Sixty-third Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 1424**

Introduced by

Representatives Boehning, Grande, Gruchalla, Guggisberg, S. Kelsh, Paur, Thoreson, Wieland

Senators Flakoll, Grindberg, Mathern

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the department of veterans' affairs for veterans'
- 2 programs; and to provide for a report to the legislative management.

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

4 SECTIO	N 1. APPROPRIATION	. There is	appropriated	out of any	moneys in the general
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- 5 fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$1,490,000, or so much of the
- 6 sum as may be necessary, to the department of veterans' affairs for the purpose of conducting a
- 7 veterans' needs assessment and providing healing, therapy, and outreach services to North
- 8 Dakota veterans, military personnel, their families, and other North Dakota residents suffering
- 9 from posttraumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injury, and other neurologic disorders, for the
- biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015, as follows:

11	Therapies and healing services	\$900,000
12	North Dakota specific needs assessment	\$50,000
13	Regional outreach services	\$240,000
14	Leased capital costs	\$300,000

## 15 SECTION 2. SERVICES AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT - REPORT TO LEGISLATIVE

- 16 **MANAGEMENT.** The department of veterans' affairs shall report to the legislative management
- 17 by September 1, 2014, regarding the status of the needs assessment and programs and
- 18 services provided under section 1 of this Act.