Sixty-third Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## FIRST ENGROSSMENT with Senate Amendments ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1405

Introduced by

Representatives Trottier, Froseth, Maragos, Zaiser

Senators Campbell, Flakoll, Marcellais

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for the identification of and provision of services to
- 2 veterans exposed to agent orange; and to provide for a report to the budget section.

## 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

4 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general 5 fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$75,000, or so much of the 6 sum as may be necessary, to the department of veterans' affairs, for the purpose of providing 7 grants to assist in the identification of and the provision of services to North Dakota veterans 8 who had been exposed to agent orange during the Vietnam conflict, for the biennium beginning 9 July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015. Grants awarded under this section may be used only 10 for travel and related operating expenses. 11 SECTION 2. SERVICES TO VETERANS EXPOSED TO AGENT ORANGE - BUDGET 12 SECTION REPORT. The department of veterans' affairs shall provide a report to the budget 13 section during the 2013-14 interim regarding any funds received to provide services to veterans 14 exposed to agent orange; the status of the grant program, including information on the use of

15 the grants awarded; and outcomes of the services provided.