

BUDGET TESTIMONY OUTLINE
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

2/21/25

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OUTLINE

- 1) Introductions**
- 2) Vermont National Guard Update**
 - a. Air Guard Current update**
 - i. Deployed Airmen – PACAF, EUCOM, CENTCOM, and AFRICOM**
 - ii. Deployed Combat Wing Construct – 27.1 deployment**
 - b. Army Guard Update**
 - i. Immediate Response '25 – Summer 2025**
 - ii. Recent MEDIVAC deployment**
 - c. Domestic Response Update**
- 3) Challenge areas**
 - a. Recruiting**
 - b. MILCON Budget – Capital Budget**
- 4) Good news stories**
 - a. JEEP**
 - b. PRIME**
 - c. Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Program (VTNGTBP)**
 - d. State Income Tax exemption on Military retirements – workforce development, Guard recruiting and retention, ETC**
- 5) To Ms. Kim Fedele for Military Department Budget Review**