

Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs
Summary of Budget Changes
(\$ thousands)

Item	Appropriation / Allocation	Description	Amount / Fund Source	Comment
1	Military and Veterans' Affairs / Alaska Land Mobile Radio	Transfer Alaska Land Mobile Radio from the Department of Administration for Better Alignment		<p>This structure change transfers \$4,261.3 in total authority [\$1,900.0 Fed/ \$2,303.1 UGF/ \$60.0 GF/ Prgm].</p> <p>One of the purposes of the Alaska Land Mobile Radio System (ALMR) is to communicate emergency notices with outlying communities. The transfer of ALMR from the Department of Administration (DOA) to the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs (DMVA) may provide better mission alignment.</p> <p>Fiscal Analyst Comment: In FY06, ALMR was transferred from DOA to DMVA and then transferred back to DOA's Enterprise Technology Services allocation in FY07.</p>
2	Military and Veterans' Affairs / State of Alaska Telecom System	Transfer State of Alaska Telecommunications System from Dept. of Admin for Better Alignment		<p>This structure change transfers \$4,795.0 in total authority [\$4,705.0 UGF/ \$90.0 GF/Prgm] and 24 PFT positions.</p> <p>One of the purposes of the State of the Alaska Telecommunication System (SATS) is to communicate emergency notices with the public and government. Transfer of SATS from the Department of Administration (DOA) to the Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs (DMVA) may provide better mission alignment.</p> <p>Fiscal Analyst Comment: The 24 positions being transferred with this program do not include administrative support positions. It is not clear how much support was provided previously in DOA, or if DMVA has the administrative capacity to handle the increase in administrative work load required.</p>
3	Military and Veterans' Affairs / Homeland Security and Emergency Management	Reduce Matching Funding Due to Business Process Realignment and Efficiencies	(\$400.0) GF/Match (UGF)	<p>Efficiencies include: maximizing the utilization of federal Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) funding to cover costs that are currently being covered with state funds; reducing travel, services and commodities costs; and restructuring payments and workflows between the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management and the Division of Administrative Services.</p>

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4	Military and Veterans' Affairs / Army Guard Facilities Maintenance	Reduce Authority Due to Armory Divestiture Maintenance Savings	(\$50.0) Gen Fund (UGF)	<p>The Alaska Army National Guard is undergoing a long-term process of divesting properties that are no longer used by the National Guard. This reduction in funding is for the maintenance cost savings resulting from the divestiture of ten additional armories.</p> <p>Fiscal Analyst Comment: This modest reduction in operating costs reflects the minimal maintenance provided for these facilities in recent years. The main savings from divestiture will be realized in avoided major maintenance costs in later years.</p>
5	Military and Veterans' Affairs / Army Guard Facilities Maintenance	Reduce Authority Due to Janitorial Contract Savings	Total: (\$501.3) (\$378.3) Fed Rcpts (Fed) (\$123.0) Gen Fund (UGF)	<p>Janitorial cost savings will result from janitorial contract changes such as reducing the frequency of visits and focusing on common areas only, for all buildings on Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson and Eielson Air Force Base.</p>