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An act relating to capital construction and State bonding

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

* * * Legislative Intent * * *

Sec. 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that of the \$122,767,367.00 authorized in this act, not more than \$53,945,325.00 shall be appropriated in the first year of the biennium, and the remainder shall be appropriated in the second year.

(b) It is the intent of the General Assembly that in the second year of the biennium, any amendments to the appropriations or authorities granted in this act shall take the form of the Capital Construction and State Bonding Adjustment Bill. It is the intent of the General Assembly that unless otherwise indicated, all appropriations in this act are subject to capital budget adjustment.

Sec. 2. STATE BUILDINGS

(a) The following sums are appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services, and the Commissioner is authorized to direct funds appropriated in this section to the projects contained in this section; however, no project shall be canceled unless the Chairs of the Senate Committee on Institutions and the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions are notified before that action is taken.

1	<u>(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2024:</u>	
2	<u>(1) Statewide, major maintenance:</u>	<u>\$8,001,244.00</u>
3	<u>(2) Statewide, physical security enhancements:</u>	<u>\$250,000.00</u>
4	<u>(3) Statewide, planning, reuse, and contingency:</u>	<u>\$500,000.00</u>
5	<u>(4) Barre, McFarland State Office Building, roof replacement and brick</u>	
6	<u>façade repairs:</u>	<u>\$1,700,000.00</u>
7	<u>(5) Bennington, Battle Monument, construction of safety fencing:</u>	
8		<u>\$500,000.00</u>
9	<u>(6) Brattleboro, courthouse, roof replacement:</u>	
10		<u>\$2,750,000.00</u>
11	<u>(7) Middlesex, Central Services complex, roof replacement:</u>	
12		<u>\$1,000,000.00</u>
13	<u>(8) Middlesex, Middlesex Therapeutic Community Residence, master</u>	
14	<u>plan, design, and decommissioning:</u>	<u>\$350,000.00</u>
15	<u>(9) Montpelier, State House, replacement of historic finishes:</u>	
16		<u>\$50,000.00</u>
17	<u>(10) Montpelier, State House, HVAC renovations:</u>	<u>\$3,725,000.00</u>
18	<u>(11) Montpelier, 133 State Street, Office of Legislative Information</u>	
19	<u>Technology, renovations:</u>	<u>\$200,000.00</u>
20	<u>(12) Montpelier, State House expansion, design documents:</u>	
21		<u>\$250,000.00</u>

1	<u>(13) Newport, courthouse replacement, planning and design:</u>	
2		<u>\$750,000.00</u>
3	<u>(14) St. Albans, Northwest State Correctional Facility, roof replacement:</u>	
4		<u>\$1,300,000.00</u>
5	<u>(15) St. Johnsbury, Northeast State Correctional Facility, Caledonia</u>	
6	<u>Community Work Camp, door control system replacement:</u>	<u>\$1,000,000.00</u>
7	<u>(16) White River Junction, courthouse, renovations:</u>	<u>\$2,000,000.00</u>
8	<u>(17) Statewide, three-acre parcel, stormwater, planning, design, and</u>	
9	<u>construction:</u>	<u>\$1,500,000.00</u>
10	<u>(18) Statewide, R22 refrigerant phase out:</u>	<u>\$250,000.00</u>
11	<u>(19) Statewide, Art in State Buildings Program:</u>	<u>\$75,000.00</u>
12	<u>(c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2025:</u>	
13	<u>(1) Statewide, major maintenance:</u>	<u>\$8,500,000.00</u>
14	<u>(2) Statewide, physical security enhancements:</u>	<u>\$250,000.00</u>
15	<u>(3) Statewide, planning, reuse, and contingency:</u>	<u>\$500,000.00</u>
16	<u>(4) Middlesex, Middlesex Therapeutic Community Residence, master</u>	
17	<u>plan, design, and decommissioning:</u>	<u>\$400,000.00</u>
18	<u>(5) Montpelier, State House, replacement of historic finishes:</u>	
19		<u>\$50,000.00</u>
20	<u>(6) Montpelier, State House, HVAC renovations:</u>	<u>\$3,900,000.00</u>

1	<u>(7) Newport, Northern State Correctional Facility, planning and</u>	
2	<u>construction for the boiler replacement:</u>	<u>\$3,500,000.00</u>
3	<u>(8) St. Johnsbury, Northeast State Correctional Facility, Caledonia</u>	
4	<u>Community Work Camp, door control system replacement:</u>	<u>\$1,750,000.00</u>
5	<u>(9) White River Junction, courthouse, renovations:</u>	<u>\$4,000,000.00</u>
6	<u>(10) Statewide, three-acre parcel, stormwater, planning, design, and</u>	
7	<u>construction:</u>	<u>\$1,500,000.00</u>
8	<u>(11) Statewide, R22 refrigerant phase out:</u>	<u>\$1,000,000.00</u>
9	<u>(d) For the project described in subdivisions (b)(10) and (c)(6) of this</u>	
10	<u>section:</u>	
11	<u>(1) The Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to</u>	
12	<u>expend funds for a water-to-water heat pump system to dehumidify the State</u>	
13	<u>House in the summer months.</u>	
14	<u>(2) Beginning September 15, 2023 and ending January 15, 2024, the</u>	
15	<u>Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall submit monthly</u>	
16	<u>updates on the status of the project to the House Committee on Corrections and</u>	
17	<u>Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions.</u>	
18	<u>Appropriation – FY 2024</u>	<u>\$26,151,244.00</u>
19	<u>Appropriation – FY 2025</u>	<u>\$25,350,000.00</u>
20	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 2</u>	<u>\$51,501,244.00</u>

1 appropriated in subsection (a) and subdivision (b)(3) of this section for
2 installation of HVAC systems in those areas.

3 (2) Beginning September 15, 2023 and ending January 15, 2024, the
4 Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall submit monthly
5 updates on the status of the project to the House Committee on Corrections and
6 Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions.

7 <u>Appropriation – FY 2024</u>	<u>\$300,000.00</u>
8 <u>Appropriation – FY 2025</u>	<u>\$16,200,000.00</u>
9 <u>Total Appropriation – Section 3</u>	<u>\$16,500,000.00</u>

10 Sec. 4. COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

11 (a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2024 to the Agency of
12 Commerce and Community Development for the following projects described
13 in this subsection:

14 (1) Major maintenance at statewide historic sites: \$500,000.00

15 (2) Underwater preserves: \$46,000.00

16 (3) Placement and replacement of roadside historic markers:
17 \$25,000.00

18 (4) Unmarked Burial Sites Special Fund: \$25,000.00

19 (b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2025 to the Agency of
20 Commerce and Community Development for the following projects described
21 in this subsection:

1	<u>(1) Major maintenance at statewide historic sites:</u>	<u>\$500,000.00</u>
2	<u>(2) Underwater preserves:</u>	<u>\$46,000.00</u>
3	<u>(3) Placement and replacement of roadside historic markers:</u>	
4		<u>\$25,000.00</u>
5	<u>(4) Unmarked Burial Sites Special Fund:</u>	<u>\$25,000.00</u>
6	<u>Appropriation – FY 2024</u>	<u>\$596,000.00</u>
7	<u>Appropriation – FY 2025</u>	<u>\$596,000.00</u>
8	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 4</u>	<u>\$1,192,000.00</u>

9 Sec. 5. GRANT PROGRAMS

10 (a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2024 for the Building
11 Communities Grants established in 24 V.S.A. chapter 137:

12 (1) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development,
13 Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Preservation Grant
14 Program:

15 \$300,000.00

16 (2) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development,
17 Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Barns Preservation Grant
18 Program:

19 \$300,000.00

20 (3) To the Vermont Council on the Arts for the Cultural Facilities Grant
21 Program, the sum of which may be used to match funds that may be made

1 available from the National Endowment for the Arts, provided that all capital
2 funds are made available to the Cultural Facilities Grant Program:

3 \$300,000.00

4 (4) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the
5 Recreational Facilities Grant Program:

\$300,000.00

6 (5) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Human
7 Services and Educational Facilities Competitive Grant Program (Human
8 Services):

\$150,000.00

9 (6) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Human
10 Services and Educational Facilities Competitive Grant Program (Education):

\$150,000.00

11 (7) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the
12 Regional Economic Development Grant Program:

\$300,000.00

13 (8) To the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets for the Agricultural
14 Fairs and Field Days Capital Projects Competitive Grant Program:

\$300,000.00

15 (b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2025 for the Building
16 Communities Grants established in 24 V.S.A. chapter 137:

17 (1) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development,
18 Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Preservation Grant
19 Program:

1 \$300,000.00

2 (2) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development,
3 Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Barns Preservation Grant
4 Program:

5 \$300,000.00

6 (3) To the Vermont Council on the Arts for the Cultural Facilities
7 Grant Program, the sum of which may be used to match funds that may be
8 made available from the National Endowment for the Arts, provided that all
9 capital funds are made available to the Cultural Facilities Grant Program:

10 \$300,000.00

11 (4) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the
12 Recreational Facilities Grant Program: \$300,000.00

13 (5) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Human
14 Services and Educational Facilities Competitive Grant Program (Human
15 Services): \$150,000.00

16 (6) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Human
17 Services and Educational Facilities Competitive Grant Program (Education):
18 \$150,000.00

19 (7) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the
20 Regional Economic Development Grant Program: \$300,000.00

1 (8) To the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets for the Agricultural
2 Fairs and Field Days Capital Projects Competitive Grant Program:

3		<u>\$300,000.00</u>
4	<u>Appropriation – FY 2024</u>	<u>\$2,100,000.00</u>
5	<u>Appropriation – FY 2025</u>	<u>\$2,100,000.00</u>
6	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 5</u>	<u>\$4,200,000.00</u>

7 Sec. 6. EDUCATION

8 (a) The sum of \$50,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2024 to the Agency of
9 Education for funding emergency projects.

10 (b) The sum of \$50,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2025 to the Agency of
11 Education for the projects described in subsection (a) of this section.

12	<u>Appropriation – FY 2024</u>	<u>\$50,000.00</u>
13	<u>Appropriation – FY 2025</u>	<u>\$50,000.00</u>
14	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 6</u>	<u>\$100,000.00</u>

15 Sec. 7. UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

16 (a) The sum of \$1,600,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2024 to the University
17 of Vermont for construction, renovation, and major maintenance at any facility
18 owned or operated in the State by the University of Vermont.

19 (b) The sum of \$1,500,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2025 to the University
20 of Vermont for the projects described in subsection (a) of this section.

21	<u>Appropriation – FY 2024</u>	<u>\$1,600,000.00</u>
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1 infrastructure projects, including small-scale maintenance and rehabilitation of
2 infrastructure.

3 (d) The sum of \$2,207,901.00 is appropriated in FY 2025 to the Agency of
4 Natural Resources for the Department of Environmental Conservation for the
5 State's match to the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for the drinking
6 water supply.

7 (e) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2025 to the Agency of
8 Natural Resources for the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for the
9 following projects:

10 (1) Infrastructure rehabilitation, including statewide small-scale
11 rehabilitation, wastewater repairs, preventive improvements and upgrades of
12 restrooms and bathhouses, statewide small-scale road rehabilitation projects,
13 and three-acre stormwater rule compliance: \$3,250,000.00

14 (2) Open access recreational infrastructure and forest park access roads:
15 \$670,000.00

16 (f) The sum of \$1,344,150.00 is appropriated in FY 2024 to the Agency of
17 Natural Resources for the Department of Fish and Wildlife for general
18 infrastructure projects, including small-scale maintenance and rehabilitation of
19 infrastructure.

20 Appropriation – FY 2024 \$6,872,081.00

21 Appropriation – FY 2025 \$7,472,051.00

1 Total Appropriation – Section 8 \$14,344,132.00

2 Sec. 9. CLEAN WATER INITIATIVES

3 (a) The sum of \$2,202,019.00 is appropriated in FY 2024 to the Agency of
4 Agriculture, Food and Markets for water quality grants and contracts.

5 (b) The sum of \$332,981.00 is appropriated in FY 2024 to the Agency of
6 Natural Resources for the Department of Environmental Conservation for the
7 Clean Water State/EPA Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF) match for the Water
8 Pollution Control Fund.

9 (c) The sum of \$550,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2024 to the Agency of
10 Natural Resources for the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for
11 forestry access roads, recreation access roads, and water quality improvements.

12 (d)(1) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2024 to the Vermont
13 Housing and Conservation Board for the following projects:

14 (A) Agricultural water quality projects: \$800,000.00

15 (B) Land conservation and water quality projects: \$2,000,000.00

16 (2) A grant issued under subdivision (1)(A) of this subsection:

17 (A) shall not be considered a State grant under 6 V.S.A. chapter 215,
18 subchapter 3 for purposes of calculating the maximum amount of a State water
19 quality assistance award under 6 V.S.A. § 4824 or 4826; and

20 (B) may be used to satisfy a grant recipient's cost-share
21 requirements.

1 (b) The sum of \$1,064,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2025 to the
2 Department of Military for the projects described in subsection (a) of this
3 section.

4	<u>Appropriation – FY 2024</u>	<u>\$1,251,000.00</u>
5	<u>Appropriation – FY 2025</u>	<u>\$1,064,000.00</u>
6	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 10</u>	<u>\$2,315,000.00</u>

7 Sec. 11. AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND MARKETS

8 (a) The sum of \$1,200,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2024 to the
9 Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Agriculture,
10 Food and Markets for major maintenance at the Vermont building of the
11 Eastern States Exposition.

12 (b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2025 to the Department of
13 Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Agriculture, Food and
14 Markets for the following projects:

15	<u>(1) Vermont Agriculture and Environmental Laboratory Heat Plant,</u>	
16	<u>construction:</u>	<u>\$1,040,000.00</u>

17	<u>(2) Vermont building of the Eastern States Exposition, major</u>	
18	<u>maintenance:</u>	<u>\$1,500,000.00</u>

19	<u>Appropriation – FY 2024</u>	<u>\$1,200,000.00</u>
20	<u>Appropriation – FY 2025</u>	<u>\$2,540,000.00</u>
21	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 11</u>	<u>\$3,740,000.00</u>

1 Sec. 12. VERMONT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION

2 (a) The sum of \$150,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2024 to the Department
3 of Public Safety for the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force for the dry
4 hydrant program.

5 (b) The sum of \$150,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2025 to the Department
6 of Public Safety for the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force for the
7 project described in subsection (a) of this section.

8	<u>Appropriation – FY 2024</u>	<u>\$150,000.00</u>
9	<u>Appropriation – FY 2025</u>	<u>\$150,000.00</u>
10	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 12</u>	<u>\$300,000.00</u>

11 Sec. 13. VERMONT HOUSING AND CONSERVATION BOARD

12 (a) The sum of \$1,800,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2024 to the Vermont
13 Housing and Conservation Board for housing and conservation projects.

14 (b) The sum of \$1,800,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2025 to the Vermont
15 Housing and Conservation Board for the project described in subsection (a) of
16 this section.

17	<u>Appropriation – FY 2024</u>	<u>\$1,800,000.00</u>
18	<u>Appropriation – FY 2025</u>	<u>\$1,800,000.00</u>
19	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 13</u>	<u>\$3,600,000.00</u>

1 Sec. 14. VETERANS HOME

2 (a) The sum of \$260,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2024 to the Department
3 of Buildings and General Services for the Vermont Veterans' Home for
4 maintenance at the Veterans' Home.

5 (b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2024 to the Vermont
6 Veterans' Home for the following projects:

7 (1) an emergency generator and boiler plant replacement:

8 \$4,500,000.00

9 (2) elevator upgrade: \$1,000,000.00

10 (3) resident care furnishings and security systems: \$230,000.00

11 (c) For the amounts appropriated in subsection (a) and subdivision (b)(3) of
12 this section, on or before January 15, 2024, the Veterans' Home shall submit a
13 report to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate
14 Committee on Institutions on the status of expended funds and an anticipated
15 timeline of when any remaining funds will be expended.

16 Appropriation – FY 2024 \$5,990,000.00

17 Total Appropriation – Section 14 \$5,990,000.00

*** Funding ***

Sec. 15. REALLOCATION OF FUNDS; TRANSFER OF FUNDS

(a) The following sums are reallocated to the Department of Buildings and General Services from prior capital appropriations to defray expenditures authorized in Sec. 2 of this act:

(1) of the amount appropriated in 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 19(a) (Veterans' Home, replace nurse call system): \$14,668.72

(2) of the amount appropriated 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 19(b) (Veterans' Home kitchen upgrade): \$13,522.98

(3) of the amount appropriated in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 2(b) (various projects): \$365.00

(4) of the amount appropriated in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 17 (Veterans' Home kitchen renovation and mold remediation): \$21,493.59

(5) of the amount appropriated in 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 2(b) (various projects): \$65,463.17

(6) of the amount appropriated in 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 2(b)(9) (108 Cherry Street, parking garage): \$134,937.34

(7) of the amount appropriated in 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 160, Sec. 1(c)(5) (major maintenance): \$93,549.00

(8) of the amount appropriated in 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 160, Sec. 9(g) (Roxbury Fish Hatchery): \$6,175.00

1 (9) of the amount appropriated in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec.
2 2(b)(13) (108 Cherry Street, parking garage): \$1,736,256.55
3 (10) of the amount appropriated in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84,
4 Sec. 2(c) (various projects): \$24,363.06
5 (11) of the amount appropriated in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84,
6 Sec. 6(a)(4) (Recreational Facilities Grant Program): \$14,833.00
7 (12) Of the amount appropriated in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84,
8 Sec. 16(b) (Veterans' Home kitchen renovation and mold remediation):
9 \$209, 533.90
10 (13) of the amount appropriated in 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42,
11 Sec. 2(b)(3) (major maintenance): \$32,780.00
12 (14) of the amount appropriated in 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42,
13 Sec. 2(c)(5) (108 Cherry Street, parking garage): \$6,944,999.00
14 (15) of the amount appropriated in 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 50,
15 Sec. 2(b)(5)(108 Cherry Street, parking garage): \$3,100,000.00
16 (16) of the amount appropriated in 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 180,
17 Sec. 2(c)(18) (108 Cherry Street, parking garage): \$1,940,000.00
18 (b) Of the amount appropriated to the Department of Buildings and
19 General Services for the Agency of Human Services in 2020 Acts and
20 Resolves No. 139, Sec. 2(c)(5) (relocation of greenhouse), the sum of
21 \$26,131.60 is reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in this act.

1 (c) Of the amount appropriated to the Agency of Education in 2019 Acts
2 and Resolves No. 42, Sec. 7(a) (emergency projects), the sum of \$34,760.56
3 is reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in this act.

4 (d) Of the amount appropriated to the Department of Environmental
5 Conservation in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec. 10(a)(3) (municipal
6 pollution control grants), the sum of \$64,628.10 is reallocated to defray
7 expenditures authorized in this act.

8 (e) The following sums appropriated to the Department of Forest, Parks
9 and Recreation are reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in this act:

10 (1) of the amount appropriated in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84,
11 Sec. 10(b) (infrastructure rehabilitation): \$219.08

12 (2) of the amount appropriated in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84,
13 Sec. 10(f) (infrastructure rehabilitation): \$1,865.52

14 (3) of the amount appropriated in 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42,
15 Sec. 10(b) (infrastructure rehabilitation): \$33,638.68

16 (4) of the amount appropriated in 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42,
17 Sec. 10(g) (infrastructure rehabilitation): \$16,043.11

18 (5) of the amount appropriated in 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42,
19 Sec. 11(c)(1) (forestry skidder bridges): \$3,600.00

1 (f) of the amount appropriated in 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42, Sec.
2 17(a)(2) (committee room chairs), the sum of \$2,006.46 is reallocated to
3 defray expenditures authorized in this act.

4 (g) The following sums appropriated to the Vermont Veterans' Home
5 are reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in this act:

6 (1) of the amount appropriated in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84,
7 Sec. 16(a) (resident care furnishings): \$88,835.00

8 (2) of the amount appropriated in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84,
9 Sec. 16(c)(resident care furnishings): \$49,914.00

10 (3) of the amount appropriated in 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 190,
11 Sec. 11 (security access system): \$92,794.00

12 Total Reallocations and Transfers – Section 15 \$14,767,376.32

13 Sec. 16. GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND APPROPRIATIONS

14 The State Treasurer is authorized to issue general obligation bonds in the
15 amount of \$108,000,000.00 for the purpose of funding the appropriations of
16 this act. The State Treasurer, with the approval of the Governor, shall
17 determine the appropriate form and maturity of the bonds authorized by this
18 section consistent with the underlying nature of the appropriation to be funded.

19 The State Treasurer shall allocate the estimated cost of bond issuance or
20 issuances to the entities to which funds are appropriated pursuant to this

1 section and for which bonding is required as the source of funds, pursuant to
2 32 V.S.A. § 954.

3 Total Revenues – Section 16 \$108,000,000.00

4 Sec. 17. FY 2024 AND 2025; CAPITAL PROJECTS; FY 2024

5 APPROPRIATIONS ACT; INTENT; AUTHORIZATIONS

6 (a) Findings. The General Assembly finds that in addition to the issuance
7 of general obligation bonds, eligible capital projects may be funded from the
8 Fund established in 32 V.S.A. § 1001b.

9 (b) Intent. It is the intent of the General Assembly to authorize certain
10 capital projects eligible for funding by 32 V.S.A. § 1001b in this act but
11 appropriate the funds for these projects in the FY 2024 Appropriations Act. It
12 is also the intent of the General Assembly that the FY 2024 Appropriations Act
13 appropriate funds to the Fund established in 32 V.S.A. § 1001b for projects in
14 FY 2025, which shall be allocated pursuant to the process set forth in
15 subsection (e) of this section.

16 (c) Authorizations. In FY 2024, spending authority for the following
17 capital projects are authorized as follows:

18 (1) the Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
19 spend \$250,000.00 for planning, reuse, and contingency;

1 (2) the Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
2 spend \$135,000.00 for parking garage repairs at 32 Cherry Street in
3 Burlington;

4 (3) the Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
5 spend \$1,000,000.00 for the renovation of the interior HVAC steam lines at
6 120 State Street in Montpelier;

7 (4) the Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
8 spend \$600,000.00 for planning for the boiler replacement at the Northern
9 State Correctional Facility in Newport;

10 (5) the Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
11 spend \$750,000.00 for planning for renovations to the administration building,
12 West Cottage, at the Criminal Justice Training Council in Pittsford;

13 (6) the Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
14 spend \$600,000.00 for the Agency of Human Services for the planning and
15 design of the booking expansion at the Northwest State Correctional Facility;

16 (7) the Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
17 spend \$1,500,000.00 for the Agency of Human Services for the planning and
18 design for the replacement of the women's correctional facility and reentry
19 facility;

20 (8) the Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
21 spend \$1,000,000.00 for the Agency of Human Services for the planning and

1 design of the Department for Children and Families' short-term stabilization
2 facility;

3 (9) the Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
4 spend \$750,000.00 for the Judiciary for renovations at the Washington County
5 Superior Courthouse in Barre;

6 (10) the Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
7 spend \$250,000.00 for the Department of Public Safety for the planning and
8 design of the Special Teams Facility and Storage;

9 (11) the Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
10 spend \$250,000.00 for the Department of Public Safety for the planning and
11 design of the Rutland Field Station;

12 (12) the Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
13 spend \$300,000.00 for the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets for the
14 planning and design of the Vermont Agriculture and Environmental
15 Laboratory Heat Plant;

16 (13) the Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
17 spend \$1,000,000.00 for electric vehicle charging stations at State buildings;

18 (14) the Vermont State Colleges is authorized to spend \$9,000,000.00
19 for construction, renovation, and major maintenance at any facility owned or
20 operated in the State by the Vermont State Colleges; infrastructure

1 transformation planning; and the planning, design, and construction of Green
2 Hall and Vail Hall;

3 (15) the Agency of Natural Resources is authorized to spend
4 \$9,700,000.00 for the Department of Environmental Conservation for the State
5 match to the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act for the Drinking Water
6 State Revolving Fund and the Clean Water State Revolving Fund;

7 (16) the Agency of Natural Resources is authorized to spend
8 \$4,500,000.00 for the Department of Environmental Conservation for the
9 Waterbury Dam rehabilitation;

10 (17) the Agency of Natural Resources is authorized to spend
11 \$4,000,000.00 for the Department of Environmental Conservation for the
12 Municipal Pollution Control Grants for pollution control projects and planning
13 advances for feasibility studies;

14 (18) the Agency of Natural Resources is authorized to spend
15 \$3,000,000.00 for the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for the
16 maintenance facilities at the Gifford Woods State Park and Groton Forest
17 State Park; and

18 (19) the Agency of Natural Resources is authorized to spend
19 \$800,000.00 for the Department of Fish and Wildlife for infrastructure
20 maintenance and improvements of the Department's buildings, including
21 conservation camps.

1 (d) FY 2025 capital projects. To the extent general funds are available to
2 appropriate to the Fund established in 32 V.S.A. § 1001b in FY 2025, it is the
3 intent of the General Assembly that the following capital projects receive
4 funding from the Fund:

5 (1) the sum of \$250,000.00 to the Department of Buildings and General
6 Services for planning, reuse, and contingency;

7 (2) the sum of \$2,300,000.00 to the Department of Buildings and
8 General Services for parking garage repairs at 32 Cherry Street in Burlington;

9 (3) the sum of \$2,000,000.00 to the Department of Buildings and
10 General Services for the renovation of the interior HVAC steam lines at 120
11 State Street in Montpelier;

12 (4) the sum of \$1,000,000.00 to the Department of Buildings and
13 General Services for the Judiciary for renovations at the Washington County
14 Superior Courthouse in Barre;

15 (5) the sum of \$1,000,000.00 to the Department of Buildings and
16 General Services for the Department of Public Safety for the planning and
17 design of the Special Teams Facility and Storage;

18 (6) the sum of \$1,000,000.00 to the Department of Buildings and
19 General Services for the Department of Public Safety for the planning and
20 design of the Rutland Field Station;

1 (7) the sum of \$1,500,000.00 to the Vermont Veterans' Home for design
2 for the renovation of the Brandon and Cardinal units;

3 (8) the sum of \$500,000.00 to the Department of Buildings and General
4 Services for the Newport courthouse replacement, planning, and design;

5 (9) the sum of \$250,000.00 to the Department of Buildings and General
6 Services for planning for the 133-109 State Street tunnel waterproofing and
7 Aiken Avenue reconstruction; and

8 (10) the sum of \$200,000.00 to the Department of Buildings and
9 General Services for the renovation of the stack area, HVAC upgrades, and the
10 elevator replacement at 111 State Street.

11 (e) Recommendation. On or before December 15, 2023:

12 (1) the Secretary of Administration shall review and recommend capital
13 projects to be funded from the Fund established in 32 V.S.A. § 1001b; and

14 (2) the Secretary of Administration shall submit the list of capital
15 projects recommended for FY 2025 to the Chairs of the House Committee on
16 Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions and to
17 the Governor for the FY 2025 capital budget adjustment report.

18 * * * Policy * * *

19 * * * Buildings and General Services * * *

20 Sec. 18. 29 V.S.A. § 166 is amended to read:

21 § 166. SELLING OR RENTING STATE PROPERTY

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(b)(1) Upon authorization by the General Assembly, which may be granted by resolution, and with the advice and consent of the Governor, the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services may sell real estate owned by the State. Such property shall be sold to the highest bidder therefor at public auction or upon sealed bids in the discretion of the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, who may reject any or all bids. ~~Notice, or the~~ Commissioner is authorized to list the sale of property with a real estate agent licensed by the State.

(2) If the Commissioner elects to sell the property at auction or by sealed bid, notice of the sale or a request for sealed bids shall be posted:

(A) by electronic means; or

(B) in at least three public places in the town where the property is located and also published three times in a newspaper having a known circulation in the town, the last publication to be not less than 10 days before the date of sale or opening of the bids. ~~Failing to consummate a sale under the method prescribed in this section, the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to list the sale of this property with a real estate agent licensed by the State of Vermont.~~

(3) This subsection shall not apply to the sale, conveyance, exchange, or lease of lands or interests in lands; to the amendment of deeds, leases, and

1 easements; or to sales of timber made in accordance with the provisions of
2 10 V.S.A. chapter 155 or the provisions of 10 V.S.A. chapter 83.

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4 Sec. 19. SALE OF PROPERTIES

5 (a) 110 State Street. Notwithstanding 29 V.S.A. § 166(b), the
6 Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to sell the
7 property located at 110 State Street in the City of Montpelier. The
8 Commissioner shall first offer in writing to the City the right to purchase the
9 property. If the City rejects or fails to enter into negotiations with the State
10 within one year from the date of the written offer, the City's preferential right
11 under this subsection shall terminate.

12 (b) Stanley Hall and Wasson Hall.

13 (1) Notwithstanding 29 V.S.A. § 166(b), the Commissioner of Buildings
14 and General Services is authorized to subdivide, sell, or otherwise dispose of
15 the portion of land in the Waterbury State Office Complex (Parcel ID # 916-
16 0103.V as designated on the Town of Waterbury's Tax Parcel Maps) that
17 housed the former Stanley Hall and the adjacent parking lot, located at 32 Park
18 Row, and Wasson Hall, located at 64 Horseshoe Drive, to the Town of
19 Waterbury.

20 (2) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall notify, in
21 writing, the Town of Waterbury of the right to purchase or acquire the

1 properties described in subdivision (1) of this subsection provided that the
2 following conditions are met:

3 (A) the Town of Waterbury's Select Board takes a formal action
4 indicating the Town's interest in purchasing or acquiring the properties;

5 (B) the Department of Buildings and General Services conducts a site
6 survey of the properties described in subdivision (1) of this subsection (b);

7 (C) the Department of Buildings and General Services determines
8 that no other State department or agency has a use for the properties; and

9 (D) the deed includes a restriction limiting the use of the properties
10 described in subdivision (1) of this subsection (b) to housing.

11 (3) If the Town rejects or fails to accept the offer in a timely manner, the
12 Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall require approval from
13 the General Assembly to sell to another party.

14 (c) 108 Cherry Street. Notwithstanding 29 V.S.A. § 166(b), the
15 Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to sell the
16 property located at 108 Cherry Street in the City of Burlington. The
17 Commissioner shall first offer in writing to the City the right to purchase the
18 property. If the City rejects or fails to enter into negotiations with the State
19 within one year from the date of the written offer, the City's preferential right
20 under this subsection shall terminate.

1 Sec. 20. RELOCATION OF STATE EMPLOYEES; DEPARTMENT OF
2 BUILDINGS AND GENERAL SERVICES; CITY OF
3 BURLINGTON

4 Prior to the sale of the building located at 108 Cherry Street in Burlington,
5 the Department of Buildings and General Services shall work with the City of
6 Burlington to find another appropriate location in downtown Burlington to
7 relocate State employees who provide client services.

8 Sec. 21. 32 V.S.A. § 701a is amended to read:

9 § 701a. CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION BILL

10 (a) When the capital budget has been submitted by the Governor to the
11 General Assembly, it shall immediately be referred to the House Committee on
12 Corrections and Institutions, which shall proceed to consider the budget
13 request in the context of the 10-year capital program plan also submitted by the
14 Governor pursuant to sections 309 and 310 of this title. The Committee shall
15 also propose to the General Assembly:

16 (1) a prudent amount of total general obligation bonding for the
17 following fiscal year, for support of the capital budget, in consideration of the
18 recommendation of the Capital Debt Affordability Advisory Committee
19 pursuant to chapter 13, subchapter 8 of this title; and

20 (2) recommendations for capital projects that may be paid for from the
21 Capital Infrastructure Reserve Fund, established in section 1001b of this title.

1 (b) As soon as possible, the Committee shall prepare a bill to be known as
2 the “capital construction bill,” which shall be introduced for action by the
3 General Assembly.

4 (c) The spending authority authorized by a capital construction act shall
5 carry forward until expended, unless otherwise provided.

6 (1) All unexpended funds remaining for projects authorized by capital
7 construction acts enacted in a legislative session that was two or more years
8 prior to the current legislative session shall be reported to the General
9 Assembly and may be reallocated in future capital construction acts.

10 (2) Notwithstanding subdivision (1) of this subsection, any amounts
11 appropriated in a previous capital construction act that are unexpended for at
12 least five years shall be reallocated to future capital construction acts.

13 (d)(1) On or before January 15, November 15 each year, the Commissioner
14 of Finance and Management shall require each entity to which spending
15 authority has been authorized by a capital construction act enacted in a
16 legislative session that was two or more years prior to the current legislative
17 session shall submit to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions
18 and the Senate Committee on Institutions to submit a report on the current fund
19 balances of each authorized project with unexpended funds. The report shall
20 include plans for the unexpended funds, any projects or contracts the funds are
21 assigned to, and an anticipated timeline for expending the funds.

1 (2) On or before December 15 each year, the Commissioner of Finance
2 and Management shall submit in a consolidated format the reports required by
3 subdivision (1) of this subsection to the House Committee on Corrections and
4 Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions.

5 (e) The provisions of 2 V.S.A. § 20(d) (expiration of required reports) shall
6 not apply to the reports to be made under subsections (c) and (d) of this
7 section.

8 * * * Corrections * * *

9 Sec. 22. 29 V.S.A. § 170a is added to read:

10 § 170a. DESIGN OF CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES; USE OF EVIDENCE-
11 BASED DESIGN PRINCIPLES FOR WELLNESS
12 ENVIRONMENTS

13 The Department of Buildings and General Services shall coordinate with
14 the Department of Corrections on the design and planning for any
15 maintenance, renovation, or construction to a State correctional facility to
16 ensure that evidence-based design principles for wellness environments are
17 incorporated into the design and planning phase of a project.

18 Sec. 23. NORTHWEST STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY; FUNDING
19 REQUEST FOR FEDERAL DETAINEES; INTENT FOR
20 BOOKING EXPANSION DESIGN

1 (a) On or before August 15, 2023, the Secretary of Human Services shall
2 request federal funds to support capital construction at the Northwest State
3 Correctional Facility, which houses federal detainees, including U.S.
4 Immigration and Customs Enforcement detainees. The Commissioner of
5 Finance and Management shall only release the funds appropriated in Sec. 3(1)
6 of this act upon notification from the Secretary that the request was submitted.

7 (b) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Commissioner of
8 Buildings and General Services shall incorporate into booking expansion
9 design at the Northwest State Correctional Facility:

10 (1) renovations to the HVAC system;

11 (2) enhanced employee amenities, including amenities to address
12 employee health and wellness needs;

13 (3) the use of renewable energy; and

14 (4) the use of evidence-based principles for wellness environments for
15 supporting trauma-informed practices.

16 Sec. 24. REPLACEMENT WOMEN’S FACILITIES; SITE LOCATION
17 PROPOSAL; DESIGN INTENT

18 (a)(1) Site location proposal. On or before January 15, 2024, the
19 Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall submit a site location
20 proposal for replacement women’s facilities for justice-involved women to the
21 House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee

1 on Institutions. It is the intent of the General Assembly that when evaluating
2 site locations, preference shall be given to State-owned property. The proposal
3 shall consider both co-locating facilities in a campus-style approach for
4 operational efficiencies and the need for separate facilities at different
5 locations.

6 (2) Beginning September 15, 2023 and ending December 15, 2023, the
7 Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall submit monthly status
8 reports on the site location proposal described in subdivision (1) of this
9 subsection (a).

10 (b) Design intent. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the
11 Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, in consultation with the
12 Commissioner of Corrections, shall incorporate into the design of any
13 women's replacement facility the use of evidence-based principles for wellness
14 environments for supporting trauma-informed practices.

15 Sec. 25. DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, REPLACEMENT

16 WOMEN'S FACILITIES; REPORT

17 (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the State's long-term goal
18 and vision for justice-involved individuals includes their reentry into the
19 community through a system of supports grounded in restorative justice
20 principles.

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(c) Beginning on January 1, 2023 and ending on June 30, ~~2023~~ 2024, notwithstanding the provisions of 29 V.S.A. § 165 and any other provision of law to the contrary, in order to perform its constitutional duties, the Legislative Branch shall have exclusive use of rooms 264, 267, 268, and 270 on the second floor of 109 State Street.

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Sec. 28. STATE HOUSE; EXPANSION; DESIGN; SPECIAL COMMITTEE

(a) The Department of Buildings and General Services has contracted with Freeman, French, Freeman to develop programming options that will be the basis for a schematic design for the expansion of the State House. The programming options will be finalized in June 2023 and the schematic design in November 2023 when the General Assembly is not in session. It is the intent of the General Assembly to approve the programming option for a schematic design plan for the State House expansion as soon as practicable to allow the Department of Buildings and General Services to begin the design development phase of the expansion.

(b) A special committee consisting of the Joint Legislative Management Committee and the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions (special committee) is hereby established. The special committee is authorized to meet to review,

1 approve, or recommend alterations to the schematic design described in
2 subsection (a) of this section at a regularly scheduled Joint Legislative
3 Management Committee meeting. In making its decision, the special
4 committee shall consider:

5 (1) how the design impacts the ability of the General Assembly to
6 conduct legislative business;

7 (2) allows for public access to citizens;

8 (3) the financial consequences to the State of approval or disapproval of
9 the proposal; and

10 (4) whether any potential alternatives are available.

11 (c) The special committee shall be entitled to per diem and expenses as
12 provided in 2 V.S.A. § 23.

13 Sec. 29. 29 V.S.A. § 152 is amended to read:

14 § 152. DUTIES OF COMMISSIONER

15 (a) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, in addition to the
16 duties expressly set forth elsewhere by law, shall have the authority to:

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18 (36) Consult, at least two times per month, with the Sergeant at Arms or
19 designee on any maintenance, renovation, or construction projects for the State
20 House or other legislative space.

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