## Summary of the FY 2024 Veterans Affairs Major Medical Facility Authorization Act, <u>S.4176</u> Tester (D-MT)/Moran (R-KS) House Companion: H.R. 6324 Bost (R-IL)/Amodei (R-NV)

- This bipartisan legislation, sponsored by Chairman Tester and Ranking Member Moran of the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs and 10 bipartisan cosponsors, is a yearly authorization bill required by law to allow major construction projects (e.g. hospitals, nursing homes, etc.) of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to commence or continue to move forward.
- This year's authorization bill focuses on authorizing the following major projects for the amounts listed in the table below in California, Texas, Maryland, Oregon, Nevada, Missouri, Connecticut, and Puerto Rico.
- These specific projects were identified by VA in their FY2024 budget submission and/or previous submissions.
- <u>Through the appropriations process, the projects receive yearly appropriations for funds needed for a project's</u> increment of work in a particular year over the life-cycle of a project. This bill **provides authorization** for the total amount anticipated to be funded through FY 2024 for each project and for VA to spend those funds.
- The legislation is supported by VA and various Veterans Service Organizations.
- Score: no direct spending or revenue effects, per CBO.

State	Project	Authorized Amount
Washington	Construction of a new specialty care building 201, renovation of building 18, and expansion of parking facilities in American Lake, Washington.	\$155,600,000
Texas	Expansion of clinical space for mental health, expansion of parking facilities, and land acquisition in Dallas, Texas.	\$93,100,000
Texas	Construction of a new health care center and utility plant in El Paso, Texas.	\$759,200,000
Maryland	Replacement of community living center and expansion of parking facilities in Perry Point, Maryland.	\$274,310,000
Oregon	Seismic retrofit and renovation of buildings 100 and 101, roadway and site improvements, construction of a new specialty care facility, and demolition and expansion of parking facilities in Portland, Oregon.	\$613,000,000
Nevada	Initiation of replacement of the medical center of the Sierra Nevada Health Care System of the Department of Veterans Affairs, including land acquisition and preliminary site work in Reno, Nevada.	\$223,800,000
California	Construction of a new spinal cord injury building, partial renovation of building 1, parking facilities, central utility plant upgrades, and seismic retrofit of the existing spinal cord injury building 11 at the San Diego Health Care System of the Department in San Diego, California.	\$311,700,000
California	Construction of a new research facility, parking structure, and demolition in San Francisco, California.	\$264,500,000
Puerto Rico	Seismic corrections for building 1, construction of a new administrative building, and expansion of the outpatient clinic and parking structure in San Juan, Puerto Rico.	\$370,370,000
Missouri	Phase 1 of the replacement of bed tower, expansion of clinical building, consolidation of administrative building and warehouse, water tower, and new utility plant and parking garages in St. Louis, Missouri.	\$135,340,000
Connecticut	Construction of a new surgical and clinical space tower, renovation of buildings 1 and 2, and demolition in West Haven, Connecticut.	\$153,128,000
	Total	\$3,354,048,000