

LEGISLATIVE BILL 422

Approved by the Governor May 26, 2009

Introduced by Cornett, 45.

FOR AN ACT relating to veterans; to amend section 80-401.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to define veteran of the Global War on Terror; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 80-401.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

80-401.01 For purposes of sections 80-401 to 80-412, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) Recognized veterans organization means the American Legion, the American Ex-Prisoners of War, the Disabled American Veterans, the Military Order of the Purple Heart, the Paralyzed Veterans of America, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, the Vietnam Veterans of America, and any other veterans organization which the Director of Veterans' Affairs determines (a) is recognized by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for claims representation, (b) has a presence in each of this state's congressional districts, and (c) maintains a state headquarters sanctioned by its national organization;

(2) Veteran of the Spanish-American War means a person who served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States between April 21, 1898, and July 4, 1902, or who, being a citizen of the United States at the time of his or her entry into such service, served with the military forces of any government allied with the United States in that war;

(3) Veteran of World War I means a person who served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, or who, being a resident of the United States at the time of his or her entry into such service, served with the military forces of any government allied with the United States in that war;

(4) Veteran of World War II means a person who served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States between December 7, 1941, and December 31, 1946, or who, being a citizen of the United States at the time of his or her entry into such service, served with the military forces of any government allied with the United States in that war;

(5) Veteran of the Korean War means a person who served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States between June 25, 1950, and January 31, 1955, or who, being a citizen of the United States at the time of his or her entry into such service, served with the military forces of any government allied with the United States in that war;

(6) Veteran of the Vietnam War means a person (a) who served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States (i) between August 5, 1964, and May 7, 1975, or (ii) in the Republic of Vietnam between February 28, 1961, and May 7, 1975, and (b) who, being a citizen of the United States at the time of his or her entry into such service, served with the military forces of any government allied with the United States in that war;

(7) Veteran of Lebanon means a person who served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States between August 25, 1982, and February 26, 1984, or who, being a citizen of the United States at the time of his or her entry into such service, served with the military forces of any government allied with the United States in that war;

(8) Veteran of Grenada means a person who served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States between October 23, 1983, and November 23, 1983, or who, being a citizen of the United States at the time of his or her entry into such service, served with the military forces of any government allied with the United States in that war;

(9) Veteran of Panama means a person who served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States between December 20, 1989, and January 31, 1990, or who, being a citizen of the United States at the time of his or her entry into such service, served with the military forces of any government allied with the United States in that war;

(10) Veteran of the Persian Gulf War means a person who served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States beginning on August 2, 1990, and ending on the date thereafter prescribed by presidential proclamation or by law, or who, being a citizen of the United States at the time of his or her entry into such service, served with the military forces of any government allied with the United States in that war;

(11) Veteran of the Global War on Terror means a person who served

on active duty in the armed forces of the United States beginning on September 14, 2001, and ending on the date thereafter prescribed by presidential proclamation or by law, or who, being a citizen of the United States at the time of his or her entry into such service, served with the military forces of any government allied with the United States in that war;

~~(11)~~ (12) Active duty means full-time duty in the armed forces other than active duty for training; and

~~(12)~~ (13) Active duty for training means full-time duty in the armed forces performed by reserves for training purposes.

Sec. 2. Original section 80-401.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.