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Bill 51

**An Act to amend the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007,
to give preference to veterans for access to beds**

Mrs. J. Stevens

Private Member's Bill

1st Reading October 30, 2018

2nd Reading

3rd Reading

Royal Assent



**An Act to amend the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007,
to give preference to veterans for access to beds**

Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

1 Subsection 2 (1) of the *Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007* is amended by adding the following definition:

“veteran” means,

- (a) a veteran as defined in subsection 2 (1) of the *War Veterans Allowance Act* (Canada), and
- (b) a person who was an officer as defined in subsection 2 (1) of the *National Defence Act* (Canada) or who was a non-commissioned member as defined in that subsection; (“ancien combattant”)

2 Section 51 of the Act is repealed and the following substituted:

Preference for veterans

51 The Minister shall ensure that preference is given to veterans for access to beds.

3 Clause 55 (2) (h) of the Act is repealed.

Commencement

4 This Act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent.

Short title

5 The short title of this Act is the *Long-Term Care Homes Amendment Act (Preference for Veterans), 2018*.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Bill amends the *Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007* by enacting a definition of “veteran” that includes former officers and former non-commissioned members of the Canadian Forces. The Bill amends the Act to require the Minister to ensure that preference in admission to long-term care homes is given to veterans.