

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 1814

By: Newberry, Brinkley, Allen,
Brown, David, Garrison and
Treat of the Senate

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7 An Act relating to military service; creating the
8 Oklahoma Gold Star Medal of Honor; specifying
9 conditions for awarding certain medal; providing for
10 eligibility; specifying nominating requirements;
11 directing the Adjutant General to perform certain
12 duties; providing for codification; and providing an
13 effective date.

14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 50.26 of Title 72, unless there
17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 A. The Oklahoma Gold Star Medal of Honor shall be awarded to a
19 member of the state or federal military forces who voluntarily
20 performed a deed of personal bravery or self-sacrifice during combat
21 after September 11, 2001, that resulted in his or her loss of life.

22 B. The Oklahoma Gold Star Medal of Honor shall be awarded based
23 on the standard of extraordinary merit. The medal shall be awarded
24 only on incontestable proof.

C. To be eligible for the Oklahoma Gold Star Medal of Honor, a
person shall have been:

1 1. Born in this state, a resident of this state on the person's
2 death, or a resident of this state when the person entered military
3 service; and

4 2. Killed in the line of duty in a combat zone or died of
5 wounds inflicted in a combat zone.

6 D. A person shall not be ineligible for the Oklahoma Gold Star
7 Medal of Honor because the person received any other medal or award
8 for military service, including a medal or award made by the United
9 States.

10 E. To receive the Oklahoma Gold Star Medal of Honor, a person
11 shall be nominated by a member of the Oklahoma Legislature and
12 approved by the Adjutant General.

13 F. Pursuant to Section 192 of Title 44 of the Oklahoma
14 Statutes, the Adjutant General shall design the medallion and ribbon
15 for the Oklahoma Gold Star Medal of Honor and shall be responsible
16 for awarding the medal to persons who have been approved by the
17 Adjutant General pursuant to subsection E of this section.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2012.

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1 Passed the Senate the 8th day of March, 2012.

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4 Presiding Officer of the Senate

5 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
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