0385 – VETERANS' AFFAIRS FISCAL YEAR 2020 AS ENACTED BY ACT 718 OF 2019

The purpose of this agency is to assist veterans and their dependents in securing their rights and benefits under federal and state laws.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

Appropriation		2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
		Actual	Authorized	Legislative
224	State Operations	\$2,011,455	\$2,026,859	\$2,193,050
2QD	Veterans' Homes	\$15,206,543	\$16,570,036	\$22,856,384
38S	Veterans' Cemeteries - Cash In Treasury	\$782,191	\$355,064	\$823,452
490	Veterans' Cemeteries - State	\$309,425	\$341,095	\$323,343
81H	Military Funeral Honor	\$15,200	\$75,000	\$16,720
X05	NLR Cemetery Expansion 2 - Federal	\$0	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000
Total		\$18,324,814	\$29,368,054	\$36,212,949

FUNDING SOURCES

Funding Sources		2017-2018 Actual	%
Fund Balance	4000005	\$1,512,206	7.76
General Revenue	4000010	\$2,319,791	11.91
Federal Revenue	4000020	\$12,106,693	62.15
Special Revenue	4000030	\$43,220	0.22
Cash Fund	4000045	\$2,725,307	13.99
Rainy Day Fund	4000267	\$770,000	3.95
Inter-agency Fund Transfer	4000316	\$1,018	0.01
M & R Sales	4000340	\$71	0.00
Total Funds	\$19,478,306	100.00	
Excess Appropriation/(Fur	(\$1,153,492)		
Grand Total	\$18,324,814		

CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS

State Operations (Appropriation 224)

Commitment Item		2018-2019	2019-2020	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5010000	Regular Salaries		\$1,208,852	\$35,000
5010003	Personal Services Matching		\$394,198	\$10,500
5020002	Operating Expenses	\$127,200	\$220,500	\$93,300
5050009	Conference & Travel Expenses	\$7,367	\$33,000	\$25,633
5120011	Capital Outlay	\$0	\$53,000	\$53,000
Total		\$134,567	\$252,000	\$217,433

- Increase in Operating Expenses for Cemetery Decoration Days.
- Increase in Conference Travel for special training for Rapid Appeals Modernization.
- Capital Outlay increase for relocating Appeals Division at Fort Roots.
- Amendment added total increase of \$100,000 in Salary \$35,000, Matching \$10,500 and Operating Expenses \$54,500 for staffing needs at the Veterans Homes and renovation expenses.

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Commitment Item		2018-2019	2019-2020	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5010000	Regular Salaries		\$9,857,440	\$133,340
5010003	Personal Services Matching		\$3,678,044	\$42,669
5010001	Extra Help	\$40,000	\$80,000	\$40,000
5010006	Overtime	\$246,000	\$539,900	\$293,900
5050009	Conference & Travel Expenses	\$50,885	\$16,000	(\$34,885)
5060010	Professional Fees	\$341,000	\$1,000,000	\$659,000
5120011	Capital Outlay	\$60,000	\$687,000	\$627,000
	Special Maintenance		\$750,000	\$750,000
Total		\$737,885	\$2,322,900	\$1,585,015

Veterans' Homes (Appropriation 2QD)

- Increases to cover staffing requirements as resident numbers increase.
- Increases in Capital Outlay for renovation of the Fayetteville facility.
- Amendment added total increase of \$926,009 in Salary \$133,340, Matching \$42,669 and Special Maintenance for staffing needs and anticipated expenses related to repairs and maintenance for both homes.

Veterans' Cemeteries - Cash In Treasury (Appropriation 38S)

Commitment Item		2018-2019	2019-2020	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5010001	Extra Help	\$0	\$24,000	\$24,000
5020002	Operating Expenses	\$135,000	\$141,050	\$6,050
5120011	Capital Outlay	\$0	\$59,000	\$59,000
Total		\$135,000	\$224,050	\$89,050

• Increases for Cemetery expansions, operating expenses and equipment replacement.

Military Funeral Honor (Appropriation 81H)

Commitment Item		2018-2019	2019-2020	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5900046	Military Honors	\$75,000	\$16,720	(\$58,280)
Total		\$75,000	\$16,720	(\$58,280)

• Reduction to align more closely with actual expenses.

POSITIONS

Total Authorized Positions FY2020: 290 Total Authorized Positions FY2019: 290 Increase / (Decrease): 0 Extra Help Positions FY2020: 35

An amendment made changes in positions and grades and provided additional appropriation but there was no increase in the total number of positions.

SPECIAL LANGUAGE REVISIONS

No Changes