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SENATE BILL NO. 146

Introduced by: Senators Peterson (Jim), Bradford, Brown, Buhl O'Donnell, Cammack, Frerichs, Heinert, Holien, Hunhoff (Bernie), Omdahl, Parsley, Solano, Sutton, Tidemann, Van Gerpen, and Vehle and Representatives Hawley, Bartling, Beal, Bolin, Craig, Deutsch, Feickert, Haugaard, Hawks, Hunt, Kaiser, Kirschman, McCleerey, Ring, Schoenbeck, Soli, Solum, Tulson, Verchio, Werner, Wiik, Wollmann, and Zikmund

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to authorize funding for an honor guard detail for deceased
2 veterans and to make an appropriation therefor.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That chapter 33A-5 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
5 follows:

6 The state shall pay, upon request by a local unit of a congressionally chartered veterans
7 organization or its auxiliary, a sum not to exceed fifty dollars to the local unit each time the
8 local unit provides an honor guard detail at the funeral of a deceased veteran. No payment or
9 reimbursement for the honor guard may be authorized unless a claim for the payment or
10 reimbursement is filed or presented to the Department of Veterans Affairs within one year after
11 the date of the burial.

12 Section 2. That § 33A-5-5 be amended to read as follows:

13 33A-5-5. All expenses incurred under the provisions of section 1 of this Act and §§ 33A-5-2



1 to 33A-5-4, inclusive, shall be approved, allowed, and certified by the county or tribal veterans'
2 service officer or field officer of the Department of Veterans Affairs upon forms provided by
3 the Department of Veterans Affairs. The county or tribal veteran's service officer or field officer
4 shall forward the forms to the Department of Veterans Affairs. The department shall certify and
5 forward the forms to the state auditor.

6 Upon receipt of the certified forms, the state auditor shall draw a warrant on the state
7 treasurer in favor of the person or persons entitled to the payment for the amount specified on
8 the forms.

9 Section 3. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of thirty-five
10 thousand dollars (\$35,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary, to the Department of
11 Veterans Affairs to reimburse a veterans organization to furnish a honor guard detail at the
12 funeral of deceased veterans.

13 Section 4. The secretary of veterans affairs shall approve vouchers and the state auditor shall
14 draw warrants to pay expenditures authorized by this Act.

15 Section 5. Any amounts appropriated in this Act not lawfully expended or obligated shall
16 revert in accordance with the procedures prescribed in chapter 4-8.