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APPROPRIATIONS

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act providing for the development of a site analysis and  
2 preliminary plan for the construction of a state veterans  
3 cemetery and making an appropriation.

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

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HF 2257

1 Section 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of  
2 the state to the commission of veterans affairs for the fiscal  
3 year beginning July 1, 1998, and ending June 30, 1999, the  
4 following amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to  
5 be used for the purposes designated:

6 For a site analysis and preliminary plan for the  
7 construction of a state veterans cemetery:  
8 ..... \$ 35,000

9 The funds appropriated shall be utilized by the commission  
10 to identify potential location sites for a state veterans  
11 cemetery, to conduct a site analysis regarding suitability of  
12 the locations identified for a state veterans cemetery, and to  
13 develop a preliminary plan regarding the size, configuration,  
14 and landscaping of a state veterans cemetery, and the  
15 classifications of veterans intended for burial in the  
16 cemetery. The plan shall also address coordination of the  
17 operation of a state veterans cemetery with the interment of  
18 honorably discharged individuals by the respective county  
19 commissions of veterans affairs pursuant to section 35B.13.  
20 The commission shall submit a report of its findings and  
21 recommendations to the general assembly by January 1, 2000.

22 EXPLANATION

23 This bill appropriates \$35,000 from the general fund of the  
24 state to the commission of veterans affairs for the fiscal  
25 year beginning July 1, 1998, and ending June 30, 1999, for the  
26 development of a site analysis and preliminary plan for the  
27 construction of a state veterans cemetery. The bill provides  
28 that the appropriated funds shall be utilized by the  
29 commission to identify potential location sites for a state  
30 veterans cemetery and conduct a site analysis regarding their  
31 suitability, and to develop a preliminary plan regarding the  
32 size, configuration, and landscaping of a state veterans  
33 cemetery, and the classifications of veterans intended for  
34 burial in the cemetery. The bill provides that the plan shall  
35 address coordination of the operation of a state veterans

1 cemetery with the interment of honorably discharged  
2 individuals by the respective county commissions of veterans  
3 affairs. The bill additionally provides that the commission  
4 shall submit a report of its findings and recommendations to  
5 the general assembly by January 1, 2000.

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