

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**SENATE BILL 612**

Short Title: State Approving Agency/Veterans & Military Ed. (Public)

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Sponsors: Senator Rabon (Primary Sponsor).

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Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

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April 7, 2021

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TRANSFERRING THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE APPROVING AGENCY FOR  
2 VETERANS AND MILITARY EDUCATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY  
3 AND VETERANS AFFAIRS TO COMPLY WITH RECENT FEDERAL LEGISLATION  
4 PROHIBITING THE AGENCY FROM BEING COLLOCATED WITH A UNIVERSITY  
5 SYSTEM WHOSE COURSES OR PROGRAMS OF EDUCATION WOULD BE  
6 SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE AGENCY.  
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8 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

9 **SECTION 1.** The North Carolina State Approving Agency (SAA) for veterans and  
10 military education located in The University of North Carolina System is transferred to the  
11 Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA). This transfer has all of the elements of a  
12 Type II transfer, as described in G.S. 143A-6, except that the management functions of the SAA  
13 shall not be performed under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of the DMVA but  
14 shall instead be performed under the direction and supervision of the Executive Director of the  
15 SAA. The SAA is an independent State agency and shall continue to perform its duties as  
16 prescribed by 38 U.S.C. §§ 3670-3699A, as amended, and any other applicable federal or State  
17 law.

18 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

