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April 28, 2011

The Honorable Matthew Schultz Secretary of State of Iowa State Capitol Building LOCAL

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

Senate File 397, an Act creating a criminal offense for impersonating a decorated military veteran and providing penalties.

The above Senate File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

Terry E. Branstad

Governor

cc: Secretary of the Senate

Clerk of the House



Senate File 397

## AN ACT

CREATING A CRIMINAL OFFENSE FOR IMPERSONATING A DECORATED MILITARY VETERAN AND PROVIDING PENALTIES.

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

Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 718B.1 Impersonating a decorated military veteran.

A person who impersonates a decorated military veteran with the intent to deceive another person for the purpose of gaining any real or anticipated monetary gain commits a serious misdemeanor. For the purposes of this section, "decorated military veteran" means a veteran of the armed forces of the United States who has been awarded any decoration or medal authorized by the United States Congress for service in the armed forces of the United States, any of the service medals or

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badges awarded to the members of such forces, or the ribbon, button, or rosette of any such badge, decoration, or medal.

JOAN P. KIBBIE

President of the Senate

KRAIG PAULSEN

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the Senate and is known as Senate File 397, Eighty-fourth General Assembly.

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Secretary of the Senate

Approved April 28, 2011

TERRY E. BRANSTAD

Governor