

**ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2026**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LR293**

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**Hearing Date:** Thursday February 12, 2026  
**Committee On:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
**Introducer:** Kauth  
**One Liner:** Urge the United States Congress to swiftly enact legislation to provide for veterans' access to treatments for traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Report to the Legislature for further consideration

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**Vote Results:**

<b>Aye:</b>	7	Senators Sanders, Andersen, Cavanaugh, J., Guereca, Lonowski, Meyer, F., Wordekemper
<b>Nay:</b>	1	Senator Hunt
<b>Absent:</b>		
<b>Present Not Voting:</b>		

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**Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator Kathleen Kauth  
Dale Lutzen

**Representing:**

Opening Presenter  
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**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

Jeffrey Cooper

**Representing:**

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\* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

This resolution includes a number of legislative findings relating to traumatic injuries and post-traumatic stress disorder in veterans and the use of hyperbaric chambers to treat these conditions. If adopted by the Legislature, it would urge the United States Congress to enact legislation to provide veterans with access to this treatment.

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Rita Sanders, Chairperson

