

# SENATE BILL NO. 1013

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR ROBERTS.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

## AN ACT

To repeal section 620.515, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to grants for veteran apprenticeship training programs.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 620.515, RSMo, is repealed and one new  
2 section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 620.515,  
3 to read as follows:

620.515. 1. This section shall be known and may be  
2 cited as the "Show-Me Heroes" program, the purpose of which  
3 is to:

4 (1) Assist the spouse of an active duty National Guard  
5 or reserve component service member reservist and active  
6 duty United States military personnel to address immediate  
7 needs and employment in an attempt to keep the family from  
8 falling into poverty while the primary income earner is on  
9 active duty, and during the five-year period following  
10 discharge from deployment; and

11 (2) Assist returning National Guard troops or reserve  
12 component service member reservists and recently separated  
13 United States military personnel with finding work in  
14 situations where an individual needs to rebuild business  
15 clientele or where an individual's job has been eliminated  
16 while such individual was deployed, or where the individual  
17 otherwise cannot return to his or her previous employment.

**EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

18           2. Subject to appropriation, the department of  
19 **[economic development] higher education and workforce**  
20 **development** shall operate the Show-Me heroes program through  
21 existing programs. Eligibility for the program shall be  
22 based on the following criteria:

23           (1) Eligible participants in the program shall be  
24 those families where:

25           (a) The primary income earner was called to active  
26 duty in defense of the United States for a period of more  
27 than four months;

28           (b) The family's primary income is no longer available;

29           (c) The family is experiencing significant hardship  
30 due to financial burdens; and

31           (d) The family has no outside resources available to  
32 assist with such hardships;

33           (2) Services that may be provided to the family will  
34 be aimed at ameliorating the immediate crisis and providing  
35 a path for economic stability while the primary income is  
36 not available due to the active military commitment.  
37 Services shall be made available up to five years following  
38 discharge from deployment. Services may include, but not be  
39 limited to the following:

40           (a) Financial assistance to families facing financial  
41 crisis from overdue bills;

42           (b) Help paying day care costs to pursue training and  
43 or employment;

44           (c) Help covering the costs of transportation to  
45 training and or employment;

46           (d) Vocational evaluation and vocational counseling to  
47 help the individual choose a visible employment goal;

48           (e) Vocational training to acquire or upgrade skills  
49 needed to be marketable in the workforce;

50 (f) Paid internships and subsidized employment to  
51 train on the job; and

52 (g) Job placement assistance for those who don't  
53 require skills training.

54 3. (1) In addition to the benefits provided to those  
55 meeting the criteria established by subsection 2 of this  
56 section, the department of higher education and workforce  
57 development may award grants from the Show-Me heroes program  
58 or programs administering the Show-Me heroes program to one  
59 or more nonprofit organizations that facilitate the  
60 participation in apprenticeship training programs of  
61 veterans and active duty United States military personnel  
62 who are transitioning into civilian employment.

63 (2) A grant awarded pursuant to this subsection shall  
64 be used only to recruit or assist veterans or active duty  
65 United States military personnel who are transitioning into  
66 civilian employment to participate in an apprenticeship  
67 training program in this state.

68 (3) As used in this subsection, the term  
69 "apprenticeship training program" means a training program  
70 that provides on-the-job training, preparatory instruction,  
71 supplementary instruction, or related instruction in a trade  
72 that has been certified as an apprenticeable occupation by  
73 the Office of Apprenticeship of the United States Department  
74 of Labor.

75 4. The department shall promulgate rules to implement  
76 the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a  
77 rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is  
78 created under the authority delegated in this section shall  
79 become effective only if it complies with and is subject to  
80 all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable,  
81 section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are

82 nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the  
83 general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay  
84 the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are  
85 subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of  
86 rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after  
87 August 28, 2012, shall be invalid and void.

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