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## Military Funeral Honors Eligibility (Veterans Affairs)

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## **CURRENT LAW**

The Department of Veterans Affairs administers a program that coordinates the provision of military honors details at funerals of deceased veterans and to deceased persons who have served under honorable conditions in any national guard or in a reserve component of the U.S. armed forces.

## GOVERNOR

Modify provisions related to the eligibility for military funeral honors to specify that the following persons would be eligible: (a) military personnel on active duty; (b) former military members who served on active duty and were discharged under conditions other than dishonorable; (c) members of the selective service; (d) former members of the selected reserve and national guard who served at least one term of enlistment or period of initial obligated service and were discharged under conditions other than dishonorable; and (e) former members of the selected reserve of the selected reserve duty and were discharged due to a service-connected disability.

## **MODIFICATION**

Modify "e" above to add "or for a disability subsequently adjudicated to have been service connected."

**Explanation:** The Department of Administration indicates that the modification was the administration's intent.

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