## House File 374 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 374 BY JACOBY

## A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act establishing a gold panning permit available to
- veterans, and making penalties applicable.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 461A.31B Gold panning.
- 2 The commission shall establish a gold panning permit
- 3 available to a person who has served in the armed forces of the
- 4 United States on active federal service and who was honorably
- 5 discharged. A permit issued under this section authorizes the
- 6 permit holder to pan for gold in public waters of the state.
- 7 The permit shall include an explanation of any restrictions
- 8 relating to authorized panning locations and the removal of
- 9 materials. A violation of the terms of a permit shall be
- 10 considered a violation of section 461A.35.
- 11 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 14 This bill establishes a gold panning permit available to a
- 15 person who has served in the armed forces of the United States
- 16 on active federal service and who was honorably discharged.
- 17 The gold panning permit authorizes the veteran to pan for
- 18 gold in public waters of the state. The permit shall include
- 19 an explanation of any restrictions relating to authorized
- 20 panning locations and the removal of materials. A violation
- 21 of the terms of a permit shall be considered a violation of
- 22 Code section 461A.35 (prohibited destructive acts), which is a
- 23 simple misdemeanor punishable by a scheduled fine of \$70.