



**House Ways and Means General Fund Reported  
Substitute for HB125**

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A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

To 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 \$10,000,000, and from the State General Fund to various agencies and entities a total amount of \$201,738,865.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. In addition to all other appropriations heretofore and hereafter made, there is hereby appropriated \$10,000,000 from the Veterans' Assistance Fund to the Department of Veterans' Affairs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023.

Section 2. In addition to all other appropriations heretofore and hereafter made, there is hereby appropriated a total of \$201,738,865 from the State General Fund to the following agencies and entities for the purposes specified below for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023:

- (1) To the Department of Economic and Community Affairs, \$6,925,000. Of this amount, \$5,000,000 shall be used for structural repairs and maintenance at the Montgomery Surplus Warehouse; \$500,000 shall be used for the Phoenix City



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29 Special Needs Park; \$500,000 shall be used for City of Hoover  
30 Park Upgrades; \$50,000 shall be used for a City of Talladega  
31 Pilot Transportation Project; \$250,000 shall be used for the  
32 Bear Creek Campground; \$600,000 shall be used for the Coffee  
33 County Public Safety Range; and \$25,000 shall be used for the  
34 Lamar County Courthouse.

35 (2) To the Supreme Court for one-time repairs and  
36 maintenance of the Heflin-Tolbert building, \$1,935,000.

37 (3) To Debt Service, \$39,911,517. Of this amount,  
38 \$485,556 shall be used for a required payment for the General  
39 Obligation Bond Series 2022-A, and \$39,425,961 shall be used  
40 to satisfy the remaining debt service obligation for the  
41 General Obligation Bonds Series 2013-A and 2013-B.

42 (4) To the Department of Geological Survey, \$1,057,696.  
43 Of this amount, \$57,696 shall be used for the conversion of  
44 viewing rooms into office space, and \$1,000,000 shall be used  
45 to move rock cores, samples, and other materials and equipment  
46 to the new Core and Sample Repository, or expenses associated  
47 with ongoing capital projects.

48 (5) To the Department of Senior Services for meals  
49 through the end of the current emergency contract, \$1,052,652.

50 (6) To the Department of Mental Health, \$39,000,000. Of  
51 this amount, \$23,000,000 shall be used for construction costs  
52 for Taylor Hardin; \$8,000,000 shall be used to assist with the  
53 reopening of Pickens County Hospital and renovating for  
54 psychiatric and child services; and \$8,000,000 shall be used  
55 for the East Alabama Medical Center for psychiatric and child  
56 services.



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57 (7) To the Department of Forensic Sciences, \$4,800,000.  
58 Of this amount \$4,000,000 shall be used for lab equipment for  
59 the Huntsville Lab, and \$800,000 shall be used for equipment  
60 for the new Dothan Lab.

61 (8) To the Military Department for Huntsville Armory  
62 construction, \$5,667,000.

63 (9) To the Bureau of Pardons and Paroles, \$750,000. Of  
64 this amount, \$650,000 shall be used for moving expenses of the  
65 Bureau; and \$100,000 shall be used for Redemption Earned, Inc.

66 (10) To the Department of Corrections for the Offender  
67 Management Program, \$5,500,000.

68 (11) To the General Fund Budget Reserve Fund,  
69 \$50,000,000.

70 (12) To the State Law Enforcement Agency, \$8,490,000.  
71 Of this amount, \$8,060,000 shall be used for the Computerized  
72 Criminal History (CCH) System; and \$430,000 shall be used for  
73 ABC Vaping Enforcement Support.

74 (13) To the Department of Finance for elevator upgrades  
75 in the State Capitol, \$8,000,000.

76 (14) To the Governor's Mansion Authority for the roof  
77 and repairs at the Hill House, \$2,000,000.

78 (15) To the Alabama Forestry Commission, \$12,000,000.  
79 Of this amount, \$2,000,000 shall be used for the replacement  
80 of firefighting equipment and aging equipment, and \$10,000,000  
81 shall be used for grants to volunteer fire departments and  
82 rescue squads.

83 (16) To the Department of Agriculture and Industries,  
84 \$650,000. Of this amount, \$250,000 shall be used for the



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85 Agricultural Museum; \$200,000 shall be used for the Northeast  
86 Alabama Agri-Business Center; and \$200,000 shall be used for  
87 the City of Ozark Farmer's Market.

88 (17) To the Attorney General for the Huntsville Area  
89 Crime Stoppers, \$25,000.

90 (18) To the Department of Conservation and Natural  
91 Resources, \$8,000,000. Of this amount, \$5,000,000 shall be  
92 used for state park improvements for economic development; and  
93 \$3,000,000 shall be used for a capital project at Rickwood  
94 Caverns State Park.

95 (19) To the Educational Television Commission,  
96 \$500,000.

97 (20) To the Department of Public Health, \$1,200,000. Of  
98 this amount, \$100,000 shall be used for the United Cerebral  
99 Palsy - Camp Smile Program; \$300,000 shall be used for a Pilot  
100 EMS Responder Program in Tallapoosa County; \$250,000 shall be  
101 used for an emergency generator for the USA Children's and  
102 Women's Hospital; \$300,000 shall be used for the UAB Hospital  
103 SWIFT Trauma Doctor Program; and \$250,000 shall be used for  
104 the UAB TSC Clinic - NIH Prevent Trial and clinical  
105 infrastructure.

106 (21) To the Alabama Historical Commission, \$600,000. Of  
107 this amount, \$400,000 shall be used for the Historic  
108 Scottsboro Boys House; and \$200,000 shall be used for the  
109 Helen Keller Monument.

110 (22) To the Alabama Department of Tourism, \$3,325,000.  
111 Of this amount, \$3,000,000 shall be used for the  
112 Huntsville/Madison County Tourism Center renovation for the



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113 rocket; \$250,000 shall be used for the Children's of Alabama  
114 Grand Prix; \$25,000 shall be used for the Huntsville Sports  
115 Commission for the Conference USA Basketball Championship; and  
116 \$50,000 shall be expended for Golf Fore Impact.

117 (23) To the Alabama Innovation Fund for an Inland  
118 Waterways Study by Innovate Alabama, \$350,000.

119 Section 3. In addition to all other appropriations  
120 heretofore and hereafter made, there is hereby appropriated  
121 such amounts as may be necessary for public funds transferred  
122 into the State Treasury, in accordance with Executive Order  
123 No. 726.

124 Section 4. Section 2C of Act 2022-270, the General  
125 Appropriations Act for the fiscal year ending September 30,  
126 2023, is hereby amended as follows:

127 "28. Corrections, Department of...

128 In addition to the above appropriation to the  
129 Department of Corrections, there is hereby conditionally  
130 appropriated from the State General Fund the sum of  
131 \$40,000,000 for the purpose of hiring additional correctional  
132 officers above the current funded amount. This appropriation  
133 is conditioned upon the availability of funds in the State  
134 General Fund, the recommendation of the Director of Finance,  
135 and the approval of the Governor. The appropriation may only  
136 be released in four equal amounts at the end of each quarter  
137 of the fiscal year and is further conditioned upon quarterly  
138 certification by the Finance Director and the Legislative  
139 Fiscal Officer that the Department is in compliance with the  
140 above monthly reporting requirements and the reports show



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141 increases in ~~newly-hired~~ total correctional officers.  
142 Provided, however, if the requirements for the release of the  
143 conditional appropriation for staffing are not met, the  
144 \$40,000,000 shall be conditionally appropriated from the State  
145 General Fund to the Department of Corrections - Correctional  
146 Capital Improvement Fund established in Section 14-2-21(c),  
147 Code of Alabama 1975. This appropriation is conditioned upon  
148 the availability of funds in the State General Fund, the  
149 recommendation of the Director of Finance, and the approval of  
150 the Governor."

151           Section 5. This act shall become effective immediately  
152 upon its passage and approval by the Governor, or upon its  
153 otherwise becoming law.