Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2025

HOUSE BILL NO. 1076 (Government and Veterans Affairs Committee) (At the request of the Adjutant General)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 37-01-48 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the payment of a death benefit to the beneficiary or next of kin of a member of the national guard who died while serving on state active duty; and to declare an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 37-01-48 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

37-01-48. Payment of death benefits.

The national guard may pay a death benefit to a designated beneficiary, or to the next of kin, of a national guard service member who died while serving in a state active duty status under this chapter. The payment of a death benefit may not exceed <u>fifteen thousandone hundred thousand</u> dollars and is subject to available funds. The adjutant general may adopt rules to implement this section.

SECTION 2. EMERGENCY. This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

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Speaker of the House President of the Senate Chief Clerk of the House Secretary of the Senate This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1076 and that two-thirds of the members-elect of the House of Representatives voted in favor of said law. Nays 0 Vote: Yeas 92 Absent 2 Speaker of the House Chief Clerk of the House This certifies that two-thirds of the members-elect of the Senate voted in favor of said law. Vote: Yeas 47 Nays 0 Absent 0 President of the Senate Secretary of the Senate Received by the Governor at ______M. on ______, 2025. Approved at ______M. on ______, 2025. Governor Filed in this office this ______day of ______, 2025, at o'clock M.

Secretary of State