# HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 237

A bill to make appropriations for the department of military and veterans affairs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002; 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:

1	PART 1
2	LINE-ITEM APPROPRIATIONS
3	Sec. 101. Subject to the conditions set forth in this act, the
4	amounts listed in this part are appropriated for the department of mili-
5	tary and veterans affairs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002,
6	from the funds indicated in this part. The following is a summary of the
7	appropriations in this part:

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For Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2002

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1	DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS		
2	APPROPRIATION SUMMARY:		
3	Full-time equated unclassified positions7	.0	
4	Full-time equated classified positions1,083	.5	
5	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	102,057,300
6	Interdepartmental grant revenues:		
7	Total interdepartmental grants and intradepartmenta	.1	
8	transfers		110,000
9	ADJUSTED GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	101,947,300
10	Federal revenues:		
11	Total federal revenues		36,386,100
12	Special revenue funds:		
13	Total local revenues		0
14	Total private revenues		480,000
15	Total other state restricted revenues		23,252,400
16	State general fund/general purpose	\$	41,828,800
17	Sec. 102. HEADQUARTERS AND ARMORIES		
18	Full-time equated unclassified positions7	.0	
19	Full-time equated classified positions146	.5	
20	Headquarters and armories105.0 FTE positions	\$	10,417,300
21	Unclassified military personnel		647,300
22	Military appeals tribunal		800
23	Michigan emergency volunteers		4,900
24	State active duty		70,100
25	Challenge program41.5 FTE positions		3,025,200
26	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	14,165,600

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1	Special maintenance - federal	 2,	302,000
2	Military retirement	 2,	324,800
3	Counter narcotic operations		50,000
4	Starbase grant	 	600,000
5	GROSS APPROPRIATION	 \$ 7,	998,600
6	Appropriated from:		
7	Federal revenues:		
8	DOD-DOA-NGB	 4,	174,000
9	DOJ-DEA		50,000
10	State general fund/general purpose	 \$ 3,	774,600
11	Sec. 105. VETERANS SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS		
12	American legion	 \$	886,100
13	Disabled American veterans		732,500
14	Marine corps league		336,400
15	American veterans of World War II and Korea		464,900
16	Veterans of foreign wars		886,100
17	Michigan paralyzed veterans of America		165,800
18	Purple heart		158,000
19	Veterans of World War I		100
20	Polish legion of American veterans		41,300
21	Jewish veterans of America		41,300
22	State of Michigan council - Vietnam veterans of		
23	America		159,600
24	Catholic war veterans	 	13,400
25	GROSS APPROPRIATION	 \$ 3,	885,500
26	Appropriated from:		

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1	State general fund/general purpose	\$ 3,885,500
2	Sec. 106. GRAND RAPIDS VETERANS' HOME	
3	Full-time equated classified positions539.0	
4	Grand Rapids veterans' home539.0 FTE positions	\$ [42,474,600]
5	Board of managers	300,000
6	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$ [42,774,600]
7	Appropriated from:	
8	Federal revenues:	
9	DVA-VHA	11,881,100
10	HHS-HCFA, Medicare, hospital insurance	663,100
11	Special revenue funds:	
12	Private - veterans' home post and posthumous funds	300,000
13	Income and assessments	13,876,000
14	Lease revenue	35,000
15	State general fund/general purpose	\$ [16,019,400]
16	Sec. 107. D.J. JACOBETTI VETERANS' HOME	
17	Full-time equated classified positions153.0	
18	D.J. Jacobetti veterans' home153.0 FTE positions	\$ [12,942,700]
19	Board of managers	75,000
20	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$ [13,017,700]
21	Appropriated from:	
22	Federal revenues:	
23	DVA-VHA	3,366,600
24	HHS-HCFA, Medicare, hospital insurance	200,000
25	Special revenue funds:	
26	Private - veterans' home post and posthumous funds	75,000

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1	Income and assessments	• • • •	4,080,100
2	State general fund/general purpose	\$	[5,296,000]
3	Sec. 108. MICHIGAN VETERANS' TRUST FUND		
4	Full-time equated classified positions	16.0	
5	Veterans' affairs directorate administration3.0	FTE	
6	positions	\$	351,200
7	Administration13.0 FTE positions		1,024,800
8	Veterans' trust fund grants	· · · · _	3,746,500
9	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	5,122,500
10	Appropriated from:		
11	Special revenue funds:		
12	Michigan veterans' trust fund	• • • •	4,771,300
13	State general fund/general purpose	\$	351,200
14	Sec. 109. BUDGETARY SAVINGS		
15	Budgetary savings	\$	[(534,800)]
16	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	[(534,800)]
17	Appropriated from:		
18	State general fund/general purpose	\$	[(534,800)]
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21	PART 2		
22	PROVISIONS CONCERNING APPROPRIATE	IONS	
23	GENERAL SECTIONS		
24	Sec. 201. Pursuant to section 30 of article IX	X of the s	tate consti-
25	tution of 1963, total state spending from state reso	ources und	er part 1
26	for fiscal year 2001-2002 is \$65,081,200.00 and stat	te spendin	g from state
27	resources to be paid to local units of government for	or fiscal	year
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1	2001-2002 is \$120,000.00. The itemized statement below identifies		
2	appropriations from which spending to units of local government will		
3	occur:		
4	DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS		
5	MILITARY TRAINING SITES AND SUPPORT FACILITIES		
6	Payments in lieu of taxes\$ 70,000		
7	MICHIGAN VETERANS' TRUST FUND		
8	County counselor travel expenses \$ 50,000		
9	TOTAL\$ 120,000		
10	Sec. 202. The appropriations authorized under this act are subject		
11	to the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1101 to 18.1594.		
12	Sec. 203. As used in this act:		
13	(a) "Department" means the department of military and veterans		
14	affairs.		
15	(b) "Director" means the director of the department of military and		
16	veterans affairs.		
17	(c) "DOD" means the United States department of defense.		
18	(d) "DOD-DOA-NGB" means the DOD department of the army, national		
19	guard bureau.		
20	(e) "DOJ" means the United States department of justice.		
21	(f) "DOJ-DEA" means the DOJ drug enforcement agency.		
22	(g) "DVA" means the United States department of veterans' affairs.		
23	(h) "DVA-VHA" means the DVA veterans' health administration.		
24	(i) "FTE" means full-time equated.		
25	(j) "HHS" means the United States department of health and human		
26	services.		

- 1 (k) "HHS-HCFA" means the HHS health care financing administration.
- 2 (1) "IDG" means interdepartmental grant.
- 3 Sec. 204. The department of civil service shall bill departments
- 4 and agencies at the end of the first fiscal quarter for the 1% charge
- 5 authorized by section 5 of article XI of the state constitution of 1963.
- 6 Payments shall be made for the total amount of the billing by the end of
- 7 the second fiscal quarter.
- 8 Sec. 205. (1) Beginning October 1, a hiring freeze is imposed on
- 9 the state classified civil service. State departments and agencies are
- 10 prohibited from hiring any new full-time state classified civil service
- 11 employees and prohibited from filling any vacant state classified civil
- 12 service positions. This hiring freeze does not apply to internal trans-
- 13 fers of classified employees from 1 position to another within a
- 14 department.
- 15 (2) The state budget director shall grant exceptions to this hiring
- 16 freeze when the state budget director believes that the hiring freeze
- 17 will result in rendering a state department or agency unable to deliver
- 18 basic services, cause loss of revenue to the state, result in the inabil-
- 19 ity of the state to receive federal funds, or necessitate additional
- 20 expenditures that exceed any savings from maintaining a vacancy. The
- 21 state budget director shall report by the last business day of each month
- 22 to the chairpersons of the senate and house of representatives standing
- 23 committees on appropriations the number of exceptions to the hiring
- 24 freeze approved during the previous month and the justification for the
- 25 exception.
- 26 Sec. 206. (1) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1,
- 27 there is appropriated an amount not to exceed \$2,900,000.00 for federal

- 1 contingency funds. These funds are not available for expenditure until
- 2 they have been transferred to another line item in this act under
- 3 section 393(2) of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431,
- 4 MCL 18.1393.
- 5 (2) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is appro-
- 6 priated an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.00 for state restricted con-
- 7 tingency funds. These funds are not available for expenditure until they
- 8 have been transferred to another line item in this act under
- 9 section 393(2) of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431,
- **10** MCL 18.1393.
- 11 (3) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is appro-
- 12 priated an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 for local contingency funds.
- 13 These funds are not available for expenditure until they have been trans-
- 14 ferred to another line item in this act under section 393(2) of the man-
- 15 agement and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.
- 16 (4) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is appro-
- 17 priated an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 for private contingency
- 18 funds. These funds are not available for expenditure until they have
- 19 been transferred to another line item in this act under section 393(2) of
- 20 the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.
- 21 Sec. 207. Sixty days before beginning any effort to privatize, the
- 22 department shall submit a complete project plan to the appropriate senate
- 23 and house of representatives appropriations subcommittees and the senate
- 24 and house fiscal agencies. The plan shall include the criteria under
- 25 which the privatization initiative will be evaluated. The evaluation
- 26 shall be completed and submitted to the appropriate senate and house of

- 1 representatives appropriations subcommittees and the senate and house
- 2 fiscal agencies within 30 months.
- 3 Sec. 208. The department shall continue to pilot the use of the
- 4 Internet to fulfill the reporting requirements of this act. This may
- 5 include transmission of reports via electronic mail to the recipients
- 6 identified for each reporting requirement or it may include placement of
- 7 reports on the Internet or legislative Intranet site. The senate and
- 8 house of representatives appropriations subcommittees and senate and
- 9 house fiscal agencies shall be notified in writing of the Internet or
- 10 Intranet site of any such report. Quarterly, the department shall pro-
- 11 vide a cumulative listing of the reports submitted during the most recent
- 12 3-month period along with the Internet or Intranet site of each report,
- 13 and a list of those reports expected to be transmitted in the following
- 14 quarter.
- 15 Sec. 209. Funds appropriated in part 1 shall not be used for the
- 16 purchase of foreign goods or services, or both, if competitively priced
- 17 and of comparable quality American goods or services, or both, are
- 18 available. Preference should be given to goods or services, or both,
- 19 manufactured or provided by Michigan businesses if they are competitively
- 20 priced and of comparable value.
- 21 Sec. 210. The director of each department receiving appropriations
- 22 in part 1 shall take all reasonable steps to ensure businesses in
- 23 deprived and depressed communities compete for and perform contracts to
- 24 provide services or supplies, or both. Each director shall strongly
- 25 encourage firms with which the department contracts to subcontract with
- 26 certified businesses in depressed and deprived communities for services,
- 27 supplies, or both.

- 1 Sec. 211. The department shall create and retain reports for all
- 2 money appropriated under part 1.
- 3 Sec. 212. (1) Of the funds appropriated in section 103 for military
- 4 training sites and support facilities, there shall be established a
- 5 Michigan national guard education assistance program. Disbursements to
- 6 the educational assistance program shall not exceed \$1,800,000.00 without
- 7 legislative approval. Under the program, a member of the national guard
- 8 who is in active service and who enrolls as a full- or part-time student
- 9 at a public or private state college or university may be eligible to
- 10 receive up to an equivalent of 50% of the total cost of tuition not to
- 11 exceed \$2,000.00, as education assistance, in any academic year.
- 12 (2) An eligible person means a member of the Michigan national guard
- 13 who is in active service, as defined in section 105 of the Michigan mili-
- 14 tary act, 1967 PA 150, MCL 32.505. An eligible person does not include a
- 15 member of the Michigan national guard or air national guard who is absent
- 16 without leave or who is under charges as described in the Michigan code
- 17 of military justice of 1980, 1980 PA 523, MCL 32.1001 to 32.1148.
- 18 (3) The department of military and veterans affairs, office of the
- 19 adjutant general shall administer the education assistance program and
- 20 prescribe forms and procedures to effectively carry out the education
- 21 assistance program.
- 22 (4) An eligible person shall apply to the department of military and
- 23 veterans affairs, office of the adjutant general for education assistance
- 24 and shall provide evidence of attendance and completion of the course of
- 25 study with a grade of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale, or its equivalent.
- 26 The adjutant general shall approve the application for reimbursement if
- 27 the applicant meets the definition of an eligible person under

- 1 subsection (2) and other criteria as established by the adjutant
- 2 general.
- 3 (5) The education assistance program applies to any course of
- 4 instruction that is included in an associate, undergraduate, or postgrad-
- 5 uate degree program offered by a college or university of this state.
- **6** (6) The education assistance program applies to an eliqible person
- 7 notwithstanding any other educational incentive or benefit received by
- 8 the eligible person under any other educational assistance program pro-
- 9 vided by any other state.
- 10 (7) An eligible person who successfully completes the course of
- f 11 study with a grade of at least 2.0 on a f 4.0 scale, or its equivalent,
- 12 shall be eligible for reimbursement.
- 13 (8) The department of military and veterans affairs may use funds
- 14 from the appropriated funds to administer the education assistance
- 15 program.
- 16 (9) Reimbursed members who do not complete their national guard
- 17 obligation shall pay the state for money received from the state for
- 18 tuition. Members who fail to repay the state within the time limits
- 19 established by the adjutant general shall be indebted to the state. The
- 20 department shall work in conjunction with the department of treasury for
- 21 inclusion in the tax intercept program for amounts due the state.
- 22 (10) A portion of the funds for the Michigan national guard educa-
- 23 tion assistance program may be used by the department for the purpose of
- 24 promoting the program and for encouraging those persons the department
- 25 wishes to have enlist or reenlist in the Michigan national guard.
- 26 Sec. 213. (1) The negative appropriation for budgetary savings in
- 27 part 1 shall be satisfied by savings from the hiring freeze imposed in

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1 section 205 and, if necessary, by other savings identified by the

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- 2 department director and approved by the state budget director.
- 3 (2) Appropriation authorizations shall be adjusted after the
- 4 approval of transfers by the legislature pursuant to section 393(2) of
- 5 the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.
- 6 Sec. 214. Within 2 weeks of the date on which the state officially
- 7 closes its financial accounts for the last completed fiscal year, the
- 8 department shall provide a report to the house and senate appropriations
- 9 subcommittees on state police and military and veterans affairs and the
- 10 house and senate fiscal agencies listing the revenue generated, expendi-
- 11 tures charged to, and the fiscal year-end balances for each state
- 12 restricted fund appropriated in part 1.

#### 13 HEADQUARTERS AND ARMORIES

- 14 Sec. 301. The department may charge reasonable rental and equipment
- 15 usage fees for renting an armory or using the distance learning network.
- 16 The fee shall include the cost of overtime compensation, insurance cover-
- 17 age, and any maintenance required.
- 18 Sec. 302. The funds appropriated in this bill for private donations
- 19 to the challenge program shall be considered state restricted revenue,
- 20 and unexpended funds remaining at the close of the fiscal year shall not
- 21 lapse to the general fund but shall be carried forward to the subsequent
- 22 fiscal year.
- 23 Sec. 303. The department shall obtain a new appraisal to determine
- 24 the fair market value of the Oak Park armory property. The results of
- 25 that appraisal shall be forwarded to the city of Oak Park. For a period

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1 of 60 days following receipt of the appraisal by the city, the city of

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- 2 Oak Park shall have the right to purchase the armory property at a price
- 3 equal to the appraised value under the appraisal obtained pursuant to
- 4 this section. Any agreement regarding the sale of the property to the
- 5 city of Oak Park shall comply with the provisions of section 382 of the
- 6 Michigan military act, 1967 PA 150, MCL 32.782, and shall include a
- 7 restriction that the city not receive any remuneration from the subse-
- 8 quent resale of the property to an outside party beyond the purchase
- 9 price paid by the city and any reasonable expenses incurred by the city
- 10 in developing the property. If the city has not formally notified the
- 11 department within 60 days of its decision to purchase the property, the
- 12 department shall proceed with the sale of the property under the provi-
- 13 sions of the Michigan military act, 1967 PA 150, MCL 32.501 to 32.851.
- 14 Proceeds from the sale of the property shall be deposited in the Michigan
- 15 national guard armory construction fund, as provided in section 382a of
- 16 the Michigan military act, 1967 PA 150, MCL 32.782a.

#### 17 DEPARTMENTWIDE APPROPRIATIONS

- 18 Sec. 401. Money available from the Michigan national guard armory
- 19 construction fund created in section 382a of the Michigan military act,
- 20 1967 PA 150, MCL 32.782a, is appropriated for expenditure for the pur-
- 21 poses specified in that section.

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### 1 VETERANS SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

- 2 Sec. 501. (1) Money appropriated in section 105 for grants to vet-
- 3 erans service organizations shall be used only for salaries, wages,

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- 4 related personnel costs, training, and equipment for accredited veteran
- 5 service advocacy officers and necessary support and managerial staff.
- 6 Training shall be provided for service advocacy officers and shall be
- 7 conducted by accredited advocacy officers.
- 8 (2) To receive a grant from the money appropriated in section 105, a
- 9 veterans service organization shall meet the following eligibility
- 10 requirements:
- 11 (a) Be congressionally chartered by the United States Congress.
- 12 (b) Be an active participating member of the Michigan veterans
- 13 organizations' rehabilitation and veterans service committee and abide by
- 14 its rules, guidelines, and programs.
- 15 (c) Demonstrate the receipt of monetary or service support from its
- 16 own organization.
- 17 (d) Comply with the department's and the legislature's requirements
- 18 of accounting audits, service work activity, accounting of recoveries,
- 19 listing of volunteer hours, budget requests, and other requirements spec-
- 20 ified in subsection (3).
- (e) For a veterans service organization founded after September 30,
- 22 1989, be in operation and providing service to Michigan veterans for not
- 23 less than 2 years before receiving an initial state grant. During this
- 24 2-year period of time, the organization shall file a listing of service
- 25 work activity and an accounting of recoveries with the department, the
- 26 senate and house fiscal agencies, and the senate and house of

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- 1 representatives subcommittees on military affairs on forms as prescribed
- 2 by the department.
- 3 (3) A veterans service organization receiving a grant from the money
- 4 appropriated in section 105 shall file with the department an accounting
- 5 of its expenditures, audited and certified by a certified public accoun-
- 6 tant, within 120 days after the organization's fiscal year end. Each
- 7 organization shall provide a detailed budget request for the fiscal year
- 8 ending September 30, 2003 to the department by November 15, 2001 within
- 9 the format as prescribed by the department to be used in the development
- 10 of the budget for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003. Each veter-
- 11 ans service organization shall provide 5 copies of a listing of all serv-
- 12 ice activity, an accounting of recoveries, and a listing of volunteer
- 13 hours for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 to the department by
- 14 January 31, 2002. The listing of volunteer hours shall include the
- 15 hours, services, and donations provided to residents of the Grand Rapids
- 16 veterans' home and the D.J. Jacobetti veterans' home. Each veterans
- 17 service organization shall provide a copy of the most recent and com-
- 18 pleted internal revenue service form 990 to the department at the end of
- 19 the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001. A veterans service organiza-
- 20 tion receiving a grant from the money appropriated in section 105 shall
- 21 use the forms recommended by the Michigan veterans organizations' reha-
- 22 bilitation and veterans service committee for filing reports required by
- 23 this act. The department shall forward information required under this
- 24 section to the senate and house fiscal agencies and to the senate and
- 25 house of representatives appropriations subcommittees on military
- 26 affairs.

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1 (4) The department shall review the existing guidelines for the

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- 2 administration of grants to veterans service organizations and forward
- 3 any recommendations regarding changes or modifications to those guide-
- 4 lines to the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on state
- 5 police and military and veterans affairs and the house and senate fiscal
- 6 agencies by December 31, 2001.
- 7 Sec. 502. Appropriations in section 105 for veterans service organ-
- 8 izations shall include funding to provide services to veterans of World
- 9 War I.

#### 10 VETERANS' HOMES

- 11 Sec. 601. Appropriations in this act for the Grand Rapids veterans'
- 12 home and the D.J. Jacobetti veterans' home shall not be used for any pur-
- 13 pose other than for veterans and veterans' families.
- 14 Sec. 602. The Grand Rapids veterans' home and the D.J. Jacobetti
- 15 veterans' home, together with the department and the department of man-
- 16 agement and budget, shall produce and deliver to the senate and house of
- 17 representatives appropriations subcommittees on state police and military
- 18 affairs an annual written report. The report shall include an accounting
- 19 of member populations and bed space available; a description and account-
- 20 ing of services and activities provided to members; financial informa-
- 21 tion; current state nursing home licensure status; the steps required for
- 22 Medicaid certification, including a listing of any personnel, equipment,
- 23 supplies, or budgetary increases required; and whether or not steps are
- 24 being taken toward Medicaid certification. The annual report shall be

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1 submitted to the senate and house of representatives appropriations

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- 2 subcommittees on military affairs no later than February 1, 2002.
- 3 Sec. 603. The money appropriated in this act for the boards of man-
- 4 agers may be expended for facility improvements, the purchase and repair
- 5 of equipment and furnishings, member services, and other purposes that
- 6 benefit the Grand Rapids veterans' home and the D.J. Jacobetti veterans'
- 7 home.
- 8 Sec. 604. The money appropriated in this act for the boards of man-
- 9 agers of the Grand Rapids veterans' home and the D.J. Jacobetti veterans'
- 10 home shall be considered a work project account, and unexpended money
- 11 remaining at the close of the fiscal year shall not lapse to the general
- 12 fund but shall be carried forward to the subsequent fiscal year.

#### 13 VETERANS' TRUST FUND

- 14 Sec. 701. In compliance with the various veterans' benefit programs
- 15 funded by this state, a veteran who is denied benefits as a result of
- 16 lack of properly disseminated information or due to misinformation rela-
- 17 tive to benefit eligibility shall be provided a review hearing by the
- 18 Michigan veterans' trust fund board.
- 19 Sec. 702. The department may receive and expend revenue deposited
- 20 to the Vietnam veterans memorial monument fund created under section 3 of
- 21 the Michigan Vietnam veterans memorial act, 1988 PA 234, MCL 35.1053.
- 22 Sec. 703. (1) By April 1, 2002, the department shall submit to the
- 23 senate and house of representatives appropriations subcommittees on mili-
- 24 tary affairs a detailed annual report of the Michigan veterans' trust
- 25 fund for fiscal year 2000-2001. The report shall include information on

- 1 grants provided from the emergency grant program and the veterans
- 2 survivor tuition program, including details concerning the methodology of
- 3 allocations, the selection of emergency grant program authorized agents,
- 4 and a detailed breakdown of trust fund expenditures for that year. The
- 5 report shall also provide an update on the department's efforts to reduce
- 6 program administrative costs.
- 7 (2) The annual report required under subsection (1) shall provide
- 8 detailed information on the number of emergency grant applications denied
- 9 during fiscal year 2000-2001, including an accounting of the reasons for
- 10 denial. This information also shall include the number of persons denied
- 11 an emergency grant because of individual ineligibility, because of insuf-
- 12 ficient funds, and because the applicant's request did not meet minimum
- 13 program criteria.
- 14 (3) The annual report required under subsection (1) shall contain
- 15 information on the veterans survivors tuition program, including the
- 16 number of participants, where the participants attended school, payments
- 17 made to each school, the average grade point and number of college cred-
- 18 its earned by each participant, the number of participants suspended by
- 19 the program, and the number of participants who earned a degree during
- 20 fiscal year 2000-2001.
- 21 Sec. 704. The Michigan veterans affairs directorate administration
- 22 and the Michigan veterans trust fund administration shall take steps to
- 23 assist the county veterans counselors of the state to obtain training
- 24 necessary for the execution of their duties.
- 25 Sec. 705. The Michigan veterans' memorial park commission may
- 26 receive and expend gifts, contributions, and bequests from any person,
- 27 public or private corporation, organization, foundation, governmental

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1 entity, or any other source for the purpose of establishing a veterans'

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- 2 memorial park. Money contributed to the Michigan veterans' memorial park
- 3 commission shall be deposited in the state treasury through the depart-
- 4 ment and shall be available for expenditure. Project costs authorized by
- 5 this act shall not exceed the gifts, contributions, and bequests
- 6 received. Money under this section and any specific work orders or
- 7 projects adopted by the Michigan veterans' memorial park commission in
- 8 accordance with section 451(2) of the management and budget act, 1984
- 9 PA 431, MCL 18.1451, do not lapse at the end of this fiscal year but are
- 10 available for expenditure until September 30, 2003. Expenditures shall
- 11 be in accordance with methods and procedures approved by the Michigan
- 12 veterans' memorial park commission, the department, and appropriate state
- 13 agencies.