

CHESTER J. CULVER GOVERNOR

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March 11, 2008

The Honorable Michael Mauro Secretary of State State Capitol Building L O C A L

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

House File 2359, an Act concerning veterans, including expenditures from the veterans trust fund and authorization of lottery games for veterans.

The above House File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

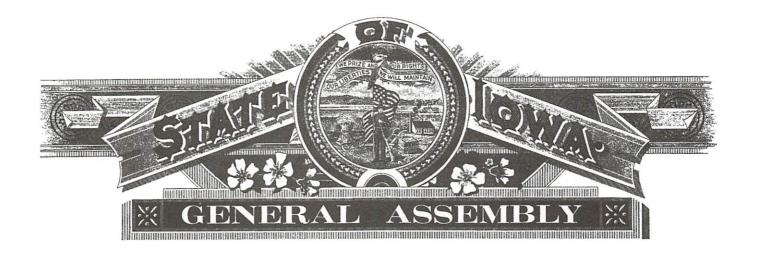
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cc: Secretary of the Senate Chief Clerk of the House





## HOUSE FILE 2359

## AN ACT

CONCERNING VETERANS, INCLUDING EXPENDITURES FROM THE VETERANS TRUST FUND AND AUTHORIZATION OF LOTTERY GAMES FOR VETERANS.

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

Section 1. Section 35A.13, subsection 5, Code Supplement 2007, is amended to read as follows:

- 5. The minimum balance of the trust fund required prior to expenditure of moneys from the trust fund is fifty-million dollars.—However,-for-the-fiscal-period-beginning-July-1, 2006,-and-ending-June-30,-2009,-the-minimum-balance-of-the trust-fund-required-prior-to-expenditure-of-moneys-from-the trust-fund-is five million dollars. Once the minimum balance is reached, the interest and earnings on the fund and any moneys received under subsection 3, paragraph "a", are appropriated to the commission to be used to achieve the purposes of this section. It is the intent of the general assembly that the balance in the trust fund reach fifty million dollars.
- Sec. 2. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 99G.9A LIMITED SERIES OF LOTTERY GAMES PROVIDING AID FOR VETERANS.

The chief executive officer, in consultation with the board, shall develop and conduct two additional instant scratch and two additional pull tab lottery games annually to provide moneys for the benefit of veterans and their spouses and dependents. The moneys received from the sale of tickets for each lottery game shall be deposited in a special account in the lottery fund. Notwithstanding section 99G.39, after payment of the prizes, the remaining moneys shall be transferred to the veterans trust fund established pursuant to

section 35A.13. However, if the balance of the veterans trust fund is fifty million dollars or more, the remaining moneys shall be appropriated to the department of revenue for distribution to county directors of veteran affairs, with fifty percent of the money to be distributed equally to each county and fifty percent of the money to be distributed to each county based upon the population of veterans in the county, so long as the money distributed to a county does not supplant money appropriated by that county for the county director of veteran affairs.

PATRICK J. MURPHY

Speaker of the House

JOHN P. KIBBIE

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2359, Eighty-second General Assembly.

MARK BRANDSGARD

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved

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