

House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee
69th Legislative Session
Representative Schauer-Chair

Chairman Schauer and House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee,

Please accept this testimony in support of HB 1078.

Intent of this bill:

Amend medical benefit for ND National Guard members on State Active Duty (SAD) to match cover follow up or continuing medical care for injury or illness incurred on SAD.

Need for bill:

ND National Guard members are not covered by any federal military benefits while on SAD. While on SAD the members are working for the state of North Dakota under the orders of the Governor. Pay scale and benefits are set and provided by the state. Workforce Safety and Insurance, soldiers own insurance are used first.

Outcome of bill:

ND National Guard members will be properly covered in the event of injury and illness during SAD.

Thank you for your consideration.
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