

**SECOND ENGROSSMENT**

Sixty-fifth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**REENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2025**

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of  
2 veterans' affairs.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds  
5 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state  
6 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and  
7 other income, to the department of veterans' affairs for the purpose of defraying the expenses of  
8 the department of veterans' affairs, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending  
9 June 30, 2019, as follows:

	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Adjustments or Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
12 <del>Veterans' affairs</del>	<del>\$1,379,982</del>	<del>(\$65,758)</del>	<del>\$1,314,224</del>
13 <del>Agent orange</del>	<del>50,000</del>	<del>(50,000)</del>	<del>0</del>
14 <del>State approving agency</del>	<del>288,018</del>	<del>(15,778)</del>	<del>272,240</del>
15 <del>Grants - transportation program</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>1,719,520</del>	<del>1,719,520</del>
16 <del>Total all funds</del>	<del>\$1,718,000</del>	<del>\$1,587,984</del>	<del>\$3,305,984</del>
17 <del>Less estimated income</del>	<del>288,018</del>	<del>1,803,799</del>	<del>2,091,817</del>
18 <del>Total general fund</del>	<del>\$1,429,982</del>	<del>(\$215,815)</del>	<del>\$1,214,167</del>
19 <del>Full-time equivalent positions</del>	<del>9.00</del>	<del>(1.00)</del>	<del>8.00</del>
20 <u>Veterans' affairs</u>	<u>\$1,379,982</u>	<u>(\$211,967)</u>	<u>\$1,168,015</u>
21 <u>Agent orange</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>0</u>
22 <u>State approving agency</u>	<u>288,018</u>	<u>(16,020)</u>	<u>271,998</u>
23 <u>Grants - transportation program</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,719,520</u>	<u>1,719,520</u>
24 <u>Transport vans</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>37,200</u>	<u>37,200</u>

1	Total all funds	\$1,718,000	\$1,478,733	\$3,196,733
2	Less estimated income	288,018	1,803,553	2,091,571
3	Total general fund	\$1,429,982	(\$324,820)	\$1,105,162
4	Full-time equivalent positions	9.00	(2.00)	7.00

**SECTION 2. HEALTH INSURANCE INCREASES.** The salaries and wages line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$18,581, of which \$15,431 is from the general fund, for increases in employee health insurance premiums from \$1,130 to \$1,241 per month.

**SECTION 3. ONE-TIME FUNDING.** The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items approved by the sixty-fourth legislative assembly for the 2015-17 biennium:

10	One-Time Funding Description	2015-17	2017-19
11	Service dogs	\$50,000	\$0
12	Desktop support hardware	26,895	0
13	Total general fund	\$76,895	\$0
14	Service dogs	\$50,000	\$0
15	Desktop support hardware	26,895	0
16	Transport vans	0	18,600
17	Total general fund	\$76,895	\$18,600

The 2017-19 one-time funding amounts are not a part of the entity's base budget for the 2019-21 biennium. The department of veterans' affairs shall report to the appropriations committees of the sixty-sixth legislative assembly on the use of this one-time funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019.

**SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - SERVICE DOGS.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$50,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of veterans' affairs for the purpose of training up to four service dogs to assist North Dakota veterans with post traumatic stress disorder, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019.