FIRST ENGROSSMENT

Sixty-third Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1219

Introduced by

Representatives Brandenburg, Froseth, Thoreson, Trottier, Wieland Senators Hoque, Lyson

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-10-18.3 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to tuition for dependents of disabled veterans.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- 4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-10-18.3 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
- 6 15-10-18.3. Free tuition in North Dakota institutions of higher education.
- Any dependent, as defined in section 15-10-18.2 upon being duly accepted for enrollment into any undergraduate degree or certificate program of a North Dakota state institution of
- 9 higher education, must be allowed to obtain a bachelor's degree or certificate of completion, for so long as the dependent is eligible, free of any tuition and fee charges; provided, however, that
- 11 if the bachelor's degree or certificate of completion is earned within a forty-five-month or
- 12 ten-semester period or its equivalent; and further provided that if tuition and fee charges shall do
- 13 not include costs for aviation flight charges or expenses. Once a person qualifies as a
- 14 dependent under sections 15-10-18.2 and 15-10-18.3, the dependent may not be disqualified
- 15 from the benefits of this section due to such an occurrence as the return of the prisoner of war
- or person missing in action, or due to the death of the disabled veteran through whom the
- 17 benefit was obtained, if the dependent was duly accepted for enrollment before the death.