



MAVO

Missouri Association of Veterans Organizations

LEGISLATIVE AGENDA - 2017

- **Maintain the current level of funding for the operation and maintenance of state veterans homes and state veterans cemeteries and, in addition, reinstate and recover General Revenue funding to cover the Missouri Veterans Commission administrative costs, veterans' capital improvement projects, the Veterans Service Officers program, the Veterans Service Organizations' Service Officer Grant Program and other needs of Missouri's veterans;**
- **Encourage the Missouri Legislature, the Missouri Veterans Commission and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to jointly address the demand for Veterans Skilled Nursing Care in the State of Missouri;**
- **Complete the effort to obtain state income tax exemption for the military pay of Missouri residents stationed inside of Missouri by extending the current exemption to cover the Reserve and National Guard members;**
- **Urge the Missouri legislature to license privately-funded marijuana production operations to enable safe and efficient cannabis drug development research;**
- **Urge Congress to reinstate POW and MIA as authorized military duty statuses;**
- **Support any other legislation introduced in the legislature determined by the MAVO Legislative Committee to be in the interest of veterans.**