

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 837 as follows:

1.2 Page 1, delete section 1 and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2023 Supplement, section 190.19, subdivision 2a, is
1.4 amended to read:

1.5 Subd. 2a. **Uses; veterans.** (a) Money appropriated to the Department of Veterans Affairs
1.6 from the Minnesota "Support Our Troops" account may be used for:

1.7 (1) grants to veterans service organizations;

1.8 (2) outreach to underserved veterans;

1.9 (3) providing services and programs for veterans and their families;

1.10 (4) transfers to the driver and vehicle services operating account for Gold Star license
1.11 plates under section 168.1253;

1.12 (5) grants of up to \$100,000 to any organization approved by the commissioner of
1.13 veterans affairs for the purpose of supporting and improving the lives of veterans and their
1.14 families;

1.15 (6) grants to an eligible foundation; and

1.16 (7) the agency's uncompensated burial costs for eligible dependents to whom the
1.17 commissioner grants a no-fee or reduced-fee burial in the state's veteran cemeteries pursuant
1.18 to section 197.236, subdivision 9, paragraph (b).

1.19 (b) For purposes of this subdivision, "eligible foundation" includes any organization
1.20 that:

1.21 (1) is a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

2.1 (2) is a nonprofit corporation under chapter 317A and the organization's articles of
2.2 incorporation specify that a purpose of the organization includes: (i) providing assistance
2.3 to veterans and their families; or (ii) enhancing the lives of veterans and their families.

2.4 **EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2025.**

2.5 Page 2, after line 17, insert:

2.6 **"EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2025."**

2.7 Page 2, after line 17, insert:

2.8 "Sec. 3. **BASE INCREASE; STATE'S VETERANS CEMETERIES.**

2.9 The general fund base for the Department of Veterans Affairs, state's veterans cemeteries,
2.10 is increased by \$376,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$410,000 in fiscal year 2027."