

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 Veterans' affairs	\$1,379,982	(\$65,758)	\$1,314,224
13 Agent orange	50,000	(50,000)	0
14 State approving agency	288,018	(15,778)	272,240
15 Grants - transportation program	0	1,719,520	1,719,520
16 Total all funds	\$1,718,000	\$1,587,984	\$3,305,984
17 Less estimated income	288,018	1,803,799	2,091,817
18 Total general fund	\$1,429,982	(\$215,815)	\$1,214,167
19 Full-time equivalent positions	9.00	(1.00)	8.00
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~~ \$25,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of veterans' affairs for the purpose of training up to ~~four~~ two service dogs to assist North Dakota veterans with post traumatic stress disorder, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019.