

1 Introduced by
2 Date:
3 Subject: Capital construction; State bonding; budget adjustment
4 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to adjust the
5 FY 2015 capital construction budget.

6 An act relating to capital construction and State bonding budget adjustment

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

8 Sec. 1. 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 2 is amended to read:

9 Sec. 2. STATE BUILDINGS

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11 (b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2014:

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13 (F) A special committee consisting of the Joint Fiscal Committee and
14 the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the
15 Senate Committee on Institutions (“Special Committee”) is hereby established.

16 If there are any material changes to the planning or funding of the Waterbury
17 State Office Complex, the Special Committee shall meet to review and
18 approve these changes at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Joint
19 Fiscal Committee or at an emergency meeting called by the Chairs of the
20 House Committee on Corrections and Institutions, the Senate Committee on

1 Institutions, and the Joint Fiscal Committee. The Special Committee shall be
2 entitled to per diem and expenses as provided in 2 V.S.A. § 406.

3 (G) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall
4 notify the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate
5 Committee on Institutions at least monthly of updates to the planning process
6 for the projects described in this subdivision (b)(15), including any updates on
7 material changes to the planning or funding of the Waterbury State Office
8 Complex.

9 (H) As used in this subdivision (b)(15), a “material change” means a
10 change to the planning or funding of the Waterbury State Office Complex that:

11 (i) increases the total original project cost estimate by ~~10~~ 5 percent
12 or more; or

13 (ii) constitutes a change in plan or design.

14 (I) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, with the
15 approval of the Secretary of Administration, is authorized to approve
16 additional contingency spending for the Waterbury State Office Complex of
17 less than five percent of the total original project cost estimate.

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19 (c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2015:

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1 (5) Statewide, BGS engineering, project management, and architectural
2 project costs: ~~\$2,982,132.00~~ \$3,446,163.00

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4 (11) Montpelier, capitol district heat plant, 122 State Street
5 supplemental funds: \$3,000,000.00

6 (12) Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets and Agency of Natural
7 Resources, laboratory, development of proposal for site location,
8 programming, and design: \$300,000.00

9 (13) Permanent secure residential facility, proposal (as described in
10 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 40): \$50,000.00

11 (14) Vergennes, Weeks School, master plan (as described in Sec. 20 of
12 this act): [\$XXXXXX.XX]

13 (15) State House, elevator repairs: \$167,000.00

14 (16) Barre, McFarland State Office Building, retaining wall:
15 \$68,000.00

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17 (d) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Commissioner of
18 Buildings and General Services may use up to \$75,000.00 of the funds
19 appropriated in subdivision (b)(4) of this section for the purpose of funding
20 projects described in 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 24(b), and in

1 Sec. 49 of this act. It is also the intent of the General Assembly that the
2 Commissioner of Buildings and General Services may:

3 (1) use up to \$360,000.00 of the funds appropriated in subdivisions
4 (b)(5) and (c)(5) of this section for the purpose of funding four limited service
5 positions in the Department of Buildings and General Services created for
6 engineering-related work pursuant to the 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 50,
7 Sec. E.100(b)(1) (FY 2014 Appropriations Act); and

8 (2) use up to \$250,000.00 of the funds appropriated in subdivision (c)(5)
9 of this section for the purpose of supporting the Department of Buildings and
10 General Services in implementing a project management system to track
11 project costs.

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13 (f) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the amount appropriated in
14 subdivision (c)(16) of this section shall be used to repair the State-owned
15 portion of the retaining wall near the McFarland State Office Building in
16 Barre. In the event that the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services
17 determines that the portion of the retaining wall that is not owned by the State
18 presents imminent danger, then the Commissioner of Buildings and General
19 Services is authorized to transfer funds from subdivision (c)(4) of this section
20 to repair the retaining wall. Any amount transferred by the Commissioner

1 under this subsection shall be reimbursed by the owner of the portion of the
2 retaining wall that is not owned by the State.

3	Appropriation – FY 2015	\$45,742,126.00	<u>\$49,791,157.00</u>
4	Total Appropriation – Section 2	\$98,203,258.00	<u>\$102,252,289.00</u>

5 Sec. 2. 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 4 is amended to read:

6 Sec. 4. HUMAN SERVICES

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8 (b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2015 to the Department of
9 Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for the
10 projects described in this subsection:

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12 (3) Correctional facilities, suicide abatement projects at SSCF and
13 SESCF: \$200,000.00

14 (4) State correctional facilities, security enhancements and cameras,
15 replacement for all facilities: \$250,000.00

16 (5) Southern State Correctional Facility, installation of a new security
17 gate and security cage over camera, installation of gurney lift to accommodate
18 geriatric residents, and recreational yard improvements: \$90,000.00

19 (6) Northern State Correctional Facility, reconstruction of the kitchen
20 and serving line to improve safety and security and to expand kitchen space to
21 allow increased serving capacity: \$160,000.00

1 Sec. 4. 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 6 is amended to read:

2 Sec. 6. COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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4 (e) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2015 to the Agency of
5 Commerce and Community Development for the following projects:

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7 (3) Justin Morrill State site, Strafford, siding repair, stair modifications
8 to allow a second means of egress, and a conditions assessment: \$28,000.00

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10	Appropriation – FY 2015	\$250,000.00	<u>\$278,000.00</u>
11	Total Appropriation – Section 6	\$690,000.00	<u>\$718,000.00</u>

12 Sec. 5. 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 8 is amended to read:

13 Sec. 8. EDUCATION

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15 (b) The sum of ~~\$10,411,446~~ \$10,354,690 is appropriated in FY 2015 to the
16 Agency of Education for funding the ~~state~~ State share of completed school
17 construction projects pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 3448. ~~It is the intent of the~~
18 ~~General Assembly that the funds appropriated in this subsection are committed~~
19 ~~funds not subject to budget adjustment.~~

20	Appropriation – FY 2014	\$6,704,634.00
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1 Appropriation – FY 2015 \$~~10,411,446.00~~ \$10,354,690.00

2 Total Appropriation – Section 8 \$~~17,116,080.00~~ \$17,059,324.00

3 Sec. 6. 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 11 is amended to read:

4 Sec. 11. NATURAL RESOURCES

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6 (b) The following sums are appropriated to the Agency of Natural
7 Resources in FY 2015 for:

8 (1) the Water Pollution Control Fund for the following projects:

9 (A) Clean Water State/EPA Revolving Loan Fund

10 (CWSRF) match: \$~~700,000.00~~ \$1,114,000.00

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12 (2) the Drinking Water Supply for the following projects:

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14 (C) EcoSystem restoration and protection:

15 \$~~2,073,732.00~~ \$2,573,732.00

16 (D) Waterbury waste treatment facility for phosphorous removal:

17 \$307,000.00

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19 (4)(A) the Agency of Natural Resources for the Department of Forests,

20 Parks and Recreation for statewide small scale rehabilitation, wastewater

1 repairs, preventive improvements and upgrades of restrooms and bathhouses,
2 and statewide small-scale road rehabilitation projects: \$2,000,000.00

3 (B) the Agency of Natural Resources for the Department of Forests,
4 Parks and Recreation for the purchase of easements on behalf of the Green
5 Mountain Club: \$100,000.00

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7 Appropriation – FY 2015 \$7,881,732.00 \$9,202,732.00
8 Total Appropriation – Section 11 \$21,654,282.00 \$22,975,282.00

9 Sec. 7. 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 13 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 13. PUBLIC SAFETY

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12 (d) The sum of ~~\$300,000.00~~ \$200,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 for
13 the project described in subsection (c) of this section.

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15 (f) The sum of \$36,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 to the Department of
16 Public Safety to provide evidence storage units for the Vermont State Police to
17 acquire accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation for Law
18 Enforcement (CALEA) at existing barracks not yet renovated: \$36,000.00

19 (g) The sum of \$50,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 to the Department of
20 Buildings and General Services to contract with an independent third party to
21 develop an operational governance and planning model for the operation,

1 financial integrity, and maintenance of the Robert H. Wood Criminal Justice
2 and Fire Service Training Center in Pittsford. On or before January 15, 2015,
3 the Department of Buildings and General Services shall submit this plan to the
4 House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee
5 on Institutions: \$50,000.00
6 Appropriation – FY 2014 \$3,600,000.00
7 Appropriation – FY 2015 ~~\$3,400,000.00~~ \$3,386,000.00
8 Total Appropriation – Section 13 ~~\$7,000,000.00~~ \$6,986,000.00

9 Sec. 8. 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 17 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 17. VERMONT VETERANS' HOME

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12 (e) The sum of \$435,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 to the Department
13 of Buildings and General Services for the Vermont Veterans' Home for
14 kitchen renovations.

15 Appropriation – FY 2014 \$1,216,000.00
16 Appropriation – FY 2015 \$435,000.00
17 Total Appropriation – Section 17 \$1,651,000.00

18 Sec. 9. 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 18a is amended to read:

19 Sec. 18a. ENHANCED 911 PROGRAM

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1 (b) ~~The sum of \$10,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 for the project~~
2 ~~described in subsection (a) of this section. [Repealed.]~~

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4 Total Appropriation – Section 18a \$20,000.00 \$10,000.00

5 Sec. 10. 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 19 is amended to read:

6 Sec. 19. REALLOCATION OF FUNDS; TRANSFER OF FUNDS

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8 (d) The following sums are reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in
9 this act:

10 (1) of the amount appropriated in 1993 Acts and Resolves No. 59, Sec.
11 11 (Drinking Water Supply Projects): \$5,062.78

12 (2) of the amount appropriated in 2002 Acts and Resolves No. 149,
13 Sec. 15 (State’s Attorneys and Sheriffs, case management software system):
14 \$54,877.31

15 (3) of the amount appropriated in 2004 Acts and Resolves No. 121,
16 Sec. 10 (Fish and Wildlife, species recovery plan): \$82.63

17 (4) of the amount appropriated in 2005 Acts and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 9
18 (State-owned dams, maintenance): \$0.19

19 (5) of the amount appropriated in 2006 Acts and Resolves No.147,
20 Sec. 10 (State-owned dams, maintenance): \$18,934.32

1	<u>(6) of the amount appropriated in 2006 Acts and Resolves No. 147,</u>	
2	<u>Sec. 3 (Health and Public Safety Lab):</u>	<u>\$985.58</u>
3	<u>(7) of the amount appropriated in 2007 Acts and Resolves, No. 52,</u>	
4	<u>Sec. 3 (Health and Public Safety Lab):</u>	<u>\$93,006.05</u>
5	<u>(8) of the amount appropriated in 2008 Acts and Resolves No. 200,</u>	
6	<u>Sec. 3 (co-location of Health and Forensic Lab):</u>	<u>\$13,163.00</u>
7	<u>(9) of the amount appropriated in 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 1</u>	
8	<u>(State buildings, major maintenance and various projects):</u>	<u>\$24,914.89</u>
9	<u>(10) of the amount appropriated in 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 43,</u>	
10	<u>Sec. 9 (Fish hatcheries, biosecurity):</u>	<u>\$38.27</u>
11	<u>(11) of the amount appropriated in 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 43,</u>	
12	<u>Sec. 9 (Montpelier flood control):</u>	<u>\$42,273.30</u>
13	<u>(12) of the amount appropriated in 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161,</u>	
14	<u>Sec. 1 (Statewide, major maintenance):</u>	<u>\$11,656.44</u>
15	<u>(13) of the amount appropriated in 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161,</u>	
16	<u>Sec. 1 (Waterbury, State office complex, fire alarm panels and door holders):</u>	
17		<u>\$38,590.72</u>
18	<u>(14) of the amount appropriated in 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161,</u>	
19	<u>Sec. 1 (Bennington State Office Building, geothermal energy project):</u>	
20		<u>\$79,218.54</u>

1 (15) of the amount appropriated in 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161,
2 Sec. 8 (Austine School, Holton Hall, renovations): \$11,962.03
3 (16) of the amount appropriated in 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161,
4 Sec. 12 (Ecosystem restoration and protection): \$7,000.00
5 (17) of the amount appropriated in 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161,
6 Sec. 12 (Lamprey Control Project): \$0.40
7 (18) of the amount appropriated in 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161,
8 Sec. 12 (Montpelier flood control): \$175,201.00
9 (19) of the amount appropriated in 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161,
10 Sec. 14 (Waterbury, Public Safety headquarters, repairs): \$11,757.61
11 (20) of the amount appropriated in 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161,
12 Sec. 26 (Springfield, municipal water system): \$200,000.00
13 (21) of the amount appropriated in 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161,
14 Sec. 20 (Center for Crime Victim Services): \$344.31
15 (22) of the amount appropriated in 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40,
16 Sec. 2 (Statewide buildings, reuse and planning): \$32,349.59.00
17 (23) of the amount appropriated in 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40,
18 Sec. 2 (Statewide buildings, statewide contingency): \$1,473.51
19 (24) of the amount appropriated in 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40,
20 Sec. 2 (Statewide buildings, major maintenance): \$53,676.67

1 Sec. 14. 29 V.S.A. § 41 is amended to read:

2 § 41. PURPOSE

3 The ~~state of Vermont, recognizing~~ General Assembly recognizes the need to
4 enhance the working environment, ~~to~~ and improve the character and quality of
5 ~~state~~ State buildings in order to create an environment of distinction,
6 enjoyment, and pride for all citizens, ~~and to encourage~~ and State employees.
7 Therefore, the General Assembly encourages the donation, acquisition, and
8 commissioning of works of art ~~to~~ for the ~~state for its~~ State's permanent
9 collection or for exhibition in ~~state~~ State buildings or facilities, ~~hereby~~
10 ~~establishes a program.~~ The Art in State Buildings Program is established to
11 provide funds for and authorize the installation of permanent works of art at
12 the time of new construction or renovation of ~~state~~ State buildings and other
13 facilities.

14 Sec. 15. ART IN STATE BUILDINGS PROGRAM; REVIEW OF
15 GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

16 (a) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services and the Vermont
17 Council on the Arts, Inc. shall evaluate the effectiveness of the current
18 guidelines and procedures for the Art in State Buildings Program and whether
19 modified or new guidelines or procedures are required.

20 (b) On or before January 15, 2015, the Commissioner of Buildings and
21 General Services and the Vermont Council on the Arts, Inc. shall report to the

1 House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee
2 on Institutions with the results of the evaluation described in subsection (a) of
3 this section.

4 Sec. 16. 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 104, Sec. 2(f) is amended to read:

5 (f)(1) Option B of the of the Freeman, French, Freeman report published on
6 March 9, 2012 aligns closely with the ~~general assembly's~~ General Assembly's
7 vision for the Waterbury Complex. However, the ~~general assembly~~ General
8 Assembly believes that Option B could be modified to achieve a cost savings
9 to Vermonters. On or before June 1, 2012, the ~~department of buildings and~~
10 ~~general services~~ Department of Buildings and General Services shall present a
11 modified design proposal, including proposals under subdivision (4) of this
12 subsection (f) to the ~~house committee on corrections and institutions~~ House
13 Committee on Corrections and Institutions, the ~~senate committee on~~
14 ~~institutions~~ Senate Committee on Institutions, and the ~~special committee~~
15 Special Committee described in this subsection.

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17 (4) The ~~commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner
18 of Buildings and General Services is authorized to take certain actions before
19 formal approval of the design. Therefore, notwithstanding 29 V.S.A.
20 § 152(a)(6), 165, or 166 or any other provision of law, in addition to producing
21 a design, permitting, and applying for federal aid, upon passage of this act, the

1 ~~commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings
2 and General Services may:

3 (A) lease, sell, lease purchase, subdivide, redevelop for State use, or
4 donate the following buildings within the Waterbury Complex in their current
5 condition: Stanley and Wasson, 121 South Main Street, 123 South Main Street,
6 5 Park Row, 43 Randall Street, and their improvements.

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8 Sec. 17. REPEAL; USE AND DEVELOPMENT OF STATE FACILITIES
9 AND LAND; SPRINGFIELD CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

10 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161, Sec. 26(c)(2)(improvements and upgrades
11 to the municipal water system at the Springfield Correctional Facility) is
12 repealed.

13 Sec. 18. STATE HOUSE SECURITY

14 (a) The Sergeant at Arms, in consultation with the Commissioner of
15 Buildings and General Services, the City of Montpelier Fire Department, and
16 the City of Montpelier Police Department, shall reevaluate the evacuation plan
17 for the State House in case of a fire or other emergency.

18 (b) On or before January 15, 2015, the Sergeant at Arms shall ensure the
19 implementation of the plan described in subsection (a) of this subsection and
20 shall report to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the

1 Senate Committee on Institutions with the results of the reevaluation of the
2 plan.

3 Sec. 19. 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 25 is amended to read:

4 Sec. 25. PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS; MISCELLANEOUS

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6 (e) ~~Pursuant to 29 V.S.A. § 166(b), the commissioner of buildings and~~
7 ~~general services is authorized to subdivide land at the former Weeks school in~~
8 ~~Vergennes in order to sell the Arsenal and Fairbanks buildings. The~~
9 ~~commissioner may use proceeds from the sale to enhance the value of the~~
10 ~~remaining former Weeks school property. [Repealed.]~~

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12 Sec. 20. WEEKS SCHOOL; VERGENNES; MASTER PLAN

13 (a) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, in consultation
14 with the City of Vergennes and local and regional organizations, shall develop
15 a master plan for the [X]. The master plan shall include an evaluation of the
16 sale of up to 80 acres of [X].

17 (b) On or before January 15, 2015, the Commissioner of Buildings and
18 General Services shall submit the master plan developed pursuant to
19 subsection (a) of this section to the House Committee on Corrections and
20 Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions.

1 Sec. 21. STATE AUDITOR’S OFFICE; RELOCATION

2 (a) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall develop a
3 proposal to relocate the State Auditor’s Office to another building within the
4 Capitol Complex.

5 (b) On or before January 15, 2015, the Commissioner of Buildings and
6 General Services shall submit the plan described in subsection (a) of this
7 section to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate
8 Committee on Institutions.

9 * * * Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets * * *

10 Sec. 22. 24 V.S.A. § 5608 is added to read:

11 § 5608. AGRICULTURAL FAIRS AND FIELD DAYS CAPITAL

12 PROJECTS COMPETITIVE GRANTS PROGRAM

13 (a) Grant guidelines. The following guidelines shall apply to capital grants
14 made for Vermont agricultural fairs and field days projects pursuant to this
15 section:

16 (1) Grants shall be competitively awarded to capital projects that relate
17 to Vermont agricultural fairs and field days operating a minimum of three
18 consecutive, eight-hour days per year.

19 (2) A project for which a grant is awarded shall have a minimum useful
20 life of 20 years and shall be completed within two years of the execution of a
21 contract to perform work authorized by the grant.

1 (3) A grant recipient shall contribute matching funds or in-kind services
2 in an amount equal to 15 percent or more of the value of the grant.

3 (b) There is established an Agricultural Fairs and Field Days Capital
4 Program Advisory Committee to administer and coordinate grants made
5 pursuant to this section. The Committee shall include:

6 (1) two members appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture, Food and
7 Markets;

8 (2) one member appointed by the Commissioner of Forests, Parks and
9 Recreation;

10 (3) two members appointed by the Vermont Fair and Field Days
11 Association;

12 (4) one member appointed by the Vermont Department of Tourism and
13 Marketing;

14 (5) one member of the Vermont Senate appointed by the President Pro
15 Tempore of the Senate; and

16 (6) one member of the Vermont House of Representatives appointed by
17 the Speaker of the House.

18 (c) Administration.

19 (1) The Advisory Committee created in subsection (b) of this section
20 shall have the authority to award grants in its sole discretion; provided,

1 however, that the Committee shall consider whether to award partial awards to
2 all applicants that meet Program criteria established by the Committee.

3 (2) The Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets shall provide
4 administrative and technical support to the Committee for purposes of
5 administering grants awarded under this section.

6 * * * Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets and

7 Agency of Natural Resources * * *

8 Sec. 23. LABORATORY; SITE LOCATION PROPOSAL

9 (a) The Department of Buildings and General Services, in consultation with
10 the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets and the Agency of Natural
11 Resources, shall develop a detailed proposal on the site location, programming,
12 size, design, and preliminary cost estimate for a shared laboratory. The
13 proposal shall also include an evaluation of the current Agency of Agriculture,
14 Food and Markets and the Agency of Natural Resources programs located in
15 the leased space at 322 Industrial Lane in Berlin. It is the intent of the General
16 Assembly that when evaluating a site location, preference shall be given to
17 sites in the following order: property located in the Waterbury State Office
18 Complex or on Colchester Avenue in the City of Burlington, State-owned
19 property, and non-State-owned property. The Department of Buildings and
20 General Services, the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets, and the

1 Agency of Natural Resources are authorized to use funds appropriated in [Sec.
2 1] of this act for any costs associated with the proposal.

3 (b) On or before September 15, 2014, the Department of Buildings and
4 General Services, the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets, and the
5 Agency of Natural Resources shall submit the proposal described in subsection
6 (a) of this section to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and
7 the Senate Committee on Institutions.

8 (c) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall notify the
9 House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee
10 on Institutions at least monthly of updates on the proposal.

11 (d)(1) A special committee consisting of the Joint Fiscal Committee and
12 the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and of the
13 Senate Committee on Institutions (Special Committee) is established.

14 (2) The Special Committee shall meet to evaluate the proposal and
15 approve the final site selection at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the
16 Joint Fiscal Committee or at an emergency meeting called by the Chairs of the
17 House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and of the Senate Committee
18 on Institutions and the Joint Fiscal Committee. In making any decisions, the
19 Special Committee shall consider whether the property is State-owned, the
20 possibility of purchasing new property versus redeveloping State-owned
21 property, how the site location impacts the ability of the State to provide

1 services to citizens, programming, the financial consequences to the State of
2 approval or disapproval of the proposal, the suitability of the site for the
3 project, and whether any potential alternatives are available. The Special
4 Committee shall be entitled to per diem and expenses as provided in 2 V.S.A.
5 § 406. The Special Committee may also meet to make decisions made
6 necessary by unanticipated or unforeseen circumstances.

7 (3) With approval of the Speaker of the House and the President Pro
8 Tempore, as appropriate, the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions
9 and the Senate Committee on Institutions may meet up to six times when the
10 General Assembly is not in session to discuss any significant updates to the
11 proposal for the laboratory and make recommendations to the Special
12 Committee described in this subsection. The Committees shall notify the
13 Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, the Secretary of Agriculture,
14 Food and Markets, and the Secretary of Natural Resources prior to holding a
15 meeting pursuant to this subdivision. Committee members shall be entitled to
16 receive a per diem and expenses as provided in 2 V.S.A. § 406.

17 * * * Human Services * * *

18 Sec. 24. VERMONT PSYCHIATRIC CARE HOSPITAL; CERTIFICATE
19 OF NEED; FEDERAL MATCH

20 The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
21 transfer the sum of \$447,928.05 from the amount authorized in 2013 Acts and

1 Resolves No. 51, Sec. 2(b)(15)(A) to the Agency of Human Services if State
2 funding is required to match federal funds for eligible project costs required
3 under the Certificate of Need for the Vermont Psychiatric Care Hospital.

4 * * * Administration * * *

5 Sec. 25. 3 V.S.A. § 2293(b) is amended to read:

6 (b) Development Cabinet. A Development Cabinet is created, to consist of
7 the Secretaries of the Agencies of Administration, of Natural Resources, of
8 Commerce and Community ~~Affairs~~ Development, of Transportation, and of
9 Agriculture, Food and Markets. The Governor or the Governor's designee
10 shall chair the Development Cabinet. The Development Cabinet shall advise
11 the Governor on how best to implement the purposes of this section, and shall
12 recommend changes as appropriate to improve implementation of those
13 purposes. The Development Cabinet ~~may~~ shall establish interagency work
14 groups to support its mission, drawing membership from any agency or
15 department of State government. The interagency work groups shall evaluate,
16 test the feasibility of, and suggest alternatives to economic development
17 proposals submitted to it for consideration. The Development Cabinet shall
18 refer to appropriate interagency workgroups any economic development
19 proposal that has a significant impact on the inventory or use of State land or
20 buildings.

21 Sec. 26. STATE EMPLOYEES; MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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* * * Public Safety * * *

Sec. 28. 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 48 is amended to read:

Sec. 48. PUBLIC SAFETY FIELD STATION PROJECT

The Department of Buildings and General Services, in consultation with the Department of Public Safety, is authorized to use appropriations in Sec. 13 of this act to conduct feasibility studies, and identify and purchase land for future public safety field station sites. If the Department of Buildings and General Services proposes to purchase property when the General Assembly is not in session, the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall notify the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions of the proposal. In the event that land is identified for Troop B of the Vermont State Police, then the Department of Public Safety shall hold public meetings in the affected communities for public input on the proposal. The Department of Public Safety shall notify the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions on the results of the meeting when the General Assembly is in session, and the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions when the General Assembly is not in session. The General Assembly encourages the affected communities to contact the Department of Public Safety to review any proposals as they develop.

1 * * * Energy Use on State Properties * * *

2 Sec. 29. ENERGY EFFICIENCY; STATE LEASES

3 On or before January 15, 2015, the Commissioner of Buildings and General
4 Services shall develop a set of criteria and guidelines to evaluate and, where
5 appropriate, incorporate the use of energy efficiency measures, thermal energy
6 conservation measures, and renewable energy resources in buildings and
7 facilities leased by the State.

8 Sec. 30. 29 V.S.A. § 168 is amended to read:

9 § 168. STATE ~~RESOURCE~~ ENERGY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM;

10 REVOLVING FUNDS

11 (a) ~~Resource~~ State energy management program. ~~The~~

12 (1) There is established within the Department ~~shall be responsible of~~
13 Buildings and General Services an Energy Management Program for
14 administering the interest of the State in all ~~resource conservation~~ energy
15 management measures in State buildings and facilities, including equipment
16 replacement, studies, weatherization, ~~and~~ construction of improvements
17 affecting the use of energy resources, the implementation of energy efficiency
18 and conservation measures, and the use of renewable resources.

19 (2) The Energy Management Program shall be implemented through
20 two revolving funds used to finance energy management measures in State
21 buildings and facilities. Pursuant to subsections (b) and (c) of this section, the

1 State Resource Management Revolving Fund shall provide revenue for
2 implementation of resource conservation measures, and the Energy Revolving
3 Fund shall provide funding for energy efficiency improvements and the use of
4 renewable resources. The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services
5 shall establish guidelines for the provision of funding for energy management
6 measures through these revolving funds.

7 (3) ~~All resource conservation~~ energy management measures taken ~~for~~
8 ~~the benefit of departments or agencies to which this section applies pursuant to~~
9 this section shall, beginning on July 1, 2004, be made and executed by and in
10 the name of the Commissioner.

11 (b) State Resource Management Revolving Fund.

12 (1) There is established a Resource Management Revolving Fund to
13 provide revenue for implementation of resource conservation measures
14 anticipated to generate a life cycle cost benefit to the State. All State agencies
15 responsible for development and operations and maintenance of State
16 infrastructure shall have access to the Resource Management Revolving Fund
17 on a priority basis established by the Commissioner.

18 (2) The Fund shall consist of:

19 (A) ~~Monies~~ monies appropriated to the Fund, or which are paid to it
20 under authorization of the Emergency Board.;

1 (B) ~~Monies~~ monies saved by the implementation of resource
2 management conservation measures; and

3 (C) ~~Fees~~ fees for administrative costs paid by departments and
4 agencies, which shall be fixed by the Commissioner subject to the approval of
5 the Secretary of Administration.

6 (D) ~~[Deleted.]~~ [Repealed.]

7 (3) Monies from the Fund shall be expended by the Commissioner for
8 resource conservation measures anticipated to generate a life cycle cost benefit
9 to the State and all necessary costs involved with the administration of State
10 agency energy planning as determined by the Commissioner.

11 (4) The Commissioner shall establish criteria to determine eligibility for
12 funding of resource conservation measures.

13 (5) Agencies or departments receiving funding shall repay the Fund
14 through their regular operating budgets according to a schedule established by
15 the Commissioner. Repayment shall include charges of fees for administrative
16 costs over the term of the repayment.

17 (6) The Commissioner of Finance and Management may anticipate
18 receipts to this Fund and issue warrants based thereon.

19 (7) The Commissioner of ~~Buildings and General Services~~ shall maintain
20 accurate and complete records of all receipts by and expenditures from the
21 Fund.

1 (8) All balances remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall be carried
2 over to the following year.

3 (c) Energy Revolving Fund.

4 (1) There is established an Energy Revolving Fund to finance energy
5 efficiency improvements and the use of renewable resources in State buildings
6 and facilities anticipated to generate a cost-savings to the State. State agencies
7 and departments shall have access to the Energy Revolving Fund on a priority
8 basis established by the Commissioner and the State Treasurer.

9 (2) The Fund shall consist of:

10 (A) monies appropriated to the Fund or which are paid to it under
11 authorization of the Emergency Board;

12 (B) monies saved by the implementation of energy efficiency
13 improvements and the use of renewable resources;

14 (C) any funds available through a credit facility maintained by the
15 State Treasurer in accordance with subsection (d) of this section; and

16 (D) fees for administrative costs paid by departments and agencies,
17 which shall be fixed by the Commissioner subject to the approval of the
18 Secretary of Administration.

19 (3) Monies from the Fund shall be expended by the Commissioner for
20 measures anticipated to generate a cost-savings to the State and costs involved

1 with the administration of the State agency energy plan as determined by the
2 Commissioner.

3 (4) The Commissioner and the State Treasurer shall establish criteria to
4 determine eligibility for funding of energy efficiency improvements and the
5 use of renewable resources, including returns of investment on terms
6 acceptable to the State Treasurer.

7 (5) Agencies and departments receiving funding shall repay the Fund
8 through their regular operating budget according to a schedule established by
9 the Commissioner. Repayment shall include charges of fees for administrative
10 costs over the term of the repayment.

11 (6) The Commissioner of Finance and Management may anticipate
12 receipts to this Fund and issue warrants based thereon.

13 (7) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall maintain
14 accurate and complete records of all receipts by and expenditures from the
15 Fund.

16 (8) All balances remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall be carried
17 over to the following year; provided, however, that any amounts received in
18 repayment of the credit facility established under subsection (d) of this section
19 may be reinvested by the State Treasurer.

20 (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the State
21 Treasurer, working in collaboration with the Department of Buildings and

1 General Services, shall have the authority to establish a credit facility of up to
2 \$8,000,000.00, on terms acceptable to the State Treasurer. The credit facility
3 shall be used for the purpose of financing energy efficiency improvements and
4 the use of renewable resources anticipated to generate a cost-savings to the
5 State.

6 (e) As used in this section:

7 (1) “Energy efficiency improvement” shall mean a set of measures
8 aimed at reducing the energy used by specific end-use devices and systems to
9 provide light, heat, cooling, or other services without affecting the level of
10 service provided. An energy efficiency project may also include energy
11 conservation measures; that is, a reduction in energy consumption that
12 corresponds with a reduction in service demand.

13 (2) “Renewables” shall have the same meaning as under 30 V.S.A.
14 § 8002.

15 (3) “Resource conservation measures” shall mean a set of measures,
16 including a study, product, process, or technology, aimed at reducing overall
17 use or consumption of energy resources in State buildings or facilities.

18 “Resource conservation measures” shall include energy efficiency
19 improvements.

