

Department of Planning and Budget

2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB1269E

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Helmer

3. Committee: General Laws

4. Title: Veterans Services Foundation.

5. Summary: Provides that the board of trustees of the Veterans Services Foundation (the Foundation) may be assisted in the administration of the Foundation by principle staff members, agents, and advisors, and adds such agents and advisors to the composition of the membership of the Foundation. The bill also allows ex officio trustees who do not serve as the chairman of another board to serve as chairman of the board of trustees for the Foundation. Currently, no ex officio trustee may serve as chairman. The bill also clarifies that the Department of Veterans Services (DVS) provide qualified finance and development personnel to perform the duties of the treasurer and secretary of the Foundation. Individuals appointed to perform the duties of treasurer and secretary must be ex officio, nonvoting board of trustees officers, according to the provisions of this bill. The proposed legislation also clarifies that members of the board of trustees and the employees of the Foundation are subject to the State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See below.

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill makes several changes to the administration of the board of trustees of the Veterans Services Foundation. According to the Department of Veterans Services (DVS), if the Veterans Services Foundation (VSF) expands its membership attendance at board of trustees meetings with additional advisor positions, then travel expenses to attend board meetings would increase for DVS. There are typically four board meetings per year, for which board members are compensated for their mileage and provided with a meal. Any potential fiscal impact on DVS is unknown at this time because it is unknown from where these additional board members would be commuting, and how many there would be.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Veterans Services and Veterans Services Foundation.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.