

SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 959

A bill to make appropriations for the department of military and veterans affairs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; to provide for certain powers and duties of the department of military and veterans affairs, other state agencies, and local units of government related to the appropriations; and to provide for the preparation of certain reports related to the appropriations.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

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PART 1

LINE-ITEM APPROPRIATIONS  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013

Sec. 101. Subject to the conditions set forth in this act, the amounts listed in this part for the department of military and

veterans affairs are appropriated for the fiscal year ending  
September 30, 2013 from the funds indicated in this part. The  
following is a summary of the appropriations in this part:

#### DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

##### APPROPRIATION SUMMARY

Full-time equated unclassified positions..... 7.0

Full-time equated classified positions..... 834.0

GROSS APPROPRIATION..... \$ 168,573,600

Total interdepartmental grants and intradepartmental

transfers ..... 1,166,500

Schedule of interdepartmental grant revenue sources:

IDG, challenge grant ..... 165,800

IDG, community health ..... 100,000

IDG, state police ..... 900,000

Interdepartmental grant revenues..... 700

ADJUSTED GROSS APPROPRIATION..... \$ 167,407,100

Total federal revenues..... 99,239,400

Schedule of federal revenue sources:

DOD-DOA-NGB ..... 69,073,300

DVA-VHA ..... 26,160,100

HHS-HCFA, Medicare, hospital insurance..... 3,363,000

HHS-HCFA, title XIX, Medicaid..... 185,500

Federal counter narcotic revenues..... 50,000

Federal revenues ..... 407,500

Total local revenues..... 1,503,600

Schedule of local revenue sources:

1	Local - school aid fund .....	1,500,000	
2	Local revenues .....	3,600	
3	Total private revenues.....		1,503,700
4	Schedule of private revenue sources:		
5	Private - veterans' home post and posthumous		
6	funds .....	540,000	
7	Private donations .....	959,500	
8	Private revenues .....	4,200	
9	Total other state restricted revenues.....		30,427,000
10	Schedule of restricted revenue sources:		
11	Rental fees .....	346,400	
12	Mackinac Bridge Authority .....	70,000	
13	Test project fees .....	100,000	
14	Income and assessments .....	20,345,900	
15	Lease revenue .....	12,200	
16	Michigan veterans' trust fund.....	5,166,500	
17	Michigan national guard construction fund..	3,250,000	
18	Military family relief fund .....	1,000,000	
19	State restricted revenue .....	136,000	
20	State general fund/general purpose.....	\$	34,733,400
21	State general fund/general purpose schedule:		
22	Ongoing state general fund/general		
23	purpose .....	32,177,500	
24	One-time state general fund/general		
25	purpose .....	2,555,900	
26	<b>Sec. 102. MILITARY</b>		
27	Full-time equated unclassified positions.....	7.0	

1	Full-time equated classified positions.....	284.0	
2	Military.....		\$ <u>55,739,100</u>
3	GROSS APPROPRIATION .....		55,739,100
4	Appropriated from:		
5	Interdepartmental grant revenues.....		1,000,000
6	Federal revenues.....		40,541,000
7	State restricted revenues.....		901,200
8	State general fund/general purpose.....		\$ 13,296,900
9	Schedule of programs:		
10	Headquarters and armories .....	11,958,800	
11	Unclassified military personnel.....	1,165,000	
12	Military appeals tribunal .....	900	
13	State active duty .....	100,100	
14	Homeland security .....	1,000,000	
15	Military training sites and support		
16	facilities .....	30,065,500	
17	Military training sites and support		
18	facilities test projects .....	100,000	
19	Departmentwide accounts .....	1,869,100	
20	Special maintenance - state .....	3,051,200	
21	Special maintenance - federal.....	5,300,000	
22	Counter narcotic operations .....	50,000	
23	Information technology services and		
24	projects .....	1,078,500	
25	<b>Sec. 103. VETERANS AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH</b>		
26	Full-time equated classified positions.....	49.0	
27	Veterans and community outreach.....		\$ <u>16,924,400</u>

1	GROSS APPROPRIATION.....	\$	16,924,400
2	Appropriated from:		
3	Interdepartmental grant revenues.....		165,800
4	Federal revenues.....		4,973,400
5	Local revenues.....		1,500,000
6	Private revenues.....		959,500
7	State restricted revenues.....		5,766,500
8	State general fund/general purpose.....	\$	3,559,200
9	Schedule of programs:		
10	Veterans advice, advocacy and assistance		
11	grants .....	2,904,400	
12	Veterans service organizations college		
13	initiative .....	100	
14	Veterans service organizations technology		
15	assistance .....	100	
16	Veterans' affairs directorate		
17	administration .....	649,600	
18	Veterans' trust fund administration.....	1,420,000	
19	Veterans' trust fund grants .....	3,746,500	
20	Michigan emergency volunteers.....	5,000	
21	Challenge program .....	5,276,700	
22	Military family relief fund .....	600,000	
23	Starbase grant .....	2,322,000	
24	<b>Sec. 104. HOMES</b>		
25	Full-time equated classified positions.....	501.0	
26	Homes.....	\$	<u>65,552,200</u>
27	GROSS APPROPRIATION.....	\$	65,552,200

1	Appropriated from:		
2	Federal revenues.....		29,317,500
3	Private revenues.....		540,000
4	State restricted revenues.....		20,373,300
5	State general fund/general purpose.....	\$	15,321,400
6	Schedule of programs:		
7	Grand Rapids veterans' home .....	46,516,500	
8	Grand Rapids board of managers.....	665,000	
9	D.J. Jacobetti veterans' home.....	18,095,700	
10	D.J. Jacobetti board of managers.....	275,000	
11	<b>Sec. 105. CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>		
12	Capital outlay.....	\$	<u>27,250,000</u>
13	GROSS APPROPRIATION.....	\$	27,250,000
14	Appropriated from:		
15	Federal revenues.....		24,000,000
16	State restricted revenue.....		3,250,000
17	State general fund/general purpose.....	\$	0
18	Schedule of programs:		
19	Special maintenance, remodeling and		
20	additions .....	15,000,000	
21	Land acquisitions and appraisals.....	250,000	
22	Flint armory replacement .....	12,000,000	
23	<b>Sec. 106. ONE-TIME BASIS ONLY APPROPRIATIONS</b>		
24	One-time basis only appropriations.....	\$	<u>3,107,900</u>
25	GROSS APPROPRIATION.....	\$	3,107,900
26	Appropriated from:		
27	Interdepartmental grant revenues.....		700

1	Federal revenues.....	407,500
2	Local revenues.....	3,600
3	Private revenues.....	4,200
4	State restricted revenues.....	136,000
5	State general fund/ general purpose.....	2,555,900
6	Schedule of programs:	
7	State employee lump-sum payments.....	707,900
8	Special maintenance .....	2,400,000

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## PART 2

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## PROVISIONS CONCERNING APPROPRIATIONS

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FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013

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**GENERAL SECTIONS**

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Sec. 201. Pursuant to section 30 of article IX of the state

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constitution of 1963, total state spending from state resources

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under part 1 for fiscal year 2012-2013 is \$65,160,400.00 and state

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spending from state resources to be paid to local units of

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government for fiscal year 2012-2013 is \$120,000.00. The itemized

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statement below identifies appropriations from which spending to

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local units of government will occur:

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## DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

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Military.....	\$	70,000
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Schedule of programs:

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Payments in lieu of taxes.....	70,000
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Veterans and community outreach.....	50,000
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Schedule of programs:

1	County counselor education and training expenses .....	<u>50,000</u>
2	TOTAL .....	\$ 120,000

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

6       Sec. 203. As used in this act:

7       (a) "Department" means the department of military and veterans  
 8 affairs.

9       (b) "IDG" means interdepartmental grant.

10       (c) "Large veterans service organization" means a VSO that can  
 11 certify that its membership exceeds 30,000 individuals.

12       (d) "Medium veterans service organization" means a VSO that  
 13 can certify that its membership is between 2,500 and 30,000  
 14 individuals.

15       (e) "Small veterans service organization" means a VSO that can  
 16 certify that its membership is between 1,000 and 2,499 individuals.

17       (f) "VSO" means veterans service organization.

18       Sec. 204. The following shall constitute the appropriations  
 19 from part 1 for interdepartmental grant funds received by the  
 20 department from sources outside the department: \$165,800.00 from  
 21 challenge grant; \$100,000.00 from the department of community  
 22 health; and \$900,000.00 from the department of state police.

23       Sec. 206. (1) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1,  
 24 there is appropriated an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000.00 for  
 25 federal contingency funds. These funds are not available for  
 26 expenditure until they have been transferred to another line item  
 27 in this act under section 393(2) of the management and budget act,



1 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.

2 (2) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is  
3 appropriated an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.00 for state  
4 restricted contingency funds. These funds are not available for  
5 expenditure until they have been transferred to another line item  
6 in this act under section 393(2) of the management and budget act,  
7 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.

8 (3) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is  
9 appropriated an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 for local  
10 contingency funds. These funds are not available for expenditure  
11 until they have been transferred to another line item in this act  
12 under section 393(2) of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431,  
13 MCL 18.1393.

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

20 Sec. 209. Funds appropriated in part 1 shall not be used for  
21 the purchase of foreign goods or services, or both, if  
22 competitively priced and of comparable quality American goods or  
23 services, or both, are available. Preference should be given to  
24 goods or services, or both, manufactured or provided by Michigan  
25 businesses, if they are competitively priced and of comparable  
26 quality. In addition, preference should be given to goods or  
27 services, or both, that are manufactured or provided by Michigan

1 businesses owned and operated by veterans, if they are  
2 competitively priced and of comparable quality.

3 Sec. 210. The director of each department receiving  
4 appropriations in part 1 shall take all reasonable steps to ensure  
5 businesses in deprived and depressed communities compete for and  
6 perform contracts to provide services or supplies, or both. Each  
7 director shall strongly encourage firms with which the department  
8 contracts to subcontract with certified businesses in depressed and  
9 deprived communities for services, supplies, or both.

10 Sec. 212. The departments and agencies receiving  
11 appropriations in part 1 shall receive and retain copies of all  
12 reports funded from appropriations in part 1. Federal and state  
13 guidelines for short-term and long-term retention of records shall  
14 be followed. The department may electronically retain copies of  
15 reports unless otherwise required by federal and state guidelines.

16 Sec. 215. The department shall not take disciplinary action  
17 against an employee for communicating with a member of the  
18 legislature or his or her staff.

19 Sec. 216. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act,  
20 the schedule of programs in part 1 lists programs which may, but  
21 are not required to be, funded under this act.

22 (2) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this act, the  
23 schedule of revenue sources in part 1 may or may not be received  
24 from the funding entities listed.

25 (3) Any funding required by statute is not subject to funding  
26 flexibility and shall be funded in accordance with that statute.

27 Sec. 217. The department shall improve its budgetary

1 efficiency pertaining to the delivery of core services delineated  
2 in section 222 by doing all of the following:

3 (a) Prioritizing personnel over buildings in budgetary  
4 efficiency considerations.

5 (b) Pursuing the physical or virtual consolidation of support  
6 service functions such as information technology, human resources,  
7 and accounting as a means of improving standardization and  
8 efficiency.

9 (c) Seeking expenditure reductions whenever possible through  
10 the streamlining of existing service delivery activities.

11 (d) Identifying efficiencies that can be gained via the  
12 reduction or elimination of programs, policies, and practices which  
13 have outlived their usefulness.

14 Sec. 219. (1) The department shall be available to meet on a  
15 quarterly basis before the appropriate senate and house  
16 appropriations subcommittee.

17 (2) The department shall provide all information necessary to  
18 validate that the requirements of this part have been achieved.

19 (3) The department shall provide a corrective action plan  
20 within 30 days of a quarterly report under this section for any  
21 requirements of this part that have not been achieved. The  
22 department shall provide a monthly status of corrective action  
23 plans.

24 (4) The department shall provide a summary of fund shifts,  
25 that have been approved by the state budget office, that have  
26 occurred between core services on a quarterly basis to the senate  
27 and house appropriations subcommittees.

1           (5) The department shall provide the following data to the  
2 senate and house appropriations subcommittees:

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

5           (b) The department's financial status, featuring a report of  
6 budgeted versus actual expenditures by part 1 line item including a  
7 year-end projection of budget requirements. If projected department  
8 budget requirements exceed the allocated budget, the report shall  
9 include a plan to reduce overall expenses while still satisfying  
10 specified service level requirements.

11           (c) Evidence of efficiencies and management of funds within  
12 established appropriations, documented through the DTMB monthly  
13 expenditure report as described in section 301(3) of this part.

14           (d) A list of projected armory closings from section 302(6) of  
15 this part.

16           (e) A list of property sales as described in section 223 of  
17 this part.

18           (6) The department shall provide a corrective action plan for  
19 any service metrics that do not meet requirements. The department  
20 shall provide a status of correction action plans at the next  
21 quarterly review.

22           (7) The Grand Rapids and D.J. Jacobetti veterans' homes shall  
23 provide to the appropriate senate and house appropriations  
24 subcommittees the results of the veterans' homes annual veterans'  
25 affairs inspection and their corrective action plans.

26           Sec. 220. The department shall provide the following data to  
27 the appropriate senate and house appropriations subcommittees on an

1 annual basis:

2 (a) Using information received from the grant recipients in  
3 section 401 of this part, a progress report on metric requirements,  
4 copies of certified financial audits and tax reports of grant  
5 recipients, a listing from grant recipients of expenditures by  
6 spending category, including a listing of individual salaries of  
7 each officer and administrative staff, a listing of volunteer hours  
8 including the hours, series, and donations provided to residents of  
9 the Grand Rapids veterans' home and the D.J. Jacobetti veterans'  
10 home. The department shall provide within the report a specific  
11 notification whether any veterans grant recipients failed to comply  
12 with established reporting requirements.

13 (b) The Grand Rapids veterans' home and the D.J. Jacobetti  
14 veterans' home shall produce a report including an accounting of  
15 member populations and bed space available, a description and  
16 accounting of services and activities provided to members,  
17 financial information, and current state nursing home licensure  
18 status.

19 (c) A detailed report of the Michigan veteran's trust fund  
20 that includes information on grants provided from the emergency  
21 grant program, including details concerning the methodology of  
22 allocations, the selection of emergency grant program authorized  
23 agents, and a detailed breakdown of trust fund expenditures for  
24 that year. The report shall also provide an update on the  
25 department's efforts to reduce program administrative costs and  
26 maintain the Michigan veterans' trust fund corpus to its original  
27 amount of at least \$50,000,000.00.

1       Sec. 222. The appropriations in part 1 are for the core  
2 services, support services, and work projects of the department,  
3 including, but not limited to, the following core services:  
4 armories and joint forces readiness, maintenance and operation of  
5 army national guard training facilities, operation and maintenance  
6 of air national guard air bases, veterans affairs directorate and  
7 administration of the veterans trust fund, administration and  
8 oversight of veterans advice, advocacy, and assistance grants,  
9 training support for county veterans counselors, administration of  
10 the military family relief fund, the Michigan youth challenge  
11 academy program, and the administration of the Grand Rapids  
12 veterans' home and the D.J. Jacobetti veterans' home.

13       Sec. 223. Sixty days prior to the public announcement of the  
14 intention to sell any department property, the department shall  
15 submit notification of that intent to the appropriate senate and  
16 house appropriations subcommittees and the senate and house fiscal  
17 agencies.

18       Sec. 224. The department shall consult with the senate and  
19 house appropriations subcommittees on state police and military and  
20 veterans affairs regarding the projected closing or consolidation  
21 of any national guard armories.

22       Sec. 225. Funds appropriated in part 1 shall not be used by a  
23 principal executive department, state agency, or authority to hire  
24 a person to provide legal services that are the responsibility of  
25 the attorney general. This prohibition does not apply to legal  
26 services for bonding activities and for those activities that the  
27 attorney general authorizes.

1       Sec. 226. The department shall seek partnerships with United  
2 States armed forces reserve units for the colocation of activities,  
3 including sharing in the acquisition and costs for facilities.

4       Sec. 227. Bids for contract services shall not exclude public  
5 employee unions from the bid process.

6       Sec. 228. Not later than November 15, the department shall  
7 prepare and transmit a report that provides for estimates of the  
8 total general fund/general purpose appropriations lapses at the  
9 close of the fiscal year. This report shall summarize the projected  
10 year-end general fund/general purpose appropriations lapses by  
11 major departmental program or program areas. The report shall be  
12 transmitted to the office of the state budget, the chairpersons of  
13 the senate and house standing committees on appropriations, and the  
14 senate and house fiscal agencies.

15       Sec. 229. Within 14 days after the release of the executive  
16 budget recommendation, the department shall provide the state  
17 budget director, the senate and house appropriations chairs, the  
18 senate and house appropriations subcommittees on state police and  
19 military and veterans affairs, respectively, and the senate and  
20 house fiscal agencies with an annual report on estimated state  
21 restricted fund balances, state restricted fund projected revenues,  
22 and state restricted fund expenditures for the fiscal years ending  
23 September 30, 2012 and September 30, 2013.

24       **MILITARY**

25       Sec. 301. (1) The department shall provide administrative  
26 support for department operations.

1           (2) The department shall maintain the staffing and resources  
2 necessary to ensure proper accountability of state funds.

3           (3) The department shall maintain the staffing and resources  
4 necessary to adhere to the state of Michigan financial management  
5 guide for accounting, contracting, purchasing, budgeting, and  
6 financial reporting and the administrative guide to state  
7 government.

8           Sec. 302. (1) The department shall operate and maintain  
9 national guard armories.

10          (2) The department shall provide resources necessary to ensure  
11 that armories are maintained in accordance with army regulation  
12 210-14.

13          (3) The department shall evaluate armories for consolidation,  
14 energy, and utility efficiency and identify work projects that  
15 would improve this efficiency.

16          (4) The department shall establish a system that measures the  
17 condition and adequacy of armory facilities using both quality and  
18 functionality criteria based off the installation status report-  
19 infrastructure inspections that are conducted annually as a  
20 requirement set forth by the national guard.

21          (5) The department shall identify and upgrade 15 red armories  
22 to yellow or green facilities as determined by the measure  
23 established in subsection (4).

24          (6) The department shall consult with the house and senate  
25 appropriations subcommittees on state police and military and  
26 veterans affairs regarding the projected closing or consolidation  
27 of any national guard armories.



1       Sec. 303. (1) The department shall provide army national guard  
2 forces, when directed, for state and local emergencies and in  
3 support of national military requirements.

4       (2) The department shall provide resources necessary to train  
5 and equip military forces to standards set by the United States  
6 armed forces.

7       Sec. 304. (1) The department shall operate and maintain army  
8 national guard training facilities, including Fort Custer and Camp  
9 Grayling.

10       (2) The department shall provide resources necessary to meet  
11 building maintenance requirements per performance specifications  
12 established in master cooperative agreement appendix 1, section  
13 104, national guard bureau regulations.

14       (3) Army national guard training facilities security  
15 management shall secure all locations, monitor alarm equipment, and  
16 adhere to state laws, statutes, and army regulation 190-56 and  
17 master cooperative agreement appendix 3, section 308, national  
18 guard bureau regulations.

19       (4) Using individual facility assessments, the department  
20 shall improve the adequacy of utilities and infrastructure of the  
21 air bases. The department shall improve quality rating at the air  
22 base facilities based on the number of faults corrected and dollars  
23 available (spent) during the fiscal year.

24       Sec. 305. (1) The department shall provide air national guard  
25 forces, when directed, for state and local emergencies and in  
26 support of national military requirements.

27       (2) The department shall provide resources necessary to train

1 and equip military forces to standards set by the United States  
2 armed forces.

3 (3) Using individual facility assessments, the department  
4 shall improve the adequacy of utilities and infrastructure of the  
5 military training sites and support facilities. The department  
6 shall improve quality rating at the facilities based on the number  
7 of faults corrected and dollars available (spent) during the fiscal  
8 year.

9 Sec. 306. (1) The department shall operate and maintain air  
10 national guard air bases, including Selfridge air national guard  
11 base, Battle Creek air national guard base, and Alpena combat  
12 readiness training center.

13 (2) The department shall provide resources necessary to meet  
14 facility maintenance at air national guard bases, including  
15 maintenance and preventive maintenance of authorized building and  
16 systems at no less than the minimum standards required by  
17 applicable federal, state, and local agencies.

18 (3) The department shall maintain the staffing and resources  
19 necessary to provide security services at air national guard bases,  
20 including the security of the location and the monitoring of alarm  
21 equipment, in accordance with air force instruction 31-101 and  
22 master cooperative agreement appendix 23, section 2308, national  
23 guard bureau regulations.

#### 24 **VETERANS AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

25 Sec. 401. (1) The department shall provide advice, advocacy,  
26 and assistance services to Michigan veterans.

1           (2) The department shall maintain the staffing and resources  
2 necessary to develop and operate a program that will provide  
3 benefits counseling and representation to veterans of this state  
4 for the purpose of assisting veterans to obtain United States  
5 department of veteran affairs health, financial, and memorial  
6 benefits for which they are eligible.

7           (3) Grants recipients in this section shall submit a report to  
8 the department on the number of claims filed for veterans in this  
9 state with the United States department of veterans affairs and the  
10 number of actual claims awarded.

11           (4) The department shall create a 5-member advisory board  
12 consisting of presidents/commanders from 2 large veterans service  
13 organizations, 2 medium veterans service organizations, and 1 small  
14 veterans service organization. The board shall meet no less than  
15 twice a year, without reimbursement by the department, and have the  
16 following duties:

17           (a) Assist the department in establishing criteria for grant  
18 awards. The department, while utilizing advice provided by the  
19 board in establishing grant criteria, is solely responsible for  
20 determination of the amounts and recipients of the grants.

21           (b) Serve as a liaison between the grant recipients, the  
22 department, and the legislature.

23           (c) Assist the department in developing plans, reviewing  
24 service delivery, and identifying goals to better assist veterans  
25 in applying for and receiving benefits from the federal, state, and  
26 local governments.

27           (d) Provide a forum regarding veterans' issues, including

1 suggesting changes in department programs that address veterans'  
2 changing needs.

3 (5) Of the appropriation in part 1 for veterans advice,  
4 advocacy, and assistance, grants shall be distributed by the  
5 department in the form of 5 grants for the period beginning October  
6 1, 2012, including 1 specialized grant. The specialized grant shall  
7 be awarded to a group specializing in advocacy for paralyzed  
8 veterans.

9 (6) Money used for grants shall be used only for salaries,  
10 wages, related personnel costs, in-state training, and equipment  
11 for accredited veteran service advocacy officers and necessary  
12 support and managerial staff.

13 (7) The department shall take steps to improve the  
14 coordination of veterans' benefits counseling in the state to  
15 maximize the effective and efficient use of taxpayer dollars in  
16 this goal and to ensure that every veteran is served.

17 (8) The department shall increase its responsibility in the  
18 administration, management, oversight, and outreach of the delivery  
19 of services to veterans by working with grant recipients, the  
20 veterans advisory board, county veterans counselors, and  
21 representatives from the Michigan veterans trust fund to identify,  
22 implement, and evaluate steps to do all the following:

23 (a) Improve national standing with regard to veterans affairs  
24 benefits granted per veteran.

25 (b) Increase the percentage of veterans in this state who  
26 become aware of their eligibility for service-connected disability  
27 or pension benefits from the United States department of veterans

1   affairs.

2           (c) Increase the percentage of veterans in this state who  
3   become aware of their eligibility for enrollment in the veterans  
4   affairs health care system.

5           (d) Expand training opportunities for veteran service  
6   organization service officers.

7           (e) Increase the percentage of veterans in this state who  
8   become aware of their eligibility for education benefits under the  
9   post-9/11 veterans education assistance improvements act of 2010.

10          (f) Increase the percentage of veterans in this state who  
11   become aware of job training and job placement opportunities.

12          Sec. 402. (1) The Michigan veterans' trust fund board together  
13   with the department shall provide emergency grants for disbursement  
14   from the Michigan veterans' trust fund.

15          (2) The Michigan veterans' trust fund board together with the  
16   department shall maintain the staffing and resources necessary to  
17   provide outreach to veterans who may need and qualify for veterans  
18   trust fund emergency grants.

19          (3) The Michigan veterans' trust fund board shall work to  
20   increase the percentage of grant applications that are approved and  
21   received by eligible families by 5% over those approved and  
22   received by eligible families in fiscal year 2010-2011.

23          Sec. 403. (1) The department shall provide grants for  
24   disbursement from the military family relief fund.

25          (2) The department shall maintain the staffing and resources  
26   necessary to provide outreach to the Michigan families of active  
27   members of the armed forces.

1           (3) The department shall work to increase the percentage of  
2 military family relief grant applications that are approved and  
3 received by eligible families by 5% over those approved and  
4 received by eligible families in fiscal year 2010-2011.

5           Sec. 404. (1) The department shall provide training support  
6 for county veterans counselors.

7           (2) The department shall provide resources necessary to  
8 provide county veterans counselors with training to ensure quality  
9 services to veterans.

10          (3) The department shall work with counties towards the goal  
11 of having at least 1 county veterans counselor in every county in  
12 this state.

13          (4) The Michigan veterans' affairs directorate administration  
14 and the Michigan veterans' trust fund administration shall take  
15 steps to assist the county veterans counselors of this state to  
16 obtain training necessary for the execution of their duties.

17          Sec. 405. (1) The department shall maintain the Michigan youth  
18 challenge academy to provide values, skills, education, and self-  
19 discipline instruction for at-risk youth.

20          (2) The department shall ensure that at least 65% of the  
21 cadets who enroll in the Michigan youth challenge academy meet the  
22 requirement for graduation from the academy.

23          (3) The department shall ensure that at least 65% of the  
24 cadets who enroll in Michigan youth challenge academy take the  
25 general educational development exam and that at least 70% of those  
26 taking the exam earn a passing grade.

27          (4) The department shall take steps to recruit candidates to

1 the challenge program from economically disadvantaged areas,  
2 including those with low-income and high-unemployment backgrounds.

3 (5) The department shall partner with the department of human  
4 services to identify youth who may be eligible for the challenge  
5 program from those youth served by department of human services  
6 programs. These eligible youth shall be given priority for  
7 enrollment in the program.

8 (6) The funds appropriated in this act for private donations  
9 to the Michigan youth challenge program shall be considered state  
10 restricted revenue, and unexpended funds remaining at the close of  
11 the fiscal year shall not lapse to the general fund but shall be  
12 carried forward to the subsequent fiscal year.

### 13 HOMES

14 Sec. 501. (1) The department shall provide compassionate,  
15 quality interdisciplinary care at the state's Grand Rapids and D.J.  
16 Jacobetti veterans' homes so that members can achieve their highest  
17 potential of wellness, independence, self-worth, and dignity.

18 (2) The department shall provide resources necessary to  
19 provide adequate nursing care services to veterans in accordance  
20 with federal standards, including the following:

21 (a) A licensed minimum number of 403 residents in skilled  
22 nursing beds at the Grand Rapids veterans' home.

23 (b) A licensed minimum number of 72 residents in domiciliary  
24 beds at the Grand Rapids veterans' home.

25 (c) A licensed minimum number of 158 residents in skilled  
26 nursing beds at the D.J. Jacobetti veterans' home.

1 (d) A licensed minimum number of 11 residents in domiciliary  
2 beds at the D.J. Jacobetti veterans' home.

3 (3) The Grand Rapids and D.J. Jacobetti veterans' homes shall  
4 ensure that their medical staffing is in accordance with United  
5 States department of veterans administration standards.

6 (4) The Grand Rapids and D.J. Jacobetti veterans' homes shall  
7 ensure that transportation is assured for each resident for every  
8 medical appointment outside the veterans' home.

9 (5) The Grand Rapids and D.J. Jacobetti veterans' homes shall  
10 ensure that each member resident receives daily laundry service.

11 (6) The Grand Rapids and D.J. Jacobetti veterans' homes shall  
12 ensure that maintenance and custodial services are provided for  
13 each home in accordance with applicable local, state, and federal  
14 standards.

15 (7) The Grand Rapids and D.J. Jacobetti veterans' homes shall  
16 ensure that each resident receives a medical and care assessment  
17 including a dietary plan upon admission to the home, with meals and  
18 snacks provided in accordance with the plan and R 325.20803 of the  
19 Michigan administrative code.

20 (8) The money appropriated in this article for the boards of  
21 managers may be expended for facility improvements, the purchase  
22 and repair of equipment and furnishings, member services, and other  
23 purposes that benefit the Grand Rapids and D.J. Jacobetti veterans'  
24 homes.

25 (9) Appropriations in this article for the Grand Rapids and  
26 D.J. Jacobetti veterans' homes shall not be used for any purpose  
27 other than for veterans and veterans' families.



1           (10) The department shall, prior to altering the spending plan  
2 by the board of managers of post and posthumous funds, report to  
3 the appropriate senate and house appropriations subcommittees 30  
4 days prior to that action and shall indicate the rationale for that  
5 decision.

6           (11) Any contractor providing competency evaluated nursing  
7 assistants (CENA) to the Grand Rapids and D.J. Jacobetti veterans'  
8 homes shall ensure that each CENA has at least 8 hours of training  
9 on information provided by the veterans' home.

10          (12) Any contractor providing competency evaluated nursing  
11 assistants to the Grand Rapids and D.J. Jacobetti veterans' homes  
12 shall ensure that each CENA has at least 1 eight-hour shift of  
13 shadowing at the veterans' home.

14          (13) Any contractor providing competency evaluated nursing  
15 assistants to the Grand Rapids and D.J. Jacobetti veterans' homes  
16 shall ensure that each CENA is competent in the basic skills needed  
17 to perform his or her assigned duties at the veterans' home.

18          (14) Any contractor providing competency evaluated nursing  
19 assistants to the Grand Rapids and D.J. Jacobetti veterans' homes  
20 shall ensure that each CENA has at least 1 year of experience in  
21 long-term care.

22          (15) The Grand Rapids and D.J. Jacobetti veterans' homes shall  
23 provide each CENA at least 12 hours of in-service training once  
24 that individual has been assigned to the veterans' home.

25          (16) The Grand Rapids and D.J. Jacobetti veterans' homes shall  
26 ensure that care services are provided to each resident of the  
27 veterans' homes in accordance with standards set by the United

1 States department of veterans' affairs.

2 **CAPITAL OUTLAY**

3 Sec. 601. (1) The director shall allocate lump-sum  
4 appropriations made in this article consistent with statutory  
5 provisions and the purposes for which funds were appropriated.  
6 Lump-sum allocations shall address priority program or facility  
7 needs and may include, but are not limited to, design,  
8 construction, remodeling and addition, special maintenance, major  
9 special maintenance, energy conservation, and demolition.

10 (2) The state budget director may authorize that funds  
11 appropriated for lump-sum appropriations shall be available for no  
12 more than 3 fiscal years following the fiscal year in which the  
13 original appropriation was made. Any remaining balance from  
14 allocations made in this section shall lapse to the fund from which  
15 it was appropriated pursuant to the lapsing of funds as provided in  
16 the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1101 to 18.1594.

17 Sec. 602. 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 PART 2A  
22 PROVISIONS CONCERNING ANTICIPATED APPROPRIATIONS  
23 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

24 **GENERAL SECTIONS**

1       Sec. 1201. (1) It is the intent of the legislature to provide  
2       appropriations for the fiscal year ending on September 30, 2014 for  
3       the line items listed in part 1. The fiscal year 2013-2014  
4       appropriations are anticipated to be the same as those for fiscal  
5       year 2012-2013, except that the line items will be adjusted for  
6       changes in caseload and related costs, federal fund match rates,  
7       economic factors, and available revenue. These adjustments will be  
8       determined after the January 2013 consensus revenue estimating  
9       conference.

10       (2) The department shall identify and upgrade 15 red armories  
11       to yellow or green facilities as determined by the measure  
12       established in section 302(4).