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1 AN ACT

2 relating to a medal for certain members of the state military forces

- 3 who served during the Cold War; authorizing a fee.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 431.134, Government Code, is amended by
- 6 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c) to read as
- 7 follows:
- 8 (a) The adjutant general may adopt rules and regulations
- 9 relating to the:
- 10 (1) Texas Faithful Service Medal, which shall be
- 11 awarded to a member of the state military forces who has completed
- 12 five years of honorable service during which the person has shown
- 13 fidelity to duty, efficient service, and great loyalty to the
- 14 state;
- 15 (2) Federal Service Medal, which shall be awarded to a
- 16 person who was inducted into federal service from the state
- 17 military forces between June 15, 1940, and January 1, 1946, or after
- 18 June 1, 1950, if the service was for more than 90 days;
- 19 (3) Texas Medal of Merit, which may be presented to a
- 20 member of the military forces of this state, another state, or the
- 21 United States who performs outstanding service or attains
- 22 extraordinary achievement in behalf of the state or United States;
- 23 (4) Texas Outstanding Service Medal, which may be
- 24 presented to a member of the military forces of this state, another

- 1 state, or the United States who has performed service in a superior
- 2 and clearly outstanding manner;
- 3 (5) Texas State Guard Service Medal, which shall be
- 4 awarded to a person who completes three consecutive years of
- 5 honorable service in the Texas State Guard during which the person
- 6 has shown fidelity to duty, efficient service, and great loyalty to
- 7 the state;
- 8 (6) Texas Desert Shield/Desert Storm Campaign Medal,
- 9 which shall be awarded to a person who was inducted into federal
- 10 service from the Texas National Guard after August 1, 1990, in
- 11 support of Operation Desert Shield or Operation Desert Storm,
- 12 without regard to the place that the person was deployed while
- 13 serving on active federal military duty;
- 14 (7) Texas Humanitarian Service Medal, which shall be
- 15 awarded to a person who:
- 16 (A) does not meet the criteria for an award of the
- 17 federal Humanitarian Service Medal;
- 18 (B) is a member of the state military forces; and
- 19 (C) while serving on state active duty or active
- 20 duty under state authority in accordance with Title 32 of the United
- 21 States Code, participates satisfactorily in defense support to a
- 22 mission under civilian authority to protect life or property during
- 23 or soon after a natural disaster or civil unrest in the state;
- 24 (8) Texas Cavalry Medal, which shall be awarded to a
- 25 person who:
- 26 (A) served on or after September 11, 2001, in the
- 27 124th Cavalry, Texas Army National Guard; and

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- 1 (B) served in a hostile fire zone as designated
- 2 by the United States secretary of defense;
- 3 (9) Texas Combat Service Ribbon, which shall be
- 4 awarded to a member of the Texas National Guard who served, after
- 5 September 11, 2001, in a hostile fire zone as designated by the
- 6 United States secretary of defense;
- 7 (10) Texas Purple Heart Medal, which shall be awarded
- 8 to a person who, after September 11, 2001:
- 9 (A) was inducted into federal service from the
- 10 Texas National Guard; and
- 11 (B) meets the criteria for an award of the
- 12 federal Purple Heart Medal;
- 13 (11) Texas Superior Service Medal, which shall be
- 14 awarded to:
- 15 (A) a member of the state military forces who
- 16 has:
- 17 (i) completed 30 or more years of honorable
- 18 state service or a combination of state and federal service; and
- 19 (ii) continually demonstrated superior
- 20 performance and service while assigned to key leadership positions
- 21 demanding responsibility; or
- 22 (B) a civilian who has contributed significant
- 23 service to the state military forces;
- 24 (12) Texas Homeland Defense Service Medal, which shall
- 25 be awarded to a member of the state military forces who served:
- 26 (A) on or after September 11, 2001;
- 27 (B) on state active duty or active duty under

- 1 state authority in accordance with Title 32 of the United States
- 2 Code; and
- 3 (C) satisfactorily in defense support to a
- 4 mission in the state under civilian authority;
- 5 (13) Texas Iraqi Campaign Medal, which shall be
- 6 awarded to a person who was inducted into federal service from the
- 7 Texas National Guard, without regard to the place that the person
- 8 was deployed while serving on active federal military duty, after:
- 9 (A) March 19, 2003, in support of Operation Iraqi
- 10 Freedom; or
- 11 (B) August 31, 2010, in support of Operation New
- 12 Dawn; [and]
- 13 (14) Texas Afghanistan Campaign Medal, which shall be
- 14 awarded to a person who was inducted into federal service from the
- 15 Texas National Guard after October 6, 2001, in support of Operation
- 16 Enduring Freedom, without regard to the place that the person was
- 17 deployed while serving on active federal military duty; and
- 18 (15) Cold War Medal, which shall be awarded to a member
- 19 of the Texas National Guard or the Texas State Guard who served
- 20 between September 2, 1945, and December 26, 1991, subject to
- 21 Subsection (c).
- (c) A person described by Subsection (a) (15) may be awarded
- 23 a Cold War Medal only if a fee in the amount necessary to cover the
- 24 costs of awarding the medal is paid to the adjutant general's
- 25 <u>department</u>.
- 26 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 402 was passed by the House on April 3, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 147, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the Hous

I certify that H.B. No. 402 was passed by the Senate on May 17, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays,0.

Secretary of the Senate

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