

(3) DEFRAYING OTHER NECESSARY EXPENSES, AS DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, INCURRED BY A SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN OR A BUSINESS EMPLOYING A SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN AS A RESULT OF THE VETERAN'S DISABILITY.

(D) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION:

(1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADMINISTER THE LOAN PROGRAM AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS SECTION; AND

(2) THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS SHALL ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR LOANS UNDER THIS SECTION.

(E) (1) A LOAN MADE UNDER THIS SECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO A BUSINESS OWNED BY AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS CALLED TO ACTIVE DUTY OR TO A SMALL BUSINESS EMPLOYER OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS CALLED TO ACTIVE DUTY:

(I) MAY BE MADE AT ANY TIME FROM THE INDIVIDUAL'S RECEIPT OF ORDERS TO REPORT TO 6 MONTHS AFTER THE END OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S ACTIVE DUTY; AND

(II) SHALL BE SUBJECT TO CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY AND PRIORITY ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, INCLUDING:

1. ~~THE INABILITY OF THE BUSINESS TO OBTAIN ACCEPTABLE CREDIT ELSEWHERE; AND~~

2. THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE INDIVIDUAL WHO IS CALLED TO ACTIVE DUTY IS AN ESSENTIAL EMPLOYEE OF THE BUSINESS.

(2) A LOAN MADE UNDER THIS SECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING ACCESSIBLE TO INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES THE HOME OR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OF A SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN MAY BE MADE AT ANY TIME.

(F) (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS SUBTITLE.

(2) THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS CONCERNING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR LOANS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

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~~(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.~~

~~(2) "QUALIFIED ACTIVE DUTY" MEANS:~~

~~(I) ACTIVE DUTY IN CONNECTION WITH WHICH AN EMPLOYEE IS ENTITLED TO REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS AND OTHER BENEFITS OR TO A LEAVE OF ABSENCE FROM EMPLOYMENT UNDER CHAPTER 43 OF TITLE 38 OF THE UNITED~~