VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

2024 Special Session I

Budget Bill - HB6001 (Chapter 2)

Bill Order » Office of Veterans and Defense Affairs » Item 455 Department of Veterans Services

Item 455	First Year - FY2025	Second Year - FY2026
State Health Services (43000)	\$118,067,122	\$98,967,122
Veterans Care Center Operations (43013) Fund Sources:	\$118,067,122	\$98,967,122
General	\$19,150,000	\$50,000
Special	\$52,411,901	\$52,411,901
Federal Trust	\$46,505,221	\$46,505,221

Authority: § Title 2.2, Chapters 20, 24, 26, and 27, Code of Virginia.

A. The Department of Veterans Services is authorized to transfer funds to the Department of Medical Assistance Services to fully fund the state share for the Medicaid supplemental payments made for state government owned nursing homes. The funds to be transferred must comply with 42 CFR 447.272.

B. Out of the appropriation in this Item, \$19,100,000 the first year from the general fund in one-time support to operate the Puller and Jones & Cabacoy Veterans Care Centers. Of the amount provided in the first year, \$3,000,000 shall be used to repay the Treasury Loan authorized in FY 2024 pursuant to Section 4-3.02 b, Chapter 1, 2023 Acts of Assembly, Special Session I, to address start-up and initial operating costs. Of the amount provided in the first year, any unexpended general fund balances shall not revert to the general fund but shall be carried forward and reappropriated.

C. The Department of Veterans Services shall provide to the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees: (i) quarterly reports detailing revenues and expenditures; and (ii) by September 1, 2024, a business plan that demonstrates how the veterans care centers will operate using solely nongeneral funds after start-up general fund moneys are exhausted.