RULES & ADMINISTRATION

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| 1  | SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.                       |
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| 2  | BY KIBBIE and DRAKE                                    |
| 3  | A Resolution requesting the establishment of standing  |
| 4  | Senate and House subcommittees on veterans affairs.    |
| 5  | WHEREAS, approximately 280,000 veterans reside in      |
| 6  | the State of Iowa; and                                 |
| 7  | WHEREAS, important public policy issues relating to    |
| 8  | veterans are often considered and acted upon by state  |
| 9  | legislatures; and                                      |
| 10 | WHEREAS, the current procedures require that the       |
| 11 | Iowa veterans council and the commission of veterans   |
| 12 | affairs, in cooperation with one another, present      |
| 13 | veterans' issues to legislative committees which are   |
| 14 | often unfamiliar with the specific problems and needs  |
| 15 | of Iowa veterans; and                                  |
| 16 | WHEREAS, 30 other states have established              |
| 17 | legislative committees to address public policy issues |
| 18 | relating to veterans; NOW THEREFORE,                   |
| 19 | BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF             |
| 20 | REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That, to facilitate        |
| 21 | consideration of public policy issues relating to      |
| 22 | Iowa's veterans, the chairpersons of the Senate and    |
| 23 | House standing committees on State Government are      |
| 24 | requested to establish standing subcommittees on       |
| 25 | veterans affairs and to allow the subcommittees to     |
| 26 | meet jointly to review veterans issues.                |
| 27 | BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Rules and             |
| 28 | Administration Committee of the Senate is requested to |
| 29 | consider recommending to the Senate a change to the    |
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1 permanent Senate subcommittee on veterans affairs
2 within the State Government standing committee.
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