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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETIETH SESSION

H. F. No. 2276

- 03/09/2017 Authored by Poston, Torkelson, Dettmer, Rosenthal, Zerwas and others  
The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Veterans Affairs Division
- 03/13/2017 Adoption of Report: Placed on the General Register  
Read for the Second Time
- 05/09/2017 Referred to the Chief Clerk for Comparison with S. F. No. 1703
- 05/10/2017 Postponed Indefinitely

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to veterans; designating July 16 as Atomic Veterans Day; proposing coding

1.3 for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 10.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. **[10.583] ATOMIC VETERANS DAY.**

1.6 July 16 is designated as Atomic Veterans Day in honor of the veterans of the United

1.7 States armed forces who, in the exercise of their duties or in the course of their service,

1.8 were exposed to a radiation exposure and contamination event. The honored veterans include

1.9 those who are designated by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs as "Atomic

1.10 Veterans" for service as part of the occupation forces assigned to, or who were prisoners

1.11 of war housed near, Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan, after the detonation of atomic bombs

1.12 over those cities. The honored veterans include those who were involved in radiation exposure

1.13 events, including post-test events related to nuclear weapon devices detonated underground

1.14 or in shafts or whose duties involved regular use of radiation-producing equipment or

1.15 processes, such as power plant technicians aboard nuclear-powered aircraft carriers and

1.16 submarines, x-ray technicians, and those assigned to the Enewetak Atoll radiation cleanup

1.17 projects.

1.18 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.