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Overview

This bill amends the veterans preference act that governs dismissal of a veteran from employment by a local governmental unit, by expanding the scope of the act to include state employees who are veterans.

Minn. Stat. § 197.46 provides that an honorably discharged veteran may not be removed from local government employment "except for incompetency or misconduct shown after a hearing"

Another key statute providing veterans preference is Minn. Stat. § 43A.11, which applies to the hiring of veterans into the state civil service. Currently, however, veterans being dismissed from state government employment receive no special protections associated with their status as veterans - this bill addresses that issue.