

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

Resolution Number: #25-30

Submitted By: Internal Affairs

Subject: Move Standing Committee Reconnect and the Subcommittee Homeless Veterans to VA&R and Make It a Subcommittee

WHEREAS, The reconnect program was originally established by the National Organization; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Michigan also created a Reconnect program to mirror the national program; and

WHEREAS, The National organization eventually disbanded the National reconnect program and merged it into other programs such as Operation Comfort Warrior, Veterans & Children's foundation and others; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Michigan has retained its reconnect program; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of The Department of Michigan Reconnect program is to Inform the citizen soldiers and active duty personnel of the services provided by The American Legion, strengthen the bond between the citizen soldiers, active duty personnel and The American Legion, inform the citizen soldiers and active duty personnel about The American Legion and Federal programs, benefits and veteran entitlements, assist in garnering acceptance and support from local communities for the missions and needs of the citizen soldier and active duty personnel, assist in enhancement of quality of life programs, and to provide The American Legion the opportunity to continue our charge to provide service to our veterans, their families and their communities; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the Reconnect program closely mirrors the purpose of the Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation program; and

WHEREAS, The Homeless Veterans subcommittee, currently under the Reconnect program should also be moved to a subcommittee of the Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Committee because it also mirrors the purpose of VA&R; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, By The American Legion, Department of Michigan at the Department Fall Conference in Battle Creek, Michigan September 26-28, 2025, that the Reconnect Committee and its Subcommittee Homeless Veterans be moved from a Standing Committee to a Subcommittee under Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation; and be it further

RESOLVED,

The Department Adjutant shall make all of the changes required by this resolution; and be it finally

RESOLVED,

This action shall take place at the close of the Fall Conference September 26 - 28, 2025.

Approved