1 ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 398 By: Simpson, Shortey and 2 Pittman of the Senate 3 and Roberts (Dustin) of the 4 House 5 6 7 An Act relating to soldiers and sailors; establishing an Interment assistance program under the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs; allowing for the 8 promulgation of rules; providing for codification; 9 and providing an effective date. 10 11 12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 34 of Title 72, unless there is 14 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows: 15 The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs shall establish a 16 program to provide assistance for the proper interment of honorably 17 discharged indigent veterans of the United States Armed Forces. 18 program shall aid in obtaining any available burial benefits from 19 the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or through private 20 organizations. The program shall provide for a burial grant for any 21 indigent veteran or any person who qualifies for financial 22

assistance as determined by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans

Affairs.

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1	The Oklahoma Veterans Commission shall promulgate rules as
2	necessary to implement the provisions of this section.
3	SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.
4	Passed the Senate the 10th day of March, 2015.
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6	Presiding Officer of the Senate
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8	Passed the House of Representatives the day of,
9	2015.
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