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HOUSE FILE 769

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BY COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT

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Passed House, Date 4-2-81 (p. 1035) Passed Senate, Date 4-24-96 (p. 1422)
Vote: Ayes 93 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 39 Nays 0
Approved 5/5/81

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to meetings and payment for service on
2 county commissions of veteran affairs, changing certain
3 benefits provided by the county commissions, and
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H-3449

1 Amend House File 769 as follows:
2 1. Page 3, by striking line 33 and inserting in
3 lieu thereof the words "~~On-the-first-Monday-in-each~~
4 ~~month~~, and All claims certified by the commission".

H-3449 FILED APRIL 2, 1981 BY SPEAR of Lee
Adopted 4/3/81 (p. 1035)

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H-3350

1 Amend House File 769 as follows:
2 1. Page 3, line 23, by inserting after
3 the word "expended" the words "; however, the
4 commission shall not certify any person for
5 benefits, other than death benefits, if the
6 commission determines that the person's total or
7 partial unemployment is due to a work stoppage
8 which exists because of a labor dispute at the
9 factory, establishment, or other premises at which
10 the person is or was last employed, unless the
11 person is not participating in, financing or directly
12 interested in the labor dispute which caused the
13 work stoppage".

H-3350 FILED MARCH 25, 1981 BY RENKEN of Grundy
CONLON of Muscatine
Adopted not germane 4/3/81 (p. 1034)

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26 member attends one or more commission meetings and shall be
27 reimbursed for mileage the same as a member of the board of
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6 selection of one of their number as ~~chairman~~ chairperson,
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9 necessary administrative or clerical assistants when needed,
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22 who are entitled to benefits and the probable amount required
23 to be expended ~~therefor~~. The commission shall meet annually
24 ~~on-the-second-Monday-in-June--At-such-annual-meeting-it-shall~~
25 to prepare an estimated budget for all expenditures to be
26 made in the next fiscal year and certify ~~said~~ the budget to
27 the board of supervisors, ~~who-shall-have-the-power-and~~
28 ~~authority-to~~. The board may approve or reduce ~~said~~ the budget
29 for valid reasons shown and entered of record and ~~such~~ the
30 board's decision ~~shall-be~~ is final.

31 Sec. 7. Section 250.10, unnumbered paragraphs 1 and 2,
32 Code 1981, are amended to read as follows:

33 On the first Monday in each month, all claims certified
34 shall be reviewed by the board of supervisors and the county
35 auditor shall issue ~~his~~ warrants in payment of same drawn

1 upon the veteran affairs fund. All applications, investigation
2 reports and case records shall be privileged communications
3 and held confidential, subject to use and inspection only
4 by persons authorized by law in connection with their official
5 duties relating to financial audits and the administration
6 of the provisions of this chapter. Provided, however, that
7 the county commission of veteran affairs shall prepare and
8 file in the office of the county auditor on or before the
9 thirtieth day of each January, April, July and October a
10 report showing the names and addresses of all recipients
11 receiving assistance under this chapter, together with the
12 amount paid to each during the preceding quarter. Each report
13 so filed shall be securely fixed in a record book to be used
14 only for such reports made under this chapter.

15 The record book shall be and the same is hereby declared
16 to be a public record, open to public inspection at all times
17 during the regular office hours of the county auditor. Each
18 person who desires to examine said records, other than in
19 pursuance of official duties as hereinbefore provided, shall
20 sign a written request to examine the same, which shall contain
21 an agreement on the part of the signer that he or she will
22 not utilize any information gained therefrom for commercial
23 or political purposes.

24 Sec. 8. Section 250.11, Code 1981, is amended to read
25 as follows:

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29 of veterans affairs, ~~at-such-time-and-in-such-manner-as-the~~
30 ~~Iowa-commission-shall-specify,-such-information~~ as said Iowa
31 the state commission may request ~~concerning-any-person-having~~
32 ~~ex-claiming-to-have-any-right-to-award-from-the-additional~~
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34 Sec. 9. Section 250.13, Code 1981, is amended to read
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1 250.13 BURIAL--EXPENSES. The ~~board~~ commission shall
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3 ~~be-decently-interred~~ be responsible for the interment in a
4 suitable cemetery of the body bodies of any honorably
5 discharged ~~man~~ men or ~~woman~~ women of the United States, who
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14 or the spouse, surviving spouse, or child of ~~sueh~~ the person,
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16 means to defray the funeral expenses. The commission ~~shall~~
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19 supervisors.

20 Sec. 10. Section 250.15, Code 1981, is amended to read
21 as follows:

22 250.15 EXPENSES AND AUDIT THEREOF. ~~The-expenses-of-sueh~~
23 ~~burial-and-headstone~~ Burial expenses shall be paid by the
24 county in which ~~sueh~~ the person died. If ~~sueh~~ the person
25 is a resident of a different county at the time of death,
26 the latter county shall reimburse the county ~~wherein-he~~ where
27 the person died for the cost of ~~sueh~~ burial and-headstone.
28 In either case, the board of supervisors of ~~sueh~~ the respective
29 counties shall audit and pay the account ~~and-pay-the-same~~
30 from the funds provided for in this chapter in ~~sueh~~ the manner
31 as other claims are audited and paid.

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33 as follows:

34 250.16 MARKERS FOR GRAVES. The county commission of
35 veteran affairs ~~shall-upon-the-petition-of-five-eligible~~

1 ~~electors-of-any-township-or-municipality-in-their-county,~~
2 ~~procure-for-and~~ may furnish ~~to-said-petitioners~~ some suitable
3 and appropriate metal marker, at a cost not exceeding ten
4 fifteen dollars each, for the grave of each honorably
5 discharged man or woman of the United States, who served in
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13 5, 1964, and May 7, 1975, both dates inclusive, who is buried
14 within the limits of ~~said~~ the township or municipality, to
15 be placed at the individual's grave to permanently mark and
16 designate ~~said~~ the grave for memorial purposes. The expenses
17 ~~thereof~~ shall be paid from any funds raised as provided in
18 this chapter.

19 Sec. 12. Sections 35.12, 35A.10, 250.14 and 250.21 are
20 repealed.

21 EXPLANATION

22 This bill makes the following changes in current statutes
23 relating to veterans benefits and the administration of
24 veterans programs:

25 1. Sections 1 and 8 strike an obsolete reference to an
26 abolished aid fund.

27 2. Sections 2, 3, 9 and 11 include World War I and World
28 War II veterans as eligible for benefits from the veterans
29 affairs fund, service on the county commissions and certain
30 burial benefits.

31 3. Section 5 changes a reference from "chairman" to
32 "chairperson" and section 7 makes similar gender changes.

33 4. Section 6 relates to when county commission meetings
34 must be held and section 4 changes the compensation for county
35 commission members from five dollars per diem to twenty-five

1 dollars for each month in which the member attended at least
2 one meeting.

3 5. Section 10 and the repeal of section 250.14 eliminate
4 the requirement that the county provide a headstone for its
5 deceased veterans.

6 The bill takes effect July 1 following enactment.

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County Government
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(As Amended and Passed by the House)

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250.3 COUNTY COMMISSION OF VETERAN AFFAIRS. The county commission of veteran affairs shall consist of three persons, all of whom shall be honorably discharged men or women of the United States who served in the military or naval forces of the United States in any war, including World War I at any time between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, both dates inclusive, World War II at any time between December 7, 1941, and December 31, 1946, both dates inclusive, the Korean Conflict at any time between June 25, 1950, and January 31, 1955, both dates inclusive, and ~~including~~ the Vietnam Conflict at any time between August 5, 1964, and May 7, 1975, both dates inclusive. If possible each member of the commission shall be a veteran of a different war or conflict, so as to divide membership among the men and women who served in World War I, World War II, the Korean Conflict and Vietnam Conflict, however, this qualification shall not preclude membership to a veteran who served in more than one of the wars or conflicts.

Sec. 4. Section 250.5, Code 1981, is amended to read as follows:

250.5 COMPENSATION. ~~The members of said~~ A member of the commission shall ~~be paid for their services the sum of five dollars per day for each day actually employed in the work of said commission, and also the same mileage that is paid to the members of the board of supervisors. Said per diem receive twenty-five dollars for each month during which the member attends one or more commission meetings and shall be reimbursed for mileage the same as a member of the board of supervisors. Compensation and mileage shall be paid out of the taxes raised under the provisions of section 250.1. In the event the commission has employed administrative or clerical help, the members of the commission shall receive compensation for attendance at the annual and monthly meetings only.~~

Sec. 5. Section 250.6, Code 1981, is amended to read as follows:

250.6 QUALIFICATION--ORGANIZATION. They shall qualify by taking the usual oath of office, and give bond in the sum of five hundred dollars each, conditioned for the faithful discharge of their duties with sureties to be approved by the county auditor. The commission shall organize by the selection of one of their number as chairman chairperson, and one as secretary. The commission, subject to the approval of the board of supervisors, shall have power to employ necessary administrative or clerical assistants when needed, the compensation of such employees to be fixed by the board of supervisors, but no member of the commission shall be so employed. The commission with the approval of the board of supervisors shall appoint one of the deputies of the county auditor to serve as administrative assistant to the commission, to serve without additional compensation, unless for good reasons shown, this arrangement is not feasible.

Sec. 6. Section 250.7, Code 1981, is amended to read as follows:

250.7 MEETINGS--REPORT--BUDGET. The commission shall meet monthly ~~on the first Monday~~ and at such other times as may be necessary. At the monthly meeting it shall determine who are entitled to benefits and the probable amount required to be expended therefor. The commission shall meet annually ~~on the second Monday in June. At such annual meeting it shall~~ to prepare an estimated budget for all expenditures to be made in the next fiscal year and certify ~~said~~ the budget to the board of supervisors, ~~who shall have the power and authority to. The board may approve or reduce said the~~ budget for valid reasons shown and entered of record and ~~such the~~ board's decision shall be is final.

Sec. 7. Section 250.10, unnumbered paragraphs 1 and 2, Code 1981, are amended to read as follows:

~~On the first Monday in each month, all~~ All claims certified by the commission shall be reviewed by the board of supervisors and the county auditor shall issue ~~his~~ warrants in payment of same drawn upon the veteran affairs fund. All applications, investigation reports and case records shall be privileged communications and held confidential, subject to use and inspection only by persons authorized by law in connection with their official duties relating to financial audits and the administration of the provisions of this chapter. Provided, however, that the county commission of veteran affairs shall prepare and file in the office of the county auditor on or before the thirtieth day of each January, April, July and October a report showing the names and addresses of all recipients receiving assistance under this chapter, together with the amount paid to each during the preceding quarter. Each report so filed shall be securely fixed in a record book to be used only for such reports made under this chapter.

The record book shall be and the same is hereby declared to be a public record, open to public inspection at all times during the regular office hours of the county auditor. Each

person who desires to examine said records, other than in pursuance of official duties as hereinbefore provided, shall sign a written request to examine the same, which shall contain an agreement on the part of the signer that he or she will not utilize any information gained therefrom for commercial or political purposes.

Sec. 8. Section 250.11, Code 1981, is amended to read as follows:

250.11 DATA FURNISHED STATE COMMISSION. The commission of veteran affairs of each county shall ~~obtain for and transmit provide information to the commission of the state department of veterans affairs at such time and in such manner as the town commission shall specify, such information as said town the state commission may request concerning any person having or claiming to have any right to award from the additional bonus and disability fund created by chapter 35.~~

Sec. 9. Section 250.13, Code 1981, is amended to read as follows:

250.13 BURIAL--EXPENSES. The board ~~commission~~ shall ~~designate some suitable person in each township to cause to be decently interred be responsible for the interment in a suitable cemetery of the body bodies of any honorably discharged man men or woman women of the United States, who served in the military or naval forces of the United States during any war, including World War I at any time between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, both dates inclusive, World War II at any time between December 7, 1941, and December 31, 1946, both dates inclusive, the Korean Conflict at any time between June 25, 1950, and January 31, 1955, both dates inclusive, and including the Vietnam Conflict at any time between August 5, 1964, and May 7, 1975, both dates inclusive, or the spouse, surviving spouse, or child of such the person, if any such the person has died without leaving sufficient means to defray the funeral expenses. The commission shall may pay such expenses in a sum not exceeding two-hundred-fifty~~

~~dollars in any case an amount established by the board of supervisors.~~

Sec. 10. Section 250.15, Code 1981, is amended to read as follows:

250.15 EXPENSES AND AUDIT THEREOF. ~~The expenses of such burial and headstone~~ Burial expenses shall be paid by the county in which ~~such the~~ person died. If ~~such the~~ person is a resident of a different county at the time of death, the latter county shall reimburse the county ~~wherein he where the person~~ died for the cost of ~~such burial and headstone.~~ In either case, the board of supervisors of ~~such the~~ respective counties shall audit ~~and pay~~ the account ~~and pay the same~~ from the funds provided for in this chapter in ~~such the~~ manner as other claims are audited and paid.

Sec. 11. Section 250.16, Code 1981, is amended to read as follows:

250.16 MARKERS FOR GRAVES. The county commission of veteran affairs ~~shall, upon the petition of five eligible electors of any township or municipality in their county, procure for and pay~~ furnish to ~~said petitioners~~ some suitable and appropriate metal marker, at a cost not exceeding ~~ten~~ fifteen dollars each, for the grave of each honorably discharged man or woman of the United States, who served in the military or naval forces of the United States during any war, including ~~World War I at any time between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, both dates inclusive, World War II at any time between December 7, 1941, and December 31, 1946, both dates inclusive,~~ the Korean Conflict at any time between June 25, 1950, and January 31, 1955, both dates inclusive, and including the Vietnam Conflict at any time between August 5, 1964, and May 7, 1975, both dates inclusive, who is buried within the limits of ~~said the~~ township or municipality, to be placed at the individual's grave to permanently mark and designate ~~said the~~ grave for memorial purposes. The expenses thereof shall be paid from any funds raised as provided in this chapter.

Sec. 12. Sections 35.12, 35A.10, 250.14 and 250.21 are repealed.

DELWYN STROMER
Speaker of the House

TERRY E. BRANSTAD
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 769, Sixty-ninth General Assembly.

PAT H. HARPER
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved 5/5, 1981

ROBERT D. RAY
Governor