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## **COMMITTEES:**

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Mr. Chairman and Members of the House Government Veterans Affairs Committee,

For the record, my name is Claire Cory, and I represent District 42 in Grand Forks.

I am seeking your support for House Bill 1109.

House Bill 1109 was brought to my attention by The Office of the Adjutant General and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

The North Dakota Century Code wasn't updated when the United States Space Force was established as an independent branch of the uniformed services. The intent of the bill is to update the legal definition of "military", "armed forces", and "uniformed services". The reasons this is needed include but are not limited to, benefit eligibility, veteran's preference, and income tax exemption for retired pay.

This concludes my testimony, and I am happy to answer any questions, Mr. Chairman.