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Sixty-fourth
Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

Introduced by
Appropriations Committee
(At the request of the Governor)

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of veterans' affairs; and to provide an exemption.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and other income, to the department of veterans' affairs for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the department of veterans' affairs, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2017, as follows:

|  | Base Level | Adjustments or <br> Enhancements | Appropriation |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Veterans' affairs | \$1,410,580 | \$342,071 | \$1,752,651 |
| Veterans' affairs | \$1,410,580 | \$455,398 | \$1,865,978 |
| Transport vans | 0 | 15,000 | 15,000 |
| Accrued leave payments | 10,123 | $(10,123)$ | $\underline{0}$ |
| Fotal all funds | \$1,420,703 | \$346,948 | \$1,767,654 |
| Less estimated income | $\underline{0}$ | 284,453 | 284,453 |
| Fotal general fund | \$1,420,703 | \$62,495 | \$1,483,198 |
| Total all funds | \$1,420,703 | \$460,275 | \$1,880,978 |
| Less estimated income | 0 | 288,018 | 288,018 |
| Total general fund | \$1,420,703 | \$172,257 | \$1,592,960 |
| Full-time equivalent positions | 8.00 | 1.00 | 9.00 |

SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO
SIXTY-FIFTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items approved by the sixty-third legislative assembly for the 2013-15 biennium:

| One-Time Funding Description | $\underline{2013-15}$ | $\underline{2015-17}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Website | $\$ 15,000$ | $\$ 0$ |
| Website | $\$ 15,000$ | $\$ 10,000$ |
| Vans | 30,000 | 0 |
| Agent orange | 50,000 | 0 |
| Service dogs | 50,000 | 0 |
| Service dogs | 50,000 | 50,000 |
| General fund transfer | $\underline{250,000}$ | $\underline{0}$ |
| Fotal general fund | $\$ 395,000$ | $\$ 0$ |
| Total general fund | $\$ 395,000$ | $\$ 60,000$ |

SECTION 3. EXEMPTION. The amount appropriated for veteran service dog training in section 1 of chapter 60 of the 2013 Session Laws is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this line item for grants are available for grants during the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2017.
-SECTION 4. CONTINGENT FUNDING - STAND DOWN EVENTS. The department of veterans' affairs shall seek federal funds of at least $\$ 20,000$ for defraying the expenses of veterans' stand down events. The department may spend up to $\$ 15,000$ from the general fund appropriated in section 1 of this Act only to the extent that the department does not receive$\$ 20,000$ in federal funding for the stand down events during the 2015-17 biennium.

