House Amendment 1582

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Amend House File 849, as passed by the House, as
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   2 follows:
           Page 1, by inserting after line 29 the
   4 following:
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         <Sec.
                        Section 8A.311, Code 2007, is amended
   6 by adding the following new subsection:
         NEW SUBSECTION. 21. a. The state, through the
   8 department, shall give a preference to purchasing
   9 equipment, supplies, or services from or awarding
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  10 public improvement contracts pursuant to subsection 11
  11 to an Iowa=based business as provided under paragraph
  12 "b", as appropriate, if the bid submitted is
13 comparable in price to those submitted by other
  14 bidders and meets the required specifications.
  15 However, before giving the preference, the department
  16 shall confirm with the Iowa employer support of the 17 guard and reserve committee that the requirements of
  18 paragraph "b" have been met by the Iowa=based
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  19 business.
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              To receive a preference as provided by this
  21 subsection, the Iowa=based business employer shall
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  22 have adopted policies beyond those otherwise required
  23 by law to support employees who are officers or
  24 enlisted persons in the national guard and organized
  25 reserves of the armed forces of the United States
  26 consistent with standards adopted by the Iowa employer 27 support of the guard and reserve committee. To be
  28 eligible for such preference, an employer shall submit
  29 to the committee a copy of the applicable policies 30 adopted by the employer and shall sign and submit to
  31 the committee a statement of support of persons in the
  32 employ of the employer who serve in the national guard
  33 and the reserves, recognizing the vital role of the
  34 national guard and the reserves, and pledging all of
  35 the following:
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         (1) To neither deny employment nor limit or reduce
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  37 job opportunities because of an employee's service in
  38 the national guard or organized reserves of the armed
  39 forces of the United States.
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  40 (2) To grant leaves of absence during a period of 41 military duty or training.
42 (3) To ensure that all employees are aware of the
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  43 employer's policies and the requirements of section
  44 29A.43.>
  45 #2. Page 2, line 33, by striking the word <DATE.>
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  46 and inserting the following: <DATES.
  \frac{47}{48} 1.> As \frac{1}{48} Page 2, by inserting after line 35 the
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  49 following:
   50 <2. The section of this Act amending section
1 8A.311 takes effect January 1, 2008.>
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   2 #4. Title page, by striking line 2 and inserting 3 the following: <including an effective date
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   4 provision.>
   5 \#5. By renumbering as necessary.
   6 HF 849.S
   7 ec/cc/26
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