SENATE FILE 2045 BY BOWMAN

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act exempting certain military personnel and veterans from a
- 2 requirement to complete a hunter safety and ethics education
- 3 course before obtaining a hunting license.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 483A.27, subsection 5, Code 2011, is 2 amended to read as follows: 5. a. An officer of the department or a certified 3 4 instructor may issue a certificate to a person who has not 5 completed the hunter safety and ethics education course but 6 meets the criteria established by the commission. b. An officer of the department shall issue a certificate 7 8 to a person who has not completed the hunter safety and ethics 9 education course if the person demonstrates to the officer, 10 pursuant to rules adopted by the commission under chapter 17A, 11 that the person meets either of the following criteria: 12 (1) The person is a member of the armed forces of the United 13 States who is serving on active duty and has passed a weapons 14 proficiency test. 15 (2) The person served in the armed forces of the United 16 States at any time, was discharged under honorable conditions, 17 and passed a weapons proficiency test. EXPLANATION 18 This bill amends Code section 483A.27 to require an officer 19 20 of the department of natural resources to issue a certificate 21 of completion of the hunter safety and ethics education course, 22 which is required to obtain a hunting license, to a person who 23 demonstrates to the officer, as provided in rules adopted under 24 Code chapter 17A, either that the person is a member of the 25 armed forces of the United States on active duty who has passed 26 a weapons proficiency test, or that the person formerly served 27 in the armed forces, was discharged under honorable conditions, 28 and passed a weapons proficiency test.

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