

Amendments to House Bill No. 294
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For the House State Administration Committee

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1. Title, line 6.

Following: "CRITERIA"

Insert: "PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION;"

2. Page 1, line 15.

Following: line 14

Insert: "(1) "Board" means the board of veterans' affairs
created in 2-15-1205."

Renumber: subsequent subsections

3. Page 1, line 17.

Strike: subsection (2) in its entirety

Renumber: subsequent subsections

4. Page 1, line 23.

Following: "(6)"

Insert: "(a)"

5. Page 1, lines 24 and 25.

Following: "forces" on line 24

Strike: "in Iraq or Afghanistan or overseas in a related theater
of conflict"

Following: "who" on line 24

Strike: "is not"

Insert: "was"

Following: "for" on line 24

Strike: remainder of line 24 through "redeployment" on line 25

Insert: "special pay for imminent danger"

Following: "redeployment." on line 25

Insert: "The term includes an individual who is a member of the
ready reserve."

6. Page 1, line 26.

Following: line 25

Insert: "(b) The term does not include an individual who is
still on active status in the reserve component of the armed
forces."

7. Page 1, line 27.

Strike: "department"

Insert: "board"

8. Page 1, line 28 through page 2, line 5.

Following: "implement" on page 1, line 28

Strike: remainder of line 28 through "years" on page 2, line 5

Insert: "[sections 1 through 4]"

9. Page 2, lines 6 through 28.

Strike: subsections (2) through (6) in their entirety

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(3) Subject to available funding, if the veteran meets the eligibility requirements in [section 4], the board shall pay to the veteran a scholarship amount that is equal to the tuition and fees paid by the veteran for the previous semester. Scholarships must be awarded, as funding allows, in the order in which applications are received."

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Insert: "board"

11. Page 3, line 4.

Strike: "agency"

12. Page 3, line 7.

Following: "veteran"

Insert: ":

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13. Page 3, line 8.

Strike: ":"

Insert: "during the semester preceding the veteran's application;"

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Insert: "(b)"

Renumber: subsequent subsection

15. Page 3, lines 11 through 17.

Strike: subsections (2) and (3) in their entirety

Renumber: subsequent subsection

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17. Page 3, line 24.

Insert: "NEW SECTION. **Section 5. Appropriation.** There is appropriated from the state general fund to the board of veterans' affairs \$940,333 for the biennium ending June 30, 2009, for the purposes of [sections 1 through 4]."

Renumber: subsequent sections

18. Page 3, line 26.

Strike: "Title 20, chapter 26," in both places

Insert: "Title 10, chapter 2," in both places

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