

House Bill 4829

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Committee: Military & Veterans' Affairs

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4829 AS INTRODUCED 5-14-91

The bill would create a new act to require state agencies that administered state or federally funded employment-services or job-training programs to give priority to military personnel who served in a designated U.S. conflict or war and, in some cases, their spouses. Under the bill and to the extent permitted by federal law, special attention and priority for helping to find or prepare for a job would have to be given, in the following order, to a disabled veteran, a conflict era veteran, any other veteran, and any "other eligible person" (which would mean either the spouse of veteran who died of a service-connected disability, or who died while that disability existed, or of a veteran on active duty who was listed--for at least 90 days or more--as being missing in action, captured in the line of duty or forcibly detained or interned in the line of duty by a foreign government or power).

State or federally funded state agencies that provided these services would have to:

- * implement procedures to ensure that agency personnel used respect and courtesy when addressing a veteran;
- * give priority to eligible persons, in the order specified, to provide available employment and job-training services over other candidates for those services; and
- * provide to eligible persons a pamphlet prepared by the Department of Military Affairs (DMA) that identified employment and job-training services and benefits that they could receive through other agencies.

The DMA would have to prepare and make available to each agency subject to the bill's provisions a pamphlet that identified employment and job-training services and benefits available to eligible veterans and their spouses through state or federally funded employment agencies. State agencies subject to the bill's requirements would have to prepare and submit to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Senate Majority Leader an annual written report that showed each employment service or job training service or program provided by that agency to eligible persons, and the procedures the agency used to ensure compliance with the bill.