

# Vermont Capital Construction Proposal Fiscal Years 2016 & 2017

Peter Shumlin, Governor

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An act to appropriate and reallocate capital funds for various purposes and authorize the issuance of bonds therefor.

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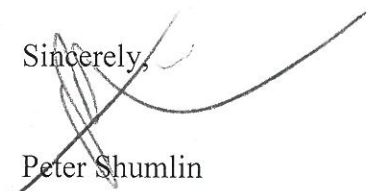
Dear Legislators:

I am pleased to present the third biennial Capital Appropriations Bill in compliance with the Capital Debt Affordability recommendation of \$144 million authorized bonds, plus \$11.5 million bond premium. By focusing on investments in projects already underway, such as the rebuilding of the Waterbury State Office Complex, and projects necessitated by health and safety issues, the bill considers the State's future needs.

As we move forward, it is imperative that we continue to invest in long-postponed improvements to the State's information technology systems, as well as in school construction programs for districts which merge to become more efficient. This proposal also continues the investment in our greatest resource, the environment. I am proposing funding to reduce pollution in Lake Champlain and to assist farmers in employing best practices to reduce water quality impacts. Additionally, this proposal protects state assets by its support of major maintenance activities.

I look forward to discussing these and other issues as we work together to transition into a sustainable budget environment.

Sincerely,



Peter Shumlin  
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cc: Shap Smith, Speaker of the House  
John Campbell, Senatè Pro Tempore



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## **AGENCY OF ADMINISTRATION FOREWORD (FY' 16-17)**

### **Debt Affordability Committee Report – Commentary**

#### **Background**

The Capital Debt Affordability Advisory Committee (CDAAC) was established in 1990. Its primary mission is to make an annual advisory recommendation to the Governor and to the Legislature for the maximum amount of new long-term net-tax-supported debt that prudently may be authorized for the next fiscal year. The seven-member Committee comprises the Secretary of Administration, the State Treasurer (Chair), the Auditor of Accounts, an individual selected by the Vermont Municipal Bond Bank, two individuals appointed by the Governor, and one individual appointed by the State Treasurer.

In forming its recommendations, the Committee has historically considered key affordability standards including State debt per capita, State debt as a percent of personal income, and projected annual debt service as a percent of projected State revenues. In 2008, the Legislature expanded the Committee's charge to include consideration of the impact of capital spending upon the economic conditions of the State and cost-benefit analysis of various levels of debt, types of debt, and maturity schedules.

The CDAAC benchmarks the State of Vermont against other triple-A rated states in formulating its recommendation for the maximum authorization amount of net tax-supported debt to be issued each fiscal year. The Committee is guided annually by Vermont's ability to meet the triple-A rated state, five-year averages for the mean and median of per capita debt load, and debt as a percent of personal income. Based on this approach, growth in debt by other triple-A states gives Vermont additional long-term debt capacity while maintaining the highest possible credit-rating and remaining within the guidelines adopted by the Committee.

From 2010 to 2014, and breaking the trend from past years, the median debt per capita among triple-A states remained essentially flat at \$907. Vermont's debt per capita grew significantly during that period, from \$709 to \$878, or 23.8%. Debt as a percentage of personal income among triple-A rated states also stayed flat over the same time period, at 2.4%. Vermont's debt as a percentage of personal income increased slightly during this period from 1.89% to 2.09%.

With respect to the amount of debt service paid out of operating revenues (general fund plus transportation fund, and not education fund), the CDAAC currently follows a 6% guideline. At present, the State's debt service liability represents 4.7% of operating funds, safely within the CDAAC guideline.



## **FY14-15 Recommended Debt Authorization**

The Committee recommends a maximum net tax supported debt authorization not to exceed \$144,000,000 for the fiscal years 2016-2017. This recommendation represents a 9.9% decrease from the \$159,900,000 2-year recommendation for fiscal years 2014 and 2015, and is consistent with the approach that the Committee and the State have taken in the recent past; in particular, an amount is established that allows the State to comply with the established affordability guidelines for the next ten fiscal years, and remain within the State's affordability parameters.

## **Rationale for Recommendations**

The Committee provided the following rationale for its \$144,000,000 2-year recommendation:

1. Authorization of this level of debt complies with the State's triple-A debt guidelines.
2. It produces an increase in the amount of capital funding for State purposes, and is consistent with the level of past debt authorizations.
3. Authorization of this level of debt in fiscal year 2016-17 is consistent with the current expectations of the rating agencies, and we believe this authorization demonstrates that the State continues to manage its debt issuance program in a prudent and restrained manner.

## **Vermont's Credit Rating**

Moody's Investors Service, Standard & Poor's, and Fitch Ratings are the primary organizations that assign credit ratings to state and municipal debt. These credit ratings inform investors as to the relative risk of the issuing state or municipality, and are based on the issuer's financial health and economic outlook. Credit ratings rank state issuers from the highest, a triple-A rating to the lowest investment grade rating, a triple-B rating. States and municipalities with lower credit ratings must pay higher interest rates when issuing bonds.

Vermont's general obligation debt is currently rated triple-A (highest) by Moody's Investors Service and Fitch Ratings, and double-A plus (second-highest) by Standard & Poor's. These ratings make Vermont the highest-rated state in New England, and one of the highest-rated states in the Country. Continued prudence with regards to borrowing practices could help the State to achieve and maintain triple-A ratings from all three rating agencies.

Rating agencies look at a variety of data when considering a bond rating. The Official Statement, or bond prospectus, is a critical document as are the State's most recent financial statements. Telephonic and in-person meetings with the ratings agencies are also held, at which time the agencies are given the opportunity to ask specific questions about the documentation provided in connection with a proposed debt issuance, as well as make inquiries and informal judgments about the State's economy, its overall financial condition, and overall management of the State's fiscal affairs.

It is critically important for Vermont to continue to at least maintain, and if possible improve upon its current bond ratings. The State's practices of maintaining debt ratios in accordance with CDAAC guidelines and of issuing debt with level annual principal installments represent debt management characteristics that have allowed Vermont's highly rated bonds to be issued at increasing annual amounts in order to cost-effectively fund infrastructure and other capital improvements; these sound practices should be continued. Not only does Vermont's credit rating impact what it pays on its general obligation debt, its rating also affects municipal bond ratings and the quasi-public bodies that also issue bonds, such as the Municipal Bond Bank and the Vermont Housing Finance Agency. The State's bond rating is an important measure to be zealously defended and guarded against so as to help ensure the lowest cost financing for Vermonters.

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John Campbell, Senate President Pro Tempore  
Alice Emmons, Chair, House Committee on Corrections and Institutions  
Peg Flory, Chair, Senate Committee on Institutions  
Stephen Klein and Members, Joint Fiscal Committee

**FROM:** Beth Pearce, State Treasurer

**DATE:** December 19, 2014

**RE:** Capital Debt Affordability Advisory Committee FINAL Report – 2014

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Pursuant to 32 V.S.A. §1001, I am pleased to deliver on behalf of the Capital Debt Affordability Advisory Committee (“Committee”) its “Recommended Annual Net Tax-Supported Debt Authorization” Final Report for 2014.

I am also pleased to convey that, based upon a revised analysis using November consensus economic and financial projections, the Committee has increased its formal recommendation of the maximum amount of new long-term net State tax-supported debt that prudently may be authorized for fiscal years 2016 and 2017 to \$144,000,000. This is materially higher than the Committee’s interim recommendation of a range from \$124,500,000 to \$134,780,000, and reflects both a correction to the August consensus economic data, and more robust General and Transportation Fund projected revenues over the next ten years. However, it is less than the previous biennium’s recommendation of \$159,900,000.

Since the Committee released its Interim Report at the end of September, the State has received a reaffirmation of its bond ratings, with stable outlooks, of Aaa (highest) from Moody’s Investors Service, AAA (highest) from Fitch Ratings, and AA+ (second highest) from Standard & Poor’s, however S&P’s outlook was revised to stable from positive. While this revision was not unexpected, and was based primarily upon current muted economic conditions, it underscores the importance of the State assiduously maintaining its adherence to debt affordability planning and prudent use of resources.

As in years past, for the preservation of Vermont’s excellent credit ratings, it is imperative the Governor and General assembly continue their unbroken record of adopting the Committee’s debt recommendation. In addition, it is critical that the State continue to (1) fund the full annual required contributions for the State Employees’ and State Teachers’ pension funds, (2) maintain the full 5% statutory budget stabilization reserves for the General Fund, Education Fund and

Transportation Fund, and (3) fund the General Fund contribution to the newly-created Retired Teachers' Health and Medical Benefits Fund. Finally, while I realize it will be difficult given the State's budget constraints over the next several years, the State should try to build the General Fund Balance Reserve (i.e., "rainy day" fund) to 3% of the General Fund incrementally and over time, with the eventual goal of maintaining combined General Fund budget stabilization and "rainy day" reserves of 8%.

I am fully aware that a reduction in future bond issuance will be difficult to manage given the State's extensive capital needs. At the same time, I remain convinced that preserving Vermont's triple-A credit ratings and excellent reputation with the financial markets is the best strategy to ensure market access, to maintain low borrowing costs, and ultimately to protect Vermont's taxpayers.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

**SECTION 1**

**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS AND GENERAL SERVICES**

**SEC. 1 APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS & GENERAL SERVICES**

The following sum of \$67,885,526 is requested in total for FY'16 and FY'17 to the Department of Buildings and General Services. The Commissioner is authorized to direct funds appropriated in this Section to the projects contained in this Section; the individual allocations in this Section are estimates only:

The following sums are requested for Fiscal Year 2016 and 2017:

1. Statewide Asbestos/Lead/Mold Management..... \$100,000

The sum of \$50,000 is requested in FY'16 and \$50,000 in FY'17 to assist with the identification, assessment, and remediation of asbestos, lead and mold in our State-owned buildings in accordance with EPA, VOSHA and the Vermont Dept. of Health (DOH) regulations and guidelines.

Many of the State buildings were constructed using asbestos and lead containing materials and must by law be tested and abated, encapsulated or otherwise managed when renovations occur or when those materials are disturbed. Failure to comply with regulations will create health risks and expose the State to severe fines and potential lawsuits.

These materials must be handled appropriately whenever affected by maintenance, construction or general deterioration. It is estimated that several million dollars are needed to totally abate existing asbestos containing materials in all buildings statewide. Lead is existent in most of our buildings constructed prior to the mid-1970's. New laws regarding lead paint have increased the costs of scraping and painting our older buildings. Mold has also become an issue due to increased awareness and understanding of its possible impact on individuals with sensitivities to various types of molds and corresponding concentrations.

Summary Cost Allocation:	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20- FY '26	
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								0
Site Acquisition								0
Construction	50	50	50	50	50	50	350	650
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	50	50	50	50	50	50	350	650



2. Statewide Building Reuse/Planning ~ Annual Appropriation ..... \$150,000

The sum of \$75,000 is requested in FY'16 and \$75,000 in FY'17 to accomplish space moves and program changes by Agencies and Departments, both scheduled and unscheduled.

Space moves and program changes have dramatically increased over the past several years due primarily to the impact of Tropical Storm Irene on the displacement of State workers from the Waterbury Office Complex.

Summary Cost Allocation:	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20- FY '26	
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								0
Site Acquisition								0
Construction	75	75	75	75	75	75	525	975
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	75	75	75	75	75	75	525	975

3. Statewide Contingency ~ Annual Appropriation ..... \$200,000

The sum of \$100,000 is requested in FY'16 and \$100,000 in FY'17 to cover shortfalls due to changing market conditions that affect bids, estimating challenges and unforeseen conditions that impact project costs. These funds provide badly needed flexibility to support several hundred annual BGS projects.

Summary Cost Allocation:	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20- FY '26	
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								0
Site Acquisition								0
Construction	100	100	100	100	100	100	700	1,300
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	100	100	100	100	100	100	700	1,300

4. Statewide Elevator Repairs and Replacement .....\$200,000

Funds are requested to perform upgrades and repairs, from minor to major, in order to comply with current codes/standards. These funds will assist us in addressing many of the minor code deficiencies that are identified during the yearly inspections, resulting in conditional permits, as well as emergency repairs. The two major upgrades that are being reviewed at this time are at 110 and 111 State Street. These elevators have older controls that are getting harder to find parts for, which results in longer down time to make repairs.

Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
Cost Allocation:								
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								0
Site Acquisition								0
Construction			100	100	100	100	700	1,100
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	0	0	100	100	100	100	700	1,100



New Elevator Controls installed in the State House in December 2014. These electronic controls replaced the old relays and switches that were installed in the 1960's. The elevator now has fire recall and meets the current elevator codes.

5. Statewide Major Maintenance ..... \$16,210,287

The Department of Buildings and General Services is responsible for the maintenance of approximately 244 buildings statewide including the buildings at the Waterbury State Complex, which remain after the Irene flood event of 2011, a public investment with a replacement value of about \$802,288,000. Many of these structures are thirty-five (35) years old and some are well over sixty-five (65) years old. The maintenance budget for the management of this infrastructure should be between 2% and 4% of the value of the infrastructure (3% is about \$24,068,000). The operating budget for maintenance is about \$10,601,000 for fiscal year 2016, which covers salaries and routine maintenance. The requests for \$8,210,287 for FY'16 and \$8,000,000 for FY'17 are targeted for major replacements or repairs of infrastructure that cannot be accomplished through operating revenues. (See graphical representation on opposite page.) One of the reasons for our relatively high monetary request for the foreseeable future is that we have completed the first year and a half of the Facility Condition Assessments, which have brought to light many necessary repairs, replacements and upgrades needed at our correctional facilities. We are now in the process of looking at the Capital Complex buildings, as well as many Burlington buildings and several other buildings around the state for the second phase of the Facility Condition Assessments.

Examples of proposed projects include:

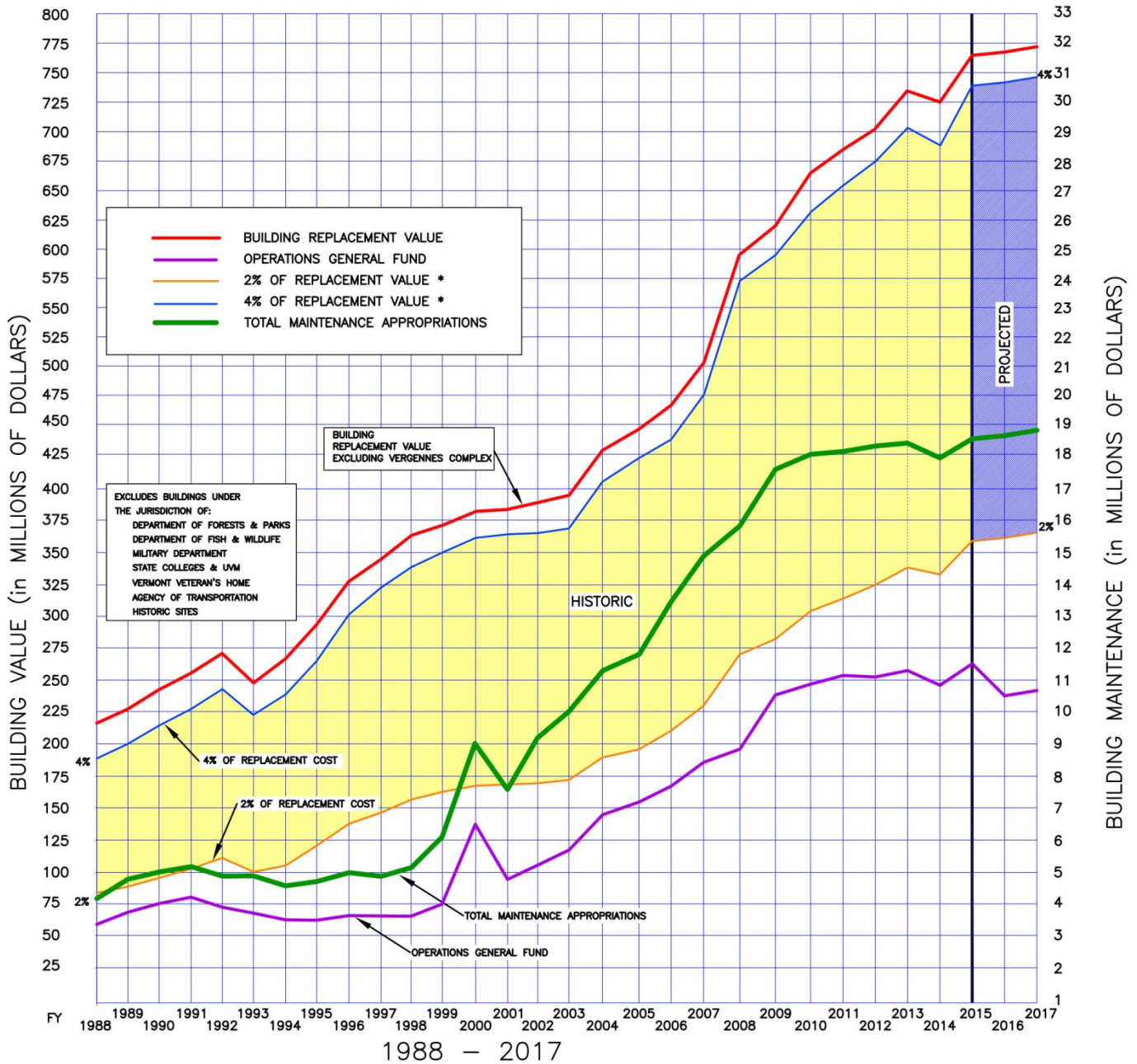
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| Floor Coverings                | Building Masonry Cleaning & Repair        |
| Elevator Retrofits             | Window Replacements                       |
| Re-Paving Projects             | HVAC Duct Cleaning & Re-Balancing         |
| Heating System Replacements    | Ventilation System Repairs & Improvements |
| Fire Alarm System Replacements | Building & Utility Infrastructure Repairs |
| Roof Repairs & Replacements    | Asbestos and Lead Abatement               |
| Parking Garage Maintenance     | Indoor Air Quality Management             |

Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Totals			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								0
Site Acquisition								0
Construction	8,000	8,370	8,210	8,000	10,000	10,000	76,000	128,580
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	8,000	8,370	8,210	8,000	10,000	10,000	76,000	128,580

# BUILDINGS & GENERAL SERVICES

## BUILDING MAINTENANCE APPROPRIATIONS

### FY 16 / FY 17



\* TOTAL MAINTENANCE APPROPRIATIONS SHOULD BE BETWEEN 2% - 4% OF THE TOTAL BUILDING REPLACEMENT VALUE (SHADED AREA) IN ORDER TO PROPERLY MAINTAIN THE INFRASTRUCTURE ACCORDING TO THE AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION. (SEE PUBLICATION: SPECIAL REPORT 3 60 - COMMITTING TO THE COST OF OWNERSHIP.)

\*\* OPERATIONS = 40% X F F SPACE COST (TOTAL)  
 FY16 OPERATIONS = .40 X 26,503,541 = \$10,601,416.40  
 FY17 OPERATIONS = .40 X 27,000,000 = \$10,800,000.00

\*\*\* CONSIDERS LOSSES AT WATERBURY STATE COMPLEX

FY	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
MAJOR MAINTENANCE	5,000	5,600	7,065	7,000	8,181	8,025	8,000	7,900	7,000	7,000	8,210	8,000
OPERATIONS	7,820	8,435	8,831	10,500	10,815	10,898	11,160	11,200	10,983	11,203	10,601	10,800
TOTAL	12,820	14,035	15,896	17,500	18,996	18,898	19,160	19,100	17,983	18,203	18,811	18,800
BUILDING VALUE	465,425	508,000	595,100	618,300	660,000	680,000	695,500	730,000	715,855	765,855	770,850	778,500
100% x TOTAL/BLDG. VALUE	2.75	2.76	2.67	2.83	2.88	2.78	2.76	2.62	2.51	2.38	2.44	2.41

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6. BGS ~ Engineering/ Architectural & Project Management Costs ..... \$7,245,239

The sum of \$7,245,239 is requested to support the general operation of the BGS Engineering and Construction Division for the next two (2) years. Since FY'10, the legislature authorized the BGS Engineering and Construction Division costs to be funded with Capital money. This proposal is an increase from previous years due to increases in health insurance, base salary changes and a new position Energy Project Engineer, to support the State of Vermont energy initiatives and programs assigned to Buildings & General Services.

Summary Cost Allocation:	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20- FY '26	
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								0
Site Acquisition								0
Construction								0
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	3,040	3,040	3,568	3,677				13,325



7. Statewide Physical Security Enhancements.....\$500,000

The sum of \$500,000 is requested to continue security enhancements to our (1) Door Access, (2) Video (Camera), and (3) Emergency Response Systems in State-owned and leased buildings. The current camera system is obsolete and the newer technologies will allow expanded capability and coverage in facilities. The door access system is nearing end-of-life and we have the opportunity to upgrade our front end server and software application, and continue to utilize our cards and installed readers. This will allow better door control, lockdown capability and also the ability to alert employees of a building incident. Additionally, we want to increase “panic button” utilization for those vulnerable locations that are at risk of incidents due to the nature of the program services delivered. All of these efforts are aimed at improving employee workplace safety and security, and the ability to manage incidents within our buildings as directed by legislation.

Summary Cost Allocation:	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20- FY '26	
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								0
Site Acquisition								0
Construction								0
Fit-Up	200	100	250	250	100	200	700	1,800
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	200	100	250	250	100	200	700	1,800

8. Burlington ~ 32 Sherry Street: HVAC Continued Improvements ..... \$150,000

This phase of the multi-year project involves replacing approximately 125 variable air volume (VAV) boxes that date back to the original construction of Costello Court at 32 Cherry St., Burlington. These devices provide environmental temperature control for the zones they serve. They now need replacing as many are failing. When a VAV box fails, the respective zone temperature is subsequently controlled by reheating the air and this is a very energy intensive and wasteful sequence compared to varying the air flow volume as per the system design. These particular VAV boxes were not replaced as part of the recent larger project because they appeared to be in good condition. It was believed they would last much longer than this, so they were not replaced in previous phases to save money. We have already replaced the DDCs, direct digital controls, for these boxes in the previous projects so this project involves only the physical VAV box and actuators and re-commissioning of them.

Previous phases at 32 Cherry St. involved replacing the entire direct digital control system, boilers, domestic hot water heaters, chillers and about 300 fan powered VAV boxes.

Previous phases at 108 Cherry St. involved replacing five rooftop ventilation heat recovery unit ventilators, the roof, chiller, domestic hot water boiler and a significant percentage of the heat pump units.

The various aspects of the multi-year project have resulted in significant energy savings in addition to reducing ongoing maintenance needs.

Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
Cost Allocation:								
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								0
Site Acquisition								0
Construction	3,250		150					3,400
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	3,250	0	150		0	0	0	3,400

9. Burlington ~ 108 Cherry Street: Garage & Structural Audit .....\$50,000

The State Office Building was constructed on top of an existing underground parking garage, which was constructed around 1990 with 388 parking spaces. The upper three (3) levels of the garage have suspended concrete slabs and the lower level has slab-on-grade construction. The office building was completed in 1993. The parking garage is showing signs of deterioration. A structural audit is needed to determine what steps should be included in the maintenance plan for the garage. A structural engineer, experienced in precast concrete design and restoration, should be hired to provide the necessary concrete testing and assessment.

Summary Cost Allocation:	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20- FY '26	
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants			50	TBD				50
Site Acquisition								0
Construction								0
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	0	0	50	TBD	0	0	0	50

10. Montpelier ~ State House Lawn: Access Improvements & Water Intrusion..... \$300,000

The Statehouse is Vermont’s most public building; as our centerpiece it is both symbolic and heavily used. The front lawn is Vermont’s front lawn, and everything from public holiday ceremonies, to welcoming heads of state, to passionate demonstrations takes place there.

While Hubbard Park and the Winooski River frame the State House, the hill and soils cause significant problems. Over the years, BGS has repaired walks and other improvements, but repairs do not last long. A tunnel was constructed below the lawn in 1978, which has also caused problems.

BGS proposes to fix these problems in a comprehensive way that will reduce maintenance costs and risk of injury. The tunnel should be completely excavated and waterproofed, with a storm water system (including a pump station) added. Surface water from the Statehouse will be captured. The Statehouse stairs will be reset. All walks will be resurfaced. The lawn itself will have its soil corrected, much like an athletic field, so that grass and trees can survive heavy foot traffic.



Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Totals			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
Cost Allocation:								
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants			300					300
Site Acquisition								0
Construction					1,000	1,000	950	2,950
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	0	0	300		1,000	1,000	950	3,250

11. Montpelier ~ 120 State Street: Life Safety & Infrastructure Improvements..... \$1,300,000

This landmark Classical Moderne building has had many individual upgrades to mechanical and safety systems over the years, but overall it performs far below the State’s modern buildings. Infrastructure improvements including HVAC systems and controls, life safety systems, ADA upgrades, and energy improvements are badly needed.

Renovating this heavily utilized building will require work to be done in a phased fashion. By April 2015, all floors will be fully occupied. We are seeking funds to undertake the design of the building renovations and to develop a strategy to overhaul the building in smaller increments and over a period of five to six years. The Planning & Design phase would begin in FY’16, and would continue with the Construction and Fit-Up phases during FY’17-FY’21, with completion of all improvements by FY’22.



Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
<b>Cost Allocation:</b>								
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants			300					300
Site Acquisition								0
Construction				1,000	3,000	3,000	6,700	13,700
Fit-Up								
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	0	0	300	1,000	3,000	3,000	6,700	14,000



12. Montpelier ~ Department of Labor: Parking Lot Expansion ..... \$450,000

The Capital Complex has a parking problem during the legislative session. The current Department of Labor (DOL) lot acts as overflow parking and is often full during the legislative session. State employees are taking up street spaces meant for visitors and patrons of downtown businesses. The infill lot at DOL will create 92 additional spaces while using existing infrastructure.

The infill lot will reuse the two existing entrance and exit drives, as well as the existing shuttle service running every twenty minutes. The lot is a short 5-minute walk along the bike path to the Capital Complex. The lot will utilize energy efficient LED lighting with full cutoff fixtures. Green space will remain between the lot and the DOL building and additional shade trees will be planted.



Summary Cost Allocation:	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20- FY '26	
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								0
Site Acquisition								0
Construction			450					450
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	0	0	450		0	0	0	450

13. Middlesex ~ VSARA: Renovations .....\$660,000

This renovation will consolidate the State Archives staff, add six new work stations, and improve their security, as well as improve their conference room. At the same time, it consolidates and updates Printing and Postal Services. The new layout will make it possible to add new equipment that is essential for providing print/sort/mail services at a savings to the State. The new equipment will enable BGS to handle critical VTax, DMV, and Vermont Health Connect print/mail functions in-house. The consolidated staff will be able to be cross-trained, and one supervisory position may be eliminated.

One significant improvement to the building is the separation of VSARA and BGS functions. Both operations have significant security concerns. In Phase I, the overlap of operations was reduced to one corridor and loading dock.



In Phase II, the former postal room will be gutted and converted to VSARA space. This includes new heat pumps, significant electrical and data upgrades, and finishes. New card readers and three door alarms will be added, requiring a new security panel.

The consolidated 7,000 sf Printing and Postal area requires a major retrofit of electrical and data service. Other parts of this renovation, such as floor and ceiling patches, are bare bones.

Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
Cost Allocation:								
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								0
Site Acquisition								0
Construction			660					660
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	0	0	660		0	0	0	660

14. Newport ~ NSCF: Maintenance Shop.....\$450,000

The proposed Maintenance Building will be located outside the secure perimeter of the facility. This building will allow BGS Maintenance staff to store tools, work on repair projects, service maintenance equipment, and complete necessary administrative work without the strict security requirements involved with being located within the secure perimeter. The current Maintenance Shop, located within building A2, is undersized to meet BGS’ functional and storage needs at the site and will be used for code-compliant storage of filters, bulbs, salt, etc., which is now stored in non-code compliant locations in the facility due to lack of space.

A new site on the property was chosen to better meet both BGS and DOC needs. The site design is in progress and minor adjustments to the building design are being made to fit the new site.

The previous appropriation was \$350,000, however preliminary estimates indicated the cost would significantly exceed available funding. Consequently all but approximately \$110,000 was given back to assist with Waterbury reconstruction. This request is for the site and utility work and construction of the building envelope. To reduce construction costs, changes have been made to the building design, a new site has been chosen, and interior work will be completed by appropriately licensed BGS Maintenance staff.

Summary Cost Allocation:	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20- FY '26	
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants	110							110
Site Acquisition								0
Construction			450					450
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	110	0	450		0	0	0	560

15. Randolph ~ VTC: Agriculture & ANR Collaborative Lab ..... \$16,548,174

Tropical Storm Irene destroyed the Agencies of Agriculture and Natural Resources laboratory located in the Waterbury State Office Complex. FY'14 funds were authorized to provide for a feasibility study to determine the best approach to replace the services provided by these agencies. The results of the study provided for planning for a Collaborative Laboratory facility. FY'15 funds provided for preliminary programming, site evaluation, and site selection with agreement by the Institutions Committees as well as approval from the Joint Fiscal Committee. This was accomplished in August and September of 2014 with the approval to locate the facility on the Vermont Technical College campus in Randolph, VT. FY'16 and FY'17 funds are requested to complete the design and begin construction for the collaborative laboratory as proposed in the feasibility study.

Summary Cost Allocation:	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants	100	300	2,500	1,500				4,400
Site Acquisition								0
Construction				12,548	7,452			20,000
Fit-Up					1,200			1,200
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	100	300	2,500	14,048 <sup>1</sup>	8,652 <sup>2</sup>	0	0	25,600

<sup>1</sup>This request is dependent upon the Irene insurance claim recovery for the WSOC Project. Failure to recover all or part of the insurance funds will most likely result in delaying construction of the Lab until FY'18.

<sup>2</sup>Amount may be reduced by \$1.6M pending receipt of FEMA funds.

16. Springfield ~ SSCF: Streamline Replacement..... \$1,200,000

The buildings at the Southern State Correctional Facility (SSCF) are heated from a central steam boiler system via direct buried distribution piping. The distribution piping has a thermal insulation and outer jacket, which was intended to maintain thermal efficiency and protect the inner distribution pipe from corrosion. Existing distribution piping has corroded and leaks have occurred. Temporary repairs have been made, but visual inspection of the steam piping indicates complete replacement is required. Funds allocated in FY'14 and FY'15 are intended for the first two phases of piping replacement, which will be advertised for bid in January 2015. Additional funds are required for continued distribution piping replacement work.

Summary Cost Allocation:	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20- FY '26	
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								0
Site Acquisition								0
Construction	600	600	600	600				2,400
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	600	600	600	600	0	0	0	2,400

17. Springfield ~ SSCF: Copper Waterline Replacement ..... \$2,000,000

The copper piping in buildings at the Southern State Correctional Facility (SSCF) has been experiencing random pinhole leaks for the past few years. Due to the ever increasing number of repairs required, BGS hired an engineering firm to perform forensic investigation of the probable causes. The findings indicated that erosion corrosion is the basis for the copper piping leaks. Erosion corrosion is the result of undersized copper piping systems, high flow rates, and the specific composition of the municipal water source. The erosion corrosion is wearing away the interior of the copper piping and causing the leaks. Funding is requested to replace the existing copper piping systems in the various housing units and core building with appropriately sized non-corrosive water piping systems. The work will be done in phases to minimize the impact of finding alternate housing for inmates who must be displaced during the construction project.

Summary Cost Allocation:	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20- FY '26	
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants	50	50	50	50				200
Site Acquisition								
Construction	350	250	850	1,050				2,500
Fit-Up								
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	400	300	900	1,100				2,700

18. St. Johnsbury ~ Caledonia Courthouse: Stabilize Foundation..... \$1,700,000

The original Caledonia Courthouse is a historic structure built in the 1850's. An addition was built on the eastern side in 1999, with EH Danson as the architect. Expanding gaps in the interior, and bulges on the exterior of the original portion, were documented in late November 2013, indicating a worsening structural problem.

In December 2013, EH Danson was brought in to assess the situation. EH Danson, along with their sub consultant DeWolfe Engineering, provided investigatory work to create a preliminary structural report. The original foundation has reached the end of its life and is failing by crushing and rotating. This has caused the masonry walls of the building to sink and rotate.

The preliminary structural report completed in mid-January indicated immediate action needs to be taken to ensure preservation of the historic building.

The project will include temporarily consolidating court operations into the new addition and creating a temporary public entrance. Work will consist of excavating three sides of the building and construction of a C-shaped foundation cap and grade beam to stabilize the existing foundation, and threading approximately 15 steel cables through the building in the ceiling and attic space to stabilize the masonry walls in place.



Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
Cost Allocation:								
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants	40							40
Site Acquisition								0
Construction			1,700					1,700
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	40	0	1,700		0	0	0	1,740



19. Pittsford ~ Training Center: Electrical System Upgrade ..... \$620,000

The existing electrical system in the Main building of the Robert H. Wood Criminal Justice & Fire Service Training Academy in Pittsford is the old “Knob and Tube” style of wiring. It was put in place probably around 1920. It is an extreme fire hazard at this point and must be replaced – there is no option. We are presently doing a review of the system with an electrical engineer to determine our costs more definitively; however, until such time as this preliminary review is done, our best guess toward an estimate is approximately \$1,120,000. This estimate includes the development of construction documents for bidding the project. The seemingly high costs are due to the fact that this is an historic structure and must be treated appropriately.

Summary Cost Allocation:	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20- FY '26	
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants			120					120
Site Acquisition								0
Construction				500	500			1,000
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	0	0	120	500	500	0	0	1,120

20. Waterbury ~ Complex Restoration ..... \$17,451,826

Funding is requested in order to complete the construction of the Waterbury State Office Complex (WSOC). The project is through the design and permitting phases and is currently about 50% into the construction phase. This request along with the previous appropriations, FEMA and insurance reimbursements are needed in order to complete the construction and fit up of the space required for occupancy. The total figured assigned to this project with all funding sources identified above is \$113,435,924.

Last year's Capital Bill authorized a contingency of up to 5% of the original project cost estimate of \$124,655,000, or \$6,232,750. That would allow for a total project cost of \$130,887,750. The difference between the allowable project cost and currently funded project is \$17,451,826. This year's request will cover all anticipated expenditures.

The project team has worked hard over the past construction season to move the project along and to reveal and identify as many of the unknowns as possible in preparation for this budget cycle. This work will continue and any saving that this work may produce should be directed toward finishing our commitment on this campus. This would include the beginning phases of the Weeks/Hanks design and fit-up.

This request is dependent upon the insurance claim recovery. If a change in the baseline information occurs it will likely necessitate a change in the proposed appropriation.

Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Totals			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
<b>Cost Allocation:</b>								
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								13,500,000
Site Acquisition	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Construction			17,451,826					102,500,000
Fit-Up								8,655,000
Contingency Authority 5%				0				6,232,750
<b>Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)</b>	<b>33,200,000</b>	<b>33,000,000</b>	<b>17,451,826</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>130,887,750</b>







21. White River Jct. ~ Windsor Courthouse: MEP, Security, Energy.....\$400,000

Funds are requested for design services to renovate the Windsor District Courthouse to upgrade MEP (mechanical, electrical, & plumbing) systems and controls, address water infiltration through the building envelope, improve energy efficiency of building and systems, upgrade security systems and renovate building's interior to respond to changing program needs.

Summary Cost Allocation:	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20- FY '26	
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants			400					400
Site Acquisition								0
Construction					2,000	2,000		4,000
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	0	0	400		2,000	2,000	0	4,400

Total Request for FY 2016	\$38,384,904
Total Request for FY 2017	\$29,500,622
<hr/> Total Request for Section 1 FY 2016 and FY 2017	<hr/> \$67,885,526

**SECTION 2**

**AGENCY OF ADMINISTRATION & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENTS**

**SEC. 2 APPROPRIATIONS: AGENCY OF ADMINISTRATION**

1. Department of Taxes

The following sum of \$250,000 is requested in total for FY'16 and FY'17 to be appropriated to the Department of Taxes for the Vermont Center for Geographic Information for:

- A. Digital Orthophotographic Quadrangle ~ Vermont Mapping..... \$250,000

The requested Capital funding is used to continue the state's engineering quality orthophotographic imagery collection at a resolution that supports statewide resiliency planning and high quality infrastructure management and planning needs of agencies, towns, and Regional Planning Commissions as well as the general public.

The orthophotographic imagery acquisition program is part of a long term, continuous, imagery collection cycle in the state. Complete statewide imagery collection is completed every 5 years as 20% of the state is collected every year.

Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
Cost Allocation:								
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								
Site Acquisition								
Construction								
Fit-Up								
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	0	0	125	125	175	175	175	775

2. AHS ~ Health & Human Services: Enterprise IT System..... \$16,000,000

The following sum of \$16,000,000 is requested in total for FY'16 and FY'17 to be appropriated to the Agency of Human Services for:

The Health and Human Services Enterprise (HSE) is a multi-year, multi-phased portfolio of Programs that reshapes and enhances business processes, improves public/private sector partnerships, optimizes utilization of information, modernizes the IT environment, and results in an end-to-end transformation of the person-centric experience.

The HSE is predicated on providing Vermonters with improved access, online benefit enrollment and ease of use accessing one's personal records in a secure, timely and effective manner. Investment in these technologies replaces a 34 year old legacy system that is nearing the end of its useful life.

The State's 34 year old legacy system is not flexible enough to function in today's computing environment and with today's technology needs. It has become difficult to source the programming expertise to maintain the current IBM system. It is unclear when IBM may choose to sunset their support of the product. Externally, this Capital Investment will conform to Federal and State regulations stemming from the Federal Affordable Care Act, the OMB A-87 exception, and Vermont's Act 48.

Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
Cost Allocation:								
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								
Site Acquisition								
Construction								
Fit-Up								
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	0	0	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	0	32,000

3. Department of Finance ~ ERP Expansion Project: Phase II..... \$14,688,000

The following sum of \$14,688,000 is requested in total for FY'16 and FY'17 to be appropriated to the Department of Finance for:

This capital appropriation will fund the State's goal of improving the transparency, accountability and management of authorized capital construction, transportation and information technology projects. This goal will be achieved through the implementation of best practices and industry standards in establishing, monitoring, and evaluating project information spanning contracts to project portfolios to ongoing assets tracking. Managing projects and capitalizing on opportunities requires timely, integrated cost information as well as a comparison of forecasts, budgets, and revenue.

The Department of Finance and Management is currently in negotiations with a consultant to assist the State in developing comprehensive business requirements for four major enterprise-wide business processes. These four processes are interdependent and critical to planning, accounting for, and monitoring project activities. The goal is greater transparency and accountability in our long term capital planning and management efforts. The four major business processes are:

- Upgrading the State's core financial application, VISION, to provide the framework for accounting and reporting for capital projects
- Implementing statewide Project Management and Project Costing system to enhance developing, planning and managing of capital projects
- Implementing an E-Procurement system for the State to aide in the development and management of bid solicitation and contract management
- Retiring the Agency of Transportation's and the Department of Labor's current Project Costing applications

Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
Cost Allocation:								
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								
Site Acquisition								
Construction								
Fit-Up								
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	0	0	5,313	9,375	2,530	0	0	17,218

Total Request for FY 2016	\$13,438,000
Total Request for FY 2017	\$17,500,000
<b>Total Request for Section 2 FY 2016 and FY 2017</b>	<b>\$30,938,000</b>



**SECTION 3**

**AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES**

**SEC. 3 APPROPRIATIONS: AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES**

The following sum of \$500,000 is requested in total for FY'16 and FY'17 for the Department of Buildings and General Services on behalf of the Agency of Human Services. The Commissioner is authorized to direct funds appropriated in this Section to the projects contained in this Section; the individual allocations in this Section are estimates only.

1. Department of Corrections ~ Perimeter Intrusion ..... \$200,000

To install Perimeter Intrusion Detection systems around the correctional facilities that don't currently have this level of security.

2. Department of Corrections ~ Camera and Systems ..... \$100,000

To continue implementation of digital camera equipment and recording systems in all correctional facilities for enhanced security and inmate monitoring to include additional cameras for compliance with the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA), 28 C.F.R § 115.18.

3. Department of Corrections ~ Security Upgrades & Enhancements..... \$200,000

To continue to improve the security and sanitary living conditions at correctional facilities to ensure continued and improved safety to the public, staff, and inmates. Investments will include installation of security furnishings, improvements to multipurpose rooms, recreation yard fences, and renovations.

Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Totals			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
Cost Allocation:								
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								0
Site Acquisition								0
Construction			\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$700	\$1,100
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	0	0	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$700	\$1,100

Total Request for FY 2016	\$300,000
Total Request for FY 2017	\$200,000
<b>Total Request for Section 3 FY 2016 and FY 2017</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>

**SECTION 4**

**JUDICIARY**

**SEC. 4 APPROPRIATIONS: JUDICIARY**

1. The following sum of \$5,380,000 is requested for fiscal year 2016 in total to the Department of Buildings and General Services for Judiciary.

A. ADA Investments – Act 154 Sec 235(a) ..... \$180,000

As a result of court consolidations within Vermont and a close review of operations within all jurisdictions, the legislature directed BGS through the Capital Construction Bill [Act 154, Sec 235(a) of the Acts of 2009 Adj. Sess. (2010)] to audit (13) County Courthouses for ADA compliance.

All facilities were found to have non-compliance issues and in several buildings, it was determined that renovations would be detrimental to the buildings’ historical character and/or cost prohibitive to renovate to comply. In those situations, accommodations can be made at other compliant buildings to serve clients with accessibility needs.

During FY’16 funds are being requested to continue making repairs and upgrades to help provide reasonable accommodations in the County Courthouse buildings.

Estimated cost of renovations/modifications:

- Grand Isle Superior Court \$ 33,000
- Bennington Superior Court \$ 50,000
- Orleans Superior Court \$ 15,000
- Chittenden Superior Court \$ 16,000
- Washington Superior Court \$ 38,000
- Rutland Superior Court \$ 28,000

Total Estimated Cost \$180,000

Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
Cost Allocation:								
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants	50							50
Site Acquisition								0
Construction	350		180					530
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	400	0	180		0	0	0	580

B. Hyde Park ~ Lamoille County Courthouse..... \$5,200,000

Funds are requested to continue and complete the Lamoille County Courthouse project. This construction project is proposed to start in the late spring of 2015 with the renovation to the existing 16,655 SF courthouse, as well as the development of 11,320 square feet of new space. The project intent is to temporarily relocate the court and staff off-site in late March 2015 in order to complete the building renovation and additions in a more efficient manner, and without causing continual disruption to the courts. This project will relieve overcrowding, improve security and building access, provide an ADA compliant building and improve the building’s energy profile considerably.



Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
<b>Cost Allocation:</b>								
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants	550							550
Site Acquisition								0
Construction		3,200	5,200	0				8,400
Fit-Up								0
<b>Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>3,200</b>	<b>5,200</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,950</b>

2. The following sum of \$100,000 is requested for fiscal year 2017 in total to be appropriated to Judiciary for.

A. Statewide ~ Court Security .....\$100,000

Funds are requested to begin addressing state-wide Court security. This appropriation will be used for two state courthouses (Addison and Windham) which require build-out of holding cells. Investment in the security infrastructure at the state's courthouses is essential to meet modern day threats

Total Request for FY 2016	\$5,380,000
<u>Total Request for FY 2017</u>	<u>\$100,000</u>
Total Request for Section 4 FY 2016 and FY 2017	\$5,480,000

**SECTION 5**

**AGENCY OF COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**SEC. 5 APPROPRIATIONS: AGENCY OF COMMERCE & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

1. The following sum of \$568,000 is requested for fiscal years 2016 and 2017 in total to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Commerce and Community Development. The Commissioner is authorized to direct funds appropriated in this Section to the projects contained in this Section; the individual allocations in this Section are estimates only:

A. Major Maintenance ..... \$400,000

Funds are requested to address deferred maintenance assuring that the eighty-one (81) structures are properly maintained at the State-Owned Historic Sites. Ongoing maintenance and repairs will protect the infrastructure and prevent more costly capital work in the future. Repairs such as foundations, roofs, structural deficiencies, furnace replacements, ADA compliance, exterior painting, upgrades to fire and security systems, and water and septic systems are undertaken with these funds.

B. Bennington Monument ~ Elevator..... \$168,000

The elevator accessing the 306-foot Bennington Battle Monument’s viewing platform, from which you can see three states, is 62 years old and badly in need of replacement. Repairs are no longer viable for this aged elevator, which has brought more than 1,200,000 visitors to view the landscape of Vermont since its installation. The gift shop, estimated to have been erected in 1891, is greatly in need of roofing and dormer repairs. This building is the State’s most visited gift shop and must be properly maintained to prevent further deterioration.



2. The sum of \$120,000 is requested for fiscal years 2016 and 2017 in total to be appropriated to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development for:

A. Underwater Preserves.....\$60,000

All underwater historic sites in the Vermont waters of Lake Champlain belong in public trust and under the authority of the Division for Historic Preservation. It is the Division's responsibility to protect, manage, and interpret this public heritage and keep it safe for the diving and boating public. The Capital appropriation provides funds for mooring buoys and underwater signs, emergency response equipment for the boat provided by the Vermont State Police for Underwater Preserve monitoring, for the identification of additional sites that could be opened to the public as Preserves, conservation of recovered artifacts, and above water interpretive displays.

B. Roadside Historic Markers .....\$30,000

These funds are requested for the continued erection of Roadside Historic Site Markers. This program, which has been active since 1947, places new markers and replaces damaged markers across the State to identify historically significant places, events or people.

C. Unmarked Burial Fund.....\$30,000

According to Statute 18 V.S.A.§5212b, the fund shall be used to monitor excavations; protect, preserve, move, or reinter unmarked burial sites and human remains; to perform archaeological assessments and investigations, including radar scanning and any other nonintrusive technology or technique designed to determine the presence of human remains; to provide mediation and other appropriate dispute resolution services; and to acquire property or development rights.

Total Request for FY 2016	\$393,000
Total Request for FY 2017	\$295,000
Total Request for Section 5 FY 2016 and FY 2017	\$688,000

**SECTION 6**

**AGENCY OF EDUCATION**

**SEC. 6 APPROPRIATIONS: AGENCY OF EDUCATION**

The following sum of \$7,057,688 is requested for fiscal years 2016 and 2017 in total to be appropriated to the Agency of Education.

- 1. State Aid for School Construction..... \$4,057,688

Funds are requested 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.

- 2. State Aid for District Consolidation ..... \$3,000,000

Funds are requested in FY' 2017 for School Construction as an incentive for merger of districts in accordance with 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 45 as proposed to be amended in Section 21A of this proposal.

Total Request for FY 2016	\$4,057,688
Total Request for FY 2017	\$3,000,000
<hr/> Total Request for Section 6 FY 2016 and FY 2017	<hr/> \$7,057,688



**SECTION 7**

**UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT**

**SEC. 7 APPROPRIATIONS: UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT**

The following sum of \$2,800,000 is requested for fiscal years 2016 and 2017 in total to be appropriated to the University of Vermont.

- 1. Construction/Renovations/Major Maintenance ..... \$2,800,000

These unspecified funds will address the University's critical needs for each year's priority objective in either construction/renovation/major maintenance. This flexibility allows for the funds to be specifically directed to the institution's highest priority.

Total Request for FY 2016	\$1,400,000
Total Request for FY 2017	\$1,400,000
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Total Request for Section 7 FY 2016 and FY 2017	\$2,800,000

**SECTION 8**

**VERMONT STATE COLLEGES**

**SEC. 8 APPROPRIATIONS: VERMONT STATE COLLEGES**

The following sum of \$2,800,000 is requested for fiscal years 2016 and 2017 in total to be appropriated to the Vermont State Colleges.

- 1. Major Maintenance ..... \$2,800,000

These unspecified funds will address the State Colleges' critical needs for each year's priority objective in either construction/renovation/major maintenance. This flexibility allows for the funds to be specifically directed to the institution's highest priority.

Total Request for FY 2016	\$1,400,000
Total Request for FY 2017	\$1,400,000
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Total Request for Section 8 FY 2016 and FY 2017	\$2,800,000

**SECTION 9**

**AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

**SEC. 9 APPROPRIATIONS: AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

The following sum of \$26,282,343 is requested for fiscal years 2016 and 2017 in total to be appropriated to the Agency of Natural Resources. The Secretary is authorized to direct funds appropriated in this Section to the projects contained in this Section; the individual allocations in this Section are estimates only:

1. Department of Environmental Conservation..... \$17,787,343
  - A. Pollution Control Programs..... \$3,730,000
    - a. Clean Water State/EPA Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF) Match..... \$2,600,000  
This item includes elements critical to basic operation of the program:
      - Chapter 120 Administrative Support..... \$600,000
  - B. Drinking Water Supply Program ..... \$4,288,834  
This item includes elements critical to basic operation of the program:
    - Engineering Oversight & Project Management..... \$600,000
  - C. Ecosystem Restoration & Protection ..... \$7,500,000  
Provide funding for fiscal years 2016 and 2017 for grants and contracts for assessment, design and implementation of projects to reduce phosphorus pollution and improve water quality. Typical projects include: improving stream stability and incorporating fluvial geomorphic concepts; protecting against flood hazards; improving in-stream and riparian habitat; controlling storm water discharges; reducing pollution from sediment and toxic substances; protecting and restoring riparian wetlands; and enhancing the environmental sustainability of agricultural lands.
  - D. Pownal Principal & Interest on Borrowing of Delayed Grants..... \$530,000  
The Town of Pownal constructed a new wastewater treatment system consisting of sewers and house connections for three villages, pump stations, force mains, and a treatment plant. There were a total of 10 contracts for a total project cost of \$26.5M. The Town is using bank financing as an interim replacement for the delayed State grant funds.

E. Waterbury Wastewater Treatment Facility Phosphorus Removal..... \$379,929

State pollution control grants are authorized under Title 10 Chapter 55 for phosphorus treatment. Annually, the Department includes eligible projects as part of the capital bill requests. This is expected to be the final request for this multi-year project, which has received prior years' appropriations. The project consists of phosphorus treatment improvements at the Waterbury wastewater treatment facility.

F. Dam Safety & Hydrology Projects..... \$1,288,580

Funds are requested to provide the Agency of Natural Resources emergency maintenance and improvement funds for State owned dams.

2. Department of Forest, Parks and Recreation..... \$6,990,000

A. Infrastructure Rehabilitation..... \$6,495,000

Funds for fiscal year 2016 and 2017 are requested for State Parks Infrastructure Rehabilitation. Renovations to the aging State park infrastructure are required to bring facilities and structures up to current, acceptable, regulatory and visitor expectation standards. Funds will be assigned to entire systems or building renovations at facilities providing critical visitor services statewide. Work will be performed at parks that are positioned to meet not only the current visitor demand, but also prepared to meet identified demand into the future. This item includes elements critical to basic operation of the program:

- Statewide Small Scale Rehabilitation
- Wastewater Repairs and Preventative Improvements and Upgrades of Restrooms
- Statewide Small Scale Road Rehabilitation Projects

B. Department of Forest, Parks & Recreation ~ Guilford: Sweet Pond ..... \$495,000

The Sweet Pond dam has been found failed by Dam Safety Engineers and the 18 acre pond drained as a precaution to protect public safety. A public input process concludes that the replacement/repair of the dam and re-establishment of the pond is in the best interest of the State.

3. Fish & Wildlife..... \$2,000,000

Funds are requested for fiscal year 2016 and 2017 for the Department of Fish and Wildlife’s ongoing maintenance and program development. This item includes elements critical to basic operation of the program:

A. Conservation Camps and Shooting Ranges..... \$500,000

Much of the camps’ infrastructure dates back more than 50 years and is inadequate for its current use. We plan to replace or repair infrastructure as needed. We will be constructing a new dining/education center at Buck Lake in the fall of 2015 and planning to enlarge residential capacity at Kehoe to accommodate adult programs within the next six years. By leveraging capital funds effectively, we can also ensure every Vermonter has reasonable access to a publically-accessible shooting range. Additionally, Federal Wildlife Restoration funds are at a record high and programs only need to provide ¼ match. Creating safe, public shooting ranges is a critical Department priority.

B. Roxbury Hatchery – Construction and Bid Documents..... \$400,000

Roxbury Fish Hatchery was destroyed by Tropical Storm Irene in August of 2011. The facility is valuable for both its historical significance, and the high quality trout it produced up to 2011. The annual economic impact of the fish produced at the Roxbury Fish Hatchery is conservatively estimated to be \$2.4 M (according to the 2006 US Fish & Wildlife Service Survey of Hunting, Fishing, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation and the 2010 Vermont Angler Survey). This economic value is a primary economic benefit and does not include a ripple effect (i.e. jobs created).

C. Hatchery Improvements..... \$700,000

With the rising operational costs associated with fish hatcheries, the fish hatcheries are always looking to invest in new means of raising fish more cost efficiently. Although many of these changes are cost effective in the long run, a significant capital investment is required initially.

With increased scrutiny on point source wastewater discharges, the fish hatchery program must adapt to meet related wastewater discharge permit conditions. This will most likely result in capital requests for funding to meet wastewater discharge standards.

- Bald Hill Hatchery (Newark)
- Bennington Hatchery
- Ed Weed Hatchery (Grand Isle)
- Salisbury Hatchery

D. Wildlife Management Area Infrastructure.....\$150,000

Developing and maintaining this infrastructure is essential for the safe, enjoyable use of WMAs by the public. WMAs serve a critical role for the Department to meet its mission of conserving fish and wildlife resources and providing public enjoyment and appreciation of Vermont’s fish and wildlife resources. This project will maintain and improve existing WMA infrastructure to allow for safe, enjoyable use of these state lands by the public for outdoor, wildlife-based activities, and allow for continued management activities on WMAs.

E. Fishing Access Areas .....\$100,000

The Department is working to upgrade a portion of its 185 existing Fishing Access Areas as well as retrofit existing infrastructure (courtesy docks) to meet current ADA guidelines. Capital investments are required as federal funding has declined 12% over the past 5 years, leaving less money available for infrastructure improvements. As a result, a larger percentage of the program budget must be spent on operation and maintenance leaving infrastructure projects to be pushed back due to lack of funding.

Total Request for FY 2016	\$13,064,343
Total Request for FY 2017	\$13,218,000
<hr/> Total Request for Section 9 FY 2016 and FY 2017	<hr/> \$26,282,343

**SECTION 10**

**DEPARTMENT OF THE MILITARY**

**SEC. 10 APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF THE MILITARY**

The following sum of \$1,575,000 is requested for fiscal years 2016 and 2017 in total to the Department of the Military. The Military is authorized to direct funds appropriated in this Section to the projects contained in this Section.

1.     Construction/Renovations/Major Maintenance ..... \$1,500,000

Funds would be used for maintenance, renovations, roof replacements, ADA renovations, and energy upgrades that range from efficient lighting and window improvements to added insulation to roofs and walls. Other improvements are boiler upgrades to multi-stage high efficiency units, and water heating to instant heat and point of use.

2.     Randolph ~ Vermont Veterans' Memorial Cemetery:  
       Agricultural Mitigation ..... \$75,000

Funds are being requested to provide the required mitigation due to the impact of the VT Veterans' Cemetery expansion on agricultural land. The estimated cost of the mitigation is \$75,000.

Total Request for FY 2016	\$825,000
Total Request for FY 2017	\$750,000
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Total Request for Section 10 FY 2016 and FY 2017	\$1,575,000



**SECTION 11**

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

**SEC. 11 APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

The following sum of \$300,000 is requested for fiscal year 2016 in total to be appropriated to the Department of Department of Buildings and General Services for the Vermont Emergency Service Training Facility for.

1. Robert H. Wood Vermont Fire Academy ~ New Burn Building..... \$300,000

The Vermont Fire Academy (VFA) has applied for a federal grant (FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant – AFG) for a “live burn building” structure (above ground portion) in the amount of \$500,000. This capital request will cover the site and foundation construction for this building. This request will reduce the overall cost of the entire burn building project to about a third of the total cost. The building (with a 3-story tower that does not currently exist) will serve to better train firefighters in live fire attack, search and rescue, ventilation, apparatus positioning, FD operations, etc. for the next 20 - 25 years. Also, the existing burn building (rebuilt in 1998 after 10 years of use) will be re-purposed into a firefighter technical rescue training prop at the end of the building’s live fire service life. This funding is contingent upon receipt of the grant award. The award timeframe is between March 9, 2015 and September 21, 2015.

Summary Cost Allocation:	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Totals			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20- FY '26	
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								0
Site Acquisition								0
Construction			300					300
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	0	0	300		0	0	0	300

Total Request for FY 2016	\$300,000
Total Request for Section 11 FY 2016	\$300,000

**SECTION 12**

**AGENCY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND MARKETS**

**SEC. 12 APPROPRIATIONS: AGENCY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND MARKETS**

The following sum of \$3,515,000 is requested in total to the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets for fiscal years 2016 and 2017. The Secretary is authorized to direct funds appropriated in this Section to the projects contained in this Section.

1. Best Management Practices & Conservation Enhancement Program..... \$3,200,000

The Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets for the conservation reserve enhancement program and the best management practice implementation cost share program to continue to reduce nonpoint source pollution in Vermont. Cost share funds for best management practice implementation cost share program shall not exceed 90 percent of the total cost of a project. Whenever possible, state funds shall be combined with federal funds to complete projects.



2. Springfield, MA ~ BIG E: Building Upgrades .....\$315,000

The Vermont Exposition Center Building continues to be in need of significant infrastructure improvements to protect and maintain the building.

The building’s slate roof valleys need to be repaired. Repairs are also needed on the leaking cupola widow’s walk roof and flashing below the clock tower and the dome needs to be gilded.

Restoration is needed for existing marble pilasters, which are showing movement, as well as (20+/-) exhibit hall windows that are currently concealed behind T-111 panels. The rear roll-up doors should be replaced with swinging doors that are similar to the original ones and the windows above the doors need restoration work. ADA accessibility should be considered when the roll-up doors are replaced.

The building’s exterior trim and balconies need to be replaced and painted due to deterioration from the weather. New balconies should be constructed so that water drainage is sufficient to prevent reoccurrence of the current drainage issues.

Problems with lawn drainage are causing low spots to fill with water, which is interfering with the vendors. Existing catch basins need to be tied into the storm drain system to alleviate these conditions.

Summary	Approved Through FY '14	Current Year FY '15	Budget Year FY '16	Budget Year FY '17	Future Requirements			Totals
					FY '18	FY '19	FY '20-FY '26	
Cost Allocation:								
Planning & Design, Outside Consultants								0
Site Acquisition								0
Construction			200	115				315
Fit-Up								0
Total Appropriation for Fiscal Year(s)	0	0	200	115	0	0	0	315

Total Request for FY 2016	\$1,600,000
Total Request for FY 2017	\$1,915,000
<b>Total Request for Section 12 FY 2016 and FY 2017</b>	<b>\$3,515,000</b>

**SECTION 13**

**VERMONT PUBLIC TELEVISION**

**SEC. 13 APPROPRIATIONS: VERMONT PUBLIC TELEVISION**

The following sum of \$375,000 is requested to be appropriated to Vermont Public Television (VPT) for fiscal year 2016. These funds may be used for the Digital and Transmission Conversions or combination thereof.

1. Transmission Security/Production Modernization..... \$375,000

Transmission security is to insure Vermont PBS can continue to provide reliable transmission of its programs and service. Product modernization is to allow Vermont PBS to keep pace with the evolution of the new technology and to take advantage of these advancements to give Vermont PBS the ability to continue to produce local Vermont specific content that is compelling and of the highest quality.

<u>Total Request for FY 2016</u>	<u>\$375,000</u>
Total Request for Section 13 FY 2016	\$375,000

**SECTION 14**

**VERMONT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION**

**SEC. 14 APPROPRIATIONS: VERMONT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION**

The following sum of \$250,000 is requested in total to be appropriated for fiscal years 2016 and 2017, to the Department of Public Safety for the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force.

- 1. Dry Hydrant Program.....\$250,000

Funds are requested to continue the dry hydrant program administered by the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force. The purpose of the fund is to provide matching funds to municipalities to install dry hydrants adjacent to streams, lakes, ponds and rivers where fire departments can quickly refill pumpers without having to deal with ice, debris, etc. These improvements will enhance both regular and volunteer fire departments in responding to actual incidents. To ensure a sense of local ownership, all funding will require a 25% local match which may be fulfilled through in-kind donations or services.

Total Request for FY 2016	\$125,000
<u>Total Request for FY 2017</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>
Total Request for Section 14 FY 2016 and FY 2017	\$250,000

**SECTION 15**

**VERMONT VETERANS' HOME**

**SEC. 15 APPROPRIATIONS: VERMONT VETERANS' HOME**

The following sum of \$500,000 is requested in total to be appropriated for fiscal year 2016 to the Vermont Veterans' Home.

- 1.     Electronic Medical Records ..... \$500,000

Funds are requested to obtain the 35% state matching funds for an electronic medical record system for the facility. A VA grant has been approved and funding is available for the remaining 65% of this project. Electronic medical records will help to improve quality of care, reduce regulatory deficiencies and increase overall revenue for the facility by ensuring we are billing for the care we are providing. Electronic medical records are the standard of practice in the skilled nursing home (nursing home setting). Currently the facility's medical records are completed via handwritten documentation by the various clinical departments. Some of this documentation must be written in several locations leaving multiple opportunities for errors and omissions. Errors and Omissions in the documentation lead to regulator deficiencies and finds as well as limit the facility's ability to bill for all the care and services provided. An electronic medical records system streamlines the documentation and provides prompts and cues to ensure the documentation is accurate. The Capital Funds would be used to purchase the necessary hardware for the staff to enter their documentation, wiring of the facility as parts of this facility lack wireless or hardwired inter/intranet connections, the purchase of new server equipment and implementation and training support.

Total Request for FY 2016	<u>\$500,000</u>
Total Request for Section 15 FY 2016	\$500,000

**SECTION 16**

**VERMONT HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**SEC. 16 APPROPRIATIONS: VERMONT HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The following sum of \$75,000 is requested to be appropriated in total to the Department of Buildings & General Services for the Vermont Historical Society for fiscal year 2016.

1. Capital Debt Reduction.....\$75,000

A one-to-one matching grant to the Vermont Historical Society to reduce debt at the Vermont History Center in Barre. The Department of Buildings & General Services may release the funds to the historical society upon receiving certification that the funds have been matched.

Total Request for FY 2016	<u>\$75,000</u>
Total Request for Section 16 FY 2016	\$75,000

**SECTION 17**

**VERMONT HOUSING AND CONSERVATION BOARD**

**SEC. 17 APPROPRIATIONS: VERMONT HOUSING AND CONSERVATION BOARD**

The following sum of \$5,600,000 is requested to be appropriated in total to Vermont Housing and Conservation Board for fiscal years 2016 and 2017.

- 1. Investments in Housing and Lands..... \$5,600,000

The Vermont Housing & Conservation Board (VHCB) is funded from special fund revenue provided by a portion of the Property Transfer Tax. Given the constraints on the general fund budget in years past VHCB has been appropriated funds from the capital bill to compensate for shortfalls in the Property Transfer Tax appropriation. This request will assist in the issue of satisfying considerable public need, and protecting existing investment in housing projects focusing on: first, projects designed to keep residents out of institutions (prisons, state hospital, nursing homes, motels), reducing pressure on the fund budget; second, to improve projects where there is already significant public investment and affordability or federal rental subsidies would otherwise be lost; and third, to housing projects that would alleviate the burden in the most stressed rental markets. The remaining \$1 million in project funding would be directed to conservation projects in the watershed of the Champlain Valley and improving water quality through easements on agricultural projects.

Total Request for FY 2016	\$2,800,000
Total Request for FY 2017	<u>\$2,800,000</u>
Total Request for Section 17 FY 2016 and FY 2017	\$5,600,000



**SECTION 18**

**SEC. 18 REALLOCATION OF FUNDS**

The following sums are reallocated to the Department of Buildings and General Services to defray expenditures authorized by this Act in Section One:

**PROPOSED FUNDING AVAILABLE**

**Building and General Services**

10161100010 – Bennington State Office Building .....	\$49,062.60
1204000023 – State House committee Renovations .....	\$28,702.15
1204000145 – Public Safety Review of State Police Facilities.....	\$5,000.00
1305100022 – BGS Engineering Staff .....	\$58,236.66
1305100022 – 133 State Street Foundation and Parking Lot.....	\$156,642.16
1305100041 – DOC Facilities Assessment .....	\$19,913.12
Sale of Building 617 - Essex .....	\$7,078.21
Sale of 1193 North Ave - Burlington.....	\$353,785.97
Sale of 121 & 123 S. Main Street - Waterbury .....	\$75,000.00
Sale of Ladd Hall - Waterbury .....	\$228,000.00
Duxbury Land Sale.....	\$45,556.36

**Agency of Natural Resources**

6140991202 – Drinking Water Project.....	\$35,483.32
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**Total Reallocations/Transfers FY 2015..... \$1,062,460.55**

## SECTION 19

### **SEC. 19 PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS & OTHER RELATED ISSUES**

**A. Sec.26(c) of Act #40 of the Public Acts of 2011 is revoked in its entirety and replaced with the following:**

The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to convey the State of Vermont's interests in the building and real property located at 195 Colchester Avenue in Burlington, Vermont to the University of Vermont. The Commissioner is authorized to convey the State's interest by quitclaim deed or by any means, deemed by the Commissioner, to be in the best interests of the State.

**B. 29 V.S.A § 165 (2) is amended to read:**

#### LEASING OF STATE OWNED PROPERTY

(2) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services may lease or license State owned property under his or her jurisdiction for less than prevailing area market prices with ~~the approval of~~ notice to the Joint Fiscal Committee when the term of the lease or license is three years or longer, or when the lease or licenses requested is a renewal of a lease or license issued pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection.

**C. 29 V.S.A § 166 (a) is amended to read:**

#### SELLING OR RENTING STATE PROPERTY

(a) As agent of the state, with the advice and consent of the Governor unless otherwise provided, the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services may lease ~~for a term not exceeding 10 years~~ any real property owned by the state and not used for state purposes. The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall seek approval from the Chairs of House Corrections and Institutions and Senate Institutions Committees before entering into any lease for real property 10 years or longer in duration.

## SECTION 20

### **SEC. 20 DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS AND GENERAL SERVICES: MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

#### PREVAILING WAGE

A. 29 V.S.A § 161 (b) is amended to read:

#### REQUIREMENTS OF STATE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

(b) Each contract awarded under this section for ~~any State project with a construction cost exceeding \$100,000.00 and construction projects~~ which ~~is~~ are authorized or funded in whole or in part by a capital construction act pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 701a, ~~including such a project of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College and of the Vermont State Colleges,~~ shall provide that all construction employees working on the project shall be paid no less than the ~~mean~~ prevailing wage ~~published periodically by the Department of Labor in its occupational employment and wage survey determinations as have been made by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act, 40 U.S.C. § 276a, as may be amended. The Commissioner of Labor, in consultation with the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, may adopt rules as necessary, pursuant to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25, to implement this subsection. The federal Davis-Bacon Act reporting requirements do not apply to any project under this section (b).~~

#### STATE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS; CONTRACTS SUBJECT TO STATE PREVAILING WAGE

Contracts for State construction projects executed prior to July 1, 2017 shall remain subject to the mean prevailing wage published periodically by the Vermont Department of Labor in its occupational employment and wage survey.

#### B. LEGISLATIVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE STATE HOUSE

2 V.S.A § 651 is amended to read:

#### LEGISLATIVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE STATE HOUSE

(a) ~~A legislative advisory committee on the state house~~ Legislative Advisory Committee on the State House is created.

(b) ~~The committee~~ Committee shall be composed of 11 members: ~~three members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker; three members of the senate appointed by the committee on committees; the chair of the board of trustees of the friends of the Vermont state house; the director of the Vermont historical society; the~~

~~director of the Vermont council on the arts; the commissioner of buildings and general services; and the sergeant at arms:~~

- (1) the Lieutenant Governor or designee;
- (2) the President Pro Tempore of the Senate or designee;
- (3) the Speaker of the House of Representatives or designee;
- (4) one member of the House of Representative, appointed biennially by the Speaker;
- (5) the Chair of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions;
- (6) the Chair of the Senate Committee on Institutions;
- (7) the Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Friends of the Vermont State House;
- (8) the Sergeant at Arms;
- (9) the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services;
- (10) the State Curator; and
- (11) the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court or designee.

(c) ~~the committee~~ Committee shall biennially select a chair from among its legislative members. A quorum shall consist of six members

(d) ~~the committee~~ Committee shall meet at the ~~state house~~ State House, or other venue by agreement of the committee:

(1) ~~on the first Monday of each third month beginning in July, 1984,~~ at least once a quarter;

(2) within two weeks, upon presentation to the Chair of a written request of at least three members of the Committee; or

(3) at the call of the ~~chair~~ Chair

2 V.S.A § 653 is amended to read

#### FUNCTIONS

(a) ~~The legislative advisory committee~~ Legislative Advisory Committee on the State House shall be consulted on all activities relating to the acquisition and care of paintings and historic artifacts and furnishings, and the refurbishing, renovation, preservation and expansion of the building and its interior.

(b) ~~The sergeant at arms~~ Sergeant at Arms and ~~the commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, in discharging responsibilities under subdivision 62(a)(7)(6) of the title and 29 V.S.A. § 154(a), respectively, shall consider the recommendations of the ~~advisory committee~~ Advisory Committee, ~~provided, however, that such statements shall be advisory only.~~

(c) The Advisory Committee may develop and issue policy and procedure statements.

## SECTION 21

### **SEC. 21 VARIOUS AGENCIES: MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

#### **A. STATE AID FOR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION**

District Merger Construction Aid Incentive:

Notwithstanding the suspension of state aid for school construction pursuant to the terms of 2007 Acts and Resolves No. 54, Sec. 22, and 2008 Acts and Resolves No. 200, Sec. 45 as amended by 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 54., Sec. 22 , and 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51., Sec, 45, any new unified union school district created pursuant to 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 153, Sec. 3, as amended by 2002 Acts and Resolves No. 156, or new district created under that section by merger of districts, shall be eligible for state aid for school construction under 16 V.S.A. §3447 and may make application for aid to the Secretary of Education according to 16 V.S.A. § 3448.

The total school construction aid awarded each fiscal year shall be distributed among all approved applications based on the amount of Capital State Aid authorized, but in no case shall exceed forty percent of the approved cost.

All other state aid for school construction remains suspended pursuant to the terms of 2008 Acts and Resolves no. 200, Sec. 45 as amended by 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 54, Sec. 22, and 2013 Acts and Resolves No 51, Sec. 45.

#### **B. DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY**

The State of Vermont Military Department, Office of Veterans Affairs, may accept any Federal grants or donations for the Vermont Veteran's Memorial Cemetery expansion project located in Randolph, VT.

## SECTION 22

### **SEC. 22 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERS**

The State Treasurer is authorized to issue general obligation bonds in the amount of \$144,000,000 for the purpose of funding the appropriations of this act. The State Treasurer, with the approval of the Governor, shall determine the appropriate form and maturity of the bonds authorized by this section consistent with the underlying nature of the appropriation to be funded. The State Treasurer shall allocate the estimated cost of bond issuance or issuances to the entities to which funds are appropriated pursuant to this section and for which bonding is required as the source of funds, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. §954.

The State Treasurer is further authorized to issue additional general obligation bonds in the amount of \$11,559,096.05 that were previously authorized but unissued under 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 20 for the purpose of funding the appropriation of this act. This amount shall be allocated to the Department of Buildings and General Services to defray expenditures in Sec. 1.

## SECTION 23

### **SEC. 23 EFFECTIVE DATE**

- A. This Act shall take effect upon passage.

Vermont Capital Construction Proposal 2016-2017 - January 15, 2015		Total Capital Budget Request FY'2016 & 2017				Governor P. Shumlin Proposed Capital Budget FY'2016 & 2017			
line #	Agency/Department: Project Description	Total Project Cost or Biennial Request	FY16 Request	FY17 Request	FY16 & FY17 Proposed Request	FY16	FY17	FY16 & FY17 Proposed Appropriation Request	line #
<b>Section 1: Department of Buildings and General Services</b>									
1	Statewide - Asbestos/Lead/Mold Management	100,000	50,000	50,000	100,000	50,000	50,000	100,000	1
2	Statewide Building Reuse/Planning - Annual Appropriation	150,000	75,000	75,000	150,000	75,000	75,000	150,000	2
3	Statewide Contingency - Annual Appropriation	200,000	100,000	100,000	200,000	100,000	100,000	200,000	3
4	Statewide Elevator Repairs and Replacement	350,000	250,000	100,000	350,000	100,000	100,000	200,000	4
5	Statewide Major Maintenance	19,000,000	9,000,000	10,000,000	19,000,000	10,000,000	8,000,000	16,210,287	5
6	Statewide: BGS Engineer/Architectural Cost	7,245,279	3,567,791	3,677,488	7,245,279	3,567,791	3,677,488	7,245,239	6
7	Statewide Physical Security Enhancements	500,000	250,000	250,000	500,000	250,000	250,000	500,000	7
8	Burlington - 32 Cherry Street - HVAC Continued Improvement	1,400,000	150,000	0	150,000	150,000	0	150,000	8
9	Burlington - 108 Cherry Street Garage and Repairs Study	50,000	50,000	0	50,000	50,000	0	50,000	9
10	Montpelier - 115 State Street - State House Lawn, Access Improvements and Water Intrusion	3,250,000	200,000	400,000	600,000	200,000	0	300,000	10
11	Montpelier - 120 State Street Life Safety and Infrastructure Improvements	14,000,000	500,000	2,500,000	3,000,000	500,000	1,000,000	1,300,000	11
12	Montpelier - DOL Parking Lot Expansion	450,000	450,000	0	450,000	450,000	0	450,000	12
13	Middlesex - VSARA Renovations	660,000	660,000	0	660,000	660,000	0	660,000	13
14	Newport: Northern State Correctional facility Maintenance Shop	560,000	450,000	0	450,000	450,000	0	450,000	14
15	Randolph - Agriculture and Agency of Natural Resource Replacement Lab	25,600,000	2,500,000	15,000,000	17,500,000	2,500,000	14,048,174	16,548,174	15
16	Southern State Correctional Facility - Streamline Replacement	2,400,000	600,000	600,000	1,200,000	600,000	600,000	1,200,000	16
17	Southern State Correctional Facility Copper Waterline Replacement	3,350,000	900,000	1,100,000	2,000,000	900,000	1,100,000	2,000,000	17
18	St. Johnsbury - Caledonia Courthouse: Stabilize foundation	1,740,000	1,700,000	0	1,700,000	1,700,000	0	1,700,000	18
19	Pittsford: Training Center Electrical System Upgrade	1,120,000	120,000	500,000	620,000	120,000	500,000	620,000	19
20	Waterbury Complex Restoration (Weeks & Hanks Buildings Planning)	130,887,750	17,451,826	0	17,451,826	17,451,826	0	17,451,826	20
21	White River Jet - Windsor Courthouse MEP, security, energy	4,400,000	400,000	0	400,000	400,000	0	400,000	21
22									22
23									23
24	<b>Buildings &amp; General Services</b>	<b>217,413,029</b>	<b>39,424,617</b>	<b>34,352,488</b>	<b>73,777,105</b>	<b>38,384,904</b>	<b>29,500,622</b>	<b>67,885,526</b>	24
25									25
26	<b>Section 2: Agency of Administration and IT Investments</b>								26
27	Tax- VT Center for Geographic Information - digital orthophotographic quadrangle mapping	875,000	175,000	175,000	350,000	175,000	125,000	250,000	27
28	AHS: Health and Human Services Enterprise IT System	100,000,000	8,000,000	8,000,000	16,000,000	8,000,000	8,000,000	16,000,000	28
29	Department of Finance:ERP Expansion Project - Phase II	19,720,000	5,313,000	9,375,000	14,688,000	5,313,000	9,375,000	14,688,000	29
30	Agency of Administration	<b>120,595,000</b>	<b>13,488,000</b>	<b>17,550,000</b>	<b>31,038,000</b>	<b>13,438,000</b>	<b>17,500,000</b>	<b>30,938,000</b>	30
31									31
32	<b>Section 3: Agency of Human Services</b>								32
33	DOC Perimeter Intrusion	320,000	160,000	160,000	320,000	160,000	100,000	200,000	33
34	DOC Camera and Systems	325,000	325,000	0	325,000	325,000	0	100,000	34
35	DOC Security Upgrades and Enhancements	400,000	200,000	200,000	400,000	100,000	100,000	200,000	35
36	<b>Human Services</b>	<b>1,045,000</b>	<b>685,000</b>	<b>360,000</b>	<b>1,045,000</b>	<b>300,000</b>	<b>200,000</b>	<b>500,000</b>	36
37									37
38	<b>Section 4: Judiciary</b>								38
39	Hyde Park, Lamoille County Courthouse	8,950,000	5,200,000	0	5,200,000	5,200,000	0	5,200,000	39
40	ADA Compliance County Courthouses	555,000	180,000	0	180,000	180,000	0	180,000	40
41	Statewide Court Security Systems and Improvements	590,000	0	590,000	590,000	0	100,000	100,000	41



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42	Judiciary	10,095,000	5,380,000	590,000	5,970,000	5,380,000	100,000	5,480,000	42
43									43
44	Section 5: Commerce and Community Development								44
45	Major Maintenance at all Sites: Annual Appropriations	450,000	225,000	225,000	450,000	200,000	200,000	400,000	45
46	Bennington Monument Elevator	168,000	118,000	50,000	168,000	118,000	50,000	168,000	46
47	Underwater Preserves: Annual Appropriations	70,000	35,000	35,000	70,000	30,000	30,000	60,000	47
48	Roadside Historic Markers: Annual Appropriations	30,000	15,000	15,000	30,000	15,000	15,000	30,000	48
49	Unmarked Burial Fund	30,000	30,000	0	30,000	30,000	0	30,000	49
50	Commerce and Community Development	748,000	423,000	325,000	748,000	393,000	295,000	688,000	50
51									51
52	Section 6: Agency of Education								52
53	State Aid for School Construction	4,057,688	4,057,688	0	4,057,688	4,057,688	0	4,057,688	53
54	Future State Aid for District Consolidation	3,000,000	0	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	54
55	Agency of Education	7,057,688	4,057,688	3,000,000	7,057,688	4,057,688	3,000,000	7,057,688	55
56									56
57	Section 7: UVM								57
58	Construction, Renovations, Major Maintenance	4,100,000	2,000,000	2,100,000	4,100,000	1,400,000	1,400,000	2,800,000	58
59	University of Vermont	4,100,000	2,000,000	2,100,000	4,100,000	1,400,000	1,400,000	2,800,000	59
60									60
61	Section 8: Vermont State Colleges								61
62	Construction, Renovations, Major Maintenance	8,000,000	4,000,000	4,000,000	8,000,000	1,400,000	1,400,000	2,800,000	62
63	Vermont State Colleges	8,000,000	4,000,000	4,000,000	8,000,000	1,400,000	1,400,000	2,800,000	63
64									64
65	Section 9: Agency of Natural Resources								65
66	Clean Water State/EPA Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF) Capitalization Grants	3,002,560	1,631,960	1,370,600	3,002,560	1,300,000	1,300,000	2,600,000	66
67	Administrative support - engineering, oversight, program management	600,000	300,000	300,000	600,000	300,000	300,000	600,000	67
68	Drinking Water Supply - Drinking Water State Revolving Fund	5,288,834	1,750,834	3,538,000	5,288,834	1,750,834	2,538,000	4,288,834	68
69	Engineering oversight and project management	600,000	300,000	300,000	600,000	300,000	300,000	600,000	69
70	Ecosystem Restoration and Protection	10,700,000	5,350,000	5,350,000	10,700,000	3,750,000	3,750,000	7,500,000	70
71	Dam safety and hydrology projects- DEC	2,163,580	538,580	1,625,000	2,163,580	538,580	750,000	1,288,580	71
72	Municipal Pollution Control Grants								72
73	Pownal Principal	9,277,970	530,000	0	530,000	530,000	0	530,000	73
74	Waterbury - waste treatment facility phosphorous removal	6,319,929	379,929	0	379,929	379,929	0	379,929	74
75	improvements, upgrade of restrooms, small scale road rehabilitation	7,050,000	3,425,000	3,625,000	7,050,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	6,000,000	75
76	Forest Parks and Recreation Dam: Sweet Pond Guilford	495,000	90,000	405,000	495,000	90,000	405,000	495,000	76
77	Fish and Wildlife - general infrastructure projects (Residence)	150,000	0	150,000	150,000	0	150,000	150,000	77
78	F&W: Conservation Camps and Shooting Ranges	690,000	592,500	127,500	720,000	300,000	200,000	500,000	78
79	F&W: Roxbury Hatchery - Construction and Bid Documents	5,500,000	2,750,000	2,750,000	5,500,000	400,000	0	400,000	79
80	F&W: Hatchery Improvements	997,500	562,500	435,000	997,500	350,000	350,000	700,000	80
81	F&W: Wildlife Management Area Infrastructure	207,000	125,000	82,000	207,000	75,000	75,000	150,000	81

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82	F&W: Fishing Access Areas	200,000	0	200,000	200,000	0	100,000	100,000	82
83									83
84	Agency of Natural Resources	53,242,373	18,326,303	20,258,100	38,584,403	13,064,343	13,218,000	26,282,343	84
85									85
86	<b>Section 10: Military</b>								86
87	Major Maintenance; Land Acquisitions; Renovations; Federal Match Construction	5,227,600	1,800,000	1,184,600	2,984,600	750,000	750,000	1,500,000	87
88	Agricultural Mitigation Land - Randolph : VT Veterans Cemetery	75,000	75,000	0	75,000	75,000	0	75,000	88
89	Military	5,302,600	1,875,000	1,184,600	3,059,600	825,000	750,000	1,575,000	89
90									90
91	<b>Section 11: Department Public Safety</b>								91
92	Vermont Fire Academy - New Burn Building	300,000	300,000	0	300,000	300,000	0	300,000	92
93	<b>Public Safety</b>	300,000	300,000	0	300,000	300,000	0	300,000	93
94									94
95	<b>Section 12: Agency of Agriculture</b>								95
96	Best Management Practices	3,200,000	1,400,000	1,800,000	3,200,000	1,400,000	1,800,000	3,200,000	96
97	Springfield, MA - exposition center building upgrades	315,000	200,000	115,000	315,000	200,000	115,000	315,000	97
98									98
99	<b>Agency of Agriculture</b>	3,515,000	1,600,000	1,915,000	3,515,000	1,600,000	1,915,000	3,515,000	99
100									100
101	<b>Section 13: Vermont Public Television</b>								101
102	Transmission Security	528,000	528,000	0	528,000	300,000	0	300,000	102
103	Production Modernization	115,000	115,000	0	115,000	75,000	0	75,000	103
104	<b>Vermont Public Television</b>	643,000	643,000	0	643,000	375,000	0	375,000	104
105									105
106	<b>Section 14: Vermont Rural Fire Protection</b>								106
107	Dry Hydrant Program- Continue Program Grants: Annual Appropriations	250,000	125,000	125,000	250,000	125,000	125,000	250,000	107
108	<b>Vermont Rural Fire Protection</b>	250,000	125,000	125,000	250,000	125,000	125,000	250,000	108
109									109
110	<b>Section 15: Vermont Veterans Home</b>								110
111	Electronic Medical Records	1,200,000	500,000	0	500,000	500,000	0	500,000	111
112	<b>Vermont Veterans Home</b>	1,200,000	500,000	0	500,000	500,000	0	500,000	112
113									113
114	<b>Section 16: Vermont Historical Society</b>								114
115	Capital Debt Reduction	150,000	75,000	75,000	150,000	75,000	0	75,000	115
116	<b>Vermont Historical Society</b>	150,000	75,000	75,000	150,000	75,000	0	75,000	116
117									117
118	<b>Section 17: Vermont Housing and Conservation Board</b>								118
119	VHCB Investments in Housing and Lands	5,600,000	2,800,000	2,800,000	5,600,000	2,800,000	2,800,000	5,600,000	119
120	<b>Vermont Housing and Conservation Board</b>	5,600,000	2,800,000	2,800,000	5,600,000	2,800,000	2,800,000	5,600,000	120
121									121

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122	<b>TOTAL - CAPITAL PROJECTS</b>	439,256,690	95,702,608	88,635,188	184,337,796	84,417,935	72,203,622	156,621,557	122
123									123
124	<b>Proposed Funding Available</b>								124
125	<b>Section 18: Reallocations &amp; Transfers</b>								125
126	<b>Buildings and General Services</b>								126
127	1016100010 - Bennington State Office Building		49,062.60		49,062.60	49,062.60		49,062.60	127
128	1204000023- State House committee Renovations		28,702.15		28,702.15	28,702.15		28,702.15	128
129	1204000145 - Public Safety Review of State Police Facilities		5,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00		5,000.00	129
130	1305100022 - BGS Engineering Staff		58,236.66		58,236.66	58,236.66		58,236.66	130
131	1305100022-133 State Street Foundation and Parking Lot		156,642.16		156,642.16	156,642.16		156,642.16	131
132	1305100041 - DOC Facilities Assessment		19,913.12		19,913.12	19,913.12		19,913.12	132
133	Sale of Building 617		7,078.21		7,078.21	7,078.21		7,078.21	133
134	Sale of 1193 North Ave-Burlington		353,785.97		353,785.97	353,785.97		353,785.97	134
135	Sale of 121 & 123 So Main Street Waterbury		75,000.00		75,000.00	75,000.00		75,000.00	135
136	Sale of Ladd Hall-Waterbury		228,000.00		228,000.00	228,000.00		228,000.00	136
137	Duxbury Land Sale		45,556.36		45,556.36	45,556.36		45,556.36	137
138	<b>Agency of Natural Resources</b>								138
139	6140991202-Drinking Water Projects		35,483.32		35,483.32	35,483.32		35,483.32	139
140									140
141	<b>Total Reallocations/Transfers FY 2016</b>		1,062,460.55	0.00	1,062,460.55	1,062,460.55	0.00	1,062,460.55	141
142									142
143	<b>Section 19: General Obligation Bonds and Appropriations</b>								143
144	Capital Borrowing: GF Bonding		144,000,000		144,000,000	144,000,000		144,000,000	144
145	Bond Premiums		11,559,096.05		11,559,096.05	11,559,096.05		11,559,096.05	145
146									146
147	<b>Total</b>		155,559,096.05	0	155,559,096.05	155,559,096.05	0	155,559,096.05	147
148									148
149	<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>		156,621,556.60	0.00	156,621,556.60	156,621,556.60		156,621,556.60	149
150									150
151	<b>SUMMARY</b>								151
152	<b>Total Spending</b>		95,702,608.00	88,635,188.00	184,337,796.00	84,417,934.60	72,203,622.00	156,621,556.60	152
153	<b>Revenues Available</b>		156,621,556.60	60,918,948.60	156,621,556.60	156,621,556.60	72,203,622.00	156,621,556.60	153
154	<b>Difference</b>		60,918,948.60	-27,716,239.40	-27,716,239.40	72,203,622.00	0.00	0.00	154