## Senate Amendment to House File 259

## H-8218

- 1 Amend House File 259, as passed by the House, as follows:
- 2 1. By striking page 1, line 1, through page 2, line 4, and
- 3 inserting:
- 4 <Section 1. Section 35.1, subsection 2, Code 2024, is
- 5 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
- 6 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. A resident of this state who served in
- 7 any component of the armed forces of the United States, who
- 8 is in receipt of service-connected disability from the United
- 9 States department of veterans affairs, and who was discharged
- 10 under honorable conditions.>
- 11 2. Page 2, line 5, by striking <2023> and inserting <2024>
- 4. Page 2, lines 27 and 28, by striking <section 35A.5,
- 14 subsection 9> and inserting <subsection 9>
- 15 5. Page 2, line 31, after <training> by inserting program>
- 16 6. By striking page 2, line 33, through page 3, line 23, and
- 17 inserting:
- 18 <Sec. . Section 35A.5, subsection 9, Code 2024, is
- 19 amended by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu
- 20 thereof the following:
- 21 9. Verify each executive director and administrator of a
- 22 county commission of veteran affairs is fully qualified to work
- 23 in the person's position. Qualifications include but are not
- 24 limited to all of the following:
- 25 a. The person has obtained certification that is federally
- 26 required for the executive director's or administrator's
- 27 position within twelve months of beginning the person's
- 28 employment.
- 29 b. The person has obtained a personal identification
- 30 verification card necessary to access the veterans benefits
- 31 management system within twelve months of beginning the
- 32 person's employment.
- c. The person maintains certification that is federally
- 34 required for the executive director's or administrator's
- 35 position.

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- 1 d. The person maintains an active personal identification
- 2 verification card and has access to the veterans benefits
- 3 management system.
- 4 e. The person is proficient in the use of electronic
- 5 mail, general computer use, and use of the internet to access
- 6 information regarding facilities, benefits, and services
- 7 available to veterans and their families.>
- 8 7. Page 3, line 24, by striking <2023> and inserting <2024>
- 9 8. Page 3, line 35, by striking <2023> and inserting <2024>
- 10 9. Page 4, line 12, by striking <2023> and inserting <2024>
- 11 10. Page 4, line 22, by striking <2023> and inserting <2024>
- 13 12. Page 5, line 12, after < the> by inserting < Upon a
- 14 request from a county commission of veteran affairs and based
- 15 on extenuating circumstances, the commandant of the Iowa
- 16 department of veterans affairs may extend the time frame for
- 17 an executive director or administrator to obtain a personal
- 18 identification verification card.>
- 19 13. Page 5, line 29, by striking <2023> and inserting <2024>
- 20 14. By striking page 6, line 4, through page 8, line 1, and
- 21 inserting:
- 22 <Sec. REPEAL. Sections 35A.17 and 35B.17, Code 2024,
- 23 are repealed.
- 24 Sec. . TRANSITION. A person employed in the position
- 25 of a county veteran service officer on the effective date of
- 26 this Act must obtain a personal identification verification
- 27 card under section 35A.5, subsection 9, as amended by this Act,
- 28 within one year of the effective date of this Act or be removed
- 29 from office.>
- 30 15. By renumbering as necessary.