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## **COMMITTEES:**

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Chairman Schauer and House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee,

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

This bill came to my attention by the Commissioner of Veterans Affairs. It is needed to obtain records to conduct a thorough review for any patterns or opportunities which may help prevent suicides among ND Veterans. Currently, only the number of North Dakota suicides with military history is available.

I would appreciate the opportunity to present an amendment to House Bill 1326. This amendment simplifies the bill by adding the Commissioner of Veterans Affairs for a death record of an individual designated as having served in the United States armed forces to the list of 8 persons or entities who are currently allowed a certified copy of a complete death record.

Mr. Chairman and members of the House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee, this concludes my testimony and I am happy to answer any questions.