

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1154**

Introduced by

Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

(At the request of the Adjutant General)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 23-06-21 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to providing information on the burial locations of wartime veterans; and to repeal  
3 section 37-03-12 and chapter 37-16 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to recording of  
4 persons who provided military service during World War II and the Korean hostilities and  
5 recording the burial places of wartime veterans.

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

7 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 23-06-21 of the 1999 Supplement to the North  
8 Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

9 **23-06-21. Regulation of cemeteries.** All persons, corporations, municipalities,  
10 associations, and organizations owning, conducting, or maintaining a cemetery or plot for the  
11 burial of dead human bodies shall:

- 12 1. Provide for a sexton or secretary.
- 13 2. Cause the lot or parcel of ground used and designated as a cemetery to be platted  
14 into orderly blocks and lots, alleys and streets or driveways, giving to each a  
15 distinctive name or number that must be a permanent designation of its location.
- 16 3. File the original plat with the register of deeds of the county in which the cemetery  
17 or place of burial is located and the copy or blueprint thereof with the sexton or  
18 secretary.
- 19 4. Register with the state department of health the name and location of the cemetery  
20 or place of burial, the name and address of the sexton, and the name and address  
21 of other officers of the cemetery association, corporation, or organization.
- 22 5. Furnish such information and reports as the state department of health may require  
23 including the submission of plans and specifications for review and approval before  
24 constructing, erecting, or placing on the burial site for the burial or disposition of

1                   any human remains any interment structure or device constructed or placed wholly  
2                   or partially above the natural surface of the ground.

3                6.   Keep a local register of all burials showing as to each burial the name of the  
4                   deceased, the date and location of burial, the date of death, and the name and  
5                   address of the undertaker.

6                7.   ~~Comply with the provisions of section 37-16-02, relating to transmittal of~~  
7                   ~~information to the adjutant general regarding the interment of persons who served~~  
8                   ~~in the military or naval forces of the United States in time of war.~~

9                **SECTION 2. REPEAL.** Section 37-03-12 and chapter 37-16 of the North Dakota  
10   Century Code are repealed.