

CHESTER J. CULVER GOVERNOR

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May 9, 2007

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

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

House File 767, an Act relating to eligible veterans for purposes of the injured veterans grant program.

The above House File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely.

Okrester J. Culver

Governor

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cc: Secretary of the Senate Chief Clerk of the House





HOUSE FILE 767

AN ACT

RELATING TO ELIGIBLE VETERANS FOR PURPOSES OF THE INJURED VETERANS GRANT PROGRAM.

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

Section 1. Section 35A.14, subsection 1, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:

- 1. For the purposes of this section, "veteran" means a any of the following:
- <u>a. A</u> resident of this state who is or was a member of the national guard, reserve, or regular component of the armed forces of the United States who has served on active duty at any time after September 11, 2001, and, if discharged, was discharged under honorable conditions.
- b. A nonresident of this state who is or was a member of a national guard unit located in this state prior to alert for mobilization who has served on active duty at any time after September 11, 2001, was injured while serving in the national guard unit located in this state, is not eligible to receive a similar grant from another state for that injury, and, if discharged, was discharged under honorable conditions.
- Sec. 2. Section 35A.14, subsection 5, paragraph a, Code 2007, is amended to read as follows:
- a. Grants shall be paid in increments of two thousand five hundred dollars, up to a maximum of ten thousand dollars upon proof that the veteran has been evacuated from the operational theater in which the veteran was injured to a military hospital for an injury received in the line of duty and shall continue to be paid, at thirty-day intervals, up to the maximum amount, so long as the veteran is hospitalized or

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receiving medical care or rehabilitation services authorized by the military and-the-presence-or-assistance-of-family members-is-necessary.

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 767, Eighty-second General Assembly.

MARK BRANDSGARD

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved

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CHESTER J. CULVER

Governor