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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Rural Economies and Veterans Affairs

A bill for an act

relating to veterans; broadening eligibility for burial in a county "soldiers' rest"
cemetery; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 375.37.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 375.37, is amended to read:

375.37 "SOLDIERS' REST" USED ONLY FOR VETERANS AND SPOUSES.

(a) Any plot of ground secured and designated as a "soldiers' rest" shall be used exclusively for the interment of deceased veterans, as defined in section 197.447, and spouses of veterans, who are residents of the designating county at the time of death, without charge for space in it except as provided in paragraph (b).

(b) The county board shall establish the reasonable-cost price of all burial lots within the designated soldiers' rest. A deceased person otherwise entitled to be interred there, except that the person was not a resident of the designating county at the time of death, is entitled to be interred in the soldiers' rest if the reasonable-cost price is paid to the designating county for that purpose.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment and applies to burials occurring on or after that date.