

**CHAPTER 99****NATIONAL GUARD — ACTIVE SERVICE PAY***S.F. 210*

**AN ACT** increasing the minimum daily pay for members of the Iowa national guard while in state active service.

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

Section 1. Section 29A.27, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:

Officers and enlisted persons while in active state service shall receive the same pay, per diem, and allowances as are paid for the same rank or grade for service in the armed forces of the United States. However, a person shall not be paid at a base rate of pay of less than ~~seventy-five~~ one hundred dollars per calendar day of active state service.

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**CHAPTER 100****PUBLIC ASSISTANCE — FAMILY INVESTMENT PROGRAM —  
INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS***S.F. 221*

**AN ACT** relating to welfare reform provisions involving the family investment program and individual development accounts.

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

Section 1. Section 239B.2, subsection 4, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:

4. WRITTEN STATEMENT — FAMILY INVESTMENT AGREEMENT.

a. The department may require an applicant family to commit to the initial actions the applicant family will take to achieve self-sufficiency as contained in a signed, written statement. An applicant family which fails to commit to the actions as contained in the written statement shall be denied eligibility for the family investment program. If the applicant family becomes a participant family, the family's written statement may be replaced by, incorporated within, or become the family investment agreement for that family.

b. Unless exempt as provided in section 239B.8, a participant family which is eligible for the program shall continue to comply with the provisions of a written statement which contains actions committed to by the family under paragraph "a" or shall enter into a family investment agreement with the department. A participant family must comply with the provisions of the written statement or the conditions in the agreement in order to retain eligibility. A participant family which does not comply shall be deemed to have chosen a limited benefit plan.

Sec. 2. Section 239B.3, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:

b. For an eligibility decision involving an applicant family with a specified relative, within thirty days of the date of an application, the department shall ~~issue a~~ authorize issuance of notice of the department's decision to the specified relative.

Sec. 3. Section 239B.9, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code 1999, is amended to read as follows:

a. If a participant responsible for signing and fulfilling the terms of a family investment agreement, as defined by the director of human services in accordance with section 239B.8, chooses not to sign or fulfill the terms of the agreement, the participant's family, or the individual participant shall enter into a limited benefit plan. Initial actions in a written statement under section 239B.2, subsection 4, which were committed to by a participant during the application period and which commitment remains in effect, shall be considered to be a term of the participant's family investment agreement. A limited benefit plan shall apply for the period of time specified in this section. The first month of the limited benefit plan is the first month after the month in which timely and adequate notice of the limited benefit plan is given to the participant as defined by the director of human services. A participant who is exempt from the JOBS program but who volunteers for the program is not subject to imposition of a limited benefit plan. The elements of a limited benefit plan shall be specified in the department's rules.

Sec. 4. NEW SECTION. 541A.6 COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS.

The administrator shall adopt rules for compliance with federal individual development account requirements under the federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, § 103, as codified in 42 U.S.C. § 604(h), under the federal Assets for Independence Act, Pub. L. No. 105-285, Title IV, or with any other federal individual development account program requirements, as necessary for the state to qualify to use federal temporary assistance for needy families block grant funding or other available federal funding for allocation to operating organizations. Any rules adopted under this section shall not apply the federal individual development account program requirements to an operating organization which does not utilize federal funding for the accounts with which it is connected or to an account holder who does not receive temporary assistance for needy families block grant or other federal funding.

Sec. 5. SELF-EMPLOYMENT LOAN PROGRAM — INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS.

1. Notwithstanding section 15.241, for the period beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000, a portion of the funds available under the self-employment loan program account may be made available to provide matching funds for individual development accounts under chapter 541A. Self-employment loan program funding allocated for individual development accounts shall be used by account holders to start a business, acquire employment-related training or postsecondary education, or purchase a primary residence. The allocation of loan program funding to individual development account holders may be made in the form of loans or grants. A majority of the loan program funds allocated for individual development accounts must be used to start a business or to acquire training. The department of economic development shall adopt rules governing the administration of this provision. In addition, the department of economic development and the department of human services shall coordinate the use of self-employment loan program funds for individual development accounts.

2. In order to implement the provisions of this section, the department of human services may contract with an established, statewide nonprofit community development corporation. The corporation must have a national reputation and demonstrated experience in poverty alleviation and asset-building programs for persons with low income, long-term involvement in the national individual development account movement, statewide capacity and infrastructure, expertise in program evaluation, and experience in managing and implementing large-scale federal grants.

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