

Requested by Senator MANNING JR

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE BILL 150**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 8 and 9 and insert:

2 “(c) ‘Unreasonable fee’ means a fee that a court determines to be unrea-
3 sonable compensation for a service or function described in subsection
4 (2)(a)(A) of this section after considering:

5 “(A) The extent and type of the service or function;

6 “(B) The complexity of the case that the service or function addresses;

7 “(C) The skill and competence required to provide the service or function;

8 “(D) The amount of time the person spent in performing the service or
9 function;

10 “(E) The results the person achieved in performing the service or func-
11 tion, such as whether the veteran or beneficiary recovered any veteran’s
12 benefit;

13 “(F) The level of administrative or other review that occurred in the case,
14 and the point at which the person began providing the service or function;

15 “(G) Rates or fees that other persons charge for similar services or func-
16 tions;

17 “(H) Whether, and to what extent, the fee or the amount of the fee was
18 contingent upon the results the person achieved; and

19 “(I) Whether the veteran or beneficiary discharged the person before the
20 case concluded and, if so, why.”

21 On page 2, line 3, delete “who” and insert “that”.

1 After line 22, insert:

2 “(4) In order to encourage veterans to seek free advice and assistance
3 concerning a claim for a veteran’s benefit, the Department of Veterans’ Af-
4 fairs shall conduct outreach, provide education and disseminate information
5 that, at a minimum:

6 “(a) Identifies county veterans’ service officers and tribal veterans repre-
7 sentatives;

8 “(b) Locates the offices or facilities throughout this state in which the
9 officers and representatives provide services; and

10 “(c) Describes the services the officers and representatives provide.”.

11 In line 23, delete “(4)” and insert “(5)”.

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