

1 H.883

2 Representative Lanpher of Vergennes moves that the bill be amended as  
3 follows:

4 First: In Sec. B.1102, unobligated General Fund contingent appropriations,  
5 in subsection (a), prior to the words “be appropriated”, by inserting the words  
6 “carry forward and”

7 Second: In Sec. D.100, allocations; property transfer tax, in subdivision  
8 (a)(2)(A), in the first sentence, by striking out “(10 V.S.A. § 314)” and  
9 inserting in lieu thereof “pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 314” and, in the second and  
10 fourth sentences, following “Vermont Housing”, by inserting the word “and”

11 Third: In Sec. D.103, reserves, in subdivision (a)(1)(A), by striking out  
12 “\$14,800,138.75” and inserting in lieu thereof “\$15,195,975”

13 Fourth: By striking out Sec. E.234, amending 30 V.S.A. § 248c(d), in its  
14 entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:  
15 Sec. E.234 [Deleted.]

16 Fifth: By adding a new section to be Sec. E.306.4 to read as follows:  
17 Sec. E.306.4 PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY;  
18 LICENSURE

19 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no funds appropriated  
20 to the Department of Vermont Health Access in this act shall be expended for  
21 operation of a psychiatric residential treatment facility until the facility has

1 been licensed by the State; provided, however, that the Department may  
2 expend funds on goods and services, such as purchasing supplies and hiring  
3 and training staff, that are necessary to prepare the facility to be operational  
4 upon licensure.

5 Sixth: By striking out Sec. E.311, amending 18 V.S.A. § 5017, in its  
6 entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 Sec. E.311 [Deleted.]

8 Seventh: In Sec. E.312, health – public health, in subdivision (a)(4), in the  
9 first sentence, following “the amount of”, by striking out “\$100,000” and  
10 inserting in lieu thereof “\$400,000”

11 Eighth: By striking out Sec. E.313, appropriation; substance misuse  
12 prevention, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. E.313 to read  
13 as follows:

14 Sec. E.313 APPROPRIATION; SUBSTANCE MISUSE PREVENTION

15 (a) In fiscal year 2025, the \$795,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund and  
16 \$1,410,000 General Fund appropriated to the Department of Health in Secs.  
17 B.1100(d)(4) and B.313 of this act shall be for substance misuse prevention.  
18 The total \$2,205,000 appropriation shall be granted to Vermont Prevention  
19 Lead Organizations to implement evidence-based and trauma-informed  
20 substance misuse prevention strategies statewide. The Department shall  
21 require, as part of the grant agreement with the Vermont Prevention Lead

1 Organizations, that information on the use of the funds, including the specific  
2 activities supported by the funds, a description of the number of people served,  
3 and information on the outcomes achieved by this investment, be provided to  
4 the Department in an agreed-upon time frame. The Department shall report  
5 this information annually, on or before January 10, to the House and Senate  
6 Committees on Appropriations, the House Committee on Human Services, and  
7 the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare.

8 Ninth: By striking out Sec. E.605, Vermont Student Assistance  
9 Corporation, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. E.605 to  
10 read as follows:

11 Sec. E.605 VERMONT STUDENT ASSISTANCE CORPORATION

12 (a) Of the funds appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance  
13 Corporation in Sec. B.605 of this act:

14 (1) \$25,000 shall be deposited into the Trust Fund established in  
15 16 V.S.A. § 2845;

16 (2) not more than \$300,000 may be used by the Vermont Student  
17 Assistance Corporation for a student aspirational initiative to serve one or more  
18 high schools; and

19 (3) not less than \$1,000,000 shall be used to continue the Vermont  
20 Trades Scholarship Program established in 2022 Act and Resolves No. 183,  
21 Sec. 14.

1       (b) Of the funds appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance  
2       Corporation in Sec. B.605 of this act that are remaining after accounting for the  
3       expenditures set forth in subsection (a) of this section, not less than 93 percent  
4       shall be used for direct student aid.

5       (c) After accounting for the expenditures set forth in subsection (a) of this  
6       section, up to seven percent of the funds appropriated to the Vermont Student  
7       Assistance Corporation in Sec. B.605 of this act or otherwise currently or  
8       previously appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation or  
9       provided to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation by an agency or  
10       department of the State for the administration of a program or initiative, may  
11       be used by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for its costs of  
12       administration. The Vermont Student Assistance Corporation may recoup its  
13       reasonable costs of collecting the forgivable loans in repayment. Funds shall  
14       not be used for indirect costs. To the extent that any of these funds are federal  
15       funds, allocation for expenses associated with administering the funds shall be  
16       consistent with federal grant requirements.

17       Tenth: By striking out Sec. F.100, effective dates, in its entirety and  
18       inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. F.100 to read as follows:

1      Sec. F.100 EFFECTIVE DATES

2            (a) This section and Secs. C.100, C.101, C.103, C.104, C.105, C.106,  
3            C.107, C.111, C.112, C.113, C.114, C.115, and B.1102 shall take effect on  
4            passage.

5            (b) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214:

6            (1) Sec. C.102 shall take effect retroactively on March 1, 2024;

7            (2) Secs. C.108, C.109, and C.110 shall take effect retroactively on July  
8            1, 2023; and

9            (3) Sec. E.910 shall take effect retroactively on January 1, 2024.

10          (c) Sec. E.318.2 shall take effect on July 1, 2025.

11          (d) All remaining sections shall take effect on July 1, 2024.