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## State of Minnesota

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A bill for an act

relating to arts and cultural heritage; appropriating money for veteran retreats.

NINETY-FOURTH SESSION

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Authored by Bliss The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Legacy Finance

1.3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
1.4	Section 1. APPROPRIATION; CAMP BLISS.
1.5	Subdivision 1. Grant program; eligibility; reimbursement requirements. (a) The
1.6	commissioner of administration must issue a grant to Independent Lifestyles, Inc., for
1.7	expenses related to retreats for eligible veterans and their family members at Camp Bliss
1.8	in Walker.
1.9	(b) The grant recipient may use grant money to:
1.10	(1) provide therapy, transportation, and activities customized for eligible veterans and
1.11	their family members; and
1.12	(2) perform general maintenance of the camp.
1.13	(c) The commissioner must reimburse the grant recipient at least \$850 for each eligible
1.14	veteran or family member who the commissioner verifies attended the camp and received
1.15	services from the grant recipient. The commissioner must disburse money to the grant
1.16	recipient for up to two visits per year to the camp for each eligible veteran or family member.
1.17	Subd. 2. Definitions. (a) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the
1.18	meanings given.
1.19	(b) "Eligible veteran" means a person who is:

Section 1. 1

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2.1	(1) a former armed forces service member who has a DD-214 or other official document
2.2	from the official military personnel file of the veteran that describes the honorable service
2.3	of the veteran; or
2.4	(2) a current armed forces member, whether serving in the active or reserve component.
2.5	(c) "Family member" means an eligible veteran's spouse, domestic partner, or child.
2.6	Subd. 3. Appropriation. \$150,000 in fiscal year 2026 and \$150,000 in fiscal year 2027
2.7	are appropriated from the arts and cultural heritage fund to the commissioner of
2.8	administration for the grant described in subdivision 1, paragraph (a).

Section 1. 2