

**Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 4, 2005**

SENATE BILL NO. 2007  
(Appropriations Committee)  
(At the request of the Governor)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the veterans' home and department of veterans' affairs; and to provide legislative intent.

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

**SECTION 1. BASE LEVEL FUNDING INFORMATION.** The amounts identified in this section represent the base level funding component appropriated to the veterans' home and department of veterans' affairs in section 3 of this Act as follows:

Subdivision 1.

VETERANS' HOME

Salaries and wages	\$7,975,737
Operating expenses	2,711,704
Capital assets	<u>329,754</u>
Total all funds - Base level	\$11,017,195
Less estimated income - Base level	<u>7,971,123</u>
Total general fund - Base level	\$3,046,072

Subdivision 2.

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Total all funds - Base level	\$524,292
Less estimated income - Base level	<u>43,494</u>
Total general fund - Base level	\$480,798
Total general fund - Section 1	\$3,526,870
Total special funds - Section 1	\$8,014,617
Total all funds - Section 1	\$11,541,487

**SECTION 2. FUNDING ADJUSTMENTS OR ENHANCEMENTS INFORMATION.** The amounts identified in this section represent the funding adjustments or enhancements to the base funding level for the veterans' home and department of veterans' affairs which are included in the appropriation in section 3 of this Act as follows:

Subdivision 1.

VETERANS' HOME

Salaries and wages	(\$247,032)
Operating expenses	463,074
Capital assets	<u>20,852</u>
Total all funds - Adjustments/enhancements	\$236,894
Less estimated income - Adjustments/enhancements	<u>(996,290)</u>
Total general fund - Adjustments/enhancements	\$1,233,184

Subdivision 2.

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Total all funds	\$125,291
Less estimated income	<u>(43,494)</u>
Total general fund - Adjustments/enhancements	\$168,785
Total general fund - Section 2	\$1,401,969

Total special funds - Section 2	(\$1,039,784)
Total all funds - Section 2	\$362,185

**SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and other income, to the veterans' home and department of veterans' affairs for the purpose of defraying the expenses of that agency, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2007, as follows:

Subdivision 1.

VETERANS' HOME

Salaries and wages	\$7,728,705
Operating expenses	3,174,778
Capital assets	<u>350,606</u>
Total all funds	\$11,254,089
Less estimated income	<u>6,974,833</u>
Total general fund appropriation	\$4,279,256

Subdivision 2.

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Veterans' affairs	\$649,583
Total general fund appropriation	\$649,583
Grand total general fund appropriation - S.B. 2007	\$4,928,839
Grand total special funds appropriation - S.B. 2007	\$6,974,833
Grand total all funds appropriation - S.B. 2007	\$11,903,672

**SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - VETERANS' HOME STAFFING POLICY.** It is the intent of the fifty-ninth legislative assembly that the veterans' home review its policy of staffing for basic care services, including the number of licensed practical nurses as compared to certified nurse assistants scheduled for each shift, and to present a report to the appropriations committees of the sixtieth legislative assembly during the agency's budget presentation regarding justification for the staffing policy and information on savings that may be realized from changes in the policy.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2007.

Senate Vote:    Yeas    46        Nays    0        Absent    1

House Vote:    Yeas    93        Nays    0        Absent    1

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Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005,  
at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State