# Adjutant General, including the National Guard and the Department of Emergency Services Budget No. 540

| House | Bill | Nos. | 1016 | and | 1395 |
|-------|------|------|------|-----|------|
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| 2021-23 legislative appropriations             | FTE Positions<br>222.00 | General Fund<br>\$24,862,232 | Other Funds<br>\$170,906,231 | Total<br>\$195,768,463 |
|--|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| 2021-23 base budget                            | 222.00                  | 27,390,197                   | 117,322,789                  | 144,712,986            |
| Legislative increase (decrease) to base budget | 0.00                    | (\$2,527,965)                | \$53,583,442                 | \$51,055,477           |

## ONGOING AND ONE-TIME GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

|   | Ongoing<br>General Fund<br>Appropriation | One-Time<br>General Fund<br>Appropriation | Total<br>General Fund<br>Appropriation |
|---|--|---|--|
| 2021-23 legislative appropriations                                | \$22,882,232                             | \$1,980,000                               | \$24,862,232                           |
| 2019-21 legislative appropriations                                | 27,390,197                               | 181,000                                   | 27,571,197                             |
| 2021-23 legislative increase (decrease) to 2019-21 appropriations | (\$4,507,965)                            | \$1,799,000                               | (\$2,708,965)                          |
| Percentage increase (decrease) to 2019-21 appropriations          | (16.5%)                                  | 993.9%                                    | (9.8%)                                 |

### SUMMARY OF LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO THE BASE BUDGET AND MAJOR FUNDING ITEMS **Changes to Base Budget**

|   | FTE Positions | General Fund | Other Funds | Total     |
|---|---------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|
| The legislative action:   |               |              |             |           |
| Adjusted funding for base payroll changes   |               | \$289,961    | \$502,545   | \$792,506 |
| Added funding to provide employee salary increases of 1.5 percent on July 1, 2021, with a minimum monthly increase of \$100 and 2.0 percent on July 1, 2022 |               | 376,443      | 578,798     | 955,241   |
| Added funding for employee health insurance premiums to reflect a revised premium estimate of \$1,428.77 per month  |               | 3,902        | 6,536       | 10,438    |
| Department of Emergency Services  |               |              |             |           |
| Added State Radio FTE positions   | 2.00          |              | 265,530     | 265,530   |
| Adjusted funding sources for State Radio to increase funding from special funds   |               | (707,690)    | 1,007,690   | 300,000   |
| Adjusted funding sources for the Department of Emergency Services to increase funding from other funds  |               | (72,608)     | 72,608      | 0         |

| Reduced funding for grants, including emergency management, hazard mitigation, and hazardous material emergency preparation grants  |        |             | (1,723,425) | (1,723,425) |
|---|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Increased funding for disaster costs to provide a total of \$51.5 million, including \$110,125 from the general fund, \$44.4 million from federal funds, \$4.1 million from the state disaster relief fund, \$2.5 million from Bank of North Dakota loan proceeds, and \$394,521 from the emergency management fund |        |             | 15,768,863  | 15,768,863  |
| Transferred maintenance of State Radio towers to the Information Technology Department  |        | (1,858,240) |             | (1,858,240) |
| Added funding for equipment   |        |             | 660,000     | 660,000     |
| Added <b>one-time funding</b> for emergency response equipment and supplies   |        | 100,000     |             | 100,000     |
| Added <b>one-time funding</b> from federal funds to assist state, local, territorial, and tribal governments in preparing and responding to disasters (House Bill No. 1395)   |        |             | 887,873     | 887,873     |
| National Guard  |        |             |             |             |
| Removed a facility services FTE position  | (1.00) | (285,132)   |             | (285,132)   |
| Removed a reintegration program FTE position  | (1.00) | (191,376)   |             | (191,376)   |
| Added funding for Fargo Readiness Center operations   |        | 170,000     | 170,000     | 340,000     |
| Added funding to lease land for the Camp Grafton expansion  |        | 280,000     |             | 280,000     |
| Adjusted funding sources to increase funding from federal funds   |        | (808,320)   | 808,320     | 0           |
| Reduced funding for the Civil Air Patrol  |        | (778)       |             | (778)       |
| Reduced funding for tuition assistance to provide a total of \$3,042,235  |        | (1,739,837) |             | (1,739,837) |
| Added funding for the Veterans' Cemetery, including \$75,000 from the general fund to increase total funding for the interment of veterans' spouses and dependents to \$250,000   |        | 75,000      | 77,822      | 152,822     |
| Added funding for Microsoft Office 365 license expenses   |        | 710         | 282         | 992         |
| Reduced funding for equipment   |        | (40,000)    | (40,000)    | (80,000)    |
| Added <b>one-time funding</b> to purchase land for the Camp Grafton expansion   |        | 1,750,000   | 1,750,000   | 3,500,000   |
| Added <b>one-time funding</b> for a Fraine Barracks complex automation system   |        | 80,000      | 240,000     | 320,000     |

| Added <b>one-time funding</b> from the strategic investment and improvements fund for deferred maintenance |      |               | 1,000,000    | 1,000,000    |
|--|------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Added <b>one-time funding</b> for Fargo Readiness Center equipment   |      | 50,000        | 50,000       | 100,000      |
| Added <b>one-time funding</b> from federal funds for a Dickinson Readiness Center project                  |      |               | 15,500,000   | 15,500,000   |
| Added <b>one-time funding</b> from federal funds for a bridge training site project                        |      |               | 6,000,000    | 6,000,000    |
| Added <b>one-time funding</b> from gifts, grants, and donations for a North Dakota military museum         |      |               | 10,000,000   | 10,000,000   |
| Total  | 0.00 | (\$2,527,965) | \$53,583,442 | \$51,055,477 |

#### **FTE Changes**

The Legislative Assembly authorized 222 FTE positions for the Adjutant General for the 2021-23 biennium, the same as the 2019-21 biennium. The Legislative Assembly removed 2 FTE National Guard positions and added 2 FTE State Radio positions.

#### **One-Time Funding**

The following is a summary of one-time funding items for the Adjutant General for the 2021-23 biennium:

|  | General Fund | Other Funds  | Total        |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Emergency response equipment and supplies  | \$100,000    |              | \$100,000    |
| Camp Grafton expansion land purchase   | 1,750,000    | \$1,750,000  | 3,500,000    |
| Fraine Barracks complex automation system  | 80,000       | 240,000      | 320,000      |
| National Guard deferred maintenance (strategic investment and improvements fund) |              | 1,000,000    | 1,000,000    |
| Fargo Readiness Center equipment   | 50,000       | 50,000       | 100,000      |
| Dickinson Readiness Center project (federal funds)                               |              | 15,500,000   | 15,500,000   |
| Bridge training site project (federal funds)                                     |              | 6,000,000    | 6,000,000    |
| North Dakota military museum (gifts, grants, and donations)                      |              | 10,000,000   | 10,000,000   |
| Emergency management performance grant (federal funds) (House Bill No. 1395)     |              | 887,873      | 887,873      |
| Total  | \$1,980,000  | \$35,427,873 | \$37,407,873 |

#### Federal COVID-19 Funding - 2019-21 Biennium

In House Bill No. 1394, the Legislative Assembly appropriated \$148,666,667 from federal funds to the Adjutant General for the 2019-21 biennium to increase the Federal Emergency Management Agency reimbursement rate from 75 to 100 percent for COVID-19-related disaster expenses.

In House Bill No. 1395, the Legislative Assembly appropriated \$11,196,780 of federal coronavirus relief funds to the Adjutant General for the 2019-21 biennium for cleaning and personal protective equipment and supplies, salary costs, and other expenses related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

## Federal COVID-19 Funding - 2021-23 Biennium

In House Bill No. 1395, the Legislative Assembly appropriated \$887,873 from federal funds to the Adjutant General for the 2021-23 biennium to assist state, local, territorial, and tribal governments in preparing and responding to disasters.

#### **Deficiency Appropriation**

**House Bill No. 1025** - Provides deficiency appropriations of \$3,880,540 from the state disaster relief fund, including \$3,130,540 to repay Bank of North Dakota loans for the state's share of disaster costs and \$750,000 to pay interest on a loan relating to Dakota Access Pipeline law enforcement.

#### Other Sections in House Bill No. 1016

**Camp Grafton expansion - Appropriation** - Section 3 transfers \$1,750,000 from the general fund to the National Guard training area and facility development trust fund, the sum of which is appropriated to the Adjutant General for the expansion of Camp Grafton.

**North Dakota military museum** - Section 4 authorizes the Adjutant General to accept and spend \$10 million from other funds to construct a North Dakota military museum. Section 17 declares this section to be an emergency measure.

**Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund** - Section 5 appropriates any funds received and deposited in the Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10.10 for the operation of the Veterans' Cemetery for the 2021-23 biennium.

**Wildfire response - Loan authorization -** Section 6 authorizes the Adjutant General to borrow \$2.5 million from the Bank of North Dakota for fire emergency and wildfire response mutual aid. Section 17 declares this section to be an emergency measure.

**Strategic investment and improvements fund** - Section 7 identifies \$1 million from the strategic investment and improvements fund for National Guard deferred maintenance.

**Northern Emergency Management Assistance Compact** - Section 8 amends Section 37-17.1-14.6 of the Northern Emergency Management Assistance Compact to correct a grammatical error.

**Maintenance and repairs** - Section 9 authorizes the Adjutant General to transfer up to \$500,000 from various line items to the operating expenses and capital assets line items for the maintenance and repair of state-owned armories during the 2021-23 biennium. Any amounts transferred must be reported to the Office of Management and Budget.

**Exemption - Statewide interoperable radio network** - Section 10 provides that any unexpended general fund or special funds appropriation authority continued in the Department of Emergency Services operating expenses line item relating to one-time funding from the strategic investment and improvements fund for mobile repeaters and programming radios for the 2017-19 biennium is not subject to the provisions of Section 54-44.1-11 and may be continued and expended during the 2021-23 biennium.

**Exemption - Tuition**, **recruiting**, **and retention -** Section 11 provides that any unexpended general fund or special funds appropriation authority in the tuition, recruiting, and retention line item for the 2019-21 biennium is not subject to the provisions of Section 54-44.1-11 and may be continued and expended during the 2021-23 biennium.

**Exemption - Computer-aided dispatch equipment -** Section 12 provides that \$516,000, including \$66,000 from the general fund and \$450,000 from the strategic investment and improvements fund, appropriated for computer-aided dispatch equipment for the 2019-21 biennium is not subject to the provisions of Section 54-44.1-11 and may be continued and expended during the 2021-23 biennium.

**Exemption - Message switch upgrade** - Section 13 provides that \$335,000, including \$95,000 from the general fund and \$240,000 from the strategic investment and improvements fund, appropriated for the State Radio message switch upgrade project for the 2019-21 biennium is not subject to the provisions of Section 54-44.1-11 and may be continued and expended during the 2021-23 biennium.

**Exemption - Camp Grafton expansion** - Section 14 provides that \$600,000 from the strategic investment and improvements fund appropriated for the Camp Grafton expansion for the 2019-21 biennium is not subject to the provisions of Section 54-44.1-11 and may be continued and expended during the 2021-23 biennium.

Camp Grafton expansion - Legislative intent - Section 15 provides legislative intent for the Adjutant General to purchase or lease land for the Camp Grafton expansion.

**Camp Grafton expansion - Report** - Section 16 provides for the Adjutant General to report to the Budget Section regarding any land purchased for the expansion of Camp Grafton.

#### **Related Legislation**

House Bill No. 1118 - Relates to the duration of the Governor's declared state of disaster or emergency.

**House Bill No. 1394** - Provides a 2019-21 biennium appropriation of \$148,666,667 from federal funds to the Adjutant General for expenses relating to the COVID-19 disaster.

House Bill No. 1395 - Provides for 2019-21 biennium spending authority adjustments relating to funding from the federal Coronavirus Relief Fund.

Senate Bill No. 2114 - Relates to the use of funds in the National Guard training area and facility development trust fund.

**Senate Bill No. 2117** - Authorizes the National Guard to pay a death benefit to a designated beneficiary or the next of kin of a National Guard service member who died while serving in a state active duty status.