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## COUNTY VETERANS' AFFAIRS FUNDS

**House Bill 4842**

**Sponsor: Rep. Paul Baade**

**Committee: Senior Citizens and Veterans  
Affairs**

**Complete to 7-14-97**

### **A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4842 AS INTRODUCED 5-27-97**

House Bill 4842 would allow any county board of commissioners that currently operates a veterans affairs office to establish and administer a county veterans affairs fund. The board of commissioners could accept money from any source for deposit into the fund, and it would be required to use money in the fund for the county office and veterans service center.

Since 1953, Michigan law has provided county governments with the option of creating county departments of veterans affairs. (Prior to that time, counties usually operated soldiers relief commissions.) Under existing law, the activities of a county's veterans affairs department are funded within the overall county budget, as specified in section 3 of Public Act 192 of 1953. House Bill 4842 would allow county officials to establish a restricted fund for what are now regarded as general government services.

MCL 35.621 to 35.624

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