

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1007

That the Senate recede from its amendments as printed on pages 1355-1359 of the House Journal and pages 1170-1174 of the Senate Journal and that Engrossed House Bill No. 1007 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 3, replace the second "and" with "to provide for additional skilled nursing care bed capacity; to allow for line item transfers; to provide for a legislative council study;"

Page 1, line 4, after "section" insert "; and to declare an emergency"

Page 1, line 14, replace "7,304,763" with "7,975,737"

Page 1, line 15, replace "2,525,427" with "2,711,704"

Page 1, line 17, replace "10,159,944" with "11,017,195"

Page 1, line 18, replace "7,497,035" with "7,971,123"

Page 1, line 19, replace "2,662,909" with "3,046,072"

Page 1, line 22, replace "525,393" with "524,292"

Page 1, line 23, replace "43,597" with "43,494"

Page 1, line 24, replace "481,796" with "480,798"

Page 2, line 1, replace "S.B." with "section 1 of H.B." and replace "3,144,705" with "3,526,870"

Page 2, line 2, replace "S.B." with "section 1 of H.B." and replace "7,540,632" with "8,014,617"

Page 2, line 3, replace "S.B." with "section 1 of H.B." and replace "10,685,337" with "11,541,487"

Page 2, line 15, remove "**ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON**" and replace "**AFFAIRS**" with "**HOME GOVERNING BOARD**"

Page 2, line 16, remove "administrative"

Page 2, line 17, remove "committee on" and replace "affairs" with "home governing board"

Page 2, line 18, replace "committee's" with "board's"

Page 2, after line 19, insert:

"SECTION 5. FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS - AUTHORIZATION.

The governing board of the veterans' home may employ two new full-time equivalent employee positions for the veterans' home before June 30, 2003, as needed, subject to the availability of funds.

SECTION 6. 2001-03 BIENNIUM LINE ITEM TRANSFERS - AUTHORIZATION. Notwithstanding section 54-16-04, the veterans' home may transfer

up to \$150,000 of appropriation authority between line items for the 2001-03 biennium to implement changes in technology and telecommunications, with the approval of the office of management and budget. Any line item transfers must be reported to the budget section.

SECTION 7. SKILLED NURSING CARE BED PURCHASE - TRANSFER.

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 23 of chapter 431 of the 2001 Session Laws which require a reduction in licensed nursing facility bed capacity, the department of human services shall purchase eight skilled nursing care beds after April 14, 2003, from funding available in section 23 of chapter 431 of the 2001 Session Laws and transfer the purchased beds to the veterans' home in Lisbon.

SECTION 8. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STUDY - NURSING HOME RATE CLASS LIMITS. The legislative council shall consider studying, during the 2003-04 interim, the feasibility and desirability of establishing a separate payment rate class for the veterans' home and the related effect on the state's general fund and the long-term care industry in North Dakota. The study, if conducted, may be done in conjunction with the long-term care continuum study included in 2003 Senate Bill No. 2012. The legislative council shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the fifty-ninth legislative assembly.

SECTION 9. APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$96,924, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, and \$205,586 of federal funds to the department of human services for the purpose of medicaid reimbursement to the veterans' home relating to the addition of nursing home beds, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 2005.

SECTION 10. EMERGENCY. Sections 5, 6, and 7 of this Act are declared to be an emergency measure."

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1007 - Summary of Conference Committee Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE VERSION	SENATE VERSION	COMPARISON TO SENATE
Office of Management and Budget						
Total all funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$385,373	(\$385,373)
Less estimated income						
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$385,373	(\$385,373)
Veterans' Home						
Total all funds	\$10,643,938	\$10,159,944	\$857,251	\$11,017,195	\$10,366,379	\$650,816
Less estimated income	7,318,664	7,497,035	474,088	7,971,123	7,070,255	900,868
General fund	\$3,325,274	\$2,662,909	\$383,163	\$3,046,072	\$3,296,124	(\$250,052)
Department of Veterans' Affairs						
Total all funds	\$529,898	\$525,393	(\$1,101)	\$524,292	\$524,389	(\$97)
Less estimated income	43,935	43,597	(103)	43,494	43,494	
General fund	\$485,963	\$481,796	(\$998)	\$480,798	\$480,895	(\$97)
DHS - Program/Policy						
Total all funds	\$0	\$0	\$302,510	\$302,510	\$1,142,388	(\$839,878)
Less estimated income			205,586	205,586	776,367	(570,781)
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$96,924	\$96,924	\$366,021	(\$269,097)
Bill Total						
Total all funds	\$11,173,836	\$10,685,337	\$1,158,660	\$11,843,997	\$12,418,529	(\$574,532)
Less estimated income	7,362,599	7,540,632	679,571	8,220,203	7,890,116	330,087
General fund	\$3,811,237	\$3,144,705	\$479,089	\$3,623,794	\$4,528,413	(\$904,619)

House Bill No. 1007 - Veterans' Home - Conference Committee Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE VERSION	SENATE VERSION	COMPARISON TO SENATE
Salaries and wages	\$7,678,757	\$7,304,763	\$670,974	\$7,975,737	\$7,405,607	\$570,130
Operating expenses	2,635,427	2,525,427	186,277	2,711,704	2,631,018	80,686
Capital assets	<u>329,754</u>	<u>329,754</u>		<u>329,754</u>	<u>329,754</u>	
Total all funds	\$10,643,938	\$10,159,944	\$857,251	\$11,017,195	\$10,366,379	\$650,816
Less estimated income	<u>7,318,664</u>	<u>7,497,035</u>	<u>474,088</u>	<u>7,971,123</u>	<u>7,070,255</u>	<u>900,868</u>
General fund	\$3,325,274	\$2,662,909	\$383,163	\$3,046,072	\$3,296,124	(\$250,052)
FTE	88.01	87.41	2.00	89.41	89.01	0.40

Dept. 313 - Veterans' Home - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	CHANGES FUNDING SOURCE ¹	REDUCES RECOMMENDED FUNDING FOR HEALTH INSURANCE ²	REDUCES FUNDING FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COSTS ³	INCREASES FUNDING FOR ADDITIONAL SKILLED CARE BEDS	PROVIDES FOR ADDITIONAL FTE POSITIONS ⁴	ADDS FUNDING FOR SALARIES ⁵
Salaries and wages		(\$10,630)		\$570,130		\$111,474
Operating expenses			(\$6,302)	86,784		
Capital assets						
Total all funds	\$0	(\$10,630)	(\$6,302)	\$656,914	\$0	\$111,474
Less estimated income	<u>(174,200)</u>	<u>(2,580)</u>	<u>(6,046)</u>	<u>656,914</u>		
General fund	\$174,200	(\$8,050)	(\$256)	\$0	\$0	\$111,474
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	0.00
	INCREASES FUNDING FOR OPERATING COSTS ⁶	TOTAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES				
Salaries and wages		\$670,974				
Operating expenses	\$105,795	186,277				
Capital assets						
Total all funds	\$105,795	\$857,251				
Less estimated income		<u>474,088</u>				
General fund	\$105,795	\$383,163				
FTE	0.00	2.00				

¹ The Conference Committee amendment restores \$174,200 of the general fund reduction made by the House and reduces other funds by the same amount. The Senate had provided for a funding source switch of \$424,200, or \$250,000 more than the Conference Committee amendment.

² Reduces the funding for state employee health insurance premiums from \$493 to \$488.70 per month.

³ This amendment reduces funding for information technology by \$256 from the general fund and \$6,046 from special funds, which represents a reduction in information technology funding from the general fund and special funds of approximately 5 percent.

⁴ The Conference Committee provided authorization for two additional FTE positions within existing spending authority.

⁵ Increases funding for salaries and wages.

⁶ Restores \$105,795 of the reduction made in the House for operating expenses.

The Conference Committee added language authorizing the Veterans' Home Governing Board to add two FTE positions during the 2001-03 biennium, subject to the availability of funds.

The Conference Committee provided for line item transfer authority of up to \$150,000 during the 2001-03 biennium within existing appropriation authority for implementing technology and telecommunications changes.

The Conference Committee provides that the Department of Human Services purchase of eight skilled nursing care beds after April 14, 2003, be transferred to the Veterans' Home. The Conference Committee also provided an appropriation to the Department of Human Services for additional related Medicaid reimbursement costs to the Veterans' Home.

The Conference Committee provided that periodic reports to the Budget Section on the status of developing and implementing a strategic plan for the Veterans' Home be made by the Veterans' Home Governing Board, rather than the Administrative Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

The Conference Committee provided for a Legislative Council study of the feasibility and desirability of implementing a separate rate class for the Veterans' Home.

House Bill No. 1007 - Department of Veterans' Affairs - Conference Committee Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE VERSION	SENATE VERSION	COMPARISON TO SENATE
Veterans' affairs administration	<u>\$529,898</u>	<u>\$525,393</u>	<u>(\$1,101)</u>	<u>\$524,292</u>	<u>\$524,389</u>	<u>(\$97)</u>
Total all funds	\$529,898	\$525,393	(\$1,101)	\$524,292	\$524,389	(\$97)
Less estimated income	<u>43,935</u>	<u>43,597</u>	<u>(103)</u>	<u>43,494</u>	<u>43,494</u>	_____
General fund	\$485,963	\$481,796	(\$998)	\$480,798	\$480,895	(\$97)
FTE	5.00	5.00	0.00	5.00	5.00	0.00

Dept. 321 - Department of Veterans' Affairs - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	REDUCES RECOMMENDED FUNDING FOR HEALTH INSURANCE 1	REDUCES FUNDING FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COSTS 2	TOTAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES
Veterans' affairs administration	<u>(\$619)</u>	<u>(\$482)</u>	<u>(\$1,101)</u>
Total all funds	(\$619)	(\$482)	(\$1,101)
Less estimated income	<u>(103)</u>	_____	<u>(103)</u>
General fund	(\$516)	(\$482)	(\$998)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00

1 This amendment reduces the funding for state employee health insurance premiums from \$493 to \$488.70 per month.

2 This amendment reduces funding for information technology by \$482 from the general fund, which represents a reduction in information technology funding from the general fund of approximately 5 percent.

House Bill No. 1007 - Department of Human Services - Program/Policy - Conference Committee Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE VERSION	SENATE VERSION	COMPARISON TO SENATE
Grants - Medical assistance	_____	_____	\$302,510	\$302,510	\$1,142,388	(\$839,878)
Total all funds	\$0	\$0	\$302,510	\$302,510	\$1,142,388	(\$839,878)
Less estimated income	_____	_____	<u>205,586</u>	<u>205,586</u>	<u>776,367</u>	<u>(570,781)</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$96,924	\$96,924	\$366,021	(\$269,097)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Dept. 328 - Department of Human Services - Program/Policy - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	PROVIDES MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FUNDING 1	TOTAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES
Grants - Medical assistance	\$302,510	\$302,510
Total all funds	\$302,510	\$302,510
Less estimated income	<u>205,586</u>	<u>205,586</u>
General fund	\$96,924	\$96,924
FTE	0.00	0.00

1 This amendment provides an appropriation to the Department of Human Services relating to Medicaid reimbursement to the Veterans' Home for the addition of an additional eight nursing home beds as follows:

Addition of nursing home beds	
General fund	\$96,924
Federal funds	<u>205,586</u>
Total	\$302,510