

**Proposed Committee Views and Estimates
February 23, 2005**

Appropriation/Fund Account (in millions)							2006 HVAC Dems	Difference HVAC Dems and 2006	Difference 2006 IB and 2006 HVAC Dems
	2005	2006	Difference 2006-2005	% Difference 2006-2005	2006 IB	2006 IB-2006			
Benefit programs:									
Disability Compensation	28,960	29,772	812	2.80%			29,796	24	
Pensions	3,294	3,470	176	5.34%			3,492	22	
Education	2,172	2,580	408	18.78%			2,580	0	
Vocational rehabilitation and employment	569	634	65	11.42%			634	0	
Insurance	44	46	2	4.55%			612	566	
Housing Program Account	1,904	65	-1,839	-96.59%			65	0	
Burial	169	171	2	1.18%			358	187	
Total Benefits Mandatory	37,112	36,738	-374	-1.01%			37537	799	
Total Benefits Administration	1,448	1,406	-42	-2.90%	1,367	-39	1,432	26	-65
TOTAL BENEFITS (does not include construction)	38,560	38,144	-416	-1.08%			38,969	825	
Medical programs:									
Medical services	19,902	19,952	50	0.25%	22,486	2,534	22,409	2,457	77
Medical care collection fund	1,953	2,588	635	32.51%	2,200	-388	2,000	-588	200
Medical administration	4,437	4,517	80	1.80%	4,866	349	4,658	141	208
Medical facilities	3,330	3,298	-32	-0.96%	3,875	577	3,602	304	273
VA/DoD Health Sharing Incentive Fund	30	43	13	43.33%	0	-43	43	0	-43
Medical and prosthetic research	402	393	-9	-2.24%	460	67	460	67	0
Total medical programs	30,054	30,791	737	2.45%	33,887	3,096	33,172	2,381	715
Total medical programs without collections	28,101	28,203	102	0.36%	31,687	3,484	31,172	2,969	515
Department Administration:									
Construction									
Major and Minor Construction	700	816	116	16.57%	1,283	467	862	46	421
Grants for construction of State extended care facilities	104	0	-104	-100.00%	150	150	150	150	0
Grants for the construction of State Veterans Cemeteries	32	32	0	0.00%	37	5	37	5	0
Total Construction	836	848	12	1.44%	1,470	622	1,049	201	421
Total General administration	295	325	30	10.17%	388	63	336	11	52
Total Office of Inspector General	69	70	1	1.45%	71	1	78	0	-7
Total appropriations	69,814	70,178	364	0.52%			73,603	3,425	
Total Mandatory	37,112	36,738	-374	-1.01%			37,537	799	
Total Discretionary without MCCF	30,749	30,852	103	0.33%	34,983	4,131	34,066	3,214	917
Total Discretionary with MCCF and other receipts	32,702	33,440	738	2.26%	37,183	3,743	36,066	2,626	1,117

Note: The Independent Budget figures have been revised to include medical collections for purposes of comparison.