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HOUSE BILL NO. 2455

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

AN ACT

To repeal sections 9.085, 42.051, 167.020, 320.336, 324.001, and 620.515, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof eight new sections relating to military affairs, with existing penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 9.085, 42.051, 167.020, 320.336, 324.001, and 620.515, RSMo, are repealed and eight new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 9.085, 41.589, 42.022, 42.051, 167.020, 320.336, 324.001, and 620.515, to read as follows:

9.085. In recognition of the courage and unwavering patriotism of those valiant men and women of the Armed Forces of the United States who served during the Vietnam Conflict, March [thirtieth] twenty-ninth of each year shall be known and designated as "Vietnam Veterans Day" in Missouri. The citizens of the state of Missouri are encouraged to observe the day with appropriate events, activities, and remembrances in honor of the veterans who bravely fought, served, and sacrificed during the Vietnam Conflict and returned home to no parades, ceremonies, or public celebrations to welcome them in gratitude for their courageous service given and sacrifices made on behalf of our nation.

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.
41.589. The governor is hereby authorized, upon recommendation of the adjutant general of Missouri, to present in the name of the state of Missouri, the Missouri Orange Heart Medal, which shall be of suitable design, as may be determined by the governor, to individuals who were members of the Armed Forces of the United States that served in the Vietnam Conflict, and were subsequently affected by exposure to Agent Orange during their military service. Not more than one Missouri orange heart medal shall be awarded or presented pursuant to the provisions of this section to any one person, nor shall such medal be awarded to or retained by any person who separated from service with the Armed Forces of the United States under dishonorable conditions. In the event of the death of any individual subsequent to his or her service who, in the opinion of the governor, as recommended by the adjutant general of Missouri, would be entitled to the Missouri orange heart medal, the same may be presented to the surviving primary next of kin.

42.022. 1. In addition to any other duties imposed under this chapter, the commission shall review the provisions of the Commander John Scott Hannon Veterans Mental Health Care Improvement Act of 2019, enacted by the 116th United States Congress (Pub. L. 116-171), as amended, and any regulations related thereto. After review, the commission, in collaboration with the department of mental health, shall provide recommendations and make efforts to adopt procedures, programs, treatment options, additional aid, and any other assistance deemed necessary by the commission to assist in the efforts to prevent veteran suicide, subject to appropriation.
2. Before June 30, 2023 and by every June thirtieth thereafter the commission shall file a report with the department of public safety and the general assembly on the recommendations, implementation, and effectiveness of the efforts by the commission to prevent veteran suicide.

3. The department of public safety may promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2022, shall be invalid and void.

42.051. 1. Every state agency shall ensure that any form, including digital forms posted on an internet website, used to collect data from individuals include the following questions in substantially similar form:

(1) Have you or an immediate family member ever served on active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States and separated from such service under conditions other than dishonorable?

(2) If answering question (1) in the affirmative, would you like to receive information and assistance regarding the agency's veteran services?
2. Every state agency shall prepare information regarding the agency's applicable services and benefits that are available to veterans and provide such information to those who answer the questions provided in subsection 1 of this section in the affirmative. The governor may maintain an internet website consisting of the information provided to veterans and immediate family members of veterans from any state agency as required by this section.

3. The provisions of subsection 1 of this section shall only apply to any form first created on or after August 28, 2021, or any form created before August 28, 2021, and subsequently modified on or after August 28, 2021.

167.020. 1. As used in this section, the term "homeless child" or "homeless youth" shall mean a person less than twenty-one years of age who lacks a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence, including a child or youth who:

   (1) Is sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; is living in motels, hotels, or camping grounds due to lack of alternative adequate accommodations; is living in emergency or transitional shelters; is abandoned in hospitals; or is awaiting foster care placement;

   (2) Has a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings;

   (3) Is living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings; and

   (4) Is a migratory child or youth who qualifies as homeless because the child or youth is living in
circumstances described in subdivisions (1) to (3) of this subsection.

2. In order to register a pupil, the parent or legal guardian of the pupil or the pupil himself or herself shall provide, at the time of registration, one of the following:

   (1) Proof of residency in the district. Except as otherwise provided in section 167.151, the term "residency" shall mean that a person both physically resides within a school district and is domiciled within that district or, in the case of a private school student suspected of having a disability under the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. Section 1412, et seq., that the student attends private school within that district. The domicile of a minor child shall be the domicile of a parent, military guardian pursuant to a military-issued guardianship or court-appointed legal guardian. For instances in which the family of a student living in Missouri co-locates to live with other family members or live in a military family support community because one or both of the child's parents are stationed or deployed out of state or deployed within Missouri under active duty orders under Title 10 or Title 32 of the United States Code, the student may attend the school district in which the family member's residence or family support community is located. If the active duty orders expire during the school year, the student may finish the school year in that district;

   (2) Proof that the person registering the student has requested a waiver under subsection 3 of this section within the last forty-five days; or

   (3) Proof that one or both of the child's parents are being relocated to the state of Missouri under military orders.
In instances where there is reason to suspect that admission of the pupil will create an immediate danger to the safety of other pupils and employees of the district, the superintendent or the superintendent's designee may convene a hearing within five working days of the request to register and determine whether or not the pupil may register.

3. Any person subject to the requirements of subsection 2 of this section may request a waiver from the district board of any of those requirements on the basis of hardship or good cause. Under no circumstances shall athletic ability be a valid basis of hardship or good cause for the issuance of a waiver of the requirements of subsection 2 of this section. The district board or committee of the board appointed by the president and which shall have full authority to act in lieu of the board shall convene a hearing as soon as possible, but no later than forty-five days after receipt of the waiver request made under this subsection or the waiver request shall be granted. The district board or committee of the board may grant the request for a waiver of any requirement of subsection 2 of this section. The district board or committee of the board may also reject the request for a waiver in which case the pupil shall not be allowed to register. Any person aggrieved by a decision of a district board or committee of the board on a request for a waiver under this subsection may appeal such decision to the circuit court in the county where the school district is located.

4. Any person who knowingly submits false information to satisfy any requirement of subsection 2 of this section is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.
5. In addition to any other penalties authorized by law, a district board may file a civil action to recover, from the parent, military guardian or legal guardian of the pupil, the costs of school attendance for any pupil who was enrolled at a school in the district and whose parent, military guardian or legal guardian filed false information to satisfy any requirement of subsection 2 of this section.

6. Subsection 2 of this section shall not apply to a pupil who is a homeless child or youth, or a pupil attending a school not in the pupil's district of residence as a participant in an interdistrict transfer program established under a court-ordered desegregation program, a pupil who is a ward of the state and has been placed in a residential care facility by state officials, a pupil who has been placed in a residential care facility due to a mental illness or developmental disability, a pupil attending a school pursuant to sections 167.121 and 167.151, a pupil placed in a residential facility by a juvenile court, a pupil with a disability identified under state eligibility criteria if the student is in the district for reasons other than accessing the district's educational program, or a pupil attending a regional or cooperative alternative education program or an alternative education program on a contractual basis.

7. Within two business days of enrolling a pupil, the school official enrolling a pupil, including any special education pupil, shall request those records required by district policy for student transfer and those discipline records required by subsection 9 of section 160.261 from all schools previously attended by the pupil within the last twelve months. Any school district that receives a request for such records from another school district enrolling a
pupil that had previously attended a school in such district shall respond to such request within five business days of receiving the request. School districts may report or disclose education records to law enforcement and juvenile justice authorities if the disclosure concerns law enforcement's or juvenile justice authorities' ability to effectively serve, prior to adjudication, the student whose records are released. The officials and authorities to whom such information is disclosed must comply with applicable restrictions set forth in 20 U.S.C. Section 1232g(b)(1)(E).

8. If one or both of a child's parents are being relocated to the state of Missouri under military orders, a school district shall allow remote registration of the student and shall not require the parent or legal guardian of the student or the student himself or herself to physically appear at a location within the district to register the student. Proof of residency, as described in this section, shall not be required at the time of the remote registration but shall be required within ten days of the student's attendance in the school district.

9. (1) If the parent or legal guardian of a pupil is an active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States, the parent or legal guardian may register the pupil with the school district and the school in the school district of the parent's or legal guardian's choice regardless of the capacity of the school district. To be eligible for admission to the school district and the school of the parent's or legal guardian's choice, at least one parent or legal guardian shall provide:

(a) An identification card issued by the Department of Defense; and
(b) Evidence that the parent or legal guardian is under active duty status in the Armed Forces of the United States pursuant to Title 10 or Title 32 of the United States Code and requires the parent or legal guardian to be stationed or deployed out of state or deployed within Missouri in support of combat, contingency operation, or a natural disaster for more than thirty consecutive days.

(2) Unless otherwise required by law, this subsection shall not require a school district to provide transportation services to a pupil registered in the school district and school in the school district chosen by a parent or legal guardian pursuant to this subsection if the pupil would not otherwise be registered in the school district and the school in the school district pursuant to subsection 2 of this section.

320.336. 1. No public or private employer shall terminate an employee for joining any fire department or fire protection district, including but not limited to any municipal, volunteer, rural, or subscription fire department or organization or any volunteer fire protection association, as a volunteer firefighter, or the Missouri-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team, Missouri Task Force One, or Urban Search and Rescue Team, or being activated to a national disaster response by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

2. No public or private employer shall terminate an employee who is a volunteer firefighter, a member of Missouri-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team, Missouri Task Force One, or Urban Search and Rescue Team because the employee, when acting as a volunteer firefighter, or as a member of Missouri-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team, Missouri Task Force One, Urban Search and Rescue Team, or
FEMA is absent from or late to his or her employment in order to respond to an emergency before the time the employee is to report to his or her place of employment.

3. An employer may charge against the employee's regular pay any employment time lost by an employee who is a volunteer firefighter, or a member of Missouri-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team, Missouri Task Force One, Urban Search and Rescue Team, or FEMA because of the employee's response to an emergency in the course of performing his or her duties as a volunteer firefighter, or a member of Missouri-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team, Missouri Task Force One, Urban Search and Rescue Team, or FEMA.

4. In the case of an employee who is a volunteer firefighter, or a member of Missouri-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team, Missouri Task Force One, Urban Search and Rescue Team, or FEMA and who loses time from his or her employment in order to respond to an emergency in the course of performing his or her duties as a volunteer firefighter, or a member of Missouri-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team, Missouri Task Force One, Urban Search and Rescue Team, or FEMA, the employer has the right to request the employee to provide the employer with a written statement from the supervisor or acting supervisor of the volunteer fire department or the commander of Missouri-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team or the FEMA supervisor stating that the employee responded to an emergency and stating the time and date of the emergency.

5. An employee who is a volunteer firefighter, or a member of Missouri-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team, Missouri Task Force One, Urban Search and Rescue Team, or FEMA and who may be absent from or late to his or her employment in order to respond to an emergency in the course
of performing his or her duties as a volunteer firefighter, or a member of Missouri-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team, Missouri Task Force One, Urban Search and Rescue Team, or FEMA shall make a reasonable effort to notify his or her employer that he or she may be absent or late.

6. Any member of Missouri Task Force One shall be entitled to the initial employment rights, reemployment rights, retention in employment rights, promotion rights, and discrimination protections provided by Title 38 of the United States Code, the Revised Statutes of Missouri, and all amendments thereto. The attorney general shall enforce the rights and protections contained in this subsection for members of Missouri Task Force One.

324.001. 1. For the purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "Department", the department of commerce and insurance;
(2) "Director", the director of the division of professional registration; and
(3) "Division", the division of professional registration.

2. There is hereby established a "Division of Professional Registration" assigned to the department of commerce and insurance as a type III transfer, headed by a director appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. All of the general provisions, definitions and powers enumerated in section 1 of the Omnibus State Reorganization Act of 1974 and Executive Order 06-04 shall apply to this department and its divisions, agencies, and personnel.

3. The director of the division of professional registration shall promulgate rules and regulations which
designate for each board or commission assigned to the division the renewal date for licenses or certificates. After the initial establishment of renewal dates, no director of the division shall promulgate a rule or regulation which would change the renewal date for licenses or certificates if such change in renewal date would occur prior to the date on which the renewal date in effect at the time such new renewal date is specified next occurs. Each board or commission shall by rule or regulation establish licensing periods of one, two, or three years. Registration fees set by a board or commission shall be effective for the entire licensing period involved, and shall not be increased during any current licensing period. Persons who are required to pay their first registration fees shall be allowed to pay the pro rata share of such fees for the remainder of the period remaining at the time the fees are paid. Each board or commission shall provide the necessary forms for initial registration, and thereafter the director may prescribe standard forms for renewal of licenses and certificates. Each board or commission shall by rule and regulation require each applicant to provide the information which is required to keep the board's records current. Each board or commission shall have the authority to collect and analyze information required to support workforce planning and policy development. Such information shall not be publicly disclosed so as to identify a specific health care provider, as defined in section 376.1350. Each board or commission shall issue the original license or certificate.

4. The division shall provide clerical and other staff services relating to the issuance and renewal of licenses for all the professional licensing and regulating boards and commissions assigned to the division.
perform the financial management and clerical functions as they each relate to issuance and renewal of licenses and certificates. "Issuance and renewal of licenses and certificates" means the ministerial function of preparing and delivering licenses or certificates, and obtaining material and information for the board or commission in connection with the renewal thereof to include verifying if the applicant has submitted all required documentation and that the documentation is legible. It does not include any discretionary authority with regard to the original review of an applicant's qualifications for licensure or certification, or the subsequent review of licensee's or certificate holder's qualifications, or any disciplinary action contemplated against the licensee or certificate holder. The division may develop and implement microfilming systems and automated or manual management information systems.

5. The director of the division shall maintain a system of accounting and budgeting, in cooperation with the director of the department, the office of administration, and the state auditor's office, to ensure proper charges are made to the various boards for services rendered to them. The general assembly shall appropriate to the division and other state agencies from each board's funds moneys sufficient to reimburse the division and other state agencies for all services rendered and all facilities and supplies furnished to that board.

6. For accounting purposes, the appropriation to the division and to the office of administration for the payment of rent for quarters provided for the division shall be made from the "Professional Registration Fees Fund", which is hereby created, and is to be used solely for the purpose
defined in subsection 5 of this section. The fund shall consist of moneys deposited into it from each board's fund. Each board shall contribute a prorated amount necessary to fund the division for services rendered and rent based upon the system of accounting and budgeting established by the director of the division as provided in subsection 5 of this section. Transfers of funds to the professional registration fees fund shall be made by each board on July first of each year; provided, however, that the director of the division may establish an alternative date or dates of transfers at the request of any board. Such transfers shall be made until they equal the prorated amount for services rendered and rent by the division. The provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary notwithstanding, money in this fund shall not be transferred and placed to the credit of general revenue.

7. The director of the division shall be responsible for collecting and accounting for all moneys received by the division or its component agencies. Any money received by a board or commission shall be promptly given, identified by type and source, to the director. The director shall keep a record by board and state accounting system classification of the amount of revenue the director receives. The director shall promptly transmit all receipts to the department of revenue for deposit in the state treasury to the credit of the appropriate fund. The director shall provide each board with all relevant financial information in a timely fashion. Each board shall cooperate with the director by providing necessary information.

8. All educational transcripts, test scores, complaints, investigatory reports, and information pertaining to any person who is an applicant or licensee of
any agency assigned to the division of professional registration by statute or by the department are confidential and may not be disclosed to the public or any member of the public, except with the written consent of the person whose records are involved. The agency which possesses the records or information shall disclose the records or information if the person whose records or information is involved has consented to the disclosure. Each agency is entitled to the attorney-client privilege and work-product privilege to the same extent as any other person. Provided, however, that any board may disclose confidential information without the consent of the person involved in the course of voluntary interstate exchange of information, or in the course of any litigation concerning that person, or pursuant to a lawful request, or to other administrative or law enforcement agencies acting within the scope of their statutory authority. Information regarding identity, including names and addresses, registration, and currency of the license of the persons possessing licenses to engage in a professional occupation and the names and addresses of applicants for such licenses is not confidential information.

9. Any deliberations conducted and votes taken in rendering a final decision after a hearing before an agency assigned to the division shall be closed to the parties and the public. Once a final decision is rendered, that decision shall be made available to the parties and the public.

10. A compelling governmental interest shall be deemed to exist for the purposes of section 536.025 for licensure fees to be reduced by emergency rule, if the projected fund balance of any agency assigned to the division of
professional registration is reasonably expected to exceed an amount that would require transfer from that fund to general revenue.

11. (1) The following boards and commissions are assigned by specific type transfers to the division of professional registration: Missouri state board of accountancy, chapter 326; board of cosmetology and barber examiners, chapters 328 and 329; Missouri board for architects, professional engineers, professional land surveyors and landscape architects, chapter 327; Missouri state board of chiropractic examiners, chapter 331; state board of registration for the healing arts, chapter 334; Missouri dental board, chapter 332; state board of embalmers and funeral directors, chapter 333; state board of optometry, chapter 336; Missouri state board of nursing, chapter 335; board of pharmacy, chapter 338; state board of podiatric medicine, chapter 330; Missouri real estate appraisers commission, chapter 339; and Missouri veterinary medical board, chapter 340. The governor shall appoint members of these boards by and with the advice and consent of the senate.

(2) The boards and commissions assigned to the division shall exercise all their respective statutory duties and powers, except those clerical and other staff services involving collecting and accounting for moneys and financial management relating to the issuance and renewal of licenses, which services shall be provided by the division, within the appropriation therefor. Nothing herein shall prohibit employment of professional examining or testing services from professional associations or others as required by the boards or commissions on contract. Nothing herein shall be construed to affect the power of a board or
commission to expend its funds as appropriated. However, the division shall review the expense vouchers of each board. The results of such review shall be submitted to the board reviewed and to the house and senate appropriations committees annually.

(3) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the director of the division shall exercise only those management functions of the boards and commissions specifically provided in the Reorganization Act of 1974, and those relating to the allocation and assignment of space, personnel other than board personnel, and equipment.

(4) "Board personnel", as used in this section or chapters 317, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, and 345, shall mean personnel whose functions and responsibilities are in areas not related to the clerical duties involving the issuance and renewal of licenses, to the collecting and accounting for moneys, or to financial management relating to issuance and renewal of licenses; specifically included are executive secretaries (or comparable positions), consultants, inspectors, investigators, counsel, and secretarial support staff for these positions; and such other positions as are established and authorized by statute for a particular board or commission. Boards and commissions may employ legal counsel, if authorized by law, and temporary personnel if the board is unable to meet its responsibilities with the employees authorized above. Any board or commission which hires temporary employees shall annually provide the division director and the appropriation committees of the general assembly with a complete list of all persons employed in the previous year, the length of their
employment, the amount of their remuneration, and a
description of their responsibilities.

(5) Board personnel for each board or commission shall
be employed by and serve at the pleasure of the board or
commission, shall be supervised as the board or commission
designates, and shall have their duties and compensation
prescribed by the board or commission, within appropriations
for that purpose, except that compensation for board
personnel shall not exceed that established for comparable
positions as determined by the board or commission pursuant
to the job and pay plan of the department of commerce and
insurance. Nothing herein shall be construed to permit
salaries for any board personnel to be lowered except by
board action.

12. All the powers, duties, and functions of the
division of athletics, chapter 317, and others, are assigned
by type I transfer to the division of professional
registration.

13. Wherever the laws, rules, or regulations of this
state make reference to the division of professional
registration of the department of economic development, such
references shall be deemed to refer to the division of
professional registration.

14. (1) The state board of nursing, board of
pharmacy, Missouri dental board, state committee of
psychologists, state board of chiropractic examiners, state
board of optometry, Missouri board of occupational therapy,
or state board of registration for the healing arts may
individually or collectively enter into a contractual
agreement with the department of health and senior services,
a public institution of higher education, or a nonprofit
entity for the purpose of collecting and analyzing workforce
data from its licensees, registrants, or permit holders for future workforce planning and to assess the accessibility and availability of qualified health care services and practitioners in Missouri. The boards shall work collaboratively with other state governmental entities to ensure coordination and avoid duplication of efforts.

(2) The boards may expend appropriated funds necessary for operational expenses of the program formed under this subsection. Each board is authorized to accept grants to fund the collection or analysis authorized in this subsection. Any such funds shall be deposited in the respective board's fund.

(3) Data collection shall be controlled and approved by the applicable state board conducting or requesting the collection. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 324.010 and 334.001, the boards may release identifying data to the contractor to facilitate data analysis of the health care workforce including, but not limited to, geographic, demographic, and practice or professional characteristics of licensees. The state board shall not request or be authorized to collect income or other financial earnings data.

(4) Data collected under this subsection shall be deemed the property of the state board requesting the data. Data shall be maintained by the state board in accordance with chapter 610, provided that any information deemed closed or confidential under subsection 8 of this section or any other provision of state law shall not be disclosed without consent of the applicable licensee or entity or as otherwise authorized by law. Data shall only be released in an aggregate form by geography, profession or professional specialization, or population characteristic in a manner
that cannot be used to identify a specific individual or entity. Data suppression standards shall be addressed and established in the contractual agreement.

(5) Contractors shall maintain the security and confidentiality of data received or collected under this subsection and shall not use, disclose, or release any data without approval of the applicable state board. The contractual agreement between the applicable state board and contractor shall establish a data release and research review policy to include legal and institutional review board, or agency-equivalent, approval.

(6) Each board may promulgate rules subject to the provisions of this subsection and chapter 536 to effectuate and implement the workforce data collection and analysis authorized by this subsection. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly under chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2016, shall be invalid and void.

15. The division shall maintain an easily accessible webpage on the division's internet website containing the division's rules, regulations, and procedures related to the professional licensing of members of the Armed Forces of the United States, including members of the National Guard or of any reserve component of the Armed Forces of the United
States, honorably discharged veterans, and spouses of such members of the Armed Forces of the United States or of honorably discharged veterans.

620.515. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Show-Me Heroes" program, the purpose of which is to:

(1) Assist the spouse of an active duty National Guard or reserve component service member reservist and active duty United States military personnel to address immediate needs and employment in an attempt to keep the family from falling into poverty while the primary income earner is on active duty, and during the five-year period following discharge from deployment; and

(2) Assist returning National Guard troops or reserve component service member reservists and recently separated United States military personnel with finding work in situations where an individual needs to rebuild business clientele or where an individual's job has been eliminated while such individual was deployed, or where the individual otherwise cannot return to his or her previous employment.

2. Subject to appropriation, the department of [economic development] higher education and workforce development shall operate the Show-Me heroes program through existing programs. Eligibility for the program shall be based on the following criteria:

(1) Eligible participants in the program shall be those families where:

(a) The primary income earner was called to active duty in defense of the United States for a period of more than four months;

(b) The family's primary income is no longer available;
(c) The family is experiencing significant hardship due to financial burdens; and
(d) The family has no outside resources available to assist with such hardships;

(2) Services that may be provided to the family will be aimed at ameliorating the immediate crisis and providing a path for economic stability while the primary income is not available due to the active military commitment. Services shall be made available up to five years following discharge from deployment. Services may include, but not be limited to the following:

(a) Financial assistance to families facing financial crisis from overdue bills;
(b) Help paying day care costs to pursue training and or employment;
(c) Help covering the costs of transportation to training and or employment;
(d) Vocational evaluation and vocational counseling to help the individual choose a visible employment goal;
(e) Vocational training to acquire or upgrade skills needed to be marketable in the workforce;
(f) Paid internships and subsidized employment to train on the job; and
(g) Job placement assistance for those who don't require skills training.

3. (1) In addition to the benefits provided to those meeting the criteria established by subsection 2 of this section, the department of higher education and workforce development may award grants from the Show-Me heroes program or programs administering the Show-Me heroes program to one or more nonprofit organizations that facilitate the participation in apprenticeship training programs of
veterans and active duty United States military personnel
who are transitioning into civilian employment.

(2) A grant awarded pursuant to this subsection shall
be used only to recruit or assist veterans or active duty
United States military personnel who are transitioning into
civilian employment to participate in an apprenticeship
training program in this state.

(3) As used in this subsection, the term
"apprenticeship training program" means a training program
that provides on-the-job training, preparatory instruction,
supplementary instruction, or related instruction in a trade
that has been certified as an apprenticeable occupation by
the Office of Apprenticeship of the United States Department
of Labor.

4. The department shall promulgate rules to implement
the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a
rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is
created under the authority delegated in this section shall
become effective only if it complies with and is subject to
all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable,
section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are
nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the
general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay
the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are
subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of
rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after
August 28, 2012, shall be invalid and void.