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Introduced by Representatives Grad of Moretown, Bouchard of Colchester,
Fisher of Lincoln, French of Shrewsbury, Howrigan of
Fairfield, Jerman of Essex, Koch of Barre Town, Moran of
Wardsboro, Partridge of Windham, Pugh of South Burlington,
Ram of Burlington, Savage of Swanton, Shand of
Weathersfield, Stevens of Waterbury, Sweaney of Windsor and
Wizowaty of Burlington

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Health; advance directives; military

Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to recognize a U.S. Department of
Defense document as an acceptable advance directive for service members.

~~An act relating to advance directives for service members~~ *An act relating to
persons authorized to direct disposition of service members' remains*

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

~~Sec. 1. 18 V.S.A. § 9703 is amended to read:~~

~~§ 9703. FORM AND EXECUTION~~

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1 ~~(g) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, a DD Form 93 (Record~~
2 ~~of Emergency Data) properly executed by a resident of Vermont who is a~~
3 ~~member of the armed forces of the United States shall be considered to be a~~
4 ~~valid advance directive within the meaning of this chapter.~~

5 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICABILITY

6 ~~This act shall take effect on passage and shall apply to all advance~~
7 ~~directives in existence on and executed after the effective date of this act.~~

Sec. 1. 18 V.S.A. § 9715 is amended to read:

§ 9715. INTERPRETATION WITH OTHER LAWS

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(d) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to limit the effect of a DD
Form 93 (Record of Emergency Data) properly executed by a current or
former member of the armed forces of the United States described in 10 U.S.C.
§ 1481(a).

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.