

Fifty-seventh  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**SENATE BILL NO. 2260**

Introduced by

Senators Dever, C. Nelson, Wardner

Representatives Cleary, Haas, Kroeber

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 37-14-06 and 37-14-12 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to loans from the veterans' aid fund and appeals from the department of  
3 veterans' affairs.

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 37-14-06 of the 1999 Supplement to the North  
6 Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **37-14-06. Department may provide aid.** If the department of veterans' affairs is  
8 satisfied that an applicant is a veteran, as defined by section 37-01-40, or the surviving spouse  
9 of a veteran and has not remarried, and that the applicant is a citizen and resident of this state,  
10 the department may loan to the applicant, or a guardian of the applicant, a sum from the  
11 veterans' aid fund not to exceed ~~two~~ five thousand dollars.

12 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 37-14-12 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
13 amended and reenacted as follows:

14 **37-14-12. Decision of department ~~final~~ appealable.** The department of veterans'  
15 affairs ~~has full and sole power, authority, and jurisdiction over the granting or refusal of~~  
16 ~~applications~~ may grant or refuse an application for relief or assistance from ~~the veterans' aid~~  
17 ~~fund~~ financial assistance programs under the control of the department under policies set by  
18 the administrative committee on veterans' affairs, ~~and all of its~~. The department's decisions are  
19 ~~final~~ appealable to the administrative committee on veterans' affairs. The decision of the  
20 committee is final. The committee shall adopt and establish an appeal process similar to that  
21 provided by chapter 28-32. The committee's process shall be filed with the legislative council  
22 before December 1, 2001.