## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0082

Military discharge and benefits.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Wilson, Barlow, Burkhart,
Burt and Styvar and Senator(s) Boner, Ellis,
Hutchings, Pappas and Salazar

## A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to veterans benefits and exemptions;
- 2 allowing veterans to be considered honorably discharged if
- 3 discharged solely for refusing a COVID-19 vaccine as
- 4 specified; providing a definition; and providing for an
- 5 effective date.

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7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

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- 9 **Section 1.** W.S. 8-1-102(a) by creating a new
- 10 paragraph (xx) is amended to read:

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12 **8-1-102. Definitions.** 

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1 (a) As used in the statutes unless the legislature

2 clearly specifies a different meaning or interpretation or

3 the context clearly requires a different meaning:

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5 <u>(xx) "Honorable discharge" or "honorably</u>

6 discharged, " for purposes of law providing Wyoming benefits

7 or exemptions, shall include any veteran of the United

8 States armed forces or national guard whose discharge was

9 general or other than honorable solely as a result of

10 having refused a vaccine for COVID-19 as defined in W.S.

 $11 \quad 1-1-141(a)(ii)$ .

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13 **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon

14 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law

15 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming

16 Constitution.

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18 (END)