



28<sup>th</sup> Alaska State Legislature  
House Finance Subcommittee  
Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs

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**Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs  
FY2016 House Finance Budget Subcommittee Narrative Report  
February 27, 2015**

**Recommendations:**

The House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs submits a recommended operating budget for FY 2016 to the House Finance Committee as follows:

	(In thousands of dollars)
Unrestricted General Funds (UGF)	\$17,588.1
Designated General Funds (DGF)	\$28.4
Other Funds	\$16,389.2
<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>\$27,905.2</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$61,910.9</b>

**Budget Action:**

The House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs held five meetings with the Department and analyzed all of the Governor's budget transactions. The following are the budget action highlights:

- Reduce spending by \$1,401.0 thousand in Unrestricted General Funds from FY16 Adjusted Base.
- A reduce of 7.4% in Unrestricted General Funds from FY2016 Adjusted Base.

The Subcommittee recommends accepting all of the Governor's FY 2016 request with the following changes:

- Change the National Guard Youth Challenge and Job Challenge Demonstration Federal Receipt authority increment to a temporary increment that reflects the duration of the grant
- Change the additional Highly Rural Veterans Transportation Federal Receipt authority increment to a temporary increment that reflects the duration of the grant.

Additional highlight to the Governor's FY2016 requested budget and amendments are as follows:

- Reduce \$4175.0 thousand in Unrestricted General Funds to the Alaska Aerospace Corporation and replaces it with Alaska Aerospace Corporation receipt authority of \$4175.0 thousand
- Remove 11 positions throughout the Department

The Subcommittee also recommends the following changes to the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs FY2016 request:

- Consolidation of the Office of the Commissioner
  - Removes 2 positions - <\$210.0> thousand in Unrestricted General Funds
- Reduce Pre-Mitigation Activities within the Homeland & Emergency Management Division - <\$80.1> thousand in Unrestricted General Funds
- Consolidation of maintenance efforts in both Army Guard and Air Guard Facilities Maintenance
  - Remove 2 positions - <\$55.5> thousand in Unrestricted General Funds
- Eliminates a physician services contract to be replaced with an existing on premise Health Practitioner - <\$60.0> thousand in Unrestricted General Fund
- Transfers federal funding to Alaska Aerospace Corporations Facilities Maintenance from Alaska Aerospace Corporation - \$1,832.6 thousand in Federal Receipts
- Reduce travel throughout the entire Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs - <\$51.9> thousand in Unrestricted General Funds

**Attached Reports:**

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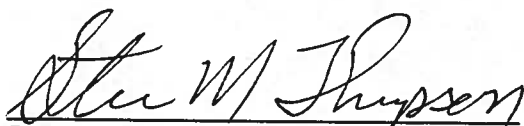
The House Finance Budget Subcommittee for the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs adopts the attached reports:

**Subcommittee generated reports**

- 1) Budget Action Worksheet

**Legislative Finance Division Reports – House Structure**

- 1) Agency Totals
- 2) Appropriation/Allocation Summary (All Funds)
- 3) Appropriation/Allocation Summary (GF)
- 4) Transaction Comparison between 16ADJ Base and House Sub
- 5) Transaction Comparison between GOV AMD and House Sub
- 6) Wordage Report



Representative Steve Thompson, Chair

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