

HOUSE BILL No. 4829

May 14, 1991, Introduced by Reps. Anthony, DeMars, Owen, Gagliardi, Pitoniak, Bennett, Olshove, Weeks, Gire, Jacobetti, Wozniak, Leland, Byrum, Baade, Wallace, Joe Young, Sr., Profit, Palamara and Dobronski and referred to the Committee on Military and Veterans' Affairs.

A bill to require those state agencies administering a federally or state funded employment services or job training program to give priority to certain veterans; and to impose certain duties upon the department of military affairs.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. As used in this act:

2 (a) "Armed forces" means the army, air force, navy, marine
3 corps, coast guard, or other military forces of the United
4 States, and includes the auxiliary branches of those forces.

5 (b) "Conflict era veteran" means either a veteran as that
6 term is defined at section 1 of Act No. 106 of the Public Acts of
7 1974, being section 35.1001 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, or a
8 veteran of the military conflict in the Persian Gulf beginning
9 August 2, 1990 and designated by the president of the United
10 States as Operation Desert Shield or Operation Desert Storm.

1 (c) "Department" means the department of military affairs.

2 (d) "Disabled veteran" means a veteran who has a service
3 connected disability.

4 (e) "Employment services" means assistance in finding
5 employment.

6 (f) "Other eligible person" means any of the following:

7 (i) The spouse of a veteran who died of a service connected
8 disability, or who died while that disability was in existence.

9 (ii) A person seeking services from a state agency described
10 in section 2 who is the spouse of a person in the armed forces,
11 if that person in the armed forces is on active duty, and is
12 listed pursuant to section 556 of chapter 10 of title 37 of the
13 United States Code, 37 U.S.C. 556, as being 1 or more of the fol-
14 lowing for a total of 90 or more days:

15 (A) Missing in action.

16 (B) Captured in the line of duty by a hostile force.

17 (C) Forcibly detained or interned in the line of duty by a
18 foreign government or power.

19 (g) "Veteran" means that term as defined in section 1 of Act
20 No. 106 of the Public Acts of 1974.

21 Sec. 2. A state agency that administers a federally or
22 state funded employment services or job training program shall,
23 to the extent permitted by federal law and in the manner
24 described in section 3, give priority to a program or service
25 candidate who is any of the following, in the following order of
26 priority:

1 (a) A disabled veteran.

2 (b) A conflict era veteran.

3 (c) Any other veteran.

4 (d) Any other eligible person.

5 Sec. 3. Each state agency that administers employment serv-
6 ices or job training services as described in section 2 shall do
7 each of the following:

8 (a) Implement procedures to ensure that agency personnel
9 employ respect and courtesy when addressing a veteran.

10 (b) Provide to persons described in section 2, in the order
11 of priority stated in section 2, priority in employment services
12 and job training services available from that agency over other
13 candidates for those services.

14 (c) Provide to a person described in section 2 a pamphlet
15 prepared by the department that identifies employment services
16 and job training benefits and services available to that person
17 through other agencies.

18 Sec. 4. The department shall prepare and make available to
19 each agency subject to this act a pamphlet that identifies
20 employment services and job training benefits and services avail-
21 able to persons identified in section 2 through agencies that
22 administer federally or state funded employment services or job
23 training programs in this state.

24 Sec. 5. Each state agency that provides employment services
25 or job training services to a person described in section 2 shall
26 prepare and submit to the speaker of the house of representatives

1 and the majority leader of the senate an annual written report
2 identifying each of the following:

3 (a) Each employment service or job training service or pro-
4 gram provided by that agency to persons described in section 2.

5 (b) The procedures employed by that agency to ensure compli-
6 ance with this act.