

LEGISLATIVE BILL 157

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Introduced by Marvel, 33, Speaker; Hefner, 19; Von Minden, 17; Fitzgerald, 14; Wajner, 41; DeCamp, 40; Chronister, 18; Wesely, 26; Fowler, 27

AN ACT to amend section 80-401, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1980, relating to the Nebraska Veterans' Aid Fund; to increase such fund; to provide for appropriations; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency. Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 80-401, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1980, be amended to read as follows:

80-401. There is hereby established a fund to be known as Nebraska Veterans' Aid Fund. The Board of Educational Lands and Funds is directed to purchase bonds or notes issued by the government of the United States or the State of Nebraska, or any county, school district, or municipality therein, with a face value of eleven million five hundred thousand dollars, as of July 1, 1978 1981, to carry out the provisions of sections 80-401 to 80-405, and to place them in the custody and control of the State Treasurer of the State of Nebraska under the same conditions as other state money.

Such fund shall be managed as follows: (1) When necessary to pay a premium for bonds for such fund, the amount of the premium shall be amortized over the term of the bonds from the interest received on such bonds; and (2) when bonds for such fund are purchased at a discount, the amount of the discount shall be used to purchase additional bonds, it being contemplated that the face amount of the bonds in such fund may in this manner aggregate in excess of eleven million five hundred thousand dollars at some future time. The interest on the Nebraska Veterans' Aid Fund, except so much as may be required for amortization of premium bond purchases as above authorized, shall be paid to the Veterans' Aid Income Fund, which is hereby created and which, when appropriated by the Legislature, shall be available to the director for aid to needy veterans as authorized by law. The Board of Educational Lands and Funds shall manage the Nebraska Veterans' Aid Fund, except that after September 18, 1969, the investment and reinvestment of such fund shall be the duty of the state investment officer, with investment and reinvestment to be made in

the same type securities authorized for investment of funds by the provisions of sections 72-1237 to 72-1259. The director shall advise the council when amounts in the Veterans' Aid Income Fund are not immediately required for aid to needy veterans, and thereupon the state investment officer shall invest amounts available from the Veterans' Aid Income Fund in the same manner as investments of the Nebraska Veterans' Aid Fund, and the interest thereon shall also become a part of the Veterans' Aid Income Fund.

Sec. 2. The Legislature shall appropriate from the General Fund to the Nebraska Veterans' Aid Fund the sum of five hundred thousand dollars in order to increase such fund to eleven million five hundred thousand dollars.

Sec. 3. That original section 80-401, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1980, is repealed.

Sec. 4. Since an emergency exists, this act shall be in full force and take effect, from and after its passage and approval, according to law.