

CHAPTER 198

VETERANS HOME

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198.022 ELIGIBILITY OF SPOUSES AND SURVIVING SPOUSES.

The board is authorized to admit eligible spouses of those veterans who are or if living would be, eligible for admission to the homes.

(1) Except as provided in section 198.03, all applicants for admission to one of the Minnesota veterans homes must be without adequate means of support and unable by reason of wounds, disease, old age, or infirmity to properly maintain themselves.

(2) Veterans must have served in a Minnesota regiment or have been credited to the state of Minnesota, or have been a resident of the state in accordance with board rules preceding the date of application for admission.

(3) Spouses and surviving spouses of eligible veterans must be at least 55 years of age, have been residents of the state of Minnesota in accordance with board rules preceding the date of application for admission, and meet the criteria for admission to a home established in the rules of the home in accordance with this chapter and the applicable statutes and rules of the department of health.

History: 1993 c 103 s 1

198.16 DONATIONS; GENERAL PURPOSES.

The board is authorized to accept on behalf of the state any gift, grant, bequest, or devise made for the purposes of this chapter, and administer the same as directed by the donor. All proceeds therefrom including money derived from the sale of any real or personal property shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the Minnesota veterans home endowment, bequest, and devises fund. Said fund shall consist of two accounts, one of which shall include any trusts prescribed by the donor, the other shall include any currently expendable proceeds. Money in the fund is appropriated to the board for the purposes for which it was received. Disbursements from this fund shall be made in the manner provided for the issuance of other state warrants.

Whenever the board shall deem it advisable, in accordance with law, to sell or otherwise dispose of any real or personal property thus acquired, the commissioner of administration upon the request of the board shall sell or otherwise dispose of said property in the manner provided by law for the sale or disposition of other state property by the commissioner of administration.

History: 1993 c 192 s 81

198.34 DEPOSIT OF RECEIPTS.

Federal money received by the board for the care of veterans in a veterans home must be deposited into a dedicated account in the state treasury and is appropriated to the veterans homes board of directors for the operational needs of the veterans homes and the board of directors. Money paid to the board by a veteran or by another person on behalf of a veteran for care in a veterans home must be deposited in the state treasury in a dedicated account and is appropriated to the veterans homes board of directors for the operational needs of the veterans homes and the board of directors.

History: 1Sp1993 c 1 art 9 s 65

198.36 VETERANS HOME; FERGUS FALLS.

Subdivision 1. Establishment. The board shall establish a veterans home in Fergus

Falls to provide at least 60 beds for skilled nursing care in conformance with licensing rules of the department of health.

Subd. 2. **Funding.** The home must be purchased or built with funds, 65 percent of which must be provided by the federal government, and 35 percent by other nonstate sources, including local units of government, veterans' organizations, and corporations or other business entities.

Subd. 3. **Support services.** Upon request, the department of human services shall arrange for the extension of support services to the veterans home in Fergus Falls including, but not limited to, the provision of utilities, and kitchen and laundry services.

History: *1Sp1993 c 1 art 9 s 66*