



FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 125

Committee: Finance and Taxation General Fund Sponsor: Representative Rex Reynolds

Analyst: Peter Grogan

Date: 05/19/2023

House Bill 125 as passed the House of Representatives would make supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023 from the Veterans' Assistance Fund to the Department of Veterans' Affairs in the amount of \$10 million; and from the State General Fund a total amount of \$201,738,865 in the following amounts to the following entities:

(a) \$6,925,000 to the Department of Economic and Community Affairs of which \$5 million is to be used for structural repairs and maintenance at the Montgomery Surplus Warehouse; \$500,000 is to be used for the Phoenix City Special Needs Park; \$500,000 is to be used for City of Hoover Park Upgrades; \$50,000 is to be used for a City of Talladega Pilot Transportation Project; \$250,000 is to be used for the Bear Creek Campground; \$600,000 is to be used for the Coffee County Public Safety Range; and \$25,000 is to be used for the Lamar County Courthouse;

(b) \$1,935,000 to the Supreme Court for one-time repairs and maintenance of the Heflin-Tolbert building;

(c) \$39,911,517 to Debt Service, of which \$485,556 is to be used for a required payment for the General Obligation Bond Series 2022-A; and \$39,425,961 is to be used to satisfy the remaining debt service for the General Obligation Bonds Series 2013-A and 2013-B;

(d) \$1,057,696 to the Department of Geological Survey, of which \$57,696 is to be used for the conversion of viewing rooms into office space; and \$1 million is to be used to move rock cores, samples, and other materials and equipment to the new Core and Sample Repository, or expenses associated with ongoing capital projects;



(e) \$1,052,652 to the Department of Senior Services for meals through the end of the current emergency contract;

(f) \$39 million to the Department of Mental Health, of which \$23 million is to be used for construction costs for Taylor Hardin; \$8 million is to be used to assist with the reopening of Pickens County Hospital and renovating for psychiatric and child services; and \$8 million is to be used for the East Alabama Medical Center for psychiatric and child services;

(g) \$4.8 million to the Department of Forensic Sciences, of which \$4 million is to be used for lab equipment for the Huntsville laboratory; and \$800,000 is to be used for equipment for the new Dothan laboratory.

(h) \$5,667,000 to the Military Department for the Huntsville Armory construction;

(i) \$750,000 to the Bureau of Pardons and Paroles, of which \$650,000 is to be used for moving expenses; and \$100,000 is to be used for Redemption Earned Inc.;

(j) \$5.5 million to the Department of Corrections for the Offender Management Program;

(k) \$50 million to the General Fund Budget Reserve Fund;

(l) \$8,490,000 to the State Law Enforcement Agency, of which \$8,060,000 is to be used for the Computerized Criminal History (CCH) System; and \$430,000 is to be used for ABC Vaping Enforcement Support;

(m) \$8 million to the Department of Finance for elevator upgrades in the State Capitol;

(n) \$2 million to the Governor's Mansion Authority for the roof and repairs at the Hill House;

(o) \$12 million to the Alabama Forestry Commission, of which \$2 million is to be used for replacement of firefighting equipment and aging equipment; and \$10 million is to be used for grants to volunteer fire departments and rescue squads.



(p) \$650,000 to the Department of Agriculture and Industries, of which \$250,000 is to be used for the Agricultural Museum; \$200,000 is to be used for the Northeast Alabama Agri-Business center; and \$200,000 is to be used for the City of Ozark Farmer's Market;

(q) \$25,000 to the Attorney General for the Huntsville Area Crime Stoppers;

(r) \$8 million to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, of which \$5 million is to be used for state park improvements for economic development; and \$3 million is to be used for a capital project at Rickwood Caverns State Park;

(s) \$500,000 to the Educational Television Commission;

(t) \$1.2 million to the Department of Public Health, of which \$100,000 is to be used for the United Cerebral Palsy - Camp Smile Program; \$300,000 is to be used for a Pilot EMS Responder Program in Tallapoosa County; \$250,000 is to be used for an emergency generator for the USA Children's and Women's Hospital; \$300,000 is to be used for the UAB Hospital SWIFT Trauma Doctor Program; and \$250,000 is to be used for the UAB TSC Clinic - NIH Prevent Trial and clinical infrastructure;

(u) \$600,000 to the Alabama Historical Commission, of which \$400,000 is to be used for the Historic Scottsboro Boys House; and \$200,000 is to be used for the Helen Keller Monument;

(v) \$3,325,000 to the Alabama Department of Tourism, of which \$3 million is to be used for the Huntsville/Madison County Tourism Center renovation for the rocket; \$250,000 is to be used for the Children's of Alabama Grand Prix; \$25,000 is to be used for the Huntsville Sports Commission for the Conference USA Basketball Championship; and \$50,000 is to be used for Golf Fore Impact;

(w) \$350,000 to the Alabama Innovation Fund for an Inland Waterways Study by Innovate Alabama.



This bill would also appropriate such amounts as may be necessary for public funds transferred into the State Treasury, in accordance with Executive Order number 726.

Finally, this bill amends the Fiscal Year 2023 General Fund Appropriations Act (Act 2022-270) to provide that if the Department of Corrections' conditional appropriation of \$40 million is not released for the hiring of additional correctional officers, as provided in that Act, then these conditional funds would be appropriated to the Department of Corrections - Correctional Capital Improvement Fund.