SENATE FILE NO. SF0053

Wyoming national guard medical insurance premiums.

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

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to defense forces and affairs; specifying

2 that a Wyoming national guard member serving in state

3 active duty may be reimbursed as specified for medical

4 insurance premiums; authorizing a position; providing

5 appropriations; 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. 19-9-403 by creating a new subsection

10 (e) is amended to read:

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12 19-9-403. Pay and allowances of officers and enlisted

13 persons in active state service and state active duty;

14 worker's compensation coverage for national guard members;

15 no pension denied by reason of service.

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(e) Subject to legislative appropriation and in accordance with this subsection, while a member of the Wyoming national guard serves in state active duty, the adjutant general may authorize reimbursement to the member for medical insurance premiums the member pays in an amount not to exceed the daily premium cost of federal TRICARE Reserve Select or its successor insurance program administered by the United States department of defense, multiplied by the number of days of state active duty served.

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13 Section 2.

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The Wyoming military department is authorized 15 (a) 16 one-half (1/2) full-time equivalent position for the 17 purpose of implementing and administering this act. There is appropriated from the general fund forty-eight thousand 18 19 dollars (\$48,000.00) to the military department 20 purposes of paying the salary and benefits of the employee authorized under this subsection. This appropriation shall 21 be for the period beginning with the effective date of this 22 act and ending June 30, 2024. This appropriation shall not 23

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1 be transferred or expended for any other purpose and any

2 unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this

3 appropriation shall revert as provided by law on

4 June 30, 2024. It is the intent of the legislature that the

5 position authorized in this subsection be included in the

6 military department's standard budget for the immediately

7 succeeding fiscal biennium.

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9 (b) There is appropriated fifty-five thousand dollars 10 (\$55,000.00) from the general fund to the Wyoming military department for the purposes of making the reimbursement 11 12 payments under this act. This appropriation shall be for the period beginning with the effective date of this act 13 and ending June 30, 2024. This appropriation shall not be 14 15 transferred or expended for any other purpose and any 16 unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from 17 shall revert as provided appropriation by law 18 June 30, 2024. It is the intent of the legislature that 19 this appropriation be included in the military department's 20 standard budget for the immediately succeeding fiscal

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Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2023.

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