



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 849

PRINTERS NO. 1807

PRIME SPONSOR: Stefano

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2021/22	FY 2022/23
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: Senate Bill 849, Printer's Number 1807, amends definitions related to veterans' employment preference for veterans discharged due to medical disability.

ANALYSIS: This bill amends Title 51 (Military Affairs) to revise Chapter 71 (relating to Veterans' Preference) and Chapter 72 (relating to Voluntary Veterans' Preference in Private Employment) by updating definitions to expand eligibility for veterans' employment preference to veterans discharged because of a medical disability.

The following definitions are revised to make this change:

- "Surviving spouse." An unmarried spouse of a deceased service member killed on active duty or a veteran.
- "Under conditions other than dishonorable." A condition in which a recipient of a discharge from service is any of the following:
 1. A recipient of an honorable discharge.
 2. A recipient of a general, under honorable conditions, discharge.
 3. A recipient of a discharge under other than dishonorable conditions for which the recipient has been determined to be eligible for benefits afforded by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

The term veteran is amended with additional language to include an individual who served... "in the armed forces of the United States, including a reserve component or National Guard, whose last discharge was due to a disability and under conditions other than dishonorable."

This legislation would take effect in 60 days upon enactment.

FISCAL IMPACT: Enactment of this legislation will have no impact on Commonwealth funds.

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Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.