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An act relating to veterans' affairs; amending s. 296.06, F.S.; providing an additional eligibility requirement for residency in the Veterans' Domiciliary Home of Florida; amending s. 296.36, F.S.; providing additional eligibility requirements for residency in the Veterans' Nursing Home of Florida; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (e) is added to subsection (2) of section 296.06, Florida Statutes, to read:

296.06 State policy; eligibility requirements.--

(2) To be eligible for residency in the home, a veteran must:

(e) Have applied for all financial assistance reasonably available through governmental sources.

Section 2. Paragraphs (c) and (d) are added to subsection (1) of section 296.36, Florida Statutes, to read:

296.36 Eligibility and priority of admittance.--

(1) To be eligible for admittance to the home, the person must be a veteran as defined in s. 1.01(14) and must:

(c) Not owe money to the department for services rendered during any previous stay at a department facility.

(d) Have applied for all financial assistance reasonably available through governmental sources.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.