

**Department 321 - Department of Veterans Affairs
 Senate Bill No. 2007**

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2001-03 Schafer Executive Budget	5.00	\$496,191	\$20,789	\$516,980
1999-2001 Legislative Appropriations	<u>5.00</u>	<u>445,998</u>	<u>21,678</u>	<u>467,676¹</u>
Increase (Decrease)	<u>0.00</u>	<u>\$50,193</u>	<u>(\$889)</u>	<u>\$49,304</u>

2001-03 Hoeven Executive Budget	<u>5.00</u>	<u>\$496,191</u>	<u>\$20,789</u>	<u>\$516,980</u>
Hoeven Increase (Decrease) to Schafer	<u>0.00</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

¹ The 1999-2001 appropriation amounts include \$4,565, \$1,322 of which is from the general fund, for the agency's share of the \$5.4 million funding pool appropriated to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for special market equity adjustments for classified employees and \$444, \$342 of which is from the general fund, for the agency's share of the \$1.4 million funding pool appropriated to OMB for assisting agencies in providing the \$35 per month minimum salary increases in July 1999 and July 2000. The 1999-2001 appropriation amounts do not include \$3,061 of funding source transfer as a result of salary equity adjustments from Central Personnel during the 1999-2001 biennium.

Major Schafer Recommendations Affecting Department of Veterans Affairs 2001-03 Budget

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Restores .75 FTE claims officer back to full time, reduced in hold-even budget request.	\$14,321		\$14,321
2. Provides increased salaries and wages based on Central Personnel Division's market equity study for elected and appointed officials (director). The proposed increase is \$134.42 per month effective January 1, 2002. The total increase required for the biennium, including benefits, is \$2,825 or \$2,661 less than the executive recommendation.	\$5,486		\$5,486
3. Provides funding to upgrade computer hardware and software.	\$6,200		\$6,200

**Major Hoeven Recommendations Affecting Department of Veterans Affairs 2001-03 Budget
 Compared to the Bill as Introduced (Schafer Budget)**

The Hoeven recommendation does not change the Schafer recommendation.

Major Legislation Affecting the Department of Veterans Affairs

No major legislation has been introduced at this time affecting this agency.