

Guaranteed Holiday for Veterans

The House Veterans Affairs Committee believes every veteran should be honored for their service. In an unanimous, bi-partisan vote, the committee approved a bill that will give Iowa veterans Veteran's Day off.

House File 2197 requires that a veteran, at least one month in advance, can request Veteran's Day off with their employer. In addition, the veteran must show proof of service.

The employer has the discretion to determine if the holiday is paid or unpaid for the veteran. Due to public safety and potential staffing issues with some employers, another day can be substituted for Veteran's Day.

Each year, November 11th is designated as Veteran's Day. The date marks the anniversary of the Armistice that ended World War I.

The bill now goes to the full House for debate.