

Chapter 35A, Code of Iowa, provides for a Department of Veterans Affairs. The department consists of five commissioners, a director and an administrative staff. The department maintains information and data concerning the military service records of Iowa veterans, assists County Commissions of Veterans Affairs pursuant to Chapter 250, conducts two annual service schools for county commissioners, administers War Orphans Educational Aid (Chapter 35), annually evaluates the Iowa Veterans Home, assists the Veterans Administration Regional Office and V. A. medical centers by providing information concerning veterans service records, administers Graves Registration Records of deceased Iowa veterans and other administration on records requested by chartered service organizations.

The Bonus Board was repealed by the first session of the 68th General Assembly.

State Armory Board

Appointed by the governor

MG ROBERT W. GILBERT, chair, Des Moines
BG WARREN G. LAWSON, Grimes
BG RICHARD GEITH, Ottumwa
COL. CHARLES P. DOYLE, Fort Dodge
COL. HAROLD M. THOMPSON, Granger
LTC ROBERT L. SENTMAN, Oxford
DEL VAN HORN, Jefferson

Section 29A.57, Code of Iowa, provides the authority, powers and responsibilities of the board. The adjutant general serves as chairman of the board. The powers and responsibilities of the board include: (1) procurement of land or real estate for location or construction of armories, facilities and outdoor training sites; (2) administer federal and state funds assigned for construction and maintenance of armories and facilities, and coordinate utilization of armories and facilities as required for the administration, training and support of the National Guard.