## ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB52

Hearing Date: Thursday January 22, 2009

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer: Fischer

One Liner: Change employment qualifications relating to county veterans service offices

## **Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Avery, Giese, Janssen, Karpisek, Pahls, Pirsch, Price, Sullivan

Nay: Absent:

**Present Not Voting:** 

Proponents:Representing:Senator Deb FischerIntroducer

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 52 changes the employment qualifications for county veteran service offices.

County veteran service officers and members of the county veterans service committees will be required to have served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States. Current law requires these employees to have served during a time of conflict as defined in section 80-401.01.

All personnel, except clerical and special help, of the county veterans service offices will be required to have served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States and have received an honorable discharge. Current law requires them to have served during a time of conflict and have received discharge of general (under honorable conditions).

## **Explanation of amendments:**

The committee amendment changes the qualifications for personnel, except clerical and special help, of the county veterans service offices to allow such persons to be discharged or otherwise separated with a characterization of general (under honorable conditions). This is the current job qualification for these positions, and the committee amendment reinstates that qualification.

Bill Avery, Chairperson