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A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to veterans aid; to amend section 80-403,

2   Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change

3   provisions relating to an application for relief; and to

4   repeal the original section.

5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

 1   Section 1. Section 80-403, Reissue Revised Statutes of

 2   Nebraska, is amended to read:

 3   80-403 (1) All money disbursed through the Director of

 4   Veterans' Affairs shall be expended by him or her in furnishing

 5   food, shelter, fuel, wearing apparel, or medical or surgical aid or

 6   in assisting with the funeral expenses of discharged veterans who

 7   come within one of the classes described in subsection (2) or (3)

 8   of this section.

 9   (2) Such aid shall be provided upon application to

10   veterans as defined in section 80-401.03, their widows, widowers,

11   spouses, and their children age eighteen or younger or until age

12   twenty-three if attending school full time, and at any age if the

13   child was permanently incapable of self-support at age eighteen

14   (a) who are legal residents of this state on the date of such

15   application and (b) who may be in need of such aid.

16   (3) In cases in which an eligible veteran or widow or

17   widower dies leaving no next of kin ~~eligible~~ to apply for payment

18   of expenses of last illness and burial, a recognized veterans

19   organization <u>or a county veterans service officer </u>may apply, on

20   behalf of the deceased, for assistance in paying such expenses. All

21   such payments shall be made by the director. There may be expended,

22   for purposes other than those set forth in this section, such sum

23   or sums as may be specifically appropriated by the Legislature for

24   such purposes.

25   Sec. 2. Original section 80-403, Reissue Revised Statutes

1   of Nebraska, is repealed.