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03/09/2017	1253	Introduction and first reading
		Referred to Veterans and Military Affairs Finance and Policy
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1.1 A bill for an act  
 1.2 relating to disabled veterans; providing grants through the Support Our Troops  
 1.3 account for disability access home improvements; amending Minnesota Statutes  
 1.4 2016, section 190.19, subdivision 2a.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2016, section 190.19, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 2a. **Uses; veterans.** (a) Money appropriated to the Department of Veterans Affairs  
 1.8 from the Minnesota "Support Our Troops" account may be used for:

1.9 (1) grants to veterans service organizations;

1.10 (2) outreach to underserved veterans;

1.11 (3) providing services and programs for veterans and their families;

1.12 (4) transfers to the vehicle services account for Gold Star license plates under section  
 1.13 168.1253;

1.14 (5) grants of up to \$100,000 to any organization approved by the commissioner of  
 1.15 veterans affairs for the purpose of supporting and improving the lives of veterans and their  
 1.16 families; ~~and~~

1.17 (6) grants to an eligible foundation; and

1.18 (7) grants of up to \$3,000 to a disabled veteran to construct disability access  
 1.19 improvements in or around the disabled veteran's residence.

1.20 (b) For purposes of this subdivision, "eligible foundation" includes any organization  
 1.21 that:

- 2.1 (1) is a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code; and
- 2.2 (2) is a nonprofit corporation under chapter 317A and the organization's articles of
- 2.3 incorporation specify that a purpose of the organization includes: (i) providing assistance
- 2.4 to veterans and their families; or (ii) enhancing the lives of veterans and their families.