

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 982, the first engrossment, as follows:

1.2 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. **[136A.1468] EDUCATION BENEFIT FOR DEPENDENTS OF**
1.4 **DISABLED VETERANS.**

1.5 Subdivision 1. Eligibility. A student is eligible to receive an educational benefit under
1.6 this section if the student:

1.7 (1) is enrolled in an undergraduate degree or certificate program at an institution that is
1.8 operated by the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities or the
1.9 Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota;

1.10 (2) is a resident student, as defined in section 136A.101, subdivision 8;

1.11 (3) has completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or the state
1.12 aid application;

1.13 (4) has not (i) obtained a baccalaureate degree, or (ii) previously received the benefit
1.14 for eight full-time semesters or the equivalent, excluding courses taken that qualify as
1.15 developmental education or below college-level;

1.16 (5) is meeting satisfactory academic progress as defined in section 136A.101, subdivision
1.17 10;

1.18 (6) is a dependent natural or adopted child or stepchild of a veteran, as defined in section
1.19 197.447, who has a 100 percent total and permanent service-connected disability as rated
1.20 by the United States Veterans Administration; and

1.21 (7) is eligible to receive federal education benefits under United States Code, title 38,
1.22 chapter 35, as amended.

2.1 Subd. 2. **Benefit award amount; insufficient appropriation.** (a) A benefit awarded to
2.2 an eligible student shall equal 100 percent of the actual tuition and mandatory fees charged
2.3 by the student's institution after deducting all other gift aid, as defined by section 136A.1465,
2.4 subdivision 1, clause (2), for which the student is eligible.

2.5 (b) If there is a projected shortfall in available resources, the commissioner may
2.6 proportionately reduce awards to keep spending within available resources.

2.7 Subd. 3. **Administration; benefit duration and payment.** (a) The office is authorized
2.8 to administer this program and may coordinate with the commissioner of veterans affairs
2.9 as needed to confirm a student's eligibility under subdivision 1, clause (5).

2.10 (b) Each benefit award is for a period of one semester or the equivalent term. A benefit
2.11 award may be renewed if the student continues to meet the conditions of eligibility under
2.12 subdivision 1. A benefit award is terminated upon failure to meet the conditions of eligibility
2.13 under subdivision 1.

2.14 (c) The benefit award must be paid directly to the eligible institution in which the student
2.15 is enrolled."

2.16 Amend the title accordingly