

HOUSE BILL NO. 1439

Introduced by

Representatives Thoreson, Amerman, Owens, Ruby

Senators G. Lee, Marcellais, Wardner

1 A BILL for an Act to provide for appropriations to the department of veterans' affairs for the
2 purchase of transport vans, stand down events, and legal services to veterans, and to provide
3 for a transfer.

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

5 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - TRANSFER - VETERANS' POSTWAR TRUST FUND.**

6 There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise
7 appropriated, the sum of \$2,000,000, which the office of management and budget shall transfer
8 to the veterans' postwar trust fund to increase the principal balance of the fund to generate
9 additional income for programs authorized by law to benefit and serve veterans or their
10 dependents, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015.

11 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general
12 fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$50,000, or so much of the
13 sum as may be necessary, to the department of veterans' affairs for the purpose of purchasing
14 vans for the transport of veterans or their dependents, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013,
15 and ending June 30, 2015.

16 **SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general
17 fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$20,000, or so much of the
18 sum as may be necessary, to the department of veterans' affairs for the purpose of holding
19 "stand down" events to coordinate benefits and provide services to needy veterans in this state,
20 for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015. The department of
21 veterans' affairs may only provide funding for a "stand-down" event to the extent private
22 matching funds are used to provide a dollar-for-dollar or in-kind match. The department of
23 veterans' affairs may not spend more than five thousand dollars for a single "stand down" event.

1 **SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general
2 fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$10,000, or so much of the
3 sum as may be necessary, to the department of veterans' affairs for the purpose of providing
4 legal services to veterans involved in veterans' preference appeals, for the biennium beginning
5 July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015.