

1 S.151

2 Introduced by Senator Illuzzi

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Crimes and criminal procedure; trespass and malicious injury to
6 property; grave markers and ornaments

7 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to prohibit a business or metal dealer
8 from buying, selling, or giving anything of value in exchange for any
9 ornament, token, flag holder, emblem, or metal taken from the grave marker of
10 a veteran.

11 An act relating to veterans' grave markers

12 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

13 Sec. 1. 9 V.S.A. chapter 86 is added to read:

14 CHAPTER 86. PURCHASE OF VETERANS' GRAVE MARKERS

15 § 3221. VETERANS' GRAVE MARKERS AND ORNAMENTS

16 (a) A business or metal dealer shall not purchase, accept, or give anything
17 of value in exchange for any ornament, token, flag holder, emblem, or metal
18 taken from the grave marker of a veteran.

19 (b) A business or metal dealer that violates this section shall be fined up to
20 \$1,000.00 per violation.

1 (c) For purposes of this section, “metal dealer” means any individual, firm,
2 corporation, or partnership engaged in the business of purchasing and reselling
3 recyclable metal either at a permanently established place of business or in
4 connection with a business of an itinerant nature, including junk shops,
5 junkyards, or junk stores.