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FY 2008-09 Year-to-Date Gross Appropriation \$203,740,900

Changes from FY 2008-09 Year-to-Date:

Items Included by the Senate and House

- 1. **Military Retirement.** The Governor, Senate, and House added GF/GP funds to pay for anticipated costs. 190,300
- 2. **Starbase Program.** The Governor, Senate, and House included additional Federal funds. 550,000
- 3. **Headquarters and Armories.** The Governor, Senate, and House added Federal funds. 500,000
- 4. **Capital Outlay Projects.** Completion of major FY 2008-09 Capitol Outlay projects. (38,400,000)
- 5. **Medicare Authorization Increase.** The Governor, Senate, and House included additional Federal funds eligible for use by the Grand Rapids and D.J. Jacobetti veterans' homes for pharmacy-related costs. 900,000
- 6. **DIT Office Upgrade.** The Governor, Senate, and House included an upgrade to Microsoft Office 2007 for the Department, which includes \$16,400 GF/GP. 47,800
- 7. **State Active Duty.** The Governor, Senate, and House included a restricted fund increase. 10,000
- 8. **Internal Audit.** The Governor, Senate, and House included the transfer of this function to the DMB. (111,700)
- 9. **Adjustments for FY 2008-09.** Adjustments include Executive Orders, supplementals, and transfers. (21,495,600)
- 10. **War Memorial.** The Governor, Senate, and House included the elimination of a one-time GF/GP grant. (5,000)
- 11. **Military Training Sites.** The Governor, Senate, and House included Federal funds for increased maintenance. 496,000
- 12. **Executive Order Annualization.** The Governor, Senate, and House included a reduction. (84,100)
- 13. **Information Technology.** The Governor, Senate, and House included a reduction. (400)
- 14. **Economic Adjustments.** The Governor, Senate, and House's overall economic adjustments included \$526,800 GF/GP and \$7,800 GF/GP for DIT. 1,873,300

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- 15. **Veterans Service Organization (VSO) Grants.** The Governor originally recommended \$4,029,600, the initial FY 2008-09 level, but reduced current-year funding by \$1.0 million via E.O. 2009-22. The Senate provided \$4,029,600, the House \$2,929,500, and Conference \$3,029,600. 0
- 16. **Guard Education Assistance Program.** The Governor included a reduction of \$350,000 to the program. The Senate reduced it by an additional \$400,000. (682,500)
- 17. **Budget Reductions.** The House reduced headquarters by \$1,100,000, Military Training Sites by \$700,000, and special maintenance by \$277,000. The Conference reduced headquarters by \$29,200, the veteran's homes by \$1,250,000, and DIT by \$100,000. (1,379,200)

Total Changes (\$57,591,100)

FY 2009-10 Enacted Gross Appropriation \$146,149,800

Changes from FY 2008-09 Year to Date:Items Included by the Senate and House

1. **General Fund Lapse.** Requires report of GF/GP lapse estimates by 9-30-10. Included by House and Senate. (Sec. 233)
2. **Facility Partnerships.** Calls for the Department to seek partnerships with reserve units in the use of facilities. (Sec. 235)

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3. **Privatization.** Required privatization plan notice. Included by House, not included by Conference. (Sec. 207)
4. **Veterans Service Organization (VSO) Grants.** Provides guidelines for grants to VSOs. Included by House, compromise language included by Conference. (Sec. 501)
5. **Post, Posthumous Funds.** Language requiring 30-day notification prior to the Department altering the spending plan of the Board of Managers at a veteran's home. Included by House and Conference. (Sec 604)
6. **Use of Lapse Revenues.** Requires transfer of any lapse funds to special maintenance projects for State-owned armories. Included by Senate and Conference. (Sec. 234)
7. **Grand Rapids Veterans Home.** Requires study on impact of privatizing resident care aides at the home. Included by Senate; changed to "efficiency" study in Conference. (Sec. 604)
8. **Veterans Benefits Counseling.** Provides for the coordination of veterans services within the Department's Veterans Affairs Directorate. Included by Senate but not Conference. (Sec. 707)
9. **FTE Report.** Requires monthly FTE report. Included by House but not Conference. (Sec. 237)
10. **Website Showing Expenditures.** Requires posting expenditures on website. Included by House but not Conference. (Sec. 236)

Date Completed: 10-14-09

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