

**801—16.1(82GA, HF2283) Bonus for persons serving in the Vietnam service area.**

**16.1(1) *Service requirement.*** A person who served on active duty for not less than 120 days in the armed forces of the United States at any time between July 1, 1958, and May 31, 1975, both dates inclusive, and who was inducted into active duty service from the state of Iowa and was honorably discharged or separated from active duty service, or is still in active service in an honorable status, or has been retired, or has been furloughed to a reserve, or has been placed on inactive status is entitled to receive from moneys appropriated for that purpose the sum of \$17.50 for each month that the person was on active duty service in the Vietnam service area, within the dates specified in this subrule, if the veteran earned either a Vietnam service medal or an armed forces expeditionary medal-Vietnam or can otherwise establish service in the Vietnam service area during that period.

**16.1(2) *Limited eligibility requirements.*** A person eligible to receive compensation pursuant to 16.1(1) shall be entitled to compensation pursuant to this rule only if all of the following requirements are met:

*a.* The person has not received a bonus or compensation similar to that provided in this chapter from this state or another state.

*b.* The person was on active duty service after July 1, 1958, and the person did not refuse on conscientious, political, religious, or other grounds, to be subject to military discipline.

*c.* The person made application for a bonus or compensation similar to that provided in this chapter from this state and was denied compensation because the person did not meet the applicable residency requirements.

*d.* The person files an application for compensation under this chapter in a manner determined by the department of veterans affairs by July 1, 2010.

**16.1(3) *Compensation.*** Compensation for persons who served in the Vietnam service area shall be as follows:

*a.* The amount of compensation shall be the sum of \$17.50 for each month that the person was on active duty service in the Vietnam service area, within the dates specified in subrule 16.1(1).

*b.* In addition, the person shall receive compensation at the sum of \$12.50 for each month that the person was on active duty service within the dates specified in subrule 16.1(1) and was not in the Vietnam service area. For example, a person who served six months in the Vietnam service area and six months not in the Vietnam service area will receive compensation for six months at \$17.50 per month, which is \$105, and six months at \$12.50 per month, which is \$75, for a total compensation payment of \$180.

*c.* Compensation under this subrule shall not exceed a total sum of \$500. Compensation for a fraction of a month shall not be considered unless the fraction is 16 days or more, in which case the fraction shall be computed as a full month.