

FISCAL NOTE
HB 728 - SB 997

April 6, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL:

- Specifies that the purpose of local veterans service offices is to advise veterans of the United States armed forces rather than veterans of all wars in which the United States participated as under current law.
- Specifies that such service offices are to be staffed by accredited veterans service officers.
- Provides that the senior accredited officer serving in a county veterans service office may receive compensation commensurate to the compensation paid to heads of county government departments of comparable size and that the staff personnel of such office may receive compensation commensurate to the compensation paid to county government employees in comparable positions.
- Requires veterans service officers to be honorably discharged veterans of the United States armed forces rather than veterans of all wars in which the United States participated as provided for in current law.
- Urges and encourages counties and municipalities that have yet to establish veterans service offices to do so as soon as feasible.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Less than \$100,000/Permissive

Estimate assumes:

- to the extent such service offices serve additional veterans under the provisions of the bill, they will experience an increase in expenditures.
- to the extent local governments choose to increase compensation for veterans service officers in accordance with the provisions of the bill they will experience an increase in expenditures. Such increase is estimated to be less than \$100,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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