

## CHAPTER 264

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**HUMAN SERVICES - SOCIAL SERVICES**

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## SENATE BILL 96-135

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also REPRESENTATIVES Entz, Armstrong, Chavez, Epps, Hagedorn, Kaufman, Lawrence, Morrison, Romero, Schwarz, and Sullivan.

**AN ACT**

**CONCERNING STATE ASSISTANCE TO COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, INCREASING THE MAXIMUM VOUCHER AMOUNT THAT MAY BE PROVIDED BY THE DIVISION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS TO ANY COUNTY FOR SUPPORT OF THE COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE.**

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** 26-10-108 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, 1989 Repl. Vol., is amended to read:

**26-10-108. Assistance to county veterans service officers.** (1) (a) The division shall provide satisfactory supervision, direction, and assistance to all county veterans service officers and shall provide such services and facilities to the county veterans service officers as may be determined by ~~him~~ THE DIVISION to be necessary. Out of any moneys appropriated by the general assembly to the division for veterans' affairs purposes, the division is authorized to issue vouchers for the semiannual payment to the general fund of each county, to be disbursed upon the authority of the county commissioners thereof, only for the purposes of this article and of article 9 of this title, of an amount equal to the amount such county commissioners may have authorized to be disbursed out of other moneys in such county general fund for such purposes for that period, but in no event shall any such semiannual payment ~~exceed the sum of~~ BE LESS THAN fifty dollars OR MORE THAN TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS per month FOR ANY COUNTY WITH A FULL-TIME VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER OR LESS THAN FIFTY DOLLARS OR MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS PER MONTH FOR ANY COUNTY WITH A PART-TIME VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER; EXCEPT THAT, IF A COUNTY IS RECEIVING PAYMENTS UNDER PARAGRAPH (b) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1) FOR A VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE ESTABLISHED FOR ADJACENT COUNTIES, THE PAYMENT MAY NOT BE LESS THAN THE TOTAL OF THE MINIMUM SEMIANNUAL PAYMENTS OR

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*Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*

MORE THAN THE TOTAL OF THE MAXIMUM SEMIANNUAL PAYMENTS FOR THE COUNTIES THAT HAVE JOINTLY FORMED THE VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE.

(b) IF ADJACENT COUNTIES JOINTLY ESTABLISH A VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE FOR THE COUNTIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 26-9-101 (2), THE DIVISION MAY ISSUE A VOUCHER TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE COUNTY CONTAINING THE VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE IN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE TOTAL OF THE SEMIANNUAL PAYMENTS THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN PROVIDED TO EACH OF SUCH COUNTIES UNDER PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1).

**SECTION 2. No appropriation.** The general assembly has determined that this act can be implemented within existing appropriations, and therefore no separate appropriation of state moneys is necessary to carry out the purposes of this act.

**SECTION 3. Effective date.** This act shall take effect July 1, 1996.

**SECTION 4. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: June 1, 1996