SENATE STATE OF MINNESOTA EIGHTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

S.F. No. 1599

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01/30/2012	3667	Introduction and first reading
		Referred to State Government Innovation and Veterans
02/02/2012	3697	Comm report: To pass and re-referred to Jobs and Economic Growth
02/15/2012	3809	Comm report: To pass
	3812	Second reading
03/01/2012	4081	Special Order
	4083	Third reading Passed
04/17/2012	5874	Returned from House
		Presentment date 04/17/12
04/20/2012	5964	Governor's action Approval 04/18/12
	5965	Secretary of State Chapter 186 04/18/12
		Effective date 08/01/12

1.1	A bill for an act
1.2	relating to veterans affairs; permitting a preference for private employers to hire
1.3	and promote veterans; permitting a preference for private employers to hire and
1.4	promote the spouse of a disabled or deceased veteran; proposing coding for new
1.5	law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 197.
1.6	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. [197.4551] PERMISSIVE PREFERENCE FOR VETERANS IN PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT.

Subdivision 1. Preference permitted. A private, nonpublic employer may grant preference to a veteran in hiring and promotion.

Subd. 2. Preference for spouse of disabled or deceased veteran; definition. A private, nonpublic employer may grant preference in hiring and promotion to a spouse of a disabled veteran who has a service-connected permanent and total disability and to a surviving spouse of a deceased veteran. "Disabled veteran" in this subdivision means a person who has had a 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.

Subd. 3. **Equal employment opportunity law.** Granting preference under subdivision 1 or 2 does not violate any local or state equal employment opportunity law, including, but not limited to, chapter 363A.

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