CHAPTER 137

IOWA VETERANS HOME

H. F. 69

AN ACT to change the name of the Iowa soldiers home and relating to eligibility requirements for admission thereto.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

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SECTION 1. Section two hundred nineteen point one (219.1), Code 1975, is amended by striking the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

For whom maintained. The Iowa veterans home, located 4 219.1 5 in Marshalltown, shall be maintained for honorably discharged veterans and for the dependent spouses and surviving spouses of such veterans. Eligibility requirements for admission to the Iowa soldiers home shall coincide with the eligibility requirements for hospitalization in a 9 United States veterans administration facility pursuant to Title thirty-10 eight (38), United States Code, sections two hundred ten (210) and six hundred ten (610), and regulations promulgated under such provisions 11 as amended to January 1, 1975. 12

SEC. 2. Section two hundred nineteen point five (219.5), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

219.5 Surviving spouses of veterans. If any deceased soldier, sailor or marine veteran, who would be entitled to admission to the home if the deceased soldier, sailor or marine veteran were living, has left a surviving spouse, such spouse shall be entitled to admission to the home with the same rights, privileges and benefits as though the soldier, sailor or marine spouse veteran were living and a member of the home, provided, however, that such spouse has been married to said veteran for at least one year immediately prior to the veteran's death, and has reached the age of fifty years or is found by the commandant to be totally and permanently disabled and the spouse does not have sufficient means or does not possess sufficient funds for support and maintenance, and provided further that the surviving spouse has been for the three years preceding the date of application, a resident of the state of Iowa, and has not married at any time since the death of the veteran spouse except to a member of the home.

SEC. 3. Section two hundred nineteen point eight (219.8), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

219.8 Qualifications of commandant. The commandant shall be a resident of the state of Iowa who has an honorable discharge from the United States army, navy or marine corps is an honorably discharged veteran and who has served in the military or naval forces of the United States in any war, including the Korean conflict at any time between June 27, 1950, and July 27, 1953 January 31, 1955, both dates inclusive, and including the Vietnam conflict at any time between August 5, 1964, and ending on the date the armed forces of the United States are directed by formal order of the government of the United States to cease hostilities and August 15, 1973, both dates inclusive.

14 For purposes of this Act, World War II shall be any time between 15 December 7, 1941 and December 31, 1946, both dates inclusive.

1 Sec. 4. Section two hundred nineteen point twenty-three (219.23), 2 Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

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"Soldier" includes air force. Wherever the word "soldier veteran" appears in this chapter, it shall include, without limitation, the members of the United States air force.

SEC. 5. Section one hundred twenty-three point twenty-nine (123.29), subsection two (2), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows: 2. To a soldiers veterans home, sanitarium, hospital, college, or

home for the aged which will entitle the holder to purchase and import alcohol from distillers and wholesalers or from the state liquor stores for use for medicinal, laboratory, and scientific purposes only.

SEC. 6. Section two hundred eighteen point nine (218.9), unnumbered paragraph three (3), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows: The director of the division of child and family services of the department of social services, subject to the approval of the commissioner of such department shall appoint the superintendents of The Iowa Annie Wittenmyer Home, the juvenile home, the training school for boys, the training school for girls and the commandant of the soldiers veterans home.

Approved May 15, 1975

CHAPTER 138

IOWA HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY

H. F. 823

AN ACT establishing the Iowa housing finance authority, prescribing its powers and duties, providing for related tax and other exemptions and appropriations, and providing coordinating amendments related to implementation of the authority's programs.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. NEW SECTION. **Definitions.** As used in this Act, un- $\mathbf{2}$ less the context otherwise requires: 3

1. "Authority" means the Iowa housing finance authority estab-

lished in section two (2) of this Act.

2. "Low or moderate income families" means families who cannot afford to pay enough to cause private enterprise in their locality to build an adequate supply of decent, safe, and sanitary dwellings for their use, and includes, but is not limited to, elderly families, families in which one or more persons are handicapped or disabled, lower income families and very low-income families.

3. "Lower income families" means families whose incomes do not exceed eighty percent of the median income for the area with adjustments for the size of the family or other adjustments necessary due to unusual prevailing conditions in the area, and includes, but is not lim-

ited to, very low-income families.

4. "Very low-income families" means families whose incomes do not exceed fifty percent of the median income for the area, with adjustments for the size of the family or other adjustments necessary due to unusual prevailing conditions in the area.
5. "Elderly families" means families of low or moderate income

where the head of the household or his or her spouse is at least sixtytwo years of age or older, or the surviving member of any such tenant

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6. a. "Families" includes but is not limited to families consisting of a single person in the case of a person who is at least sixty-two years of