

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

**Senate Bill No. 2007 - Veterans' Home - Conference Committee Action**

	Base Budget	Senate Version	Conference Committee Changes	Conference Committee Version	House Version	Comparison to House
Salaries and wages	\$20,582,989	\$22,198,866	\$200,000	\$22,398,866	\$23,617,329	(\$1,218,463)
New and vacant FTE pool		852,924		852,924		852,924
Operating expenses	6,061,325	7,168,693	100,000	7,268,693	7,268,693	
Capital assets	407,252	1,132,307		1,132,307	1,132,307	
<b>Total all funds</b>	<b>\$27,051,566</b>	<b>\$31,352,790</b>	<b>\$300,000</b>	<b>\$31,652,790</b>	<b>\$32,018,329</b>	<b>(\$365,539)</b>
Less estimated income	20,833,167	25,134,391	(194,709)	24,939,682	25,208,389	(268,707)
General fund	\$6,218,399	\$6,218,399	\$494,709	\$6,713,108	\$6,809,940	(\$96,832)
FTE	114.79	114.79	0.00	114.79	114.79	0.00

**Department 313 - Veterans' Home - Detail of Conference Committee Changes**

	Adjusts Funding Source from Special Funds to the General Fund <sup>1</sup>	Adjusts Funding for 2025-27 New and Vacant FTE Pool <sup>2</sup>	Adds Funding for Nursing Salary Equity Increases <sup>3</sup>	Adds Funding for Resident Food Costs <sup>4</sup>	Total Conference Committee Changes
Salaries and wages			\$200,000		\$200,000
New and vacant FTE pool					
Operating expenses				\$100,000	100,000
Capital assets					
<b>Total all funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$200,000</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>	<b>\$300,000</b>
Less estimated income	(591,541)	96,832	200,000	100,000	(194,709)
General fund	\$591,541	(\$96,832)	\$0	\$0	\$494,709
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

<sup>1</sup> Funding is adjusted from the soldiers' home special fund to the general fund for salaries and wages including funding for salary increases, health insurance increases, and the 2023-25 new and vacant FTE pool, the same as provided by the House. The Senate provided this funding from the soldiers' home special fund.

<sup>2</sup> Funding is adjusted from the general fund to the soldiers' home special fund for the 2025-27 biennium new and vacant FTE pool resulting in net savings of \$96,832 from the general fund and \$268,707 from the soldiers' home special fund. The Senate included the Veterans' Home in the 2025-27 new and vacant FTE pool and the House removed the Veterans' Home from the 2025-27 new and vacant FTE pool.

<sup>3</sup> Adds \$200,000 from the soldiers' home special fund for nursing salary equity increases to provide a total of \$750,000 from the soldiers' home special fund, the same as provided by the House. The Senate provided \$550,000 from the soldiers' home special fund.

<sup>4</sup> Adds \$100,000 from the soldiers' home special fund for resident food costs to provide a total increase of \$200,000 from the soldiers' home special fund, the same as provided by the House. The Senate provided \$100,000 from the soldiers' home special fund.

**Senate Bill No. 2007 - Other Changes - Conference Committee Action**

This amendment also provides authority for the Veterans' Home to transfer up to \$600,000 from the soldiers' home special fund from the salaries and wages line item to the operating expenses line item during the 2023-25 biennium, the same as provided by the House. The Senate authorized the Veterans' Home to transfer up to \$400,000 from the soldiers' home special fund from the salaries and wages line item to the operating expenses line item during the 2023-25 biennium.

The Conference Committee did not change the section relating to the new and vacant FTE pool line item. The House removed this section from the bill.