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COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act revising and making appropriations involving veterans
2 programs for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005, and
3 providing an effective date.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. 2005 Iowa Acts, chapter 169, section 2,
2 subsection 4, is amended by adding the following new
3 unnumbered paragraph:

4 NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. Notwithstanding section 8.33,
5 moneys appropriated in this subsection that remain
6 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal year
7 shall not revert but shall remain available for expenditure
8 for the purposes designated until the close of the succeeding
9 fiscal year.

10 Sec. 2. 2005 Iowa Acts, chapter 175, section 4, subsection
11 2, is amended to read as follows:

12 2. IOWA VETERANS HOME

13 For salaries, support, maintenance, miscellaneous purposes,
14 and for not more than the following full-time equivalent
15 positions:

16	\$ 16,309,443
17	<u>13,309,443</u>
18	FTEs 855.22

19 It is the intent of the general assembly to appropriate at
20 least \$3,000,000 in funding from the rebuild Iowa
21 infrastructure fund to support necessary projects at the Iowa
22 veterans home.

23 Sec. 3. 2005 Iowa Acts, chapter 175, section 4, is amended
24 by adding the following new subsections:

25 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. VETERANS APPRECIATION PROGRAM

26 For implementation of a new veterans appreciation program,
27 contingent upon enactment of law by the Eighty-first General
28 Assembly, 2006 Session, codifying the new program requirements
29 in chapter 35A, for providing hardship grants to military
30 veterans seriously injured in a combat zone since September
31 11, 2001:

32	\$ 1,000,000
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33 If the general assembly enacts law codifying a new fund or
34 other requirements for the new program for which the
35 appropriation is made in this subsection, then notwithstanding

1 section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this subsection that
2 remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal
3 year shall not revert but shall remain available for
4 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the
5 succeeding fiscal year. However, if the general assembly does
6 not enact such law, the appropriation made in this subsection
7 shall revert as provided in section 8.33.

8 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. HOME OWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

9 For transfer to the Iowa finance authority to be used for
10 continuation of the home ownership assistance program for
11 persons who are or were eligible members of the armed forces
12 of the United States, implemented pursuant to 2003 Iowa Acts,
13 chapter 179, section 21, subsection 5, as amended by 2005 Iowa
14 Acts, chapter 161, section 1, and chapter 115, section 37:

15 \$ 2,000,000

16 a. The Iowa finance authority shall give priority to
17 processing the applications for assistance received after the
18 original allotment of funding for the program was exhausted.

19 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in
20 this subsection that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
21 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
22 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until
23 the close of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007.

24 Sec. 4. 2003 Iowa Acts, chapter 179, section 21,
25 subsection 5, as enacted by 2005 Iowa Acts, chapter 161,
26 section 1, and amended by 2005 Iowa Acts, chapter 115, section
27 37, is amended to read as follows:

28 5. The remainder of the funds appropriated in this section
29 are transferred to the Iowa finance authority to be used for a
30 home ownership assistance program for persons who are eligible
31 members of the armed forces of the United States. In the
32 event an eligible member is deceased, the surviving spouse of
33 the eligible member shall be eligible for a loan under the
34 program, subject to the surviving spouse meeting the program's
35 eligibility requirements other than the military service

1 requirement. For the purposes of this subsection, "eligible
2 member of the armed forces of the United States" means a
3 resident of this state who is or was a member of the national
4 guard, reserve, or regular component of the armed forces of
5 the United States who has served at least ninety days of
6 active duty service during the period beginning September 11,
7 2001, and ending June 30, ~~2006~~ 2007.

8 Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
9 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

10 EXPLANATION

11 This bill revises and makes appropriations involving
12 veterans programs for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005.

13 The bill provides that the unexpended or unobligated
14 portion of an appropriation made to the college student aid
15 commission in 2005 Iowa Acts, chapter 169, for purposes of the
16 national guard educational assistance program does not revert
17 at the close of the fiscal year but remains available for
18 expenditure for the program in the succeeding fiscal year.

19 The bill reduces an appropriation made to the Iowa veterans
20 home in 2005 Iowa Acts, chapter 175, by \$3 million and makes
21 new appropriations for other veterans programs in an amount
22 equivalent to the reduction.

23 The bill includes legislative intent to appropriate at
24 least \$3 million in funding from the rebuild Iowa
25 infrastructure fund to support necessary projects at the Iowa
26 veterans home.

27 The first new appropriation is for a new veterans
28 appreciation program for military veterans seriously injured
29 in a combat zone since September 11, 2001. This appropriation
30 is contingent upon enactment of new law codifying the new
31 program requirements. The bill also provides nonreversion
32 authority contingent upon enactment of the codified
33 provisions.

34 The other new appropriation is required to be transferred
35 to the Iowa finance authority to continue a home ownership

1 assistance program for persons who are or were eligible
2 members of the armed forces of the United States. This
3 appropriation does not revert until the close of fiscal year
4 2007-2008.

5 The bill also amends session law to extend the eligibility
6 period of the home ownership program by one year to June 30,
7 2007.

8 The bill takes effect upon enactment.

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