

1.1 moves to amend H.F. No. 1845 as follows:

1.2 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

1.3 "Section 1. **ADVISORY TASK FORCE ESTABLISHED; VETERANS OF SECRET**
1.4 **GUERRILLA UNITS IN LAOS.**

1.5 Subdivision 1. **Establishment; membership.** (a) The commissioner of veterans affairs
1.6 shall establish a Veterans of Secret Guerilla Units in Laos Advisory Task Force.

1.7 (b) The advisory task force shall consist of the commissioner, or a designee, and the
1.8 following additional 12 members appointed by the commissioner, except as otherwise
1.9 provided:

1.10 (1) a representative of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs who has
1.11 knowledge of the secret guerilla units;

1.12 (2) a representative of the Minnesota Commanders Task Force designated by the
1.13 Commanders Task Force;

1.14 (3) a representative of the Vietnam Veterans of Minnesota;

1.15 (4) a United States armed forces veteran who served on active duty in Vietnam during
1.16 the Vietnam War;

1.17 (5) a Hmong American Minnesota resident who served in the United States armed forces
1.18 in Vietnam;

1.19 (6) a veteran of a secret guerilla unit in Laos;

1.20 (7) a historian knowledgeable about the secret guerilla units in Laos;

1.21 (8) a representative of the Minnesota Military Museum who has knowledge of the
1.22 Vietnam War designated by the museum's director; and

2.1 (9) four legislators, with the speaker of the house, the house DFL leader, the senate
2.2 majority leader, and the senate minority leader appointing one member each.

2.3 Subd. 2. **Duties; report.** (a) The task force must:

2.4 (1) study the support that secret guerilla units in Laos provided to the United States
2.5 armed forces during the Vietnam War;

2.6 (2) establish criteria for determining which Minnesotans served in the secret guerrilla
2.7 units; and

2.8 (3) establish criteria to determine which Minnesotans who served in the secret guerilla
2.9 units are deserving of the benefits of a veteran under Minnesota law and which veterans
2.10 benefits should be extended to these Minnesotans.

2.11 (b) The task force must prepare a report to the legislature that includes the findings,
2.12 criteria, and recommendations required under paragraph (a). The commissioner must deliver
2.13 the report to the chairs and minority leaders of the house and senate committees with
2.14 jurisdiction over veterans affairs policy and finance by February 15, 2026.

2.15 Subd. 3. **Administration; terms of membership.** The commissioner shall convene the
2.16 first meeting of the advisory task force by August 15, 2025, and provide staff support to
2.17 the advisory task force. The provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 15.059, subdivision
2.18 6, shall govern the terms and removal of members of the advisory task force. Members of
2.19 the task force serve without compensation or per diem.

2.20 Subd. 4. **Expiration.** The task force expires on February 15, 2026."

2.21 Amend the title accordingly