

1 Sec. E.3XX 10 V.S.A. § 699 is amended to read:

2 § 699. VERMONT RENTAL HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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4 (e) Program requirements applicable to grants. For a grant awarded
5 through the Program, the following requirements apply for a minimum period
6 of five years:

7 (1) A landlord shall coordinate with nonprofit housing partners and local
8 coordinated entry organizations to identify potential tenants.

9 (2)(A) Except as provided in subdivision (2)(B) of this subsection (e), a
10 landlord shall lease the unit to a household that is exiting homelessness or
11 actively working with an immigrant or refugee resettlement program or
12 composed of at least one individual with a disability who is eligible to receive
13 Medicaid-funded home and community based services.

14 (B) If, upon petition of the landlord, the Department or the housing
15 organization that issued the grant determines that a household ~~exiting~~
16 ~~homelessness~~ under subdivision (2)(A) of this subsection (e) is not available to
17 lease the unit, then the landlord shall lease the unit:

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1 Sec. E.127 FISCAL YEAR 2025 FEE REPORT; PROTECTION TO
2 PERSONS AND PROPERTY

3 (a) Fiscal year 2025 fee information. Agencies, departments, boards, and
4 offices that receive appropriations in Secs. B.200 through B.299 of this act
5 shall, in collaboration with the Joint Fiscal Office, prepare a comprehensive fee
6 report for each fee that is in effect in fiscal year 2025. The fee report shall
7 contain the following information for each fee:

8 (1) the statutory authorization and termination date, if any;

9 (2) the current rate or amount of the fee and the date the fee was last set
10 or adjusted by the General Assembly or Joint Fiscal Committee;

11 (3) the Fund into which the fee revenues are deposited;

12 (4) the amount of the revenues derived from the fee in each of the five
13 fiscal years preceding fiscal year 2025;

14 (5) the number of times that the fee was paid in each of the two fiscal
15 years preceding fiscal year 2025;

16 (6) a projection of the fee revenues in fiscal years 2025 and 2026;

17 (7) a description of the service or product provided or the regulatory
18 function performed by the agency, department, board or office supported by
19 the fee;

20 (8) the amount of the fee if adjusted for inflation from the last time the
21 fee amount was modified;

22 (9) if any portion of the fee revenue is deposited into a special fund, the
23 percentage of the special fund's revenues that the fee represents;

1 (10) any available information regarding comparable fees in other
2 jurisdictions;

3 (11) any polices or trends that might affect the viability of the fee
4 amount; and

5 (12) any other relevant considerations for setting the fee amount.

6 (b) Reports.

7 (1) On or before October 15, 2024, agencies, departments, boards, and
8 offices described in subsection (a) of this section shall submit a jointly
9 prepared draft report of the information required in subdivisions (a)(1)–(12) of
10 this section to the Joint Fiscal Office for review. The agencies, departments,
11 boards, and offices shall work with the Joint Fiscal Office to finalize the report
12 before submitting the final report described in subdivision (2) of this
13 subsection.

14 (2) On or before December 15, 2024, the agencies, departments, boards,
15 and offices described in subsection (a) shall submit a jointly prepared final
16 report to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Ways and Means
17 and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Finance.

18 (3) If any of the information requested in this section cannot be provided
19 for any reason, the agencies, departments, boards, and offices described in
20 subsection (a) shall include in both the draft and final reports a written
21 explanation for why the information cannot be provided.

22 (c) As used in this section, “fee” means any source of State revenue
23 classified by the Department of Finance and Management Accounting System

1 as “fees,” “business licenses,” “nonbusiness licenses,” and “fines and
2 penalties.”

3 (d) Fee report moratorium. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 605, in fiscal year
4 2025, the Governor shall not be required to submit the consolidated Executive
5 Branch fee annual report and request to the General Assembly.

1 Sec. E.324 EXPEDITED CRISIS FUEL ASSISTANCE

2 (a) The Commissioner for Children and Families or designee may authorize
3 crisis fuel assistance to those income-eligible households that have applied for
4 an expedited seasonal fuel benefit but have not yet received it if the benefit
5 cannot be executed in time to prevent them from running out of fuel. The
6 crisis fuel grants authorized pursuant to this section count toward the crisis fuel
7 grants pursuant to 33 V.S.A. § 2609(b).

8 Sec. E.324.1 33 V.S.A. § 2609 is amended to read:

9 § 2609. CRISIS RESERVES; ELIGIBILITY AND ASSISTANCE

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11 (b) Crisis fuel grants shall may be limited per winter heating season to one
12 grant for households that are income-eligible and have received a seasonal fuel
13 assistance grant and meet all eligibility requirements for crisis fuel assistance
14 or to two grants for households that are not income-eligible for seasonal fuel
15 assistance and meet all eligibility requirements for crisis fuel assistance.

1 Sec. B.1100 MISCELLANEOUS FISCAL YEAR 2025 ONE-TIME
2 APPROPRIATIONS

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4 (p) Department of Disabilities Aging and Independent Living. In fiscal
5 year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

6 (1) \$500,000 General Fund for Medical Director and Rounding
7 Physician recruitment and retention grants of no more than \$50,000 per grant
8 at skilled nursing facilities.

9 (2) \$500,000 General Fund for grants to new and existing Licensed
10 Nursing Assistant programs to support recruitment and program capacity.

11 (A) Of the funds appropriated in subdivision (o)(2) of this section,
12 \$150,000 shall be for grants of \$30,000 or less.

13 (B) Of the funds appropriated in subdivision (o)(2) of this section,
14 \$350,000 shall be for up to three grants.