## DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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For this draft, I have included an appropriation but have specified "\$-0-" for expenditure in fiscal years 1999–00 and 2000–01. The department of veterans affairs provided me with the estimated costs of the two staff persons needed to administer the program (\$125,000 annually), but no estimate as to the amount needed for payments to the local veteran's groups. When you know the dollar amounts that you need to include in the proposal, contact me and I will either redraft the proposal or draft an amendment, whichever is appropriate.

Please note, however, that s. 16.47 (2), stats., states that neither house may pass any bill containing an appropriation, increasing the cost of state government or decreasing state revenues by more than \$10,000 annually until both houses pass the executive budget bill, except that the governor or joint committee on finance or, under certain circumstances, the committee on organization of either house may enact emergency appropriation bills prior to the passage of the executive budget bill. Note that, if this bill is introduced and enacted as an emergency measure prior to passage of the budget, the appropriation set forth in this bill will be repealed by action of the budget bill (which repeals and recreates the appropriations schedule). You may instead wish to consider having this bill drafted as an amendment to the budget bill to include the correct appropriation line amount. Alternatively, you may wish to include an effective date that is later than the projected date for passage of the budget bill. Finally, you may instead wish to introduce this bill for potential passage after the passage of the budget bill. If you choose this option, please check with me after budget passage to ensure that the cross-references in this bill are still accurate and that the numbers for created statutes in the bill have not been supplanted by the budget bill.

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