

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE AMENDMENT

2 TO

3 ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 398

By: Simpson, Shortey and  
Pittman of the Senate

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5 Roberts (Dustin) of the  
House

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8 An Act relating to soldiers and sailors; establishing  
9 an Interment assistance program under the Oklahoma  
10 Department of Veterans Affairs; allowing for the  
11 promulgation of rules; providing for codification;  
and providing an effective date.

12 AUTHOR: Add the following House Coauthor: Hoskin

13 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Strike the title, enacting clause and entire bill  
14 and insert

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16 "An Act relating to soldiers and sailors;  
17 establishing an interment assistance program under  
the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs;  
18 allowing for the promulgation of rules; providing  
for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

21 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
22 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 34 of Title 72, unless there is  
23 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:  
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1 The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs shall establish a  
2 program to provide assistance for the proper interment or cremation  
3 of honorably discharged indigent veterans of the United States Armed  
4 Forces. The program shall aid in obtaining any available burial  
5 benefits from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or  
6 through private organizations. The program shall provide for a  
7 burial grant for any indigent veteran or any person who qualifies  
8 for financial assistance as determined by the Oklahoma Department of  
9 Veterans Affairs.

10 The War Veterans Commission of Oklahoma shall promulgate rules  
11 as necessary to implement the provisions of this section.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015."

13 Passed the House of Representatives the 15th day of April, 2015.

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Presiding Officer of the House of  
Representatives

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18 Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate