House File 319 - Introduced

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## A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act waiving certain hunter safety and ethics education
- 2 requirements for residents who are active duty military
- 3 personnel or honorably discharged veterans.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 483A.27, subsection 1, Code 2013, is
2 amended to read as follows:

1. <u>a.</u> A person born after January 1, 1972, shall not 4 obtain a hunting license unless the person has satisfactorily 5 completed a hunter safety and ethics education course approved 6 by the commission. A person who is eleven years of age or more 7 may enroll in an approved hunter safety and ethics education 8 course, but a person who is eleven years of age and who has 9 successfully completed the course shall be issued a certificate 10 of completion which becomes valid on the person's twelfth 11 birthday. A certificate of completion from an approved hunter 12 safety and ethics education course issued in this state, or a 13 certificate issued by another state, country, or province for 14 completion of a course that meets the standards adopted by the 15 international hunter education association, is valid for the 16 requirements of this section.

17 <u>b.</u> Notwithstanding paragraph "a", the requirement that 18 <u>a person must have a certificate of completion of a hunter</u> 19 <u>safety and ethics education course in order to obtain a hunting</u> 20 <u>license is waived for a person who is a member of the national</u> 21 <u>guard, reserve, or regular component of the armed forces of the</u> 22 <u>United States or for a person who was a member of the national</u> 23 <u>guard, reserve, or regular component of the armed forces of the</u> 24 <u>United States and was honorably discharged.</u>

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## EXPLANATION

This bill provides that a person who is a member of the national guard, reserve, or regular component of the armed forces of the United States, or who was a member of the national guard, reserve, or regular component of the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged, is not required to complete a hunter safety and ethics education course in order to obtain a hunting license.

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