



97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2011 and 2012

HB4007

Introduced 1/18/2012, by Rep. Michael P. McAuliffe

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 2805/2.02b new

Amends the Department of Veterans Affairs Act. Provides that any natural father, natural mother, mother through adoption, father through adoption, or spouse of a veteran killed in the line of duty, (also known as a Gold Star Family member) deemed eligible for per diem payments by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs who was a resident of the State of Illinois for a continuous period of one year immediately before making application is entitled to admission to any of the Illinois Veterans Homes should vacant beds exist. Further provides that preference for filling vacant beds or for filling vacant beds from a waiting list shall be granted first to eligible veterans. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Department of Veterans Affairs Act is
5 amended by adding Section 2.02b as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 2805/2.02b new)

7 Sec. 2.02b. Gold Star Family. Any natural father, natural
8 mother, mother through adoption, father through adoption, or
9 spouse of a veteran killed in the line of duty, (also known as
10 a Gold Star Family member) deemed eligible for per diem
11 payments by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs
12 who was a resident of the State of Illinois for a continuous
13 period of one year immediately before making application is
14 entitled to admission to any of the Illinois Veterans Homes
15 should vacant beds exist. Preference for filling vacant beds or
16 for filling vacant beds from a waiting list shall be granted
17 first to eligible veterans.

18 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
19 becoming law.