

FY 2023-24 MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS BUDGET

S.B. 197 (S-2): SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE REC.

(as reported)

Committee: Appropriations



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FULL-TIME EQUATED (FTE) CLASSIFIED POSITIONS/FUNDING SOURCE	FY 2022-23 YEAR-TO-DATE*	FY 2023-24 SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE REC.	CHANGES FROM FY 2022-23 YEAR-TO-DATE	
			AMOUNT	PERCENT
FTE Positions	1,054.5	1,072.5	18.0	1.7
GROSS	362,366,000	241,654,100	(120,711,900)	(33.3)
Less:				
Interdepartmental Grants Received	101,800	101,800	0	0.0
ADJUSTED GROSS	362,264,200	241,552,300	(120,711,900)	(33.3)
Less:				
Federal Funds	200,364,300	134,445,400	(65,918,900)	(32.9)
Local and Private.....	640,000	100,000	(540,000)	(84.4)
TOTAL STATE SPENDING.....	161,259,900	107,006,900	(54,253,000)	(33.6)
Less:				
Other State Restricted Funds.....	18,794,900	14,213,400	(4,581,500)	(24.4)
GENERAL FUND/GENERAL PURPOSE	142,465,000	92,793,500	(49,671,500)	(34.9)
PAYMENTS TO LOCALS	4,176,000	4,178,000	2,000	0.0

*As of February 7, 2023.

Major Boilerplate Changes from FY 2022-23 Year-to-Date:

- 1. New Boilerplate.** Senate included new language to require reporting of armory modernization project (Sec. 302F); allows for carryforward of private donations to Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency (Sec. 404-3); requires veterans cemetery report (Sec. 414); guidelines for suicide prevention program (Sec. 415); require report on new Marquette veterans home (Sec. 464); and requires carry forward of Federal funds for Michigan Veterans' Facility Authority.
- 2. Boilerplate Eliminations/Amendments.** Senate removed reporting of legacy costs (Sec. 214); permits legislature to transfer funds by resolution (Sec.218); requiring reporting of plans for lawsuit payments (Sec.225); prohibits COVID-19 vaccination requirements (Sec. 228); report on vaccine waivers (Sec. 313); retirement processing report (Sec. 314); requires on-site, board certified psychiatrist at veterans homes (Sec. 458); and changes most boilerplate reporting requirements from biannual to annual reporting.

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FY 2022-23 Year-to-Date Appropriation	\$362,366,000	\$142,465,000		
	CHANGE FROM FY 2022-23 Y-T-D		FY 2023-24 RECOMMENDED APPROPRIATION	
	Gross	GF/GP	Gross	GF/GP
<u>Baseline Adjustments</u>				
1. Federal Unallowable Costs. Senate included \$569,200 to cover costs for military leave and firefighters' compensation time that is no longer reimbursable under the State-Federal agreement.	569,200	569,200		
2. Grand Rapids Home for Veterans Operating Adjustment. Senate included an adjustment to reflect anticipated revenues which included \$700,700 Federal and (\$735,700) restricted.	4,882,100	4,917,100	28,175,400	13,465,400
3. Chesterfield Township Home for Veterans Operating Adjustment. Senate included an adjustment to reflect anticipated revenues which included \$3.5 million Federal and (\$153,300) restricted.	5,610,000	2,271,800	26,856,500	8,731,700
4. D.J. Jacobetti Home for Veterans Operating Adjustment. Senate included an adjustment to reflect anticipated revenues which included \$1,237,100 Federal and (\$2,994,100) restricted.	(1,757,000)	0	23,347,200	7,985,300
5. Michigan Veteran Homes Administration. Senate included an adjustment to reflect anticipated revenues of \$700,000.	700,000	700,000	3,581,300	3,581,300
6. Post and Posthumous Funds. Senate removed spending authority for donated funds (\$540,000) due to using boilerplate spending authority.	(540,000)	0	0	0
7. Military Retirement. Senate included an adjustment of (\$106,000) to reflect actual cost of providing retirement benefits for FY 2023-24.	(106,000)	(106,000)	1,351,000	1,351,000
8. Facilities Inflation Adjustment - Headquarters and Armories.	115,400	52,100	21,881,000	7,987,800
9. Facilities Inflation Adjustment - Michigan Youth Challenge.	3,400	1,000	10,145,400	3,301,400
10. Facilities Inflation Adjustment - Military Training Sites.	61,200	5,200	44,500,900	3,431,600
11. Economic Adjustments. Includes (\$819,200) Gross and (\$335,900) GF/GP for total economic adjustments.	(819,200)	(335,900)		

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<u>New Programs/Program Increases (see also One-Time Appropriations)</u>				
12. Veterans Suicide Prevention. Senate included \$1.2 million and 2.0 FTEs in support of a suicide outreach program targeted to service members, veterans, and their families. Creates an ongoing program which first appeared in the FY 2022-23 budget as a onetime appropriation.	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000
13. VA Claims Assistance. Senate included \$500,000 and 3.0 FTEs to provide additional veterans service officers for the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency in under-served areas and in support of increased need for claims assistance with newly enacted Federal legislation adding benefits for veterans with experienced toxic exposures.	500,000	500,000	9,265,800	9,205,800
14. Selfridge Air National Guard Base Operations. Senate included \$1.2 million Federal and 13.0 FTEs for facilities operations and maintenance to bring support up to the standards of the National Guard's Federal-State agreement.	1,475,000	269,000		
<u>Eliminations/Reductions- NONE (see also One-Time Appropriations)</u>				
<u>One-Time Appropriations</u>				
15. Selfridge Air National Guard Base. Senate included funds of \$11.5 million to continue infrastructure improvement to position Michigan to compete for next generation aircraft and future fighter missions.	11,500,000	11,500,000		
16. MVFA Operating Adjustment - Transition. Senate included \$3.0 million in transition funds to improve efficiencies and service delivery as it transitions from the larger, institutional setting in Grand Rapids to a smaller home operation.	3,000,000	3,000,000		
17. Armory Modernization. Eliminated \$115.0 gross, \$60.0 million Federal, and \$55.0 million GF/GP which was to physically modify all armories to provide equitable accommodations for female service members and other projects.	(115,000,000)	(55,000,000)		

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18. State Veterans Cemetery. Eliminated funding of \$12.0 million gross, \$10.5 million Federal, and \$1.5 million GF/GP to acquire, or to designate, State land as a State veterans cemetery, and for costs of engineering, designing, conducting environmental impact studies, preparing the land, and other ongoing expenses of operating a State veterans cemetery.	(12,000,000)	(1,500,000)		
19. Grand Rapids Home for Veterans Transition. Eliminated \$6.5 million gross, \$1.8 million Federal, \$0.5 million restricted and \$4.1 million to support continuing efforts to fully transition efforts to a new facility.	(6,456,000)	(4,065,000)		
20. Selfridge Air National Guard Base. Eliminated of \$6.1 million for air base expansion project.	(6,100,000)	(6,100,000)		
21. MVFA Facilities Transition Funding. Eliminated \$6.0 million that provided transition support for adjustments to funding levels for new veterans homes at Grand Rapids and Chesterfield Township.	(6,000,000)	(6,000,000)		
22. Veterans Suicide Prevention Outreach. Eliminated one-time outreach campaign targeting current and former service members and their families for reducing the incidence of suicide.	(1,200,000)	(1,200,000)		
23. Veterans Cemetery Feasibility Study. Eliminated of funding for a contracted study to evaluate the need for a new State veterans cemetery in Northern Michigan, possible locations, and projected cost.	(250,000)	(250,000)		
24. Michigan Volunteer Defense Force. Eliminated funding to update uniforms, training, equipment and operations of the Michigan Volunteer Defense Force.	(100,000)	(100,000)		
Total Changes	(\$120,711,900)	(\$49,671,500)		
FY 2023-24 SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE REC	\$241,654,100	\$92,793,500		

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