

AB 1592 – WAIVING BUILDING FEES FOR DISABLED VETERANS

Assemblymember Kristin Olsen

IN BRIEF

AB 1592 will allow local jurisdictions the option of waiving building and inspection permit fees for ADA-type modifications to homes owned by veterans with service-related disabilities.

THE ISSUE

Each county is entitled to collect fees for home modifications, improvements, and inspections. However, current law does not allow local jurisdictions the ability to waive part or all of the fees for disabled veterans with military service injuries.

Counties like Mono County would like to help disabled veterans return to civilian life, just as they are currently able to do for indigent veterans.

EXISTING LAW

Authorizes local jurisdictions to grant financial assistance, relief, and support for indigent veterans.

THE SOLUTION

AB 1592, which is an optional program that will allow local

jurisdictions to waive building and inspection fees related to ADA modifications for veterans.

SUPPORT

Mono County (sponsor)

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ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1592

**Introduced by Assembly Member Olsen
(Coauthor: Assembly Member Cook)**

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An act to add Section 932 to the Military and Veterans Code, relating to veterans.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1592, as introduced, Olsen. Veterans: benefits: fee waiver.

Existing law provides certain protections and benefits for veterans.

This bill would authorize the governing board of a county or city to grant financial assistance, relief, and support to disabled veterans, as defined, by waiving service-related fees charged by the county or city, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 932 is added to the Military and Veterans
- 2 Code, to read:
- 3 932. (a) The governing board of any county or city may grant
- 4 financial assistance, relief, and support to disabled veterans by
- 5 waiving service-related fees, including, but not limited to, building
- 6 and inspection fees, charged by the county or city.

- 1 (b) For purposes of this section, “disabled veterans” has the
- 2 same meaning as defined in Section 999.

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