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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Veterans Affairs Division

A bill for an act

relating to veterans; modifying disabled veteran's credit and definition of disabled veteran for purposes of the veteran's preference; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 197.455, subdivisions 5, 6.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 197.455, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Disabled veteran's credit.** There shall be added to the competitive open examination rating of a disabled veteran, who so elects, a credit of ~~15~~ 20 points provided that the veteran obtained a passing rating on the examination without the addition of the credit points. There shall be added to the competitive promotional examination rating of a disabled veteran, who so elects, a credit of ~~five~~ 20 points provided that (1) the veteran obtained a passing rating on the examination without the addition of the credit points; and (2) the veteran is applying for a first promotion after securing public employment.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 197.455, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. **Disabled veteran; definitions.** For the purpose of the preference to be used in securing appointment from a competitive open examination, "disabled veteran" means a person who has a 30 percent or greater compensable service-connected disability as adjudicated by the United States Veterans Administration, or by the retirement board of one of the several branches of the armed forces, which disability is existing at the time preference is claimed. For purposes of the preference to be used in securing appointment from a competitive promotional examination, "disabled veteran" means a person who, at the time of election to use a promotional preference, is entitled to disability

- 2.1 compensation under laws administered by the Veterans Administration for a permanent
- 2.2 service-connected disability rated at ~~50~~ 30 percent or more.