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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 282

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 282 on page 3,
3 lines 23 to 24, by replacing "State's Attorney's" with "county
4 officer's"; and

5 on page 4, line 2, by replacing "State's Attorney's" with
6 "county or State officer's"; and

7 on page 9, by replacing lines 4 through 11 with the following:

8 "(f) In a county with less than 2,000,000 inhabitants, and
9 only upon receipt of a written request by the superintendent
10 of the county Veterans Assistance Commission for the county in
11 which the State's Attorney is located, the State's Attorney
12 shall have the discretionary authority to render an opinion,
13 without fee or reward, upon any question of law relating to a
14 matter in which the county Veterans Assistance Commission may
15 be concerned. The State's Attorney shall have the discretion

1 to grant or decline such a request."; and

2 on page 14, immediately below line 24, by inserting the
3 following:

4 "Section 10. The Military Veterans Assistance Act is
5 amended by changing Section 10 as follows:

6 (330 ILCS 45/10) (from Ch. 23, par. 3090)

7 Sec. 10. The executive powers of the commission shall be
8 vested in a superintendent elected by the commission from
9 among those who served in the armed forces of the United
10 States. The superintendent, designated Superintendent of
11 Veterans Assistance of the county, shall, under the direction
12 of the commission, have charge of and maintain an office in the
13 county building or other central location, to be used solely
14 by the commission for carrying on its assistance work. The
15 county shall provide the office and furnish all necessary
16 supplies, including telephone, printing, stationery and
17 postage therefor.

18 The county board shall, in any county where a Veterans
19 Assistance Commission is organized, in addition to sums
20 appropriated for assistance and emergency assistance purposes
21 under this Act, appropriate such additional sums, upon
22 recommendation of the Veterans Assistance Commission and as

1 approved by the county board, to properly compensate the
2 officers and employees required to administer such assistance.
3 Such county board approval shall be based upon recognized and
4 established salary guidelines developed by the county and used
5 by the county to compensate county employees. If the county
6 does not have established employee salary guidelines, the
7 county board shall provide funds to the commission to
8 compensate the superintendent and his employees in a just
9 manner. The county board shall also provide funds to the
10 commission to reimburse the superintendent, officers,
11 delegates and employees for certain expenses which are
12 approved by the commission. The superintendent and other
13 employees shall be employees of the Veterans Assistance
14 Commission, and no provision in this Section or elsewhere in
15 this Act shall be construed to mean that they are employees of
16 the county.

17 Superintendents, subject to rules formulated by the
18 commission, shall select, as far as possible, secretaries and
19 other employees from among honorably discharged military
20 veterans as defined in Section 2, or their surviving spouses.

21 In a county with less than 2,000,000 inhabitants, the
22 superintendent may, in conformance with subsection (f) of
23 Section 3-9005 of the Counties Code, request legal assistance
24 from the State's Attorney serving the county in which the
25 Veterans Assistance Commission is located.

26 Superintendents of all counties subject to this Act, when

1 required by the commission, shall give bond in the sum of
2 \$2,000 for the faithful performance of their duties.

3 All persons elected or selected to fill positions provided
4 for in this Section shall be exempt from the operation and
5 provisions of any civil service act or laws of this State, and
6 the secretary of the commission shall be appointed by the
7 superintendent. However, if "The Illinois Public Aid Code", as
8 amended, becomes applicable in any county, the Department of
9 Human Services may exercise the powers therein designated in
10 relation to employees engaged in the administration of
11 assistance under this Act.

12 (Source: P.A. 89-507, eff. 7-1-97.)".