

**No. 160. An act relating to capital construction and State bonding budget adjustment.**

(H.878)

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

\* \* \* Capital Appropriations \* \* \*

Sec. 1. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 2 is amended to read:

Sec. 2. STATE BUILDINGS

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(c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017:

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(5) Statewide, major maintenance:           ~~\$8,000,000.00~~ \$8,300,000.00

(6) Statewide, BGS engineering and architectural project costs:

~~\$3,677,448.00~~ \$3,553,061.00

(7) Statewide, physical security enhancements:

~~\$200,000.00~~ \$1,000,000.00

(8) ~~Montpelier, 115 State Street, State House lawn, access~~

~~improvements and water intrusion:~~           ~~\$300,000.00~~ [Repealed.]

(9) Montpelier, 120 State Street, life safety and infrastructure

improvements:                                       ~~\$1,000,000.00~~ \$1,500,000.00

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(13) Statewide, strategic building realignments:

~~\$300,000.00~~ \$250,000.00

(14) Burlington, 108 Cherry Street, parking garage, repair:

\$300,000.00

(15) Southern State Correctional Facility, steam line replacement:

\$200,000.00

(16) Statewide, ADA projects, State-owned buildings and courthouses:

\$74,000.00

(17) Montpelier, 115 State Street and One Baldwin Street, data wiring:

\$40,000.00

(18) Montpelier, 11 and 13 Green Mountain Drive, planning and siting

options for Department of Liquor Control and warehouse: \$75,000.00

(19) Waterbury State Office Complex projects, true up:

\$2,000,000.00

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(e) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to use funds from the amount appropriated in subdivision (c)(5) of this section to:

(1) conduct engineering and design for either a single generator for the State House or a shared generator for the State House and the Capitol

Complex, and the related upgrades for the electrical switch gear; and

(2) pay for or reimburse, up to \$150,000.00, for costs associated with repairing damage related to the removal of Vermont Interactive Technologies' equipment and wiring; provided, however, that the Commissioner of Buildings

and General Services shall not pay for or reimburse labor costs associated with the repair.

(f) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to begin the design of the parking garage at 108 Cherry Street in Burlington, as described in subdivision (c)(14) of this section, prior to the start of the 2017 legislative session if the Commissioner determines it is in the best interest of the State.

Appropriation – FY 2016		\$41,313,990.00
Appropriation – FY 2017	<del>\$29,450,622.00</del>	<u>\$33,265,235.00</u>
Total Appropriation – Section 2	<del>\$70,764,612.00</del>	<u>\$74,579,225.00</u>

Sec. 2. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 3 is amended to read:

Sec. 3. ADMINISTRATION

(a) ~~The following sums are~~ sum of \$125,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2016 to the Department of Taxes for the Vermont Center for Geographic Information for an ongoing project to update statewide quadrangle maps through digital orthophotographic quadrangle mapping:

~~(1) \$125,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2016.~~

~~(2) \$125,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2017.~~

(b) The following sums are appropriated to the Department of Finance and Management for the ERP expansion project (Phase II):

(1) \$5,000,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2016.

(2) ~~\$9,267,470.00~~ \$5,813,881.00 is appropriated in FY 2017.

(c) The sum of \$5,463,211.00 is appropriated in FY 2017 to the Agency of Human Services for the Health and Human Services Enterprise IT System.

Appropriation – FY 2016		\$5,125,000.00
Appropriation – FY 2017	<del>\$14,855,681.00</del>	<u>\$11,277,092.00</u>
Total Appropriation – Section 3	<del>\$19,980,681.00</del>	<u>\$16,402,092.00</u>

Sec. 3. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 5 is amended to read:

Sec. 5. JUDICIARY

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(c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Judiciary:

(1) Statewide court security systems and improvements:

~~\$125,000.00~~ \$740,000.00

(2) Judicial case management system:

\$4,000,000.00

(d) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Judiciary:

(1) Orleans State Courthouse, building assessment and feasibility study:

\$50,000.00

(2) Barre State Courthouse and Office Building, infrastructure

evaluation and design for the Courthouse:

\$40,000.00

Appropriation – FY 2016

\$5,880,000.00

Appropriation – FY 2017

~~\$4,125,000.00~~ \$4,830,000.00

Total Appropriation – Section 5

~~\$10,005,000.00~~ \$10,710,000.00

Sec. 4. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 6 is amended to read:

Sec. 6. COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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(d) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Agency of  
Commerce and Community Development for the following projects described  
in this subsection:

(1) Underwater preserves:	\$30,000.00
(2) Placement and replacement of roadside historic markers:	
	\$15,000.00
(3) <u>Update statewide quadrangle maps through digital orthophotographic quadrangle mapping:</u>	<u>\$125,000.00</u>
Appropriation – FY 2016	\$393,000.00
Appropriation – FY 2017	<del>\$295,000.00</del> <u>\$420,000.00</u>
Total Appropriation – Section 6	<del>\$688,000.00</del> <u>\$813,000.00</u>

Sec. 5. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 7 is amended to read:

Sec. 7. GRANT PROGRAMS

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(h) The sum of \$200,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2017 to the Enhanced  
911 Board for the Enhanced 911 Compliance Grant Program.

Appropriation – FY 2016	\$1,400,000.00
Appropriation – FY 2017	<del>\$1,400,000.00</del> <u>\$1,600,000.00</u>
Total Appropriation – Section 7	<del>\$2,800,000.00</del> <u>\$3,000,000.00</u>

Sec. 6. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 8 is amended to read:

Sec. 8. EDUCATION

(a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2016 to the Agency of Education for funding the State share of completed school construction projects pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 3448 and emergency projects:

(1) Emergency projects: ~~\$82,188.00~~ \$62,175.00

(2) School construction projects: ~~\$3,975,500.00~~ \$3,995,513.00

(b) The sum of \$60,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2017 to the Agency of Education for State aid for emergency projects.

Appropriation – FY 2016	\$4,057,688.00
Appropriation – FY 2017	\$60,000.00
Total Appropriation – Section 8	\$4,117,688.00

Sec. 7. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 9 is amended to read:

Sec. 9. UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

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(b) ~~The sum of \$1,400,000.00 is~~ following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the University of Vermont for the following projects:

(1) construction, renovation, and major maintenance:  
\$1,400,000.00

(2) UVM STEM Complex: \$500,000.00

(c) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the amount appropriated in subdivision (b)(2) of this section shall be used as a challenge grant to raise

funds for the University’s STEM Complex. The funds only shall become available after the University has notified the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions and the Commissioner of Finance and Management that \$500,000.00 in committed funds has been raised as a match to the appropriation in subdivision (b)(2) of this section.

(d) On or before January 15, 2017, the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall conduct a feasibility study to evaluate the potential uses of the land and building at 195 Colchester Avenue in Burlington, provided that any use shall be consistent with existing deed covenants.

Appropriation – FY 2016		\$1,400,000.00
Appropriation – FY 2017	<del>\$1,400,000.00</del>	<u>\$1,900,000.00</u>
Total Appropriation – Section 9	<del>\$2,800,000.00</del>	<u>\$3,300,000.00</u>

Sec. 8. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 10 is amended to read:

Sec. 10. VERMONT STATE COLLEGES

(a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2016 to the Vermont State Colleges:

(1) Construction, renovation, and major maintenance: \$1,400,000.00

(2) ~~Engineering~~ Engineering Randolph, Vermont Technical College, engineering technology laboratories, plan, design, and upgrade: \$1,000,000.00

(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Vermont State Colleges:

(1) Construction, renovation, and major maintenance: \$1,400,000.00

(2) Engineering Randolph, Vermont Technical College, engineering  
technology laboratories, plan, design, and upgrade: \$500,000.00

(3) Castleton, Castleton University, science laboratories, plan, design,  
and upgrade: \$1,000,000.00

(4) Lyndon, Lyndon State College, installation of solar thermal system,  
sound monitoring equipment: \$150,000.00

(c) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the amount appropriated in subdivision (b)(2) of this section shall be used as a challenge grant to raise funds to upgrade engineering technology laboratories at the Vermont Technical College. The funds shall only become available after the Vermont Technical College has notified the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions and the Commissioner of Finance and Management that \$500,000.00 in committed funds has been raised to match the appropriation in subdivision (b)(2) of this section and finance additional costs of comprehensive laboratory improvements.

(d) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the amount appropriated in subdivision (b)(3) of this section shall be used as a challenge grant to raise funds to upgrade science laboratories at Castleton University. Of the amount appropriated, \$500,000.00 shall become available upon passage of this act, and the remaining funds shall only become available after Castleton University has notified the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions



and the Senate Committee on Institutions and the Commissioner of Finance and Management that \$500,000.00 in committed funds has been raised as a match to finance costs associated with comprehensive laboratory improvements.

(e) It is the intent of the General Assembly that of the amount appropriated in subdivision (b)(4) of this section, \$100,000.00 shall become available upon passage of this act for the installation of the solar thermal system, and the remaining funds shall only become available after Lyndon State College has notified the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions and the Commissioner of Finance and Management that \$50,000.00 in committed funds has been raised as a match to finance costs associated with the purchase of sound monitoring equipment.

Appropriation – FY 2016		\$2,400,000.00
Appropriation – FY 2017	\$1,900,000.00	<u>\$3,050,000.00</u>
Total Appropriation – Section 10	<del>\$4,300,000.00</del>	<u>\$5,450,000.00</u>

Sec. 9. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 11 is amended to read:

Sec. 11. NATURAL RESOURCES

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(d) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Agency of Natural Resources for the Department of Environmental Conservation for the projects described in this subsection:

(1) the Water Pollution Control Fund for the Clean Water State/EPA

Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF) match: \$1,300,000.00

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(3) the Drinking Water Supply, Drinking Water State Revolving Fund:

~~\$2,538,000.00~~ \$2,738,000.00

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(7) Municipal Pollution Control Grants, pollution control projects and  
planning advances for feasibility studies: \$2,276,494.00

(8) Bristol, closure of town landfill: \$145,000.00

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(f) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Agency of  
Natural Resources for the Department of Fish and Wildlife:

(1) General infrastructure projects: \$875,000.00

(2) Lake Champlain Walleye Association, Inc. to upgrade and repair the  
walleye rearing, restoration, and stocking infrastructure: \$25,000.00

(g) The sum of \$2,230,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2017 to the  
Department of Buildings and General Services for the Department of Fish and  
Wildlife for the Roxbury fish hatchery reconstruction project.

(h) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Commissioner of  
Environmental Conservation may transfer any funds appropriated in a capital  
construction act to the Department of Environmental Conservation to support  
the response to PFOA contamination. If a responsible party reimburses the

Department for the cost of any such response, the Department shall use those funds to support the original capital appropriation and shall notify the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions of the reimbursement.

Appropriation – FY 2016		\$13,481,601.00
Appropriation – FY 2017	<del>\$13,243,000.00</del>	<u>\$18,094,494.00</u>
Total Appropriation – Section 11	<del>\$26,724,601.00</del>	<u>\$31,576,095.00</u>

Sec. 10. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 12 is amended to read:

Sec. 12. MILITARY

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(b) ~~The sum of \$750,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2017 to the Department of Military for maintenance, renovations, roof replacements, ADA renovations, and energy upgrades at State armories. To the extent feasible, these funds shall be used to match federal funds. The following sums are appropriated in~~ FY 2017 to the Department of Military for the projects described in this subsection:

(1) Construction, maintenance, renovations, roof replacements, and energy upgrades at State armories. To the extent feasible, these funds shall be used to match federal funds: \$750,000.00

(2) Randolph, Vermont Veterans Memorial Cemetery, project costs not covered by federal grant funds: \$188,000.00

<u>(3) ADA projects, State armories. To the extent feasible, these funds</u>		
<u>shall be used to match federal funds:</u>		<u>\$120,000.00</u>
Appropriation – FY 2016		\$809,759.00
Appropriation – FY 2017	<del>\$750,000.00</del>	<u>\$1,058,000.00</u>
Total Appropriation – Section 12	<del>\$1,559,759.00</del>	<u>\$1,867,759.00</u>

Sec. 11. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 13 is amended to read:

Sec. 13. PUBLIC SAFETY

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(c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Department of Public Safety as described in this subsection:

(1) Williston, State Police Barracks, site location and proposal, feasibility studies, and program analysis: \$250,000.00

(2) Westminster, DPS Facility, project cost adjustment for unanticipated site conditions and code modifications: \$400,000.00

(3) Waterbury State Office Complex, blood analysis laboratory, renovations: \$530,000.00

(d) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to use up to \$50,000.00 of the amount appropriated in subdivision (c)(1) of this section for acoustical enhancements at the Williston Public Safety Answer Point Center (PSAP), if deemed necessary after consultation with the Department of Public Safety.

(e) After the funds have been expended for Williston as described in subdivision (c)(1) and subsection (d) of this section, the Commissioner is authorized to use any funds remaining from the amount appropriated in subdivision (c)(1) of this section to evaluate options to replace the Middlesex State Police Barracks.

<u>Appropriation – FY 2016</u>	\$300,000.00
<u>Appropriation – FY 2017</u>	<u>\$1,180,000.00</u>
<del>Total Appropriation – § 13</del> <u>Total Appropriation – Section 13</u>	<u>\$1,480,000.00</u>

Sec. 12. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 14 is amended to read:

Sec. 14. AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND MARKETS

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(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets for the projects described in this subsection:

(1) Best Management Practices and Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program:	\$1,800,000.00
(2) Vermont Exposition Center Building, upgrades:	\$115,000.00
(3) <u>Vermont Agriculture and Environmental Laboratory, equipment:</u>	<u>\$455,000.00</u>
Appropriation – FY 2016	\$2,202,412.00
Appropriation – FY 2017	<del>\$1,915,000.00</del> <u>\$2,370,000.00</u>
Total Appropriation – Section 14	<del>\$4,117,412.00</del> <u>\$4,572,412.00</u>

Sec. 13. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 18 is amended to read:

Sec. 18. VERMONT HOUSING AND CONSERVATION BOARD

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(b) The following amounts are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board.

- (1) Statewide, water quality improvement projects: \$1,000,000.00
- (2) Housing: \$1,800,000.00
- (3) Downtown development projects: \$1,200,000.00

(c) The Vermont Housing and Conservation Board shall use the funds appropriated in subdivision (b)(3) of this section to leverage other resources to assist economically distressed downtowns in the Northeast Kingdom. The funds shall be held in reserve until appropriate affordable housing, historic preservation, community parks, public facilities, or public access to water projects can be developed. The Vermont Housing and Conservation Board may allocate up to ten percent of the funds to assist communities or community-based nonprofit organizations to support predevelopment or planning activities necessary for project implementation. It is the intent of the General Assembly that priority is given to communities acting on recommendations from a Vermont Council on Rural Development community visit, and that priority projects shall include distressed historic buildings where investment can help stabilize and improve the surrounding neighborhood.

(d) Notwithstanding the amounts allocated in subsection (b) of this section, the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board may use the amounts appropriated in subdivisions (b)(2) and (b)(3) of this section to increase the amount it allocates to conservation grant awards; provided, however, that the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board increases any affordable housing investments by the same amount from funds appropriated to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board in the FY 2017 Appropriations Act.

Appropriation – FY 2016		\$4,550,000.00
Appropriation – FY 2017	<del>\$2,800,000.00</del>	<u>\$4,000,000.00</u>
Total Appropriation – Section 18	<del>\$7,350,000.00</del>	<u>\$8,550,000.00</u>

Sec. 14. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 19 is amended to read:

Sec. 19. VERMONT INTERACTIVE TECHNOLOGIES

~~\$220,000.00~~ The sum of \$110,810.64 is appropriated in FY 2016 to the Vermont State Colleges on behalf of Vermont Interactive Technologies (VIT) for all costs associated with the dissolution of VIT’s operations.

Total Appropriation – Section 19	<del>\$220,000.00</del>	<u>\$110,810.64</u>
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Sec. 15. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 20 is amended to read:

Sec. 20. GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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(b) The sum of \$60,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2016 to the Joint Fiscal Office to hire consultant services for a security and safety protocol for the State House, as described in Sec. 46 of this act. Any funds remaining at the end of





<u>(11) of the amount appropriated in 2008 Acts and Resolves No. 200,</u>	
<u>Sec. 20 (Vermont Veterans Home):</u>	<u>\$206.36</u>
<u>(12) of the amount appropriated in 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40,</u>	
<u>Sec. 2(b) (Hebard State Office Building):</u>	<u>\$5,838.85</u>
<u>(13) of the amount appropriated in 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40,</u>	
<u>Sec. 4(a) (Health laboratory):</u>	<u>\$0.06</u>
<u>(14) of the amount appropriated in 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40,</u>	
<u>Sec. 7(b)(2) (Historic Barns Preservation Grants):</u>	<u>\$2,050.00</u>
<u>(15) of the amount appropriated in 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 104,</u>	
<u>Sec. 2(c)(7) (Vermont Veterans Memorial Cemetery Master Plan):</u>	<u>\$1,622.94</u>
<u>(16) of the amount appropriated in 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51,</u>	
<u>Sec. 2(b)(16) (Barre Courthouse and State Office Building, pellet boiler):</u>	
	<u>\$96,389.57</u>
<u>(17) of the amount appropriated in 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51,</u>	
<u>Sec. 11(a)(water pollution control):</u>	<u>\$16,464.86</u>
<u>(18) of the amount appropriated in 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51,</u>	
<u>Sec. 13(c) (land purchase and feasibility studies):</u>	<u>\$150,000.00</u>
<u>(19) of the amount appropriated in 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51,</u>	
<u>Sec. 13(d) (Public Safety land purchases):</u>	<u>\$299,022.00</u>
<u>(20) of the amount appropriated in 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26,</u>	
<u>Sec. 2(b) (Department of Labor parking lot expansion):</u>	<u>\$71,309.26</u>

(21) of the amount appropriated in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 178,

Sec. 2(c) (BGS engineering, project management, and architectural cost):

\$113,411.93

(22) of the amount appropriated in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 178,

Sec. 2(c)(17)(State House, security enhancements):

\$142,732.59

(23) of the amount appropriated in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 178,

Sec. 2(c)(18) (State House maintenance and upgrades and renovations):

\$100,000.00

(24) of the amount appropriated to the Historic Property Stabilization

and Rehabilitation Special Fund established in 29 V.S.A. § 155: \$50,000.00

(25) of the amount appropriated in 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26,

Sec. 12(a) to the Vermont Veterans Memorial Cemetery:

\$38,135.00

(b) The following unexpended funds appropriated to the Agency of Natural Resources for capital construction projects are reallocated to the Department of Buildings and General Services to defray expenditures authorized in Sec. 2 of this act:

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(6) of the amount appropriated in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 178,

Sec. 6 (water pollution control projects):

\$3,253.00

(7) the balance of the Vermont Pollution Control Revolving Fund

established in 24 V.S.A. § 4753:

\$496,147.71

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

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(6) of the proceeds from the sale of property authorized in 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 25 (1193 North Ave., Thayer School): \$60,991.12

(d) The sum of \$200,000.00 from the balance of the Vermont Water Source Protection Fund established in 24 V.S.A. § 4753 shall be reallocated to the Vermont Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund in Sec. 11(d)(3) of this act.

Sec. 18. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 22 is amended to read:

Sec. 22. GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND APPROPRIATIONS

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(c) The State Treasurer is authorized to issue additional general obligation bonds in the amount of \$9,398,753.35 that were previously authorized but unissued under 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26 for the purpose of funding the appropriations in this act.

Total Revenues – Section 22                      ~~\$155,559,096.05~~ \$164,957,849.40

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\* \* \* Buildings and General Services \* \* \*

Sec. 19. WATERBURY STATE OFFICE COMPLEX; PROPERTY  
TRANSACTIONS

(a) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to transfer the parcel of land designated as Lot 6A on the map prepared by Engineering Ventures PC entitled "Waterbury State Office Complex Restoration" and dated June 24, 2013, as revised by the Department of Buildings and General Services on March 24, 2016, to the owners of the property located at 28 Park Row in Waterbury; provided, however, that the owners of the property shall be required to pay any costs associated with the transfer.

(b) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall survey the parcel of land designated as Lot 8 on the map prepared by Engineering Ventures PC entitled "Waterbury State Office Complex Restoration" and dated June 24, 2013, as revised by the Department of Buildings and General Services on March 24, 2016.

Sec. 20. HOSKISON PROPERTY; PLYMOUTH; TRANSACTION

Notwithstanding 29 V.S.A. § 166(b), the Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to transfer, sell, demolish, or gift the house located on the Hoskison property deeded to the State of Vermont in 2006 that abuts the Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site in Plymouth Notch.

Sec. 21. MONTPELIER; 144 STATE STREET; PROPERTY

TRANSACTION

Notwithstanding 29 V.S.A. § 166(b), the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to sell, subdivide, lease, lease purchase, or enter into a common interest community agreement for the property located at 144 State Street in Montpelier, if the Commissioner determines that it is in the best interest of the State. Any agreement shall ensure that the State receives fair market value for the property, and costs associated with the sale, including relocation costs.

Sec. 22. VERMONT AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL

LABORATORY; BIOMASS FACILITY

(a) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall evaluate opportunities for the future development of biomass facilities to support the Vermont Agriculture and Environmental laboratory in Randolph if the Commissioner determines that it is in the best interest of the State. The Commissioner shall ensure that all opportunities are consistent with the State Agency Energy Plan.

(b) On or before December 1, 2016, the Commissioner shall report back to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions on the findings of the evaluation described in subsection (a) of this section.

Sec. 23. VERMONT AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL

LABORATORY; ROXBURY HATCHERY; CONSTRUCTION

The Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to enter into contractual obligations for construction for the following projects:

(1) the Vermont Agriculture and Environmental Laboratory, located at the Vermont Technical College site in Randolph, Vermont; and

(2) Roxbury Fish Hatchery, located in Roxbury, Vermont.

Sec. 24. 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 26(b) is amended to read:

(b) ~~The commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General Services on behalf of the ~~division for historic preservation~~ Division for Historic Preservation is authorized to enter into the agreements specified for the following properties, the proceeds of which shall be dedicated to the fund created by Sec. 30 of this act:

(1) Fuller farmhouse at the Hubbardton Battlefield ~~state~~ State historic site, authority to ~~sell or enter into a long-term lease with covenants~~ demolish the farmhouse if the Town of Hubbardton and the Hubbardton Historical Society are not able to find adequate funding to use the farmhouse by July 1, 2016; provided, however, that if the farmhouse is demolished, the foundation shall be capped to preserve any potential archaeological sites.

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(3) Bishop Cabin at Mount Independence State Historic Site in Orwell,  
authority to sell or enter into a long term lease with covenants on the land  
demolish the Cabin and remove all materials.

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Sec. 25. 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 29, amending 2010 Acts and  
Resolves No. 161, Sec. 25(f), is amended to read:

(f) Following consultation with the ~~state advisory council on historic  
preservation~~ State Advisory Council on Historic Preservation as required by  
22 V.S.A. § 742(7) and pursuant to 29 V.S.A. § 166, the ~~commissioner of  
buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General  
Services is authorized to subdivide and sell the house, barn, and up to 10 acres  
of land at 3469 Lower Newton Road in St. Albans. ~~Net proceeds of the sale  
shall be deposited in the historic property stabilization and rehabilitation fund  
established in Sec. 30 of this act.~~

Sec. 26. 29 V.S.A. § 155 is amended to read:

§ 155. ~~HISTORIC PROPERTY STABILIZATION AND  
REHABILITATION SPECIAL FUND~~

(a) ~~There is established a special fund managed by and under the authority  
and control of the Commissioner, comprising net revenue from the sale or  
lease of underutilized State-owned historic property to be used for the purposes  
set forth in this section. Any remaining balance at the end of the fiscal year  
shall be carried forward in the Fund; provided, however, that if the Fund~~

~~balance exceeds \$250,000.00 as of November 15 in any year, then the General Assembly shall reallocate funds not subject to encumbrances for other purposes in the next enacted capital appropriations bill.~~

~~(b) Monies in the Fund shall be available to the Department for the rehabilitation or stabilization of State-owned historic properties that are authorized by the General Assembly to be in the Fund program, for payment of costs of historic resource evaluations and archeological investigations, for building assessments related to a potential sale or lease, for one-time fees for easement stewardship and monitoring, and for related one-time expenses.~~

~~(c) On or before January 15 of each year, the Department shall report to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions concerning deposits into and disbursements from the Fund occurring in the previous calendar year, the properties sold, leased, stabilized, or rehabilitated during that period, and the Department's plans for future stabilization or rehabilitation of State-owned historic properties.~~

~~(d) Annually, the list presented to the General Assembly of State-owned property the Commissioner seeks approval to sell pursuant to section 166 of this title shall identify those properties the Commissioner has identified as underutilized State-owned historic property pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.~~

~~(e) For purposes of this section, "historic property" has the same meaning as defined in 22 V.S.A. § 701. [Repealed.]~~



Sec. 27. 29 V.S.A. § 1556 is amended to read:

§ 1556. STATE SURPLUS PROPERTY

(a) All material, equipment, and supplies found to be surplus by any ~~state~~ State agency or department shall be transferred to the ~~commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General Services. The ~~commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall be responsible for the disposal of surplus ~~state~~ State property. The ~~commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General Services may:

(1) transfer the property to any other ~~state~~ State agency or department having a justifiable need for the property, or transfer to any municipality, school, or nonprofit organization having a justifiable need as determined by a State agency or department, and assess an administrative fee if deemed appropriate;

(2) store or warehouse the property for future needs of the ~~state~~ State;

(3) transfer the property to municipalities for town highways and bridges;

(4) after giving priority to the provisions of subdivisions (1), (2), and (3) of this ~~section~~ subsection, transfer used bridge beams and other surplus material, equipment, and supplies to VAST, the local affiliates of VAST, or to municipalities cooperating with VAST or municipalities developing and maintaining their own trail system;

(5) recondition and repair any property for use or sale when economically feasible;

(6) sell surplus property by any suitable means, including ~~but not limited to~~, bids or auctions;

(7) donate, at no charge, surplus motor vehicles and related equipment, to any nonprofit entity engaged in rehabilitating and redistributing motor vehicles to ~~low income~~ Vermont residents with low income, provided that the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner has first attempted to sell or satisfy the needs of the ~~state~~ State for the vehicles or equipment concerned.

(b) Any municipality, school, or nonprofit organization that receives a transfer of property pursuant to this section shall assume ownership of the property from the State.

Sec. 28. 29 V.S.A. § 821(b) is amended to read:

(b) State correctional facilities. The names of State correctional facilities shall be as follows:

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~~(10) In Waterbury, "Dale Correctional Facility."~~

Sec. 29. SOUTHEAST STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY; WINDSOR;

LAND TRANSFER

(a) On or before August 1, 2016, the Department of Buildings and General Services shall conduct a survey of the 160-acre portion of the State-owned parcel in the Town of Windsor known as the "Windsor Prison Farm" that is

under the jurisdiction of the Department of Buildings and General Services and described in Executive Order 08-15. The survey shall identify the boundaries for all of the land used by the Departments of Corrections and of Buildings and General Services for the operation and security of the Southeast State Correctional Facility.

(b) Within 30 days of receipt of the survey described in subsection (a) of this section, the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall transfer to the jurisdiction of the Department of Fish and Wildlife the portion of the land identified in the survey that is not used by the Departments of Buildings and General Services and of Corrections for the operation and security of the Southeast State Correctional Facility.

\* \* \* Corrections \* \* \*

Sec. 30. VERMONT STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES;

COMMITTEE; ASSESSMENT; REPORT

(a) Creation. There is created a Correctional Facility Planning Committee to develop a 20-year capital plan for, and assess the population needs at, Vermont State correctional facilities.

(b) Membership. The Committee shall be composed of the following:

- (1) the Commissioner of Corrections or designee, who shall serve as chair;
- (2) the Commissioner of Finance and Management or designee;
- (3) the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services or designee;

(4) the Commissioner for Children and Families or designee;

(5) the Commissioner of Mental Health or designee;

(6) the Commissioner of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living or designee;

(7) the Executive Director of the Crime Research Group or designee; and

(8) the President of the Vermont State Employees' Association or designee.

(c) Powers and duties. The Committee shall assess the capital and programming needs of State correctional facilities, which shall include the following:

(1) An evaluation of the use, condition, and maintenance needs of each State correctional facility, including whether any facility should be closed, renovated, relocated, or repurposed. This evaluation shall include an update of the most recent facilities assessment as of June 30, 2016:

(A) each facility's replacement value;

(B) each facility's deferred maintenance schedule; and

(C) the cost of each facility's five-, ten-, and 15-year scheduled maintenance.

(2) An analysis of the historic population trends of State correctional facilities, and anticipated future population trends, including age, gender, and medical, mental health, and substance abuse conditions.

(3) An evaluation of whether the design and use of existing facilities adequately serve the current population and anticipated future populations, including whether the Out-of-State inmate program may be eliminated and the feasibility of constructing new infrastructure more suitable for current and future populations.

(4) An investigation into all available options for constructing new facilities.

(5) An evaluation on potential site locations for a replacement State correctional facility.

(d) Report and recommendations. On or before February 1, 2017, the Committee shall submit a report based on the assessment described in subsection (c) of this section, and any recommendations for legislative action, to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions.

\* \* \* Education \* \* \*

Sec. 30a. VERMONT STATE COLLEGES; UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT;

CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS

On or before January 15, 2017, the Chancellor of the Vermont State Colleges and the President of the University of Vermont shall each submit a long-term strategic plan to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions for the most effective use of capital funds, including outlining priorities for whether to allocate future

capital appropriations to general construction, maintenance, and renovation costs or to specific capital projects, and how to maximize the use of matching grant funds.

\* \* \* Judiciary \* \* \*

Sec. 31. 4 V.S.A. § 38 is added to read:

§ 38. CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS; COUNTY COURTHOUSES

(a) On or before October 1 each year, any county requesting capital funds for its courthouse, or court operations, shall submit a request to the Court Administrator.

(b) The Court Administrator shall evaluate requests based on the following criteria:

(1) whether the funding request relates to an emergency that will affect the court operations and the administration of justice;

(2) whether there is a State-owned courthouse in the county that could absorb court activities in lieu of this capital investment;

(3) whether the county consistently has invested in major maintenance in the courthouse;

(4) whether the request relates to a State-mandated function;

(5) whether the request diverts resources of other current Judiciary capital priorities;

(6) whether the request is consistent with the long-term capital needs of the Judiciary, including providing court services adapted to modern needs and requirements; and

(7) any other criteria as deemed appropriate by the Court Administrator.

(c) Based on the criteria described in subsection (b) of this section, the Court Administrator shall make a recommendation to the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services regarding whether the county's request should be included as part of the Judiciary's request for capital funding in the Governor's annual proposed capital budget request.

(d) On or before January 15 of each year, the Court Administrator shall advise the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions of all county requests received and the Court Administrator's recommendations for the proposed capital budget request.

\* \* \* Natural Resources \* \* \*

Sec. 32. HAZARDOUS MATERIAL RESPONSE; PROJECTED CAPITAL  
NEEDS

On or before January 15, 2017, the Commissioner of Environmental Conservation shall submit a report to the House Committees on Corrections and Institutions and on Ways and Means, and the Senate Committees on Finance and on Institutions, on the following:

(1) the projected costs in fiscal year 2018, including capital costs, for the Department to investigate and respond to the effects of hazardous material releases to the environment;

(2) other projected obligations of the Environmental Contingency Fund, established in 10 V.S.A. § 1283; and

(3) specific recommendations for funding the Environmental Contingency Fund in order to meet the State's obligations with respect to releases of hazardous materials.

\* \* \* Public Safety \* \* \*

Sec. 33. BRADFORD STATE POLICE BARRACKS

On or before December 1, 2016, the Commissioners of Buildings and General Services and of Public Safety shall investigate opportunities for the Bradford State Police Barracks, including selling, leasing, or gifting the property, and shall report back with the findings to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions.

Sec. 34. PUBLIC SAFETY; PUBLIC SAFETY FIELD STATION; SITE  
LOCATION; WILLISTON POLICE BARRACKS

(a) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Safety, is authorized to use funds appropriated in Sec. 11 of this act to evaluate options for the site location of a public safety field station and an equipment storage facility. The investigation may include conducting feasibility studies and program analysis, site selection,



purchase and lease-purchase opportunities, and consolidation of the two facilities.

(b) On or before October 10, 2016, the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Safety, shall submit a recommendation for a site location for the public safety field station and the equipment storage facility to the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions, based on the evaluation described in subsection (a) of this section. It is the intent of the General Assembly that when evaluating site locations, preference shall be first given to State-owned property located in Chittenden County.

(c) The Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions, in consultation with the members of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions, shall review the recommendation described in subsection (a) of this section. The House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions may each meet up to one time when the General Assembly is not in session to review the recommendation. The Committees shall notify the Commissioners of Buildings and General Services and of Public Safety of any meeting. Committee members shall be entitled to receive a per diem and expenses as provided in 2 V.S.A. § 406.

(d) On or before December 1, 2016, the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Safety, shall develop a detailed proposal on the site location based on the recommendation described in subsection (a) of this section; provided, however, that the Commissioner shall not proceed without unanimous approval of the site location by the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions. The proposal shall include programming, size, design, and preliminary cost estimates for either separate or consolidated facilities.

(e) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall notify the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions at least monthly of updates on the proposals described in this section.

Sec. 35. 24 V.S.A. § 5609 is added to read:

§ 5609. ENHANCED 911 COMPLIANCE GRANTS PROGRAM

(a) Grant guidelines. The following guidelines shall apply to capital grants associated with the planning and implementation of the Enhanced 911 program in schools pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 7057:

(1) Grants shall be awarded competitively to schools for fees and equipment necessary to comply with and implement the Enhanced 911 program.

(2) The Program is authorized to award matching grants of up to \$25,000.00 per project. The required match shall be met through dollars raised and not in-kind services.

(b) Administration. The Enhanced 911 Board, established in 30 V.S.A. § 7052, shall administer and coordinate grants made pursuant to this section, and shall have the authority to award grants in its sole discretion.

\* \* \* Security \* \* \*

#### Sec. 36. STATE HOUSE SECURITY

(a) The Sergeant at Arms is authorized to use funds appropriated in Sec. 15 of this act to:

(1) install a remote lockdown system for doors to the State House;

(2) conduct trainings at the State House; and

(3) install seven security cameras in the State House.

(b) The Sergeant at Arms shall consult with the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services on the design and installation of the security enhancements described in subsection (a) of this section.

(c) On or before August 1, 2016, the Sergeant at Arms shall develop lockdown guidelines and a camera use and data retention policy and procedure for the State House. The lockdown guidelines and camera use and data retention policy and procedure shall only become effective after majority approval of the Senate President Pro Tempore or designee, the Speaker of the House or designee, and the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and

Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions. No cameras shall be installed until the camera use and data retention policy and procedure have been approved.

(d) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the cameras described in subdivision (a)(3) of this section shall be installed at the entrances of the State House and shall be fixed on points of ingress.

\* \* \* Repeal \* \* \*

Sec. 36a. REPEAL

24 V.S.A. § 5609 (enhanced 911 compliance) is repealed on July 1, 2018.

\* \* \* Effective Dates \* \* \*

Sec. 37. EFFECTIVE DATES

This act shall take effect on passage, except that Sec. 26 (Historic Property Stabilization and Rehabilitation Special Fund; repeal) shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

Date Governor signed bill: June 2, 2016