

**Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 9, 2001**

SENATE BILL NO. 2260
(Senators Dever, C. Nelson, Wardner)
(Representatives Cleary, Haas, Kroeber)

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections 37-14-06 and 37-14-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to loans from the veterans' aid fund and appeals from the department of veterans' affairs.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

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

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

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

37-14-12. Decision of department ~~final~~ appealable. ~~The department of veterans' affairs has full and sole power, authority, and jurisdiction over the granting or refusal of applications may grant or refuse an application for relief or assistance from the veterans' aid fund financial assistance programs under the control of the department under policies set by the administrative committee on veterans' affairs, and all of its. The committee shall adopt and establish an appeal process. The department's decisions are final~~ appealable to an appeals committee appointed by the chairman of the administrative committee, and the decision of the committee is final.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2260.

Senate Vote: Yeas 49 Nays 0 Absent 0

House Vote: Yeas 88 Nays 0 Absent 10

Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2001.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2001.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2001,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State