Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 6, 2015

HOUSE BILL NO. 1025
(Appropriations Committee)
(At the request of the Governor)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of veterans' affairs; and to provide an exemption.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and other income, to the department of veterans' affairs for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the department of veterans' affairs, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2017, as follows:

	Base Level	Adjustments or Enhancements	Appropriation
Veterans' affairs	$1,410,580	$365,298	$1,775,878
Contingent service dogs	0	25,000	25,000
Transport vans	0	15,000	15,000
Accrued leave payments	10,123	(10,123)	0
Total all funds	$1,420,703	$395,175	$1,815,878
Less estimated income	0	288,018	288,018
Total general fund	$1,420,703	$107,157	$1,527,860
Full-time equivalent positions	8.00	1.00	9.00

SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO SIXTY-FIFTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items approved by the sixty-third legislative assembly for the 2013-15 biennium:

One-Time Funding Description	2013-15	2015-17
Website	$15,000	$0
Vans	30,000	0
Service dogs	0	25,000
Contingent service dogs	0	25,000
General fund transfer	250,000	0
Total general fund	$295,000	$50,000

SECTION 3. EXEMPTION. The amount appropriated for veteran service dog training in section 1 of chapter 60 of the 2013 Session Laws is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this line item for grants are available for grants during the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2017.

SECTION 4. CONTINGENT FUNDING - SERVICE DOGS. Funding provided in the contingent service dogs line item in section 1 of this Act includes $25,000 from the general fund for service dogs to assist North Dakota veterans with posttraumatic stress disorder. The department of veterans' affairs may spend these funds subject to:

1. The dogs having completed service dog training;
2. Eligible veterans having been approved to receive the service dogs; and
3. Budget section approval.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1025.

House Vote:	Yeas 87	Nays 1	Absent 6
Senate Vote:	Yeas 47	Nays 0	Absent 0

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at 8:19 A.M. on April 27, 2015.

Approved at 2:58 P.M. on April 28, 2015.

Governor

Filed in this office this 28th day of April, 2015,

at 4:30 o'clock P.M.

Secretary of State