

SB1960



99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2015 and 2016

SB1960

Introduced 2/20/2015, by Sen. Christine Radogno

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

Makes appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Department of Veterans' Affairs for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, as follows:

General Funds	\$ 64,094,100
Other State Funds	\$ 85,332,900
Federal Funds	\$ 1,612,800
Total	<u>\$151,039,800</u>

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning appropriations.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented**
3 **in the General Assembly:**

4 ARTICLE 1

5 Section 1. "Operational expenses" defined. For the
6 purposes of this Act, the term "operational expenses"
7 includes the following items:

- 8 (a) Personal Services;
- 9 (b) State contributions to Social Security
- 10 (c) Group Insurances;
- 11 (d) Contractual Services
- 12 (e) Travel;
- 13 (f) Commodities;
- 14 (g) Printing;
- 15 (h) Equipment;
- 16 (i) Electronic data processing;
- 17 (j) Telecommunications services;
- 18 (k) Operation of automotive equipment;
- 19 (l) Refunds;
- 20 (m) Employee retirement contributions paid by the employer;
- 21 (n) Permanent improvements;
- 22 (o) Deposits to other funds.

1 Section 5. The amount of \$11,461,700, or so much thereof
2 as may be necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue
3 Fund to the Department of Veterans' Affairs to meet its
4 operational expenses for the fiscal year ending June 30,
5 2016.

6 Section 10. In addition to other amounts appropriated,
7 the amount of \$498,000, or so much thereof as may be
8 necessary, is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to
9 the Department of Veterans' Affairs for operational expenses,
10 awards, grants and permanent improvements for the fiscal year
11 ending June 30, 2016.

12 Section 15. The amount of \$425,000, or so much thereof
13 as may be necessary, is appropriated from the Veterans'
14 Affairs State Projects Fund to the Department of Veterans'
15 Affairs for Cartage and Erection of Veterans' Headstones,
16 including prior year claims.

17 Section 20. The amount of \$425,000 is appropriated from
18 the Roadside Memorial Fund to the Department of Veterans'
19 Affairs for deposit into the Veterans Affairs State Projects
20 Fund.

1 Section 25. The amount of \$223,000, or so much thereof
2 as may be necessary, is appropriated from the Illinois
3 Affordable Housing Trust Fund to the Department of Veterans'
4 Affairs for specially adapted housing for veterans.

5 Section 30. The amount of \$250,000, or so much thereof
6 as may be necessary, is appropriated from the Illinois
7 Military Family Relief Fund to the Department of Veterans'
8 Affairs for the payment of benefits authorized under the
9 Survivor's Compensation Act.

10 Section 35. The amount of \$8,300,000, or so much thereof
11 as may be necessary, is appropriated from the Illinois
12 Veterans Assistance Fund to the Department of Veterans'
13 Affairs for making grants, funding additional services, or
14 conducting additional research projects relating to veterans'
15 post traumatic stress disorder; veterans' homelessness; the
16 health insurance cost of veterans; veterans' disability
17 benefits, including but not limited to, disability benefits
18 provided by veterans service organizations and veterans
19 assistance commissions or centers; and the long-term care of
20 veterans.

21 Section 40. The following named amounts, or so much
22 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated

1 to the Department of Veterans' Affairs for the operational
2 expenses of the state's veterans' homes including the Prince
3 home and its associated program from the following funds:

- 4 From the General Revenue Fund\$52,134,400
- 5 From the Illinois Veterans' Homes Fund\$75,709,900

6 Section 45. The amount of \$125,000, or so much thereof
7 as may necessary, is appropriated to the Department of
8 Veterans' Affairs for costs associated with the operation of
9 a program for homeless veterans at the Illinois Veterans'
10 Home at Manteno from the Veterans' Affairs Federal Projects
11 Fund.

12 Section 50. The following named amounts, or so much
13 thereof as may be necessary, respectively, are appropriated
14 to the Department of Veterans' Affairs for the objects and
15 purposes hereinafter named:

16 STATE APPROVING AGENCY

17 Payable from GI Education Fund:

- 18 For Personal Services569,500
- 19 For State Contributions to the State
- 20 Employees' Retirement System259,700
- 21 For State Contributions to
- 22 Social Security43,600
- 23 For Group Insurance161,000

1	For Contractual Services	61,200
2	For Travel	42,300
3	For Commodities	3,300
4	For Printing	12,000
5	For Equipment	72,000
6	For Electronic Data Processing	12,600
7	For Telecommunications Services	17,600
8	For Operation of Auto Equipment	<u>12,500</u>
9	Total	\$1,267,300

10 Section 55. The amount of \$220,500, or so much thereof
11 as may be necessary, is appropriated from the Veterans'
12 Affairs Federal Projects Fund to the Department of Veterans'
13 Affairs for operating and administrative costs associated
14 with the Troops to Teachers Program.

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