

SENATE FILE NO. SF0012

Vietnam War commemoration-2.

Sponsored by: Joint Transportation, Highways & Military
Affairs Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to veterans; establishing the Vietnam War
2 commemoration account; establishing the Vietnam War
3 commemoration matching account; authorizing the veterans'
4 commission to contract for services as specified; providing
5 an appropriation; and providing for an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 19-14-111 is created to read:

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11 **19-14-111. Vietnam War commemoration.**

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13 (a) There is created the Vietnam War commemoration
14 account. The account shall consist of those funds
15 appropriated or designated to the account by law. All

1 funds within the account shall be invested by the state
2 treasurer and all investment earnings from the account
3 shall be credited to the general fund.

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5 (b) There is created the Vietnam War commemoration
6 matching account. The veterans' commission may accept and
7 shall deposit in the matching account any gift,
8 contribution, donation or grant for the purpose of
9 celebrating and honoring Wyoming Vietnam War era veterans.
10 The Vietnam War commemoration matching account shall
11 consist of all donations received into the account and any
12 matching funds transferred pursuant to subsection (c) of
13 this section. All funds within the account shall be
14 invested by the state treasurer and all investment earnings
15 from the account shall be credited to the Vietnam War
16 commemoration matching account.

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18 (c) To the extent funds are available in the Vietnam
19 War commemoration account created under subsection (a) of
20 this section from appropriations by the legislature, the
21 state treasurer shall equally match each gift,
22 contribution, donation or grant received by the veterans'
23 commission by transferring funds from the Vietnam War

1 commemoration account to the Vietnam War commemoration
2 matching account created under subsection (b) of this
3 section at the time any accumulated gift, contribution,
4 donation or grant actually deposited to the matching
5 account totals five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) or more.
6 The state treasurer shall make transfers not later than the
7 end of the calendar quarter following the quarter during
8 which gifts, contributions, donations or grants to the
9 matching account total at least five thousand dollars
10 (\$5,000.00). If a gift, contribution, donation or grant is
11 made through a series of payments or transfers, no matching
12 funds shall be transferred under this section until the
13 total value of all payments or transfers actually received
14 totals at least five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00).

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16 (d) To educate the citizenry of Wyoming on the
17 contributions and sacrifices of the members of the United
18 States armed forces who served bravely and faithfully for
19 the United States during the Vietnam War and to celebrate
20 and honor the Wyoming Vietnam War era veterans, the
21 veterans' commission is authorized to expend funds from the
22 Vietnam War commemoration matching account to contract for

1 the dissemination of educational or commemorative
2 information about the Vietnam War to Wyoming citizens.

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4 **Section 2.** There is appropriated forty thousand
5 dollars (\$40,000.00) from the general fund to the Vietnam
6 War commemoration account created by Section 1 of this act.
7 This appropriation shall only be expended as consistent
8 with the provisions of this act. Any unexpended funds from
9 the amount appropriated under this section shall revert as
10 provided by law on June 30, 2017.

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12 **Section 3.** This act is effective immediately upon
13 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
14 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
15 Constitution.

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