacancy by appointing a member to serve during the
3 unexpired term of the member whose office has become vacant.

4 (6) Members of the committee shall not be paid.

5 (7) The committee shall issue electronically a report to the
6 Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee of the Legislature on
7 the progress of the creation, production, and installation of the
8 monument and any other information the committee deems necessary before
9 December 31 of each year.

10 (8) The committee shall terminate upon the completion of its
11 purpose.

12 Sec. 2. Original section 82-803, Revised Statutes Cumulative
13 Supplement, 2020, is repealed.