

**RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

THE OFFICE OF VETERANS SERVICES

Title of Rule: Rhode Island Veterans Memorial Cemetery (180-RICR-20-00-1)

Rule Identifier: 180-RICR-20-00-1

Rulemaking Action: Direct Final Amendment

Important Dates:

Date of Public Notice: 06/15/2020

End of Public Comment: 07/15/2020

Authority for this Rulemaking:

R.I. Gen. Laws § 30-25-14

Summary of Rulemaking Action:

Expands eligibility for interment to commissioned officers of National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the U.S. Public Health Service.

Additional Information and Comments:

If no formal objection is received on or before July 15, 2020, the Office of Veterans Services will file the Amendment without opportunity for public comment.

Objections should be addressed to:

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Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:

The amendment expands eligibility for interment at the Rhode Island Veterans Memorial Cemetery to commissioned officers of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration or the Public Health Service. This expansion aligns the RIVMC with eligibility criteria of the national veterans cemeteries operated by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. This amendment also corrects the name of the agency from the Rhode Island Office of Veterans Affairs to the Rhode Island Office of Veterans Services.

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation see agency contact person above.