

SENATE BILL NO. 161—SENATORS COFFIN, TITUS, HECK, HARDY, HORSFORD, AMODEI, BEERS, CARE, CARLTON, CEGAVSKE, LEE, MATHEWS, MCGINNESS, NOLAN, RAGGIO, RHOADS, SCHNEIDER, TIFFANY, TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON AND WIENER

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JOINT SPONSORS: ASSEMBLYMEN PERKINS, OHRENSCHALL, CARPENTER, CHRISTENSEN, GERHARDT, GRADY, MANENDO, PARKS, SHERER AND WEBER

Referred to Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security

SUMMARY—Creates Nevada War on Terrorism Medal. (BDR 36-705)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to military affairs; creating the Nevada War on Terrorism Medal; establishing the criteria for awarding the medal; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing federal law creates Global War on Terrorism Medals for National
2 Guard and military reserve members who have served on active duty since
3 September 11, 2001. (Executive Order 13289, 68 Federal Register 12567) Existing
4 state law allows the Office of the Military to create awards for members of the
5 Nevada National Guard and Nevada National Guard Reserve. (NRS 412.064)
6 This bill creates a Nevada War on Terrorism Medal and requires the Office of
7 the Military to design and create the Medal. A Nevada resident who receives a
8 federal Global War on Terrorism Medal is eligible to receive this state medal. This
9 bill also requires the Office of the Military to adopt regulations concerning the state
10 medal.



THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 412 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 1. *There is hereby created the Nevada War on Terrorism*
4 *Medal.*

5 2. *The Office shall award the Nevada War on Terrorism*
6 *Medal to a resident of this State who:*

7 (a) *Is a member of the Nevada National Guard or the*
8 *Reserves;*

9 (b) *Enters and serves in the active military service of the*
10 *United States under a call or order by the President; and*

11 (c) *Is awarded a Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary*
12 *Medal or Global War on Terrorism Service Medal pursuant to*
13 *Executive Order 13289, 68 F.R. 12567.*

14 3. *The Office shall:*

15 (a) *Establish a suitable design for the medal, including a*
16 *ribbon, badge or other insignia to be worn with or in place of the*
17 *medal.*

18 (b) *Procure the manufacture of the medal, ribbon, badge or*
19 *other insignia.*

20 (c) *If the recipient is a member of the Nevada National Guard,*
21 *ensure that award of the medal is properly reflected in the service*
22 *records of the recipient.*

23 (d) *Establish procedures to identify members of the Reserves*
24 *entitled to award of the medal.*

25 (e) *Adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this*
26 *section. The regulations must include, without limitation:*

27 (1) *Rules for wearing the medal, ribbon, badge or other*
28 *insignia with the uniform of the Nevada National Guard;*

29 (2) *Provisions for the posthumous award of a medal; and*

30 (3) *Provisions for successive awards of the medal.*

31 4. *As used in this section, "Reserves" means the Air Force*
32 *Reserve, Army Reserve, Coast Guard Reserve, Marine Reserve*
33 *and Navy Reserve.*

34 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on October 1, 2005, and
35 applies retroactively to September 11, 2001.

