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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the definition of veteran for purposes of
2 the military service property tax exemption.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 426A.11, subsection 4, Code 2011, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 4. For purposes of this chapter, unless the context
4 otherwise requires, "veteran" also means a any of the following:

5 a. A resident of this state who is a former member of the
6 armed forces of the United States and who served for a minimum
7 aggregate of eighteen months and who was discharged under
8 honorable conditions. However, "veteran" also means a resident
9 of this state who is a former member of the armed forces of
10 the United States and who, after serving fewer than eighteen
11 months, was honorably discharged because of a service-related
12 injury sustained by the veteran.

13 b. A resident of this state who is a former member of the
14 national guard who served on active federal service, other than
15 training, in an area designated by the president of the United
16 States or the United States Congress as a combat zone or as
17 a qualified hazardous duty area, or who deployed outside the
18 United States away from the member's permanent duty station
19 while participating in an operation designated by the United
20 States secretary of defense as a contingency operation as
21 defined in 10 U.S.C. § 101(a)(13), and who was discharged under
22 honorable conditions.

23 Sec. 2. IMPLEMENTATION. Section 25B.7 does not apply to
24 this Act.

25 EXPLANATION

26 This bill amends the definition of veteran for purposes
27 of the military service property tax exemption to include a
28 resident of this state who is a former member of the national
29 guard who served on active federal service, other than
30 training, in an area designated by the president of the United
31 States or the United States Congress as a combat zone or as
32 a qualified hazardous duty area, or who deployed outside the
33 United States away from the member's permanent duty station
34 while participating in an operation designated by the United
35 States secretary of defense as a contingency operation, as

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1 defined in federal law, and who was discharged under honorable
2 conditions.

3 The bill provides that the requirement for fully funding tax
4 exemptions by the state does not apply to the bill.