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2	Introduced by Representatives Strong of Albany, Brennan of Colchester,
3	Christie of Hartford, Cupoli of Rutland City, Gonzalez of
4	Winooski, Howard of Rutland City, Morrissey of Bennington,
5	Read of Fayston, Smith of Derby, and Walz of Barre City
6	Referred to Committee on
7	Date:
8	Subject: General provisions; State Veterans Flag; Honor and Remember Flag
9	Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to designate the
10	Honor and Remember Flag as the State Veterans Flag.
11	An act relating to designating the Honor and Remember Flag as the State Veterans Flag the Honor and Remember Flag  It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:
12	Sec 1 FINDINGS
13	The Honer and Remember Flag has been created to recognize U.S. Armed
14	Forces personnel who die l in the defense of our nation. Its designation as the
15	State Veterans Flag will create an official State symbol that recognizes the
16	dedicated military service of those Vermonters who died in combat as
17	members of the U.S. Armed Forces.
18	Sec. 2. 1 V.S.A § 520 is added to read.

- 1 8 520 STATE VETERANS FLAG
- The State Veterans Flag shall be the Honor and Remember Flag.
- 3 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE
- Tinis act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.

Sec. 1. 1 V.S.A § 496a is added to read:

## § 496a. HONOR AND REMEMBER FLAG

The Honor and Remember Flag is designated as the State Flag to recognize those Vermonters who died during or as the result of serving on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces. This designation will recognize their bravery and educate Vermonters about the sacrifices their fellow citizens have made to protect our nation. The Honor and Remember Flag may be flown on State-owned and municipally owned flagpoles, including those at military facilities, war memorials, and veterans cemeteries, on legal holidays and other designated days. The Department of Buildings and General Services may establish a protocol for the flying of the Honor and Remember Flag and may accept donations of the flag to be flown on State-owned flagpoles.

## Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.