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Dept./Agy.: Department of Veterans Affairs

Subject: Veterans healthcare facilities

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Provides relative to healthcare facilities operated by the Department of Veterans Affairs for war veterans

Present law provides that certain war veterans and certain veterans and nonveterans are eligible to use state war veterans healthcare facilities. Proposed law retains present law and expands eligibility to certain nonveterans, National Guard, or reservists who were not called to duty under Title 10 of the U.S.C.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total						

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REVENUES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total						

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. The department indicates that staffing levels are sufficient to handle additional patients. However, to the extent that utilization causes the per patient day hours of care to fall below the requirement minimum of 2.5 (the current average is 3.3), additional staffing would be required to maintain appropriate care standards.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

The total revenue increase cannot be determined because the actual number of newly eligible individuals who would seek placement in a facility cannot be determined. However, the proposed law would result in an incremental increase in self-generated revenue of \$54,000 per year, per new patient for the veterans homes.

Note: The five veterans healthcare facilities currently have a total capacity of 753 beds with 640 residents. Therefore, there are 113 available beds that could accommodate newly eligible individuals.

<u>Senate</u>	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u>
13.5.1 >= \$	100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee

Change {S & H}

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

 $6.8(F)(1) >= $100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}$

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