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To amend section 307.66 of the Revised Code to 1  
increase to \$500 the maximum amount of annual 2  
appropriation a veterans' organization may receive 3  
from a board of county commissioners for Memorial 4  
Day expenses and to change the application period 5  
for a grant of those moneys. 6

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That section 307.66 of the Revised Code be amended 7  
to read as follows: 8

Sec. 307.66. The board of county commissioners, annually, 9  
shall appropriate, and advance upon application made no more than 10  
~~thirty one hundred twenty~~ days prior to memorial day, to each ~~camp~~ 11  
~~of the United Spanish War Veterans, to each~~ garrison or naval 12  
branch of the Army and Navy Union, U.S.A., and to each chartered 13  
~~camp,~~ post, ~~or~~ garrison, or naval branch of any organization of 14  
veterans recognized and chartered by the congress, upon request of 15  
~~the their~~ officials thereof, in the county, a sum of money not to 16  
exceed ~~three~~ five hundred dollars to aid in defraying the expenses 17  
of memorial day. 18

Each such organization applying for an advance of funds shall 19  
submit with its application a statement of expenses incurred up to 20  
the time the application for an advance is submitted. Each such 21  
organization receiving money from this appropriation shall file a 22  
sworn statement accounting for the complete expenditures of ~~these~~ 23  
the funds with the board within sixty days after the memorial day 24  
for which the funds were provided. Any unexpended funds shall be 25  
returned to the board of county commissioners within this period. 26  
Any organization failing to file a sworn statement within the 27  
prescribed time accounting for the complete expenditure of the 28  
funds shall not be eligible to receive an appropriation the 29  
following year. Two or more separate veterans' organizations, or 30  
two or more ~~camps,~~ posts, garrisons, or naval branches of one or 31  
more veterans' organizations, or both, may pool their entitlements 32  
to funds and submit a joint or consolidated statement of expenses. 33  
Allowable items shall include expenses for arrangement of, support 34  
of, or participation in, local or countywide observances as may be 35  
desirable in the community; expenses for mapping, marking, and 36  
decorating graves of veterans; and other items incidental ~~thereto~~ 37  
to these expenses. 38

The board of township trustees may, on or before the 39  
fifteenth day of May in each year, appropriate a sum to be 40

determined by the board for each post ~~and camp~~ within the township, from the general expense fund of the township, for the purpose of properly observing memorial day within the township, and if any post ~~or camp~~ is located within the township, the appropriation shall be made to ~~such~~ that post ~~or camp~~. Any municipal corporation located within a township may cooperate with the township, or with the county, in observing memorial day, and the legislative authority of the municipal corporation may make the necessary appropriation for the observance.

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If any posts ~~or camps~~ have become extinct or unable to attend to memorial day services, ~~then~~ the appropriation by the board of county commissioners or the board of township trustees shall be made to a post or unit of the sons of union veterans of the civil war, woman's relief corps, or daughters of veterans, or to any civic or patriotic organization willing and able to undertake and perform the work of commemoration and observance of memorial day. ~~Where~~ If the appropriation by the board of county commissioners is made to a civic organization, it shall not exceed one hundred dollars.

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**Section 2.** That existing section 307.66 of the Revised Code is hereby repealed.

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