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Placed on Calendar.

House File 521
By COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND
VETERANS AFFAIRS.

Passed House, Date..... Passed Senate, Date.....
Vote: Ayes..... Nays..... Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....
Approved.....

A BILL FOR

An Act relating to legitimate, recognized veterans organizations.

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

1 Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any establishment
2 except a "legitimate, recognized veterans organization" to
3 use the name of a "legitimate, recognized veterans organization"
4 as its name or as a part of its name. As used in this Act,
5 the words, "legitimate, recognized veterans organization"
6 shall be construed to mean and be limited to a national veterans
7 organization that is composed of honorably discharged members
8 of the armed forces of the United States which has been active
9 in the community for not less than three (3) years. Any person
10 who shall violate any of the provisions of this Act shall be
11 deemed guilty of a felony and upon conviction thereof shall
12 be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand (1,000)
13 dollars or by imprisonment in the state prison for not more
14 than five (5) years or by both such fine and imprisonment in
15 the discretion of the court.

1 Sec. 2. Section one hundred twenty-four point thirty-one
2 (124.31), Code 1958, is hereby amended as follows:

3 1. By striking from line thirty-nine (39) of such section
4 the words, "service clubs" and by inserting in lieu thereof
5 the words, "legitimate, recognized veterans organizations".

6 2. By adding thereto the following paragraph:

7 "As used in this section, the words, 'legitimate, recognized
8 veterans organization' shall be construed to mean and be limited
9 to a national veterans organization that is composed of honorably
10 discharged members of the armed forces of the United States which
11 has been active in the community for not less than three (3)
12 years."

EXPLANATION OF HOUSE FILE 521

This bill makes it unlawful for any establishment except a legitimate, recognized veterans organization to use the name of a legitimate, recognized veterans organization as its name or as a part of its name. In addition, this bill provides that only legitimate, recognized veterans organizations, fraternal organizations and bona fide golf and country clubs are to be exempt from the laws regulating closing time.