

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 37-18 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to the conferment of a veterans commemorative memorial coin; and to  
3 provide an appropriation to the department of veterans' affairs.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 37-18 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
6 and enacted as follows:

7 **Commemorative memorial coin - Eligibility.**

8 1. The department of veterans' affairs shall create and confer a commemorative  
9 memorial coin upon a family member of a deceased veteran during military funeral  
10 honors for that veteran if the deceased veteran:

11 a. Served on active duty, in the national guard, or in the selected reserve and  
12 departed the armed forces or national guard under conditions other than  
13 dishonorable;

14 b. Completed at least one term of enlistment or period of initial obligated service in  
15 the selected reserve and departed under conditions other than dishonorable or  
16 was discharged from the selected reserve due to a disability incurred or  
17 aggravated in the line of duty;

18 c. Died while serving on active duty, in the national guard, or in the selected  
19 reserve; or

20 d. Was a member of the commissioned officer corps of the public health service, the  
21 national oceanic and atmospheric administration, or a civilian or contractual  
22 group of individuals given active duty service determinations and considered a  
23 veteran under Public Law No. 95-202.

1        2. As used in this section "family member" means a spouse, parent, child, or other  
2            individual related by blood.

3        **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general  
4 fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$8,500, or so much of the sum  
5 as may be necessary, and from the funds derived from private donations, the sum of \$25,500,  
6 or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of veterans' affairs for the  
7 purpose of providing funding for a commemorative memorial coin for the biennium beginning  
8 July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019. Of the funds appropriated, the department of veterans'  
9 affairs shall use up to \$4,000 for the design of the coin.