

AN ACT

ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions relating to the veterans' preference in employment.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1. That § 3-3-1 be amended to read as follows:

3-3-1. In all public departments and subdivisions and upon all public works of this state and of the counties, municipalities, and school districts of this state, any veteran, as defined in § 33A-2-1, who is a citizen of the United States, shall receive preference for appointment, employment, and promotion. Age, loss of limb, or other physical impairment which does not in fact incapacitate does not disqualify the veteran if the veteran possesses the qualifications and business capacity necessary to discharge the duties of the position involved. A veteran who has a service-connected disability shall be given a preference over a nondisabled veteran. In order to determine if the veterans' preference applies, each applicant for employment under this chapter shall complete an employment application on which the applicant is asked if the applicant is a veteran as defined by § 33A-2-1.

Section 2. That § 3-3-2 be amended to read as follows:

3-3-2. If a veteran as defined in § 33A-2-1 applies for appointment for employment under this chapter, the officer, board, or person whose duty it is to appoint or employ some person to fill the position shall investigate the qualifications of the applicant. If the applicant possesses at least the minimum qualifications necessary to fill the position, the officer, board, or person shall interview the applicant.

Section 3. That chapter 3-3 be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:

Beginning on July 1, 2016, the Department of Veterans Affairs shall coordinate with the Veterans Commission and the South Dakota Veterans Council to create informative materials about current state laws pertaining to veterans' preference in employment to be both posted on the Department of Veterans Affairs website for public access and for distribution by the council and its

member organizations.

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I certify that the attached Act originated in the

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President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

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