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- 1 AN ACT Relating to veterans' scoring criteria in examinations; and 2 amending RCW 41.04.010.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 41.04.010 and 2003 c 45 s 1 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
 - In all competitive examinations, unless otherwise provided in this section, to determine the qualifications of applicants for public offices, positions or employment, <u>either</u> the state, and all of its political subdivisions and all municipal corporations, <u>or private companies or agencies contracted with by the state to give the competitive examinations</u> shall give a scoring criteria status to all veterans as defined in RCW 41.04.007, by adding to the passing mark, grade or rating only, based upon a possible rating of one hundred points as perfect a percentage in accordance with the following:
 - (1) Ten percent to a veteran who served during a period of war or in an armed conflict as defined in RCW 41.04.005 and does not receive military retirement. The percentage shall be added to the passing mark, grade, or rating of competitive examinations until the veteran's

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first appointment. The percentage shall not be utilized in promotional examinations;

- (2) Five percent to a veteran who did not serve during a period of war or in an armed conflict as defined in RCW 41.04.005 or is receiving military retirement. The percentage shall be added to the passing mark, grade, or rating of competitive examinations until the veteran's first appointment. The percentage shall not be utilized in promotional examinations;
- (3) Five percent to a veteran who was called to active military service for one or more years from employment with the state or any of its political subdivisions or municipal corporations. The percentage shall be added to the first promotional examination only;
- 13 (4) All veterans' scoring criteria may be claimed upon release from active military service.

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