

CHAPTER 1080

NATURAL GAS PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION — LAND RESTORATION

H.F. 2247

AN ACT relating to land restoration requirements for interstate natural gas pipeline construction projects.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 479A.14, subsection 12, Code Supplement 1999, is amended by striking the subsection.

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CHAPTER 1081

OPERATION RECOGNITION PROGRAM — WORLD WAR II VETERANS

H.F. 2280

AN ACT requiring the director of the department of education to develop and administer an operation recognition program.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 256.9, Code Supplement 1999, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 49. Develop and administer, with the cooperation of the commission of veterans affairs, a program which shall be known as "operation recognition". The purpose of the program is to award high school diplomas to World War II veterans who left high school prior to graduation to enter United States military service. The department and the commission shall jointly develop an application procedure, distribute applications, and publicize the program to school districts, accredited nonpublic schools, county commissions of veterans affairs, veterans organizations, and state, regional, and local media. All honorably discharged World War II veterans who are residents or former residents of the state, who served between September 16, 1940, and December 31, 1946, and who did not return to school and complete their education after the war shall be eligible to receive a diploma. Diplomas may be issued posthumously. Upon approval of an application, the department shall issue an honorary high school diploma for an eligible veteran. The diploma shall indicate the veteran's school of attendance. The department and the commission shall work together to provide school districts, schools, communities, and county commissions of veterans affairs with information about hosting a diploma ceremony on or around Veterans Day. The diploma shall be mailed to the veteran or, if the veteran is deceased, to the veteran's family.

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