

SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 5788

A bill to make appropriations for the department of military and veterans affairs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023; and to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

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PART 1

LINE-ITEM APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 101. There is appropriated for the department of military and veterans affairs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023, from the following funds:

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**DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**

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**APPROPRIATION SUMMARY**

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Full-time equated unclassified positions	9.0
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Full-time equated classified positions	1,054.5
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1	<b>GROSS APPROPRIATION</b>		<b>\$ 230,366,100</b>
2	Interdepartmental grant revenues:		
3	Total interdepartmental grants and		
4	intradepartmental transfers		101,800
5	<b>ADJUSTED GROSS APPROPRIATION</b>		<b>\$ 230,264,300</b>
6	Federal revenues:		
7	Total federal revenues		129,864,300
8	Special revenue funds:		
9	Total local revenues		0
10	Total private revenues		640,000
11	Total other state restricted revenues		18,794,900
12	<b>State general fund/general purpose</b>		<b>\$ 80,965,100</b>
13	<b>Sec. 102. MILITARY</b>		
14	Full-time equated unclassified positions	9.0	
15	Full-time equated classified positions	371.0	
16	Unclassified salaries--FTEs	9.0	\$ 1,702,500
17	Headquarters and armories--FTEs	86.0	21,931,200
18	Michigan volunteer defense force		100,000
19	Michigan youth challenge academy--FTEs	68.0	9,955,600
20	Military family relief fund		150,000
21	Military retirement		1,457,000
22	Military training sites and support facilities-		
23	-FTEs	215.0	42,898,500
24	National Guard operations		265,500
25	National Guard tuition assistance fund--FTEs	2.0	6,521,900
26	Starbase grant		2,322,000
27	<b>GROSS APPROPRIATION</b>		<b>\$ 87,304,200</b>
28	Appropriated from:		

1	Interdepartmental grant revenues:		
2	IDG - state police		101,800
3	Federal revenues:		
4	DOD - DOA - NGB		61,224,100
5	Federal counternarcotics revenues		100,000
6	Special revenue funds:		
7	Private donations		90,000
8	Billeting fund		1,377,600
9	Military family relief fund		150,000
10	Morale, welfare, and recreation fund		100,000
11	Rental fees		192,100
12	Test project fees		100,000
13	<b>State general fund/general purpose</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>23,868,600</b>
14	<b>Sec. 103. MICHIGAN VETERANS AFFAIRS AGENCY</b>		
15	Full-time equated classified positions	52.0	
16	County veteran service fund	\$	4,250,000
17	Michigan veterans affairs agency		
18	administration--FTEs	44.0	7,590,200
19	Veterans service grants		4,250,000
20	Veterans trust fund administration--FTEs	8.0	1,167,600
21	Veterans trust fund grants		2,500,000
22	<b>GROSS APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>19,757,800</b>
23	Appropriated from:		
24	Special revenue funds:		
25	Private donations		10,000
26	Michigan veterans trust fund		3,667,600
27	Veterans license plate fund		50,000
28	<b>State general fund/general purpose</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>16,030,200</b>

1	<b>Sec. 104. MICHIGAN VETERANS' FACILITY AUTHORITY</b>			
2	Full-time equated classified positions	631.5		
3	Chesterfield Township home for veterans--FTEs	115.0	\$	21,267,800
4	D.J. Jacobetti home for veterans--FTEs	200.0		25,184,600
5	Grand Rapids home for veterans--FTEs	298.5		23,506,900
6	Information technology services and projects			1,699,800
7	Michigan veteran homes administration--FTEs	18.0		3,432,100
8	Veterans cemetery			85,200
9	<b>GROSS APPROPRIATION</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>75,176,400</b>
10	Appropriated from:			
11	Federal revenues:			
12	DVA - VHA			24,081,400
13	HHS-HCFA, Medicare, hospital insurance			1,380,900
14	HHS-HCFA, title XIX, Medicaid			11,089,300
15	Special revenue funds:			
16	Private - veterans' home post and posthumous			540,000
17	Income and assessments			11,597,600
18	<b>State general fund/general purpose</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>26,487,200</b>
19	<b>Sec. 105. CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>			
20	Armory maintenance		\$	834,900
21	Land and acquisitions			1,000,000
22	Special maintenance - National Guard			30,000,000
23	Special maintenance - veterans' facilities			500,000
24	<b>GROSS APPROPRIATION</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>32,334,900</b>
25	Appropriated from:			
26	Federal revenues:			
27	DOD - DOA - NGB			30,000,000
28	Special revenue funds:			

1	Michigan National Guard construction fund		1,000,000
2	<b>State general fund/general purpose</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,334,900</b>
3	<b>Sec. 106. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY</b>		
4	Information technology services and projects	\$	586,600
5	<b>GROSS APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>586,600</b>
6	Appropriated from:		
7	Federal revenues:		
8	DOD - DOA - NGB		157,600
9	<b>State general fund/general purpose</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>429,000</b>
10	<b>Sec. 107. ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS</b>		
11	Armory modernization	\$	100
12	Buddy-to-buddy program		1,200,000
13	Grand Rapids home for veterans transition		6,456,000
14	D.J. Jacobetti home for veterans capital		
15	improvements		100
16	Selfridge air National Guard base		6,100,000
17	Veterans cemetery feasibility study		250,000
18	Veterans suicide prevention outreach		1,200,000
19	<b>GROSS APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>15,206,200</b>
20	Appropriated from:		
21	Federal revenues:		
22	DVA - VHA		1,720,000
23	HHS-HCFA, Medicare, hospital insurance		110,000
24	HHS-HCFA, title XIX, Medicaid		1,000
25	Special revenue funds:		
26	Income and assessments		520,000
27	Lease revenue		40,000
28	<b>State general fund/general purpose</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>12,815,200</b>
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PART 2  
PROVISIONS CONCERNING APPROPRIATIONS  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023

**GENERAL SECTIONS**

Sec. 201. Pursuant to section 30 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963, total state spending from state sources under part 1 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023 is \$99,760,000.00 and state spending from state sources to be paid to local units of government for fiscal year ending September 30, 2023 is \$4,186,500.00. The itemized statement below identifies appropriations from which spending to local units of government will occur:

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**DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**

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County veteran service fund	\$	4,050,000
Michigan veterans affairs agency administration		90,000
Military training sites and support facilities		46,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,186,500</b>

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Sec. 202. The appropriations authorized under this part and part 1 are subject to the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1101 to 18.1594.

Sec. 203. As used in this part and part 1:

(a) "CENA" means competency evaluated nursing assistant.

(b) "Department" means the department of military and veterans affairs.

(c) "Director" means the director of the department.

(d) "FTE" means full-time equated.

(e) "HVAC" means heating, ventilation, and air conditioning.

(f) "IDG" means interdepartmental grant.

(g) "MVFA" means the Michigan veterans' facility authority

1 created under section 3 of the Michigan veterans' facility  
2 authority act, 2016 PA 560, MCL 36.103.

3 (h) "MVAA" means the Michigan veterans affairs agency created  
4 by Executive Reorganization Order No. 2013-2, MCL 32.92.

5 (i) "MVH" means the Michigan veteran homes as that term is  
6 defined in the Michigan veterans' facility authority act, 2016 PA  
7 560, MCL 36.102.

8 (j) "Subcommittees" means the subcommittees of the senate and  
9 house appropriations committees with jurisdiction over the budget  
10 of the department.

11 (k) "USDVA" means the United States Department of Veterans  
12 Affairs.

13 (l) "USDVA-VHA" means the USDVA Veterans Health Administration.

14 (m) "VSO" means veterans service organization.

15 (n) "Veterans' facility" means that term as defined in section  
16 2 of the Michigan veterans' facility authority act, 2016 PA 560,  
17 MCL 36.102.

18 (o) "Work project" means that term as defined in section 404  
19 of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1404, and  
20 that meets the criteria in section 451a(1) of the management and  
21 budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1451a.

22 Sec. 204. The department and agencies receiving appropriations  
23 in part 1 shall use the internet to fulfill the reporting  
24 requirements of this part. This requirement shall include  
25 transmission of reports via email to the recipients identified for  
26 each reporting requirement, and it shall include placement of  
27 reports on an internet site.

28 Sec. 205. To the extent permissible under section 261 of the  
29 management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1261, all of the

1 following apply to funds appropriated in part 1:

2 (a) Must not be used for the purchase of foreign goods or  
3 services, or both, if competitively priced and of comparable  
4 quality American goods or services, or both, are available.

5 (b) Preference must be given to goods or services, or both,  
6 manufactured or provided by Michigan businesses, if they are  
7 competitively priced and of comparable quality.

8 (c) Preference must be given to goods or services, or both,  
9 that are manufactured or provided by Michigan businesses owned and  
10 operated by veterans, if they are competitively priced and of  
11 comparable quality.

12 Sec. 206. The department shall not take disciplinary action  
13 against an employee of the department or departmental agency in the  
14 state classified civil service because the employee communicates  
15 with a member of the senate or house or a member's staff, unless  
16 the communication is prohibited by law and the department or agency  
17 taking disciplinary action is exercising its authority as provided  
18 by law.

19 Sec. 207. Consistent with section 217 of the management and  
20 budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1217, the department and agencies  
21 receiving appropriations in part 1 shall prepare a report on out-  
22 of-state travel expenses not later than January 1 of each year. The  
23 travel report shall be a listing of all travel by classified and  
24 unclassified employees outside this state in the immediately  
25 preceding fiscal year that was funded in whole or in part with  
26 funds appropriated in the department's budget. The travel report  
27 shall be submitted to the senate and house appropriations  
28 committees, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the state  
29 budget director. The travel report shall include the following



1 information:

2 (a) The dates of each travel occurrence.

3 (b) The transportation and related costs of each travel  
4 occurrence, including the proportion funded with state general  
5 fund/general purpose revenues, the proportion funded with state  
6 restricted revenues, the proportion funded with federal revenues,  
7 and the proportion funded with other revenues.

8 Sec. 208. Funds appropriated in part 1 shall not be used by a  
9 principal executive department, state agency, or authority to hire  
10 a person to provide legal services that are the responsibility of  
11 the attorney general. This prohibition does not apply to legal  
12 services for bonding activities and for those outside services that  
13 the attorney general authorizes.

14 Sec. 209. Not later than November 30, the state budget office  
15 shall prepare and transmit a report that provides for estimates of  
16 the total general fund/general purpose appropriation lapses at the  
17 close of the prior fiscal year. This report shall summarize the  
18 projected year-end general fund/general purpose appropriation  
19 lapses by major departmental program or program areas. The report  
20 shall be transmitted to the chairpersons of the senate and house  
21 appropriations committees, the subcommittees, and the senate and  
22 house fiscal agencies.

23 Sec. 210. (1) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1,  
24 there is appropriated an amount not to exceed \$8,600,000.00 for  
25 federal contingency authorization. These funds are not available  
26 for expenditure until they have been transferred to another line  
27 item in part 1 under section 393(2) of the management and budget  
28 act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.

29 (2) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is

1 appropriated an amount not to exceed \$1,100,000.00 for state  
2 restricted contingency authorization. These funds are not available  
3 for expenditure until they have been transferred to another line  
4 item in part 1 under section 393(2) of the management and budget  
5 act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.

6 (3) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is  
7 appropriated an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 for local  
8 contingency authorization. These funds are not available for  
9 expenditure until they have been transferred to another line item  
10 in part 1 under section 393(2) of the management and budget act,  
11 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.

12 (4) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is  
13 appropriated an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 for private  
14 contingency authorization. These funds are not available for  
15 expenditure until they have been transferred to another line item  
16 in part 1 under section 393(2) of the management and budget act,  
17 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.

18 Sec. 211. From the funds appropriated in part 1, the  
19 department shall provide to the department of technology,  
20 management, and budget information sufficient to maintain a  
21 searchable website accessible by the public at no cost that  
22 includes, but is not limited to, all of the following for each  
23 department or agency:

24 (a) Fiscal year-to-date expenditures by category.

25 (b) Fiscal year-to-date expenditures by appropriation unit.

26 (c) Fiscal year-to-date payments to a selected vendor,  
27 including the vendor name, payment date, payment amount, and  
28 payment description.

29 (d) The number of active department employees by job

1 classification.

2 (e) Job specifications and wage rates.

3 Sec. 212. Within 14 days after the release of the executive  
4 budget recommendation, the department shall provide to the state  
5 budget office information sufficient to provide the senate and  
6 house appropriations chairs, the subcommittees chairs, and the  
7 senate and house fiscal agencies with an annual report on estimated  
8 state restricted fund balances, state restricted fund projected  
9 revenues, and state restricted fund expenditures for the fiscal  
10 years ending September 30, 2022 and September 30, 2023.

11 Sec. 213. The department shall maintain, on a publicly  
12 accessible website, a department scorecard that identifies, tracks,  
13 and regularly updates key metrics that are used to monitor and  
14 improve the department's performance.

15 Sec. 214. Total authorized appropriations from all sources  
16 under part 1 for legacy costs for the fiscal year ending September  
17 30, 2023 are estimated at \$16,989,300.00. From this amount, total  
18 agency appropriations for pension-related legacy costs are  
19 estimated at \$10,314,700.00. Total agency appropriations for  
20 retiree health care legacy costs are estimated at \$6,674,600.00.

21 Sec. 215. To the extent permissible under the management and  
22 budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1101 to 18.1594, the director shall  
23 take all reasonable steps to ensure businesses in deprived and  
24 depressed communities compete for and perform contracts to provide  
25 services or supplies, or both. The director shall strongly  
26 encourage firms with which the department contracts to subcontract  
27 with certified businesses in depressed and deprived communities for  
28 services, supplies, or both.

29 Sec. 216. (1) On a quarterly basis, the department shall

1 report to the senate and house appropriations committees, the  
2 subcommittees, and the senate and house fiscal agencies the  
3 following information:

4 (a) The number of FTEs in pay status by type of staff and  
5 civil service classification.

6 (b) A comparison by line item of the number of FTEs authorized  
7 from funds appropriated in part 1 to the actual number of FTEs  
8 employed by the department at the end of the reporting period.

9 (2) By March 1 of the current fiscal year, the department  
10 shall report to the senate and house appropriations committees, the  
11 subcommittees, and the senate and house fiscal agencies the  
12 following information:

13 (a) Number of employees that were engaged in remote work in  
14 2022.

15 (b) Number of employees authorized to work remotely and the  
16 actual number of those working remotely in the current reporting  
17 period.

18 (c) Estimated net cost savings achieved by remote work.

19 (d) Reduced use of office space associated with remote work.

20 Sec. 217. Appropriations in part 1 shall, to the extent  
21 possible by the department, not be expended until all existing work  
22 project authorization available for the same purposes is exhausted.

23 Sec. 218. If the state administrative board, acting under  
24 section 3 of 1921 PA 2, MCL 17.3, transfers funds from an amount  
25 appropriated under this article, the legislature may, by a  
26 concurrent resolution adopted by a majority of the members elected  
27 to and serving in each house, intertransfer funds within this  
28 article for the particular department, board, commission, officer,  
29 or institution.

1           Sec. 219. The departments and agencies receiving  
2   appropriations in part 1 shall receive and retain copies of all  
3   reports funded from appropriations in part 1. Federal and state  
4   guidelines for short-term and long-term retention of records shall  
5   be followed. The department may electronically retain copies of  
6   reports unless otherwise required by federal and state guidelines.

7           Sec. 221. The department shall provide biannual reports which  
8   shall provide the following data:

9           (a) A list of all major work projects, including a status  
10   report of each project.

11          (b) The department's financial status, featuring a report of  
12   budgeted versus actual expenditures by part 1 line item including a  
13   year-end projection of budget requirements.

14          (c) The number of active employees at the close of the  
15   reporting period by job classification and departmental branch of  
16   service.

17          Sec. 223. The appropriations in part 1 for capital outlay  
18   shall be carried forward at the end of the fiscal year consistent  
19   with section 248 of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL  
20   18.1248.

21          Sec. 224. Sixty days prior to the public announcement of the  
22   intention to sell any department real property, the department  
23   shall submit notification of that intent to the subcommittees and  
24   the senate and house fiscal agencies.

25          Sec. 225. The department shall report to the subcommittees  
26   tentative plans for the required payment of any court judgment  
27   against the department, as soon as those plans are developed. The  
28   report must include, but is not limited to, all of the following  
29   information:

1 (a) A listing of all known court judgments that would result  
2 in a financial obligation for the department.

3 (b) The amount of time in which each of those financial  
4 obligations must be met.

5 (c) The proposed budget line items from which a payment for a  
6 court judgment of \$100,000.00 or more would be made.

7 (d) The estimated impact of the loss of revenue on the  
8 programs funded by the line items from which payments would be  
9 made.

10 Sec. 226. Except as otherwise provided under this part, any  
11 report required to be provided by the department or agencies  
12 appropriated funds in part 1 shall be provided to the  
13 subcommittees, the senate and house fiscal agencies, and the state  
14 budget office.

15 Sec. 227. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1, the  
16 department and agencies that receive funding shall do all of the  
17 following:

18 (a) Report to the house and senate appropriations committees,  
19 the house and senate fiscal agencies, the house and senate policy  
20 offices, and the state budget office any amounts of severance pay  
21 for a department or agency director, deputy director, or other  
22 high-ranking department or agency official not later than 14 days  
23 after a severance agreement with the director or official is  
24 signed. The name of the director or official and the amount of  
25 severance pay must be included in the report required by this  
26 subdivision.

27 (b) Maintain an internet site that posts any severance pay in  
28 excess of 6 weeks of wages, regardless of the position held by the  
29 former department or agency employee receiving severance pay.

1 (c) By February 1, report to the subcommittees, the house and  
2 senate fiscal agencies, the house and senate policy offices, and  
3 the state budget office on the total amount of severance pay  
4 remitted to former department or agency employees during the prior  
5 fiscal year and the total number of former department or agency  
6 employees that were remitted severance pay during the prior fiscal  
7 year.

8 (2) As used in this section, "severance pay" means  
9 compensation that is both payable or paid upon the termination of  
10 employment and in addition to either wages or benefits earned  
11 during the course of employment or generally applicable retirement  
12 benefits.

13 Sec. 228. (1) Any department, agency, board, commission, or  
14 public officer that receives funding under part 1 shall not:

15 (a) Require as a condition of accessing any facility or  
16 receiving services that an individual provide proof that he or she  
17 has received a COVID-19 vaccine except as provided by federal law  
18 or as a condition of receiving federal Medicare or Medicaid  
19 funding.

20 (b) Produce, develop, issue, or require a COVID-19 vaccine  
21 passport.

22 (c) Develop a database or make any existing database publicly  
23 available to access an individual's COVID-19 vaccine status by any  
24 person, company, or governmental entity.

25 (d) Require as a condition of employment that an employee or  
26 official provide proof that he or she has received a COVID-19  
27 vaccine. This subdivision does not apply to any hospital,  
28 congregate care facility, or other medical facility or any  
29 hospital, congregate care facility, or other medical facility

1 operated by a local subdivision that receives federal Medicare or  
2 Medicaid funding.

3 (2) A department, agency, board, commission, or public officer  
4 may not subject any individual to any negative employment  
5 consequence, retaliation, or retribution because of that  
6 individual's COVID-19 vaccine status.

7 (3) Subsection (1) does not prohibit any person, department,  
8 agency, board, commission, or public officer from transmitting  
9 proof of an individual's COVID-19 vaccine status to any person,  
10 company, or governmental entity, so long as the individual provides  
11 affirmative consent.

12 (4) If a department, agency, board, commission, subdivision,  
13 or official or public officer is required to establish a vaccine  
14 policy due to a federal mandate, it must provide exemptions to any  
15 COVID-19 vaccine policy to the following individuals:

16 (a) An individual for whom a physician certifies that a COVID-  
17 19 vaccine is or may be detrimental to the individual's health or  
18 is not appropriate.

19 (b) An individual who provides a written statement to the  
20 effect that the requirements of the COVID-19 vaccine policy cannot  
21 be met because of religious convictions or other consistently held  
22 objection to immunization.

23 (5) As used in this section, "public officer" means a person  
24 appointed by the governor or another executive department official  
25 or an elected or appointed official of this state or a political  
26 subdivision of this state.

27 Sec. 229. The department shall provide annually to the  
28 subcommittees and the senate and house fiscal agencies its updated  
29 departmental strategic plan.



**MILITARY**

Sec. 301. (1) The department shall report to the subcommittees and house and senate fiscal agencies by September 30 a list of the current unclassified positions, which shall include the official titles and responsibilities of each position.

(2) Upon the department being granted a request for an additional unclassified employee position from the civil service commission, or for any substantive changes to the duties of an existing unclassified employee position, the department shall notify the subcommittees and the senate and house fiscal agencies within 15 days.

Sec. 302. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for military operations, effective and efficient executive direction and administrative leadership shall be provided to the department.

(2) The department shall operate and maintain National Guard armories.

(3) The department shall evaluate armories and submit a report biannually, on the status of the armories.

(4) The department shall maintain a system to measure the condition and adequacy of the armories.

(5) The Michigan Army National Guard and Air National Guard shall work to provide a culture that is free of sexual assault, through an environment of prevention, education and training, response capability, victim support, reporting procedures, and appropriate accountability that enhances the safety and well-being of all guard members.

(6) By December 1, the department shall report the following information:

1 (a) An assessment of the grounds and facilities of each armory  
2 to objectively measure and determine the current facility condition  
3 and capability to support authorized manpower, unit training, and  
4 operations.

5 (b) Recommendations for the placement of new armories, the  
6 relocation or consolidation of existing armories, or a change in  
7 the mission of units assigned to armories to ideally position the  
8 National Guard in current or projected population centers.

9 (c) Recommendations for the enhanced use of armories to  
10 facilitate family support programs during deployments.

11 (d) An analysis of the feasibility, potential costs, and  
12 benefits of use of armories shared with other local, state, or  
13 federal agencies to improve responses to local emergencies as well  
14 as the community support provided to armories.

15 (e) An investment strategy and proposed funding amounts in a  
16 prioritized project list to correct the most critical facility  
17 shortfalls across the inventory of armories in this state.

18 Sec. 303. (1) The department shall maintain the Michigan youth  
19 challenge academy to provide values, skills, education, and self-  
20 discipline instruction for at-risk youth as provided under 32 USC  
21 509.

22 (2) The department shall take steps to recruit candidates to  
23 the challenge academy from economically disadvantaged areas,  
24 including those with low-income and high-unemployment backgrounds.

25 (3) The department shall partner with the department of health  
26 and human services to identify youth who may be eligible for the  
27 challenge academy from those youth served by department of health  
28 and human services programs. These eligible youth shall be given  
29 priority for enrollment in the academy.

1 (4) The department shall maintain the staffing and resources  
2 necessary to train and graduate at least 114 students per cohort  
3 (228 annually).

4 (5) The department shall ensure individual academic success as  
5 measured by the number of individuals who have received a general  
6 equivalency diploma, high school diploma, or high school credit  
7 recovery or by the improvement of tests of adult basic education  
8 scores, or both.

9 (6) Any unexpended private donations to support the Michigan  
10 youth challeNGe academy at the close of this fiscal year shall not  
11 lapse to the general fund but shall be carried forward to the  
12 subsequent fiscal year.

13 Sec. 304. (1) The department shall provide a report on the  
14 revenues, expenditures, and fund balance of the Michigan military  
15 family relief fund by December 15 and June 15. Expenditures must be  
16 itemized by purpose, including, but not limited to, for advertising  
17 and assistance grants. This report shall also include information  
18 on the number of applications for assistance received, approved,  
19 and denied.

20 (2) From the funds appropriated in part 1, the department  
21 shall provide sufficient staffing and other resources to provide  
22 outreach to the Michigan families of members of the reserve  
23 component of the Armed Forces of the United States called into  
24 active duty and to support the processing and approval of grant  
25 applications for this fiscal year under the Michigan military  
26 relief fund and report those applications biannually.

27 Sec. 305. (1) The department shall provide Army and Air  
28 National Guard forces, when directed, for state and local  
29 emergencies and in support of national military requirements.

1           (2) The department shall operate and maintain Army National  
2 Guard training facilities, including Fort Custer and Camp Grayling.

3           (3) The department shall maintain a system that measures the  
4 condition and adequacy of air facilities using both quality and  
5 functionality criteria.

6           (4) The department shall operate and maintain Air National  
7 Guard air bases, including Selfridge Air National Guard base,  
8 Battle Creek Air National Guard base, and Alpena combat readiness  
9 training center.

10          (5) The department shall provide the following information  
11 biannually:

12           (a) The apportioned and assigned strength of the Michigan Army  
13 National Guard.

14           (b) The apportioned and assigned strength of the Michigan Air  
15 National Guard.

16           (c) Recruiting, retention, and attrition data, including  
17 measurement against stated performance goals, for the Michigan Army  
18 National Guard.

19           (d) Recruiting, retention, and attrition data, including  
20 measurement against stated performance goals, for the Michigan Air  
21 National Guard.

22          Sec. 306. There is created and established under the  
23 jurisdiction and control of the department a revolving account to  
24 be known as the billeting fund account. All of the fees and other  
25 revenues generated from the operation of the chargeable transient  
26 quarters program shall be deposited in the billeting fund account.  
27 Appropriations will be made from the account for the support of  
28 program operations and the maintenance and operations of the  
29 chargeable transient quarters program and will not exceed the

1 estimated revenues for the fiscal year in which they are made,  
2 together with unexpended balances from prior years. The department  
3 shall submit an annual report by December 15 of operations and  
4 expenditures regarding the billeting fund account for the prior  
5 fiscal year.

6 Sec. 307. (1) The department shall maintain a National Guard  
7 tuition assistance program under section 3 of the Michigan national  
8 guard tuition assistance act, 2014 PA 259, MCL 32.433, for eligible  
9 persons as defined in section 2 of the Michigan national guard  
10 tuition assistance act, 2014 PA 259, MCL 32.432.

11 (2) The objective of the National Guard tuition assistance  
12 program is to bolster military readiness by increasing recruitment  
13 and retention of Michigan Army and Air National Guard members, to  
14 fill federally authorized strength levels for the state, to improve  
15 the Michigan Army and Air National Guard's competitive draw from  
16 other military enlistment options in the state, to enhance the  
17 ability of the Michigan Army and Air National Guard to compete for  
18 guard members and federal dollars with surrounding states, and to  
19 increase the pool of eligible candidates within the Michigan Army  
20 and Air National Guard to become commissioned officers.

21 (3) The department shall make efforts to increase the number  
22 of guard members who have received a credential or are still  
23 enrolled in the Michigan National Guard tuition assistance program  
24 after their initial term of enlistment with the goal of 55% of  
25 program participants, or at the current 4-year college graduation  
26 rate in Michigan, whichever is higher. To evaluate the  
27 effectiveness of the program, the department shall monitor the  
28 number of new recruits and new reenlistments and the percentage of  
29 those who become participants in the program to determine whether

1 the percentage of authorized Michigan Army and Air National Guard  
2 strength obtained and retained is competitive in comparison with  
3 the neighboring army and air national guards from Illinois,  
4 Indiana, Ohio, and Wisconsin.

5 (4) Not later than March 1, the department shall provide a  
6 report to the subcommittees on the Michigan National Guard tuition  
7 assistance program. The report shall include the following  
8 information for the prior fiscal year:

9 (a) The number of guard members receiving tuition assistance.

10 (b) Where those guard members received education or training  
11 under the program.

12 (c) The total amount of financial assistance received by each  
13 educational institution.

14 (d) The total funds expended on the program for financial  
15 assistance.

16 (e) The total funds expended on the program for administrative  
17 costs of the department.

18 (f) The total number of applications for tuition assistance  
19 denied and the associated amount of tuition assistance requested  
20 for those denied applications.

21 (g) A delineated list of the grounds for denial and the number  
22 of the total applicable to each reason for denial.

23 (h) A list of specific actions undertaken to increase the  
24 opportunities for expanding qualified educational and training  
25 programs.

26 (i) A list of any educational and training programs removed  
27 from eligibility and the rationale for their removal.

28 (j) An explanation of any identified barriers to the  
29 successful utilization of the program, or other unmet needs of the

1 program and applicable proposals for legislative action to address  
2 those barriers and needs.

3 (5) The general fund/general purpose funds appropriated in  
4 part 1 for the National Guard tuition assistance fund shall be  
5 deposited into the restricted Michigan National Guard tuition  
6 assistance fund created in section 4 of the Michigan National Guard  
7 tuition assistance act, 2014 PA 259, MCL 32.434. All funds in the  
8 restricted Michigan National Guard tuition assistance fund are  
9 appropriated and available for expenditure to support the Michigan  
10 National Guard tuition assistance program.

11 Sec. 308. The department shall maintain the starbase program  
12 at Air National Guard facilities, as provided under 10 USC 2193b,  
13 to improve the knowledge, skills, and interest of students,  
14 primarily in the fifth grade, in math, science, and technology. The  
15 starbase program is to specifically target minority and at-risk  
16 students for participation.

17 Sec. 309. There is created and established under the  
18 jurisdiction and control of the department a revolving account to  
19 be known as the test project fees account. All of the fees and  
20 other revenues generated from the operation of the test project  
21 program shall be deposited in the test project fees fund account.  
22 Funds in the account shall be available for expenditure for the  
23 support of program operations as appropriated in part 1. Money  
24 remaining in the account at the end of the year shall not lapse and  
25 shall carry forward to the subsequent fiscal year.

26 Sec. 310. The morale, welfare, and recreation fund is created  
27 within the state treasury. The state treasurer may receive money or  
28 other assets from any source for deposit into the fund. The state  
29 treasurer shall direct the investment of the fund. The state

1 treasurer shall credit to the fund interest and earnings from fund  
2 investments. The department shall be the administrator of the fund  
3 for auditing purposes. All of the fees and other revenues generated  
4 from the operation of the morale, welfare, and recreation program  
5 shall be deposited in the morale, welfare, and recreation fund  
6 account. Money in the fund shall be available for expenditure for  
7 the support of program operations as appropriated in part 1. Money  
8 remaining in the fund at the end of the year shall not lapse and  
9 shall carry forward to the subsequent fiscal year.

10 Sec. 311. There is created and established under the  
11 jurisdiction and control of the department a revolving account to  
12 be known as the rental fees account. All of the fees and other  
13 revenues generated from the operation of the rental fees program  
14 shall be deposited in the rental fees fund account. Money in the  
15 account shall be available for expenditure for the support of  
16 program operations as appropriated in part 1. Money remaining in  
17 the account at the end of the year shall not lapse and shall carry  
18 forward to the subsequent fiscal year.

19 Sec. 312. (1) The department shall maintain the guidelines  
20 established under section 251(5) of the Michigan military act, 1967  
21 PA 150, MCL 32.651, for membership goals in the Michigan volunteer  
22 defense force and take all steps necessary to carry out and  
23 implement those guidelines.

24 (2) The department shall provide annually to the subcommittees  
25 and house and senate fiscal agencies by February 1 the report  
26 required under section 251(7) of the Michigan military act, 1967 PA  
27 150, MCL 32.651.

28  
29 **MICHIGAN VETERANS AFFAIRS AGENCY**



1           Sec. 404. (1) Money privately donated to the department for  
2 the Michigan veterans affairs agency administration in excess of  
3 the appropriation in part 1 is appropriated and may be used for the  
4 purpose designated by the private source, if specified.

5           (2) The department must submit a report within 14 calendar  
6 days of receiving a donation under this section that provides the  
7 amount of the donation and the purpose for which the funds will be  
8 expended, if known.

9           Sec. 405. (1) The MVAA shall provide a report biannually on  
10 the financial status of the Michigan veterans' trust fund,  
11 including the number and amount of emergency grants, state  
12 operating and administrative expenses, and county administrative  
13 expenses.

14           (2) The Michigan veterans' trust fund board together with the  
15 agency shall maintain the staffing and resources necessary to  
16 process a minimum of 2,000 applications for veterans' trust fund  
17 emergency grants.

18           (3) The Michigan veterans' trust fund board together with the  
19 MVAA shall provide emergency grants for disbursement from the  
20 Michigan veterans' trust fund, as provided under the following  
21 program authorities:

22           (a) Sections 37, 38, and 39 of article IX of the state  
23 constitution of 1963.

24           (b) 1946 (1st Ex Sess) PA 9, MCL 35.602 to 35.610.

25           (c) R 35.1 to R 35.7 of the Michigan Administrative Code.

26           (d) R 35.621 to R 35.623 of the Michigan Administrative Code.

27           (4) No later than February 1, the MVAA shall provide a  
28 detailed report of the Michigan veterans' trust fund that includes,  
29 for the prior fiscal year, information on grants provided from the

1 emergency grant program, including details concerning the  
2 methodology of allocations, the selection of emergency grant  
3 program authorized agents, a description of how the emergency grant  
4 program is administered in each county, and a detailed breakdown of  
5 trust fund expenditures for that year, including the amount  
6 distributed to each county for operating costs, administrative  
7 costs and emergency grants. The report shall also include the  
8 number of approved applications, by category of assistance, and the  
9 number of denied applications, by reason of denial. The report  
10 shall also provide an update on the department's efforts to reduce  
11 program administrative costs and maintain the Michigan veterans'  
12 trust fund corpus at or above its original amount of at least  
13 \$50,000,000.00.

14 Sec. 406. (1) The MVAA shall provide outreach services to  
15 Michigan veterans to advise them on the benefits to which they are  
16 entitled, as provided under Executive Reorganization Order No.  
17 2013-2, MCL 32.92.

18 (2) The MVAA shall also do the following:

19 (a) Develop and operate an outreach program that communicates  
20 benefit eligibility information to at least 50% of Michigan's  
21 population of veterans, as assessed by annual census estimates,  
22 with a goal of reaching 100% and enabling 100% to access benefit  
23 information online.

24 (b) Communicate veteran benefit information pertaining to the  
25 Michigan military family relief fund, Michigan veterans' trust  
26 fund, and USDVA health, financial, and memorial benefits to which  
27 veterans are entitled.

28 (c) Fulfill requests for military discharge certificates (DD-  
29 214) upon request.

1 (d) Continue the process to digitize all medical records,  
2 military discharge documents, and burial records that are currently  
3 on paper and microfilm.

4 (e) Provide a report annually providing, to the extent known,  
5 data on the estimated number of homeless veterans, by county, in  
6 this state.

7 (f) Provide a report annually on the percentage of Michigan  
8 veterans contacted through its outreach programs, with a goal of  
9 90%, and report that percentage to the subcommittees biannually on  
10 the status of outreach.

11 Sec. 408. From the funds appropriated in part 1, the MVAA  
12 shall provide for the regional coordination of services, as  
13 follows:

14 (a) The MVAA shall coordinate with veteran benefit counselors  
15 throughout a specified region.

16 (b) The MVAA shall coordinate services with the department of  
17 health and human services and the department of corrections.

18 (c) The MVAA shall coordinate with regional workforce and  
19 economic development agencies.

20 (d) The MVAA shall coordinate activities among local  
21 foundations, nonprofit organizations, and community groups to  
22 improve accessibility, enrollment, and utilization of the array of  
23 health care, education, employment assistance, and quality of life  
24 services provided at the local level.

25 (e) The MVAA may work with MVAA service officers, county  
26 veteran counselors, VSO service officers, and other service  
27 providers to incorporate the provision of information relating to  
28 mental health care resources into their daily operations to aid  
29 veterans in understanding the mental health care support services

1 they may be eligible to receive.

2 (f) The MVAA shall coordinate with the department of health  
3 and human services to identify Medicaid recipients who are veterans  
4 and who may be eligible for federal veterans health care benefits  
5 or other benefits, to the extent that the identification does not  
6 violate applicable confidentiality requirements.

7 (g) The MVAA shall collaborate with the department of  
8 corrections to create and maintain a process by which prisoners can  
9 obtain a copy of their DD-214 form or other military discharge  
10 documentation if necessary.

11 (h) The MVAA shall ensure that all MVAA service officers and  
12 VSO service officers receive appropriate training in processing  
13 applications for benefits payable to veterans due to military  
14 sexual trauma, post-traumatic stress disorder, depression, anxiety,  
15 substance abuse, or other mental health issues.

16 Sec. 410. (1) The MVAA shall provide claims processing  
17 services to Michigan veterans in support of benefit claims  
18 submitted to the USDVA for the health, financial, and memorial  
19 benefits for which they are eligible, and shall do both of the  
20 following:

21 (a) Report biannually on the number of benefit claims, by  
22 type, submitted to the USDVA by MVAA.

23 (b) Maintain the staffing and resources necessary to process a  
24 minimum of 500 claims per year.

25 (2) The MVAA shall develop and implement a process to ensure  
26 that all county counselors receive the training and accreditation  
27 necessary to provide quality services to veterans and shall report  
28 information biannually on the number and percentage of county  
29 veterans counselors trained by the MVAA, and the number and

1 percentage who received funding from the MVAA to attend training,  
2 with an overall goal of 100% of county veterans counselors trained.

3 (3) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for MVAA, the MVAA  
4 is authorized to expend up to \$50,000.00 to hire legal services to  
5 represent veterans benefit cases before federal court to maintain  
6 accreditation under 38 CFR 14.628(d)(1)(iv).

7 Sec. 411. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for  
8 veterans service grants, the MVAA shall establish, administer, and  
9 award competitive grants to 1 or more congressionally chartered  
10 veterans service organizations or a coalition of those  
11 organizations. Grants shall be used to support efforts to connect  
12 veterans and their dependents with federal compensation and pension  
13 benefits and state veterans' benefits, including emergency grants  
14 through the Michigan veterans' trust fund and other local or  
15 nonproject assistance that may be available to veterans and their  
16 dependents. The competitive grant process shall include all of the  
17 following:

18 (a) Using a regional service delivery model to ensure that  
19 veterans and their dependents in this state, including those within  
20 tribal communities, are provided with services, advocacy, and  
21 outreach as close to the communities in which they live as  
22 possible.

23 (b) Ensure that grantees are providing adequate veteran  
24 services and advocacy, through in-person and virtual meetings, that  
25 enables the organization to meet performance goals established in  
26 the grant agreement.

27 (c) Foster innovative and transformative approaches and  
28 techniques for the grantee to use when providing services,  
29 advocacy, and outreach for veterans and their dependents.

1 (d) Require grantees to use an MVAA-designated internet-based  
2 claims data system to manage caseloads. License fees associated  
3 with the claims data system described in this subdivision are  
4 considered an allowable expenditure and may be reimbursed with  
5 grant funds.

6 (e) A provision that requires grantees, in coordination with  
7 the MVAA, to provide services to incarcerated veterans who are  
8 within 1 year of their earliest release date.

9 (f) Ensure that each grantee is issued performance goals.

10 (g) Ensure that each grantee expends grant awards as  
11 prescribed in the grant agreement.

12 (h) Require each grantee to report not less than quarterly on  
13 all of the following:

14 (i) An accounting for all grant fund expenditures.

15 (ii) The number and type of claims originated and submitted by  
16 the grantee to the USDVA.

17 (iii) The number and type of claims originated by an  
18 organization other than the grantee and submitted by the grantee to  
19 the USDVA.

20 (iv) The services provided to veterans and their dependents.

21 (v) Progress in achieving monthly performance benchmark goals.

22 (i) Ensure that each grantee is issued monthly performance  
23 benchmark goals that each grantee must aim to achieve and require  
24 each grantee to report to the MVAA, in order to ensure that  
25 benchmark goals are being achieved, or on target to be achieved, in  
26 the fiscal year.

27 (2) The MVAA shall do all of the following:

28 (a) Follow all generally accepted accounting principles in  
29 accordance with sections 141 and 485 of the management and budget

1 act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1141 and 18.1485.

2 (b) When establishing, modifying, or amending the competitive  
3 grant process described in subsection (1), consult and collaborate  
4 with congressionally chartered veterans service organizations in  
5 the state, or a coalition of those organizations, and other  
6 stakeholders to ensure a comprehensive approach to providing  
7 services, advocacy, and outreach to veterans and their dependents.

8 (c) Provide notice to current grantees of any MVAA-proposed  
9 modifications or amendments to the competitive grant process and  
10 provide those grantees with an opportunity to respond through  
11 written communication.

12 (d) Assess the accuracy rate of claims reported by grantees.

13 (e) Review and audit grantees' expenditure of grant funds to  
14 ensure compliance with the grant agreement, as provided under  
15 section 470 of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL  
16 18.1470.

17 (3) By March 1, the MVAA shall provide a report summarizing  
18 grant activities for the prior fiscal year, including the amount of  
19 expenditures, number of service and advocacy hours, number of  
20 claims for benefits submitted by type of claim, and other  
21 information deemed appropriate by the MVAA.

22 Sec. 412. (1) The department shall enter into an interagency  
23 agreement in cooperation with the department of health and human  
24 services in order to work with the federal public assistance  
25 reporting information system to identify Medicaid recipients who  
26 are veterans and who may be eligible for federal veterans' health  
27 care benefits or other benefits. The interagency agreement shall  
28 include the specific outcome and performance reporting requirements  
29 described in this section. The interagency agreement shall require

1 the department to provide all of the following items by January 1  
2 for the current fiscal year to the subcommittees, the senate and  
3 house fiscal agencies, and the policy offices:

4 (a) The number of veterans identified by the department of  
5 health and human services through eligibility determinations.

6 (b) The number of veterans referred to the department.

7 (c) The number of referrals made by the department of health  
8 and human services that were contacted by the department.

9 (d) The number of referrals made to the department that were  
10 eligible for veterans health care benefits or other benefits.

11 (e) The specific actions and efforts undertaken by the  
12 department of health and human services and the department to  
13 identify female veterans who are applying for public assistance  
14 benefits, but who are eligible for veterans benefits.

15 (2) By October 1 of the current fiscal year, the department of  
16 health and human services shall change the public assistance  
17 application form from asking whether the prospective applicant was  
18 a veteran to asking whether the applicant had ever served in the  
19 military.

20 (3) This section does not prohibit the department from  
21 entering into interagency agreements with any other public  
22 department or agency in this state in order to obtain the  
23 information detailed in subsection (1).

24 Sec. 413. (1) The general fund/general purpose funds  
25 appropriated in part 1 for the county veteran service fund shall be  
26 deposited to the restricted county veteran service fund created in  
27 section 3a of 1953 PA 192, MCL 35.623a. All funds in the restricted  
28 county veteran service fund are appropriated and available for  
29 expenditure to support county veteran service grants.



1           (2) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for the county  
2 veteran service fund, \$200,000.00 shall be allocated to the MVAA to  
3 be used to cover costs associated with administering and providing  
4 technical assistance to counties for this grant program.

5           (3) The MVAA shall provide a report by December 15 that  
6 includes the following:

7           (a) A list of counties that received a grant under this  
8 section in the prior fiscal year.

9           (b) The total amount of grant funding each county received in  
10 the prior fiscal year including any amount of funding provided  
11 under the emergent need relief program pursuant to section 3a(10)  
12 of 1953 PA 192, MCL 35.623a.

13           (c) A summary of each county's expenditures of grant funding.

14           (d) The amount of any unexpended grant funding disbursed to  
15 the counties that has been recovered and returned to the county  
16 veteran service fund.

17           (e) The balance of the county veteran service fund after the  
18 prior fiscal year-end book closing.

19           (f) A list of counties that have requested funds in the  
20 current fiscal year, the amount requested by each county, and the  
21 total of these amounts.

22           (g) A list of counties that did not request funds in the  
23 current fiscal year.

24           (h) The amount of any funds recovered by the MVAA through the  
25 MVAA's finding of misused grant funds.

26           (i) An explanation of any obstacles or reasons for counties  
27 not applying for or spending their eligible amount of grant  
28 funding.

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**MICHIGAN VETERANS' FACILITY AUTHORITY**

Sec. 451. (1) Money privately donated to the MVH, the MVFA, or a veterans' facility in excess of the appropriation in part 1 is appropriated and may be used for the purpose designated by the private source, if specified.

(2) The MVH must notify the subcommittees and the house and senate fiscal agencies of the receipt of a private donation described under this section within 14 calendar days of receiving that donation. The notification must include the amount of the donation and the purpose for which the funds are to be expended, if known.

Sec. 452. (1) The MVH and the MVFA shall provide compassionate and quality nursing and domiciliary care services at each veterans' facility in this state so that resident members can achieve their highest potential of wellness, independence, self-worth, and dignity.

(2) From the funds appropriated in part 1, the MVFA and the MVH shall provide nursing care services to veterans in accordance with federal standards and report the results of the annual USDVA survey and certification as proof of compliance.

(3) Appropriations in part 1 for a veterans' facility shall not be used for any purpose other than expenses related to the operations of the veterans' facility, resident members, and their families.

Sec. 453. Any contractor providing mental health services to a veterans' facility shall utilize mental health interventions that have been shown to be effective with the conditions they are treating, in accordance with evidence-based best practices supported by the USDVA-VHA, United States Department of Defense,

1 the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, the  
2 American Psychological Association, and the National Association of  
3 Social Workers.

4 Sec. 454. Any contractor providing CENAs to a veterans'  
5 facility shall ensure all of the following:

6 (a) That each CENA has at least 8 hours of training on  
7 information provided by the veterans' facility.

8 (b) That each CENA has at least one 8-hour shift of shadowing  
9 at the veterans' facility.

10 (c) That each CENA is competent in the basic skills needed to  
11 perform his or her assigned duties at the veterans' facility.

12 (d) That each CENA is provided at least 12 hours of in-service  
13 training once that individual has been assigned to the veterans'  
14 facility.

15 Sec. 456. (1) All complaints of abusive or neglectful care at  
16 a veterans' facility by a resident member, a resident member's  
17 family or legal guardian, or staff of the veterans' facility  
18 received by a supervisor shall be referred to the director of  
19 nursing or his or her designee upon receipt of the complaint. The  
20 director of nursing or his or her designee shall report on not less  
21 than a monthly basis, except that the MVFA may specify a more  
22 frequent reporting period to the home administrator, MVFA, agency,  
23 subcommittees, senate and house fiscal agencies, and state budget  
24 office the following information:

25 (a) A description of the process by which resident members and  
26 others may file complaints of alleged abuse or neglect at a  
27 veterans' facility.

28 (b) Summary statistics on the number and general nature of  
29 complaints of abuse or neglect.

1 (c) Summary statistics on the final disposition of complaints  
2 of abuse or neglect received.

3 (2) The process by which visitors, resident members, and staff  
4 of the veterans' facility may register complaints shall be  
5 displayed in high-traffic areas throughout the veterans' facility.

6 Sec. 458. The MVH shall do the following regarding member  
7 care:

8 (a) Provide an on-site, board-certified psychiatrist for all  
9 resident members with mental health disorders in order to ensure  
10 that those resident members receive needed services in a  
11 professional and timely manner.

12 (b) Provide all resident members and staff a safe and secure  
13 environment.

14 (c) Ensure that the veterans' facility effectively develops,  
15 executes, and monitors all comprehensive care plans in accordance  
16 with federal regulations and the veterans' facility's internal  
17 policies, with a goal that a comprehensive care plan is fully  
18 developed for all resident members.

19 Sec. 460. The MVH shall establish and implement internal  
20 controls regarding all of the following:

21 (a) The use and management of food, maintenance, and  
22 pharmaceutical and medical supply inventories.

23 (b) Calculating resident member maintenance assessments in  
24 order to accurately calculate resident member maintenance  
25 assessments for each billing cycle and ensure that all past due  
26 resident member maintenance assessments are addressed within 30  
27 days.

28 (c) Monetary donations and donated goods.

29 (d) The handling of resident member funds to ensure the

1 release of funds within 15 calendar days upon the resident member  
2 leaving the home and to ensure that a representative of a resident  
3 member is provided a full accounting of that resident member's  
4 funds within 30 calendar days after the death of that resident  
5 member.

6 Sec. 461. (1) The MVH shall post on its website the following:

7 (a) All policies adopted by the MVFA and the veterans'  
8 facility related to the administrative operations of the veterans'  
9 facility.

10 (b) The agenda and minutes of public meetings of the MVFA  
11 board.

12 (2) The MVH shall provide a report with copies of each  
13 veterans' facility's USDVA State Veteran Home quarterly report.  
14 These quarterly reports shall also be posted on the MVH website.

15 (3) The MVH shall provide biannual reports regarding the  
16 number of resident members residing in each veterans' facility and  
17 the status of Centers for Medicare and Medicaid certification  
18 efforts, including, but not limited to, descriptions of incremental  
19 milestones, associated expenditures, and the percentage of plan  
20 completed until such time certification has been achieved and  
21 reported.

22 (4) The MVH shall provide a report on the results of any  
23 annual or for-cause survey conducted by any entity with oversight  
24 over the veterans' facility and any corresponding corrective action  
25 plan. This information shall also be made available publicly  
26 through the MVH website.

27 Sec. 462. The MVH shall ensure that the quality of care for  
28 resident members of each veterans' facility meets or exceeds the  
29 quality of care for the full spectrum of health care services to

1 meet or exceed the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services  
2 certification standards. The MVH shall provide a report biannually  
3 to the subcommittees that contains evidence that the quality of  
4 care for the full spectrum of health care services has met or  
5 exceeded Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services certification  
6 standards.

7 Sec. 463. In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1,  
8 private revenues held by the MVH on a nonfiduciary basis for a  
9 resident member of a veterans' facility are appropriated to pay  
10 medical expenses, member assessments, and other expenses incurred  
11 by that resident member. Any unexpended or unencumbered private  
12 revenues held on a nonfiduciary basis by the MVH at the close of  
13 the fiscal year shall not lapse to the general fund but shall be  
14 carried forward into the subsequent year.

15  
16 **CAPITAL OUTLAY**

17 Sec. 501. (1) The department shall provide for the acquisition  
18 and disposition of National Guard armories, facilities, and lands  
19 as provided under sections 368, 382, and 382a of the Michigan  
20 military act, 1967 PA 150, MCL 32.768, 32.782, and 32.782a.

21 (2) The department shall provide a listing of property sales  
22 and acquisitions biannually.

23 Sec. 502. (1) The appropriations for special maintenance -  
24 National Guard shall be expended in accordance with the  
25 requirements of sections 302 and 305 of this part and shall be  
26 expended according to the maintenance priorities of the department  
27 to repair and modernize military training sites and support  
28 facilities, including armories, which may include projects such as  
29 roof, HVAC, or boiler replacement, interior renovations, facility

1 expansion, improvements to parking facilities, and other projects.

2 (2) The department shall provide a report biannually providing  
3 information on the status, projected costs, and projected  
4 completion date of current and planned special maintenance projects  
5 at the armories and other National Guard facilities funded from  
6 capital outlay appropriations made in part 1 and in prior  
7 appropriations years.

8 Sec. 503. (1) The appropriations for special maintenance -  
9 veterans' facility shall be expended in accordance with the  
10 requirements of section 452 of this part and shall be expended  
11 according to the maintenance priorities of the department to repair  
12 and modernize the state's veterans' facility, which may include  
13 physical plant expansions, renovations, or enhancements, and other  
14 projects designed to enhance the quality of life and medical care  
15 of resident members.

16 (2) The MVH shall provide a report biannually providing  
17 information on the status, projected costs, and projected  
18 completion date of current and planned special maintenance projects  
19 at each veterans' facility funded from capital outlay  
20 appropriations made in part 1 and in prior appropriations years.

21 Sec. 504. The appropriations for armory maintenance shall be  
22 expended in accordance with the requirements of sections 302 and  
23 305 of this part and shall be expended according to the maintenance  
24 priorities of the department to repair and modernize military  
25 training sites and support facilities, including armories.

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27 **ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS**

28 Sec. 601. The unexpended funds appropriated in part 1 for  
29 buddy-to-buddy program are designated as a work project

1 appropriation, and any unencumbered or unallotted funds shall not  
2 lapse at the end of the fiscal year and shall be available for  
3 expenditures for projects under this section until the projects  
4 have been completed. The following is in compliance with section  
5 451a of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1451a:

6 (a) The purpose of the project is to provide outreach to  
7 prevent suicide among service members, veterans, and their  
8 families.

9 (b) The project will be accomplished by utilizing state  
10 employees or contracts, or both.

11 (c) The total estimated cost of the project is \$1,200,000.00.

12 (d) The tentative completion date is September 30, 2026.

13 Sec. 602. The unexpended funds appropriated in part 1 for  
14 veterans suicide prevention outreach are designated as a work  
15 project appropriation, and any unencumbered or unallotted funds  
16 shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year and shall be  
17 available for expenditures for projects under this section until  
18 the projects have been completed. The following is in compliance  
19 with section 451a of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431,  
20 MCL 18.1451a:

21 (a) The purpose of the project is to provide outreach to  
22 prevent suicide among service members, veterans, and their  
23 families.

24 (b) The project will be accomplished by contract.

25 (c) The total estimated cost of the project is \$1,200,000.00.

26 (d) The tentative completion date is September 30, 2026.