

Vietnam Bonus Reauthorization for Certain Veterans House File 2283 Signed into Law

This bill re-opens the entire Vietnam Bonus time period (July 1, 1958 – May 31, 1975) for Vietnam veterans who were all of the below:

- A. Inducted into the military in Iowa,
- B. Applied for the 1970's Bonus, but denied because of residency requirements, &
- C. Have not received a bonus from another state.

The new bonus utilizes the same amounts as the old bonus:

- \$17.50 per month with a \$500 maximum for in-country service and
- \$12.50 per month with a \$300 maximum for service outside the Vietnam Service area.

If you missed the cutoff date for application on the old bonus you are not eligible for this one and you cannot apply now. This is for the Vietnam Veteran who applied on time but was denied the bonus because of a residency issue. There are known to be very few of these denied applications from the first bonus period. The survivor of the veteran may apply.

The applications must be received by the Iowa Dept. of Veteran Affairs no later than July 10, 2010. The bonus is tax exempt. All bonuses under this program are subject to limitations and funding availability. Bonuses are awarded in the order in which they are received in completeness at IDVA, Camp Dodge office.

Persons may contact the Iowa Dept of Veteran Affairs at:

Camp Dodge
Bldg. A6A
7105 NW 70th Ave.
Johnston, IA 50131-1824
Telephone 1-800-838-4692.

The departments web address is www.iowava.org You can also contact the Mills County VA office for information and application:

Telephone (712) 527-5621
Email jgoos-millscty@qwestoffice.net

I am in Bldg. #106, Rm. 102 on the Glenwood Resource Campus Monday-Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, **but please call first in case I am out for a meeting.**