## Supporting House Bill No. 2213

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## Salina Area Veterans Assistance Group

- The zero out of pocket cost to veterans seeking assistance from the VA.
- Veteran Service Representatives are trained and have much better access to veterans' information, which helps with claims.
- The Veteran Service Representatives have skin in the game, by being Veterans themselves.
- The Veteran Service offices are located geographically throughout the state to better assist Veterans in those communities and those same VSR's travel on certain days of each week to other counties so that the Veterans have a local place to visit with a VSR at no cost to the Veteran.
- We have seen firsthand how Veterans have been helped with Claims, appeals and supplemental claims with positive outcomes at NO Cost to the Veteran and their families.
- I will now share of stories where I have personally saw results for two homeless Veterans and two veterans who received pensions and healthcare though the VA.
- Questions?