

Sixty-second  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

## ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1007

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

(At the request of the Governor)

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the veterans' home  
2 and department of veterans' affairs; to create and enact a new section to chapter 37-15 of the  
3 North Dakota Century Code, relating to a memorial fund; and to provide for ~~a~~ legislative  
4 management ~~stud~~studies.

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

6 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds  
7 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state  
8 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and  
9 other income, to the veterans' home and department of veterans' affairs for the purpose of  
10 defraying the expenses of the veterans' home and department of veterans' affairs, for the  
11 biennium beginning July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2013, as follows:

12 Subdivision 1.

13 VETERANS' HOME

		Adjustments or	
	Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
14			
15			
16	<del>Salaries and wages</del>	<del>\$11,538,855</del>	<del>\$2,398,006</del>
17	<del>Operating expenses</del>	<del>4,561,857</del>	<del>1,370,428</del>
18	<del>Capital assets</del>	<del>259,906</del>	<del>400,594</del>
19	<u>Salaries and wages</u>	<u>\$11,538,855</u>	<u>\$2,378,006</u>
20	<u>Operating expenses</u>	<u>4,561,857</u>	<u>1,380,428</u>
21	<u>Capital assets</u>	<u>259,906</u>	<u>445,594</u>
22	New veterans' home	<u>2,043,264</u>	<u>(1,711,264)</u>
23	<del>Total all funds</del>	<del>\$18,403,882</del>	<del>\$2,457,764</del>
24	<del>Less estimated income</del>	<del>13,677,293</del>	<del>1,631,030</del>

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1	<u>Total all funds</u>	<u>\$18,403,882</u>	<u>\$2,492,764</u>	<u>\$20,896,646</u>
2	<u>Less estimated income</u>	<u>13,677,293</u>	<u>1,666,030</u>	<u>15,343,323</u>
3	Total general fund	\$4,726,589	\$826,734	\$5,553,323
4	Full-time equivalent positions	120.72	0.00	120.72
5	Subdivision 2.			
6		VETERANS' AFFAIRS		
7			Adjustments or	
8		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
9	Veterans' affairs	<u>\$1,031,487</u>	<u>\$105,732</u>	<u>\$1,137,219</u>
10	Total general fund	\$1,031,487	\$105,732	\$1,137,219
11	Full-time equivalent positions	7.00	0.00	7.00
12	Subdivision 3.			
13		BILL TOTAL		
14			Adjustments or	
15		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
16	Grand total general fund	\$5,758,076	\$932,466	\$6,690,542
17	Grand total special funds	<u>13,677,293</u>	<u>1,631,030</u>	<u>15,308,323</u>
18	Grand total all funds	\$19,435,369	\$2,563,496	\$21,998,865
19	Full-time equivalent positions	127.72	0.00	127.72
20	<b>SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO</b>			
21	<b>SIXTY-THIRD LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.</b> The following amounts reflect the one-time funding			
22	items approved by the sixty-first legislative assembly for the 2009-11 biennium and the 2011-13			
23	one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act:			
24	<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>2009-11</u>	<u>2011-13</u>	
25	Veterans' home			
26	Electronic health record system	\$98,400	\$0	
27	Construction project manager	90,088	0	
28	General fund salary funding of new facility positions	502,240	0	
29	Veterans' home building	7,944,991	0	
30	Exterior finishings - New building	350,000	0	
31	Geothermal heating - New building	3,039,414	0	

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1	Federal fiscal stimulus	3,158,005	0
2	Department of veterans' affairs		
3	Discharge project	0	22,000
4	Website	<u>0</u>	<u>15,593</u>
5	Total all funds	\$15,183,138	\$37,593
6	Less estimated income	<u>3,158,005</u>	<u>0</u>
7	Total general fund	\$12,025,133	\$37,593

8 The 2011-13 one-time funding amounts are not a part of the agencies' base budget for the  
9 2013-15 biennium. The veterans' home and department of veterans' affairs shall report to the  
10 appropriations committees of the sixty-third legislative assembly on the use of this one-time  
11 funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2013.

12 **SECTION 3.** A new section to chapter 37-15 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
13 and enacted as follows:

14 **Melvin Norgard memorial fund - Creation.**

15 There is created in the state treasury the Melvin Norgard memorial fund. All income related  
16 to a bequest made to the veterans' home by Melvin Norgard, including mineral lease income,  
17 royalties, and sale proceeds, must be transferred or deposited into the Melvin Norgard  
18 memorial fund. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the state treasurer shall invest  
19 moneys in the fund in accordance with section 21-10-07. Investment income of the fund must  
20 be retained in the fund. Moneys in the fund are available, subject to legislative appropriations,  
21 for projects and programs to benefit and serve the residents of the veterans' home. The  
22 legislative assembly shall consider recommendations of the governing board of the veterans'  
23 home when determining appropriations from this fund for projects and programs to benefit and  
24 serve the residents of the veterans' home.

25 **SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - DISPOSITION OF THE OLD**  
26 **VETERANS' HOME FACILITY.** During the 2011-12 interim, the legislative management shall  
27 consider studying all available options, including demolition, for the disposition of the old  
28 veterans' home facility. The legislative management shall report its findings and  
29 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to  
30 the sixty-third legislative assembly.

1     **SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - DELIVERY OF SERVICES TO**  
2 **VETERANS.** During the 2011-12 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying  
3 the delivery of services to veterans, including the consistency in training and of the provision of  
4 services by county veterans' service officers. The legislative management shall report its  
5 findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the  
6 recommendations, to the sixty-third legislative assembly.