

As a current Commission member and former President of the VACWC, I strongly oppose SB2018, which strips veterans of their right to choose their own VAC leadership and opens the door for political influence by forcing VAC positions onto the public ballot.

*VAC LEADERSHIP WOULD BE
RAN BY ELECTED OFFICIALS*

This is a direct attack on the Military Veterans Assistance Act (MVAA)—which we strengthened through HB5853 after exposing corruption in Will County. SB2018 would undo those efforts and weaken VACs across Illinois.

- ◆ Many VAC commissioners aren't even aware of this bill. We must educate, mobilize, and publicly oppose it.
- ◆ Veteran leadership is at stake. We cannot allow politicians to take control of VACs.
- ◆ We need a unified front. Many Veterans Organizations have taken a stand—now we need ALL VAC leaders to speak out.