

SECOND ENGROSSMENT

Sixty-third
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

REENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2007

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; ~~and to provide legislative intent;~~ to provide an exemption;
3 ~~and to declare an emergency.~~

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

5 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
6 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
7 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and
8 other income, to the veterans' home and department of veterans' affairs for the purpose of
9 defraying the expenses of the veterans' home and department of veterans' affairs, for the
10 biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015, as follows:

11 Subdivision 1.

12 VETERANS' HOME

	Base Level	Adjustments or Enhancements	Appropriation
15 Operating expenses	5,942,285	(483,435)	5,458,850
16 Salaries and wages	\$13,916,861	\$2,871,656	\$16,788,517
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18 <u>Accrued leave payments</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>458,196</u>	<u>458,196</u>
19 <u>Operating expenses</u>	<u>5,942,285</u>	<u>(533,435)</u>	<u>5,408,850</u>
20 Capital assets	705,500	916,540	1,622,040
21 Shop addition	0	788,200	788,200
22 New veterans' home	<u>332,000</u>	<u>(332,000)</u>	<u>0</u>
23 Full-time equivalent positions	120.72	0.00	120.72
24 funds	\$20,896,646	\$3,760,961	\$24,657,607

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1	Less estimated income	15,343,323	1,218,503	16,561,826
2	Total general fund	\$5,553,323	\$2,542,458	\$8,095,781
3	Total all funds	\$20,896,646	\$3,255,507	\$24,152,153
4	Less estimated income	15,343,323	1,086,477	16,429,800
5	Total general fund	\$5,553,323	\$2,169,030	\$7,722,353
6	Full-time equivalent positions	120.72	0.00	120.72

Subdivision 2.

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

		Adjustments or		
	Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation	
11	Veterans' affairs	\$1,099,626	\$248,047	\$1,347,673
12	Total general fund	\$1,099,626	\$248,047	\$1,347,673
13	Veterans' affairs	\$1,099,626	\$225,954	\$1,325,580
14	Transport vans	0	30,000	30,000
15	Accrued leave payments	0	10,123	10,123
16	Total general fund	\$1,099,626	\$266,077	\$1,365,703
17	Full-time equivalent positions	7.00	1.00	8.00

Subdivision 3.

BILL TOTAL

		Adjustments or		
	Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation	
22	Grand total general fund	\$6,652,949	\$2,790,505	\$9,443,454
23	Grand total special funds	15,343,323	1,218,503	16,561,826
24	Grand total all funds	\$21,996,272	\$4,009,008	\$26,005,280
25	Grand total general fund	\$6,652,949	\$2,435,107	\$9,088,056
26	Grand total special funds	15,343,323	1,086,477	16,429,800
27	Grand total all funds	\$21,996,272	\$3,521,584	\$25,517,856
28	Full-time equivalent positions	127.72	1.00	128.72

SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO SIXTY-FOURTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time

1 funding items approved by the sixty-second legislative assembly for the 2011-13 biennium and
2 the 2013-15 one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act:

3	<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>2011-13</u>	<u>2013-15</u>
4	Veterans' home	\$0	\$0
5	Demolition of old veterans' home	0	1,121,000
6	Department of veterans' affairs	0	0
7	<u>Veterans' home</u>		
8	<u>Demolition of old veterans' home</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$1,121,000</u>
9	<u>Shop addition</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>788,200</u>
10	<u>Department of veterans' affairs</u>		
11	Website	15,593	15,000
12	Discharge project	22,000	0
13	In lieu of postwar trust fund income	210,000	0
14	Vans	50,000	0
15	<u>Vans</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>30,000</u>
16	Stand down events	<u>20,000</u>	<u>0</u>
17	Total all funds	\$317,593	\$1,136,000
18	Less estimated income	0	560,500
19	Total general fund	\$317,593	\$575,500
20	<u>Total all funds</u>	<u>\$317,593</u>	<u>\$1,954,200</u>
21	<u>Less estimated income</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,348,700</u>
22	<u>Total general fund</u>	<u>\$317,593</u>	<u>\$605,500</u>

23 The 2013-15 one-time funding amounts are not a part of the agencies' base budget for the
24 2015-17 biennium. The veterans' home and department of veterans' affairs shall report to the
25 appropriations committees of the sixty-fourth legislative assembly on the use of this one-time
26 funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015.

SECTION 3. EXEMPTION - VETERANS' HOME ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD

28 **SYSTEM PROJECT FUNDING.** The unexpended amount remaining from the appropriation for
29 a veterans' home electronic health record system in chapter 35 of the 2009 Session Laws which
30 was continued into the 2011-13 biennium under section 54-44.1-11 is not subject to the
31 provisions of section 54-44.1-11 at the end of the 2011-13 biennium and may be continued into

1 the 2013-15 biennium for paying expenses of the veterans' home electronic health record
2 system project.

3 **SECTION 4. EXEMPTION - VETERANS' HOME CONSTRUCTION PROJECT FUNDING.**

4 The unexpended amount remaining from the appropriation for the veterans' home construction
5 project in chapter 53 of the 2009 Session Laws which was continued into the 2011-13 biennium
6 under section 54-44.1-11 is not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11 at the end of the
7 2011-13 biennium and may be continued into the 2013-15 biennium for paying expenses of the
8 veterans' home construction project.

9 **SECTION 5. FUNDING TRANSFER - EXCEPTION - AUTHORIZATION.** Notwithstanding
10 section 54-16-04, the veterans' home may transfer up to \$170,000 from the operating expenses
11 line item to the salaries and wages line item, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2011, and
12 ending June 30, 2013. The veterans' home shall notify the office of management and budget of
13 any transfer made pursuant to this section.

14 **SECTION 6. SHOP ADDITION PROJECT - ~~ADDITIONAL INCOME - APPROPRIATION -~~**
15 **~~BUDGET SECTION APPROVAL~~ MELVIN NORGDARD MEMORIAL FUND.** The funds
16 appropriated in the shop addition line item in section 1 of this Act are from the Melvin Norgard
17 memorial fund. The veterans' home may begin construction of the shop addition, ~~subject to~~
18 ~~budget section approval~~, when the balance in the Melvin Norgard memorial fund is sufficient to
19 provide for all costs of the project. ~~Any additional funds that become available in the Melvin~~
20 ~~Norgard memorial fund are appropriated and may be spent, subject to budget section approval,~~
21 ~~for costs related to furnishing and equipping the shop or for other projects benefiting veterans~~
22 ~~for~~ during the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015.

23 **SECTION 7. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - 2015-17 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS**
24 **APPROPRIATION BILL.** It is the intent of the sixty-third legislative assembly that the governor
25 include the recommended funding for the department of veterans' affairs in a separate draft
26 appropriations act for introduction to the sixty-fourth legislative assembly.

27 **SECTION 8. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - TRANSPORT VAN REPLACEMENT PLAN.** It is the
28 intent of the sixty-third legislative assembly that the department of veterans' affairs prepare and
29 provide a transport van replacement plan to the sixty-fourth legislative assembly and introduce
30 legislation seeking state funding for the replacement of transport vans based on the plan.

31 **SECTION 9. EMERGENCY.** Section 5 of this Act is declared to be an emergency measure.