

Requested by Senator MONNES ANDERSON

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
A-ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 832**

1 In line 2 of the printed A-engrossed bill, after “state” insert a period and  
2 delete the rest of the line and delete line 3.

3 Delete lines 5 through 15 and insert:

4 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Veterans’ Affairs, in collab-**  
5 **oration with the Office of Rural Health, shall establish a program to**  
6 **provide grants to qualified nonprofit organizations for the provision**  
7 **of services to veterans and veterans’ families in the rural areas of this**  
8 **state.**

9 **“(2) The department shall implement the program established under**  
10 **subsection (1) of this section by issuing requests for proposals from**  
11 **nonprofit organizations. The requests for proposals must require that**  
12 **applicant nonprofit organizations demonstrate the ability and experi-**  
13 **ence to provide services that:**

14 **“(a) Increase access to health care for veterans;**

15 **“(b) Assist veterans in applying for and receiving benefits and**  
16 **entitlements that are available to veterans and veterans’ families;**

17 **“(c) Provide housing assistance;**

18 **“(d) Provide access to transportation; and**

19 **“(e) Assist veterans who are involved in the criminal and civil jus-**  
20 **tice systems.**

21 **“(3) The department shall adopt rules for the implementation and**

1 **administration of the program established under subsection (1) of this**  
2 **section. At a minimum, the rules must specify the following:**

3 **“(a) The qualifications a nonprofit organization must demonstrate**  
4 **in order to be eligible to apply for a grant under the program; and**

5 **“(b) The definition of ‘rural areas of this state’ for purposes of the**  
6 **program.”.**

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