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March 10, 2005

The Honorable Chester Culver
Secretary of State
State Capitol Building
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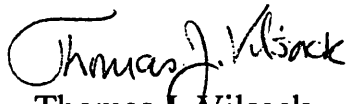
Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

Senate File 75, an Act allocating funding appropriated to assist individuals assigned to active duty military service and providing effective and applicability date provisions.

The above Senate File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,


Thomas J. Vilsack
Governor

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cc: Secretary of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House





SENATE FILE 75

AN ACT

ALLOCATING FUNDING APPROPRIATED TO ASSIST INDIVIDUALS
ASSIGNED TO ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY SERVICE AND PROVIDING
EFFECTIVE AND APPLICABILITY DATE PROVISIONS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. 2003 Iowa Acts, chapter 179, section 21, as amended by 2004 Iowa Acts, chapter 1175, section 274, is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 21. MILITARY PAY DIFFERENTIAL.

1. There Notwithstanding section 8.56, subsection 4, there is appropriated from the cash reserve fund to the department of revenue and finance or its successor agency for the period beginning March 19, 2003, and ending June 30, 2003, the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, for the purposes designated:

For a military pay differential program and health insurance retention program for individuals activated for the armed services of the United States, for employees on the central payroll system and for the other military service-related purposes designated in this section:

..... \$ 1,810,000

2. Of the funds appropriated in this section, ~~up to~~ \$10,000 is transferred to the Iowa department of public health for allocation to community mental health centers to provide counseling services to persons, whether or not employed by the state, who are members of the national guard and or reservists activated-but-as-yet-not-sent-to-combat-zones and who are assigned to active duty service in the armed forces of the United States and to the persons' family members. The

sessions shall be provided on a first come, first served basis and shall be limited to three visits per family.

3. Of the funds appropriated in this section, \$100,000 shall be retained by the department of administrative services to be used for the military pay differential and health insurance retention programs for employees on the central payroll system who are activated for the armed services of the United States.

4. Of the funds appropriated in this section, \$650,000 is transferred to the college student aid commission to be used for the national guard educational assistance program established pursuant to section 261.86.


5. The remainder of the funds appropriated in this section are transferred to the Iowa finance authority to be used for a home ownership assistance program for persons who are eligible members of the armed forces of the United States. In the event an eligible member is deceased, the surviving spouse of the eligible member shall be eligible for a loan under the program, subject to the surviving spouse meeting the program's eligibility requirements other than the military service requirement. For the purposes of this subsection, "eligible member of the armed forces of the United States" means a resident of this state who is a member of the national guard, reserve, or regular component of the armed forces of the United States who has served at least ninety days of active duty service during the period beginning September 11, 2001, and ending June 30, 2006.

6. The department or agency receiving funds under this section shall report monthly to the fiscal committee of the legislative council on the use of the funds.

7. Notwithstanding section 8.33, unencumbered or unobligated funds remaining on June 30, 2003, from the appropriation and transfers made in this section shall not revert but shall remain available to be used for the purposes designated until the end of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004. Funds appropriated in this section remaining unencumbered or unobligated at the end of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, shall not revert but shall remain available to be used for the purposes designated and for a home ownership assistance program for eligible members of the

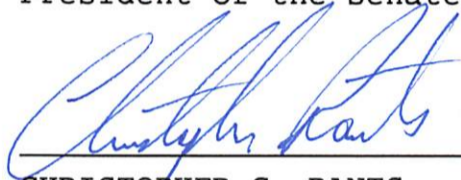
~~national-guard-and-reserves-of-the-armed-forces-of-the-United States-and-the-members+-immediate-families~~ until expended.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment and is retroactively applicable to May 17, 2004.



JEFFREY M. LAMBERTI

President of the Senate



CHRISTOPHER C. RANTS

Speaker of the House

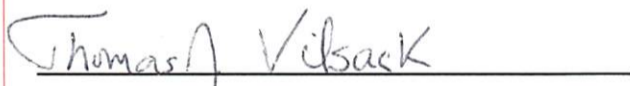
I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 75, Eighty-first General Assembly.



MICHAEL E. MARSHALL

Secretary of the Senate

Approved March 10, 2005



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