

1-1 By: S. Davis of Harris (Senate Sponsor - Birdwell) H.B. No. 402
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 4, 2013;
1-3 April 9, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Veteran
1-4 Affairs and Military Installations; May 9, 2013, reported
1-5 favorably by the following vote: Yeas 3, Nays 0; May 9, 2013, sent
1-6 to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-14 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-15 AN ACT

1-16 relating to a medal for certain members of the state military forces
1-17 who served during the Cold War; authorizing a fee.

1-18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-19 SECTION 1. Section 431.134, Government Code, is amended by
1-20 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c) to read as
1-21 follows:

1-22 (a) The adjutant general may adopt rules and regulations
1-23 relating to the:

1-24 (1) Texas Faithful Service Medal, which shall be
1-25 awarded to a member of the state military forces who has completed
1-26 five years of honorable service during which the person has shown
1-27 fidelity to duty, efficient service, and great loyalty to the
1-28 state;

1-29 (2) Federal Service Medal, which shall be awarded to a
1-30 person who was inducted into federal service from the state
1-31 military forces between June 15, 1940, and January 1, 1946, or after
1-32 June 1, 1950, if the service was for more than 90 days;

1-33 (3) Texas Medal of Merit, which may be presented to a
1-34 member of the military forces of this state, another state, or the
1-35 United States who performs outstanding service or attains
1-36 extraordinary achievement in behalf of the state or United States;

1-37 (4) Texas Outstanding Service Medal, which may be
1-38 presented to a member of the military forces of this state, another
1-39 state, or the United States who has performed service in a superior
1-40 and clearly outstanding manner;

1-41 (5) Texas State Guard Service Medal, which shall be
1-42 awarded to a person who completes three consecutive years of
1-43 honorable service in the Texas State Guard during which the person
1-44 has shown fidelity to duty, efficient service, and great loyalty to
1-45 the state;

1-46 (6) Texas Desert Shield/Desert Storm Campaign Medal,
1-47 which shall be awarded to a person who was inducted into federal
1-48 service from the Texas National Guard after August 1, 1990, in
1-49 support of Operation Desert Shield or Operation Desert Storm,
1-50 without regard to the place that the person was deployed while
1-51 serving on active federal military duty;

1-52 (7) Texas Humanitarian Service Medal, which shall be
1-53 awarded to a person who:

1-54 (A) does not meet the criteria for an award of the
1-55 federal Humanitarian Service Medal;

1-56 (B) is a member of the state military forces; and

1-57 (C) while serving on state active duty or active
1-58 duty under state authority in accordance with Title 32 of the United
1-59 States Code, participates satisfactorily in defense support to a
1-60 mission under civilian authority to protect life or property during
1-61 or soon after a natural disaster or civil unrest in the state;

2-1 (8) Texas Cavalry Medal, which shall be awarded to a
2-2 person who:
2-3 (A) served on or after September 11, 2001, in the
2-4 124th Cavalry, Texas Army National Guard; and
2-5 (B) served in a hostile fire zone as designated
2-6 by the United States secretary of defense;
2-7 (9) Texas Combat Service Ribbon, which shall be
2-8 awarded to a member of the Texas National Guard who served, after
2-9 September 11, 2001, in a hostile fire zone as designated by the
2-10 United States secretary of defense;
2-11 (10) Texas Purple Heart Medal, which shall be awarded
2-12 to a person who, after September 11, 2001:
2-13 (A) was inducted into federal service from the
2-14 Texas National Guard; and
2-15 (B) meets the criteria for an award of the
2-16 federal Purple Heart Medal;
2-17 (11) Texas Superior Service Medal, which shall be
2-18 awarded to:
2-19 (A) a member of the state military forces who
2-20 has:
2-21 (i) completed 30 or more years of honorable
2-22 state service or a combination of state and federal service; and
2-23 (ii) continually demonstrated superior
2-24 performance and service while assigned to key leadership positions
2-25 demanding responsibility; or
2-26 (B) a civilian who has contributed significant
2-27 service to the state military forces;
2-28 (12) Texas Homeland Defense Service Medal, which shall
2-29 be awarded to a member of the state military forces who served:
2-30 (A) on or after September 11, 2001;
2-31 (B) on state active duty or active duty under
2-32 state authority in accordance with Title 32 of the United States
2-33 Code; and
2-34 (C) satisfactorily in defense support to a
2-35 mission in the state under civilian authority;
2-36 (13) Texas Iraqi Campaign Medal, which shall be
2-37 awarded to a person who was inducted into federal service from the
2-38 Texas National Guard, without regard to the place that the person
2-39 was deployed while serving on active federal military duty, after:
2-40 (A) March 19, 2003, in support of Operation Iraqi
2-41 Freedom; or
2-42 (B) August 31, 2010, in support of Operation New
2-43 Dawn; ~~and~~
2-44 (14) Texas Afghanistan Campaign Medal, which shall be
2-45 awarded to a person who was inducted into federal service from the
2-46 Texas National Guard after October 6, 2001, in support of Operation
2-47 Enduring Freedom, without regard to the place that the person was
2-48 deployed while serving on active federal military duty; and
2-49 (15) Cold War Medal, which shall be awarded to a member
2-50 of the Texas National Guard or the Texas State Guard who served
2-51 between September 2, 1945, and December 26, 1991, subject to
2-52 Subsection (c).
2-53 (c) A person described by Subsection (a)(15) may be awarded
2-54 a Cold War Medal only if a fee in the amount necessary to cover the
2-55 costs of awarding the medal is paid to the adjutant general's
2-56 department.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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