NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE ADOPTION

N.J.A.C. 5A:11 Veterans' Access to State Beaches

The New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans Affairs has proposed for adoption N.J.A.C 5A:11 that establish which veterans are eligible for free or reduced fee beach access to State beaches and what proof shall be deemed sufficient to prove such veteran status pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:61-22.20.1.b(5) (P.L. 2013, c. 240).

Under the statute, shore municipalities of the State may provide free or reduced fee beach access to veterans who have served in any of the Armed Forces of the United States and who were discharged or released therefrom under conditions other than dishonorable and who either have served at least 90 days in active duty or have been discharged or released from active duty by reason of an actual service-incurred injury or disability. The proposed new rules set forth which veterans are eligible and examples of some of the acceptable forms of verification of the person's veteran status.

As the Department has provided a 60-day comment period on this notice of proposal, this notice is excepted from the rulemaking calendar requirements, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 1:30-3.3(a)5.

The proposed rule will be published in the May 19, 2014 edition of the New Jersey Register and can also be found at:

http://www.nj.gov/military/admincode/proposedrules/RuleProposalNJAC5A-11(BeachPassesforVeterans).pdf

The deadline for comments is July 18, 2014. Comments may be submitted to:

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