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1 AN ACT Relating to admission to a state veterans' home; and
2 amending RCW 72.36.030.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 72.36.030 and 1993 sp.s. c 3 s 5 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 All of the following persons who have been actual bona fide
7 residents of this state at the time of their application, and who are
8 indigent and unable to support themselves and their families may be
9 admitted to a state veterans' home under rules as may be adopted by the
10 director of the department, unless sufficient facilities and resources
11 are not available to accommodate these people:

12 (1)(a) All honorably discharged veterans of a branch of the armed
13 forces of the United States or merchant marines; (b) members of the
14 state militia disabled while in the line of duty; (~~and~~) (c) disabled
15 Filipino World War II veterans who swore an oath to American authority
16 and who participated in military engagements with American soldiers;
17 and (d) the spouses of these veterans, merchant marines, and members of
18 the state militia. However, it is required that the spouse was married
19 to and living with the veteran three years prior to the date of

1 application for admittance, or, if married to him or her since that
2 date, was also a resident of a state veterans' home in this state or
3 entitled to admission thereto;

4 (2)(a) The spouses of: (i) All honorably discharged veterans of
5 the United States armed forces; (ii) merchant marines; and (iii)
6 members of the state militia who were disabled while in the line of
7 duty and who were residents of a state veterans' home in this state or
8 were entitled to admission to one of this state's state veteran homes
9 at the time of death; (b) the spouses of: (i) All honorably discharged
10 veterans of a branch of the United States armed forces; (ii) merchant
11 marines; and (iii) members of the state militia who would have been
12 entitled to admission to one of this state's state veterans' homes at
13 the time of death, but for the fact that the spouse was not indigent,
14 but has since become indigent and unable to support himself or herself
15 and his or her family. However, the included spouse shall be at least
16 fifty years old and have been married to and living with their husband
17 or wife for three years prior to the date of their application. The
18 included spouse shall not have been married since the death of his or
19 her husband or wife to a person who is not a resident of one of this
20 state's state veterans' homes or entitled to admission to one of this
21 state's state veterans' homes; and

22 (3) All applicants for admission to a state veterans' home shall
23 apply for all federal and state benefits for which they may be
24 eligible, including medical assistance under chapter 74.09 RCW.

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