

1 H.875

2 Introduced by Committee on Appropriations

3 Date:

4 Subject: Omnibus appropriations act

5 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to make
6 appropriations in support of government for the fiscal year beginning on
7 July 1, 2016.

8 An act relating to making appropriations for the support of government

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

10 Sec. A.100 SHORT TITLE

11 (a) This bill may be referred to as the BIG BILL – Fiscal Year 2017
12 Appropriations Act.

13 Sec. A.101 PURPOSE

14 (a) The purpose of this act is to provide appropriations for the operations of
15 State government during fiscal year 2017. It is the express intent of the
16 General Assembly that activities of the various agencies, departments,
17 divisions, boards, and commissions be limited to those which can be supported
18 by funds appropriated in this act or other acts passed prior to June 30, 2016.
19 Agency and department heads are directed to implement staffing and service
20 levels at the beginning of fiscal year 2017 so as to meet this condition unless

1 otherwise directed by specific language in this act or other acts of the General
2 Assembly.

3 Sec. A.102 APPROPRIATIONS

4 (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that this act serve as the primary
5 source and reference for appropriations for fiscal year 2017.

6 (b) The sums herein stated are appropriated for the purposes specified in
7 the following sections of this act. When no time is expressly stated during
8 which any of the appropriations are to continue, the appropriations are
9 single-year appropriations and only for the purpose indicated and shall be paid
10 from funds shown as the source of funds. If in this act there is an error in
11 either addition or subtraction, the totals shall be adjusted accordingly.
12 Apparent errors in referring to section numbers of statutory titles within this
13 act may be disregarded by the Commissioner of Finance and Management.

14 (c) Unless codified or otherwise specified, all narrative portions of this act
15 apply only to the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2017.

16 Sec. A.103 DEFINITIONS

17 (a) As used in this act:

18 (1) "Encumbrances" means a portion of an appropriation reserved for
19 the subsequent payment of existing purchase orders or contracts. The
20 Commissioner of Finance and Management shall make final decisions on the
21 appropriateness of encumbrances.

1 (2) “Grants” means subsidies, aid, or payments to local governments, to
2 community and quasi-public agencies for providing local services, and to
3 persons who are not wards of the State for services or supplies and means cash
4 or other direct assistance, including pension contributions.

5 (3) “Operating expenses” means property management, repair and
6 maintenance, rental expenses, insurance, postage, travel, energy and utilities,
7 office and other supplies, equipment, including motor vehicles, highway
8 materials, and construction, expenditures for the purchase of land and
9 construction of new buildings and permanent improvements, and similar items.

10 (4) “Personal services” means wages and salaries, fringe benefits, per
11 diems, and contracted third-party services, and similar items.

12 Sec. A.104 RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING LAWS

13 (a) Except as specifically provided, this act shall not be construed in any
14 way to negate or impair the full force and effect of existing laws.

15 Sec. A.105 OFFSETTING APPROPRIATIONS

16 (a) In the absence of specific provisions to the contrary in this act, when
17 total appropriations are offset by estimated receipts, the State appropriations
18 shall control, notwithstanding receipts being greater or less than anticipated.

19 Sec. A.106 FEDERAL FUNDS

20 (a) In fiscal year 2017, the Governor, with the approval of the Legislature
21 or the Joint Fiscal Committee if the Legislature is not in session, may accept

1 federal funds available to the State of Vermont, including block grants in lieu
2 of or in addition to funds herein designated as federal. The Governor, with the
3 approval of the Legislature or the Joint Fiscal Committee if the Legislature is
4 not in session, may allocate all or any portion of such federal funds for any
5 purpose consistent with the purposes for which the basic appropriations in this
6 act have been made.

7 (b) If, during fiscal year 2017, federal funds available to the State of
8 Vermont and designated as federal in this and other acts of the 2016 session of
9 the Vermont General Assembly are converted into block grants or are
10 abolished under their current title in federal law and reestablished under a new
11 title in federal law, the Governor may continue to accept such federal funds for
12 any purpose consistent with the purposes for which the federal funds were
13 appropriated. The Governor may spend such funds for such purposes for no
14 more than 45 days prior to Legislative or Joint Fiscal Committee approval.
15 Notice shall be given to the Joint Fiscal Committee without delay if the
16 Governor intends to use the authority granted by this section, and the Joint
17 Fiscal Committee shall meet in an expedited manner to review the Governor's
18 request for approval.

19 Sec. A.107 NEW POSITIONS

20 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the total number of
21 authorized State positions, both classified and exempt, excluding temporary

1 positions as defined in 3 V.S.A. § 311(11), shall not be increased during fiscal
2 year 2017 except for new positions authorized by the 2016 session. Limited
3 service positions approved pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 5 shall not be subject to
4 this restriction, nor shall positions created pursuant to the Position Pilot
5 Program authorized in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.100(d) as
6 amended by 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 4, Sec. 74, and furthered amended by
7 Sec. E.100.2 of this act.

8 Sec. A.108 LEGEND

9 (a) The bill is organized by functions of government. The sections between
10 B.100 and B.9999 contain appropriations of funds for the upcoming budget
11 year. The sections between E.100 and E.9999 contain language that relates to
12 specific appropriations or government functions, or both. The function areas
13 by section numbers are as follows:

14 <u>B.100–B.199 and E.100–E.199</u>	<u>General Government</u>
15 <u>B.200–B.299 and E.200–E.299</u>	<u>Protection to Persons and Property</u>
16 <u>B.300–B.399 and E.300–E.399</u>	<u>Human Services</u>
17 <u>B.400–B.499 and E.400–E.499</u>	<u>Labor</u>
18 <u>B.500–B.599 and E.500–E.599</u>	<u>General Education</u>
19 <u>B.600–B.699 and E.600–E.699</u>	<u>Higher Education</u>
20 <u>B.700–B.799 and E.700–E.799</u>	<u>Natural Resources</u>

1	<u>B.800–B.899 and E.800–E.899</u>	<u>Commerce and Community</u>
2		<u>Development</u>
3	<u>B.900–B.999 and E.900–E.999</u>	<u>Transportation</u>
4	<u>B.1000–B.1099 and E.1000–E.1099</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>
5	<u>B.1100–B.1199 and E.1100–E.1199</u>	<u>One-time and other appropriation</u>
6		<u>actions</u>

7 (b) The C sections contain any amendments to the current fiscal year and
8 the D sections contain fund transfers and reserve allocations for the upcoming
9 budget year.

10 Sec. B.100 Secretary of administration - secretary's office

11	Personal services	2,865,695
12	Operating expenses	<u>211,182</u>
13	Total	3,076,877

14 Source of funds

15	General fund	1,213,724
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,863,153</u>
17	Total	3,076,877

18 Sec. B.101 Secretary of administration - finance

19	Personal services	1,150,551
20	Operating expenses	<u>132,430</u>
21	Total	1,282,981

1	Source of funds	
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,282,981</u>
3	Total	1,282,981
4	Sec. B.102 Secretary of administration - workers' compensation insurance	
5	Personal services	1,109,499
6	Operating expenses	<u>232,792</u>
7	Total	1,342,291
8	Source of funds	
9	Internal service funds	<u>1,342,291</u>
10	Total	1,342,291
11	Sec. B.103 Secretary of administration - general liability insurance	
12	Personal services	304,537
13	Operating expenses	<u>62,108</u>
14	Total	366,645
15	Source of funds	
16	Internal service funds	<u>366,645</u>
17	Total	366,645
18	Sec. B.104 Secretary of administration - all other insurance	
19	Personal services	21,565
20	Operating expenses	<u>16,578</u>
21	Total	38,143

1	Source of funds	
2	Internal service funds	<u>38,143</u>
3	Total	38,143
4	Sec. B.105 Information and innovation - communications and information	
5	technology	
6	Personal services	23,273,904
7	Operating expenses	<u>16,514,093</u>
8	Total	39,787,997
9	Source of funds	
10	Internal service funds	<u>39,787,997</u>
11	Total	39,787,997
12	Sec. B.106 Finance and management - budget and management	
13	Personal services	1,312,845
14	Operating expenses	<u>252,190</u>
15	Total	1,565,035
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	1,133,838
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>431,197</u>
19	Total	1,565,035
20	Sec. B.107 Finance and management - financial operations	
21	Personal services	2,365,616

1	Operating expenses	<u>668,947</u>
2	Total	3,034,563
3	Source of funds	
4	Internal service funds	<u>3,034,563</u>
5	Total	3,034,563
6	Sec. B.108 Human resources - operations	
7	Personal services	7,186,765
8	Operating expenses	<u>937,445</u>
9	Total	8,124,210
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	1,823,395
12	Special funds	244,912
13	Internal service funds	5,518,595
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>537,308</u>
15	Total	8,124,210
16	Sec. B.108.1 Human Resources - VTHR Operations	
17	Personal services	1,746,553
18	Operating expenses	<u>655,960</u>
19	Total	2,402,513
20	Source of funds	
21	Internal service funds	<u>2,402,513</u>

1	Total	2,402,513
2	Sec. B.109 Human resources - employee benefits & wellness	
3	Personal services	1,201,356
4	Operating expenses	<u>578,585</u>
5	Total	1,779,941
6	Source of funds	
7	Internal service funds	<u>1,779,941</u>
8	Total	1,779,941
9	Sec. B.110 Libraries	
10	Personal services	1,785,527
11	Operating expenses	1,439,081
12	Grants	<u>145,512</u>
13	Total	3,370,120
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	2,307,163
16	Special funds	104,857
17	Federal funds	861,098
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>97,002</u>
19	Total	3,370,120
20	Sec. B.111 Tax - administration/collection	
21	Personal services	14,086,964

1	Operating expenses	<u>3,775,766</u>
2	Total	17,862,730
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	16,349,276
5	Special funds	1,370,888
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>142,566</u>
7	Total	17,862,730
8	Sec. B.112 Buildings and general services - administration	
9	Personal services	613,649
10	Operating expenses	<u>103,560</u>
11	Total	717,209
12	Source of funds	
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>717,209</u>
14	Total	717,209
15	Sec. B.113 Buildings and general services - engineering	
16	Personal services	2,797,007
17	Operating expenses	<u>756,054</u>
18	Total	3,553,061
19	Source of funds	
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>3,553,061</u>
21	Total	3,553,061

1	Sec. B.114 Buildings and general services - information centers	
2	Personal services	3,460,339
3	Operating expenses	1,260,232
4	Grants	<u>33,000</u>
5	Total	4,753,571
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	677,224
8	Transportation fund	4,014,502
9	Special funds	<u>61,845</u>
10	Total	4,753,571
11	Sec. B.115 Buildings and general services - purchasing	
12	Personal services	1,093,836
13	Operating expenses	<u>190,281</u>
14	Total	1,284,117
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	<u>1,284,117</u>
17	Total	1,284,117
18	Sec. B.116 Buildings and general services - postal services	
19	Personal services	715,610
20	Operating expenses	<u>114,736</u>
21	Total	830,346

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	83,221
3	Internal service funds	<u>747,125</u>
4	Total	830,346
5	Sec. B.117 Buildings and general services - copy center	
6	Personal services	660,219
7	Operating expenses	<u>162,809</u>
8	Total	823,028
9	Source of funds	
10	Internal service funds	<u>823,028</u>
11	Total	823,028
12	Sec. B.118 Buildings and general services - fleet management services	
13	Personal services	663,543
14	Operating expenses	<u>222,056</u>
15	Total	885,599
16	Source of funds	
17	Internal service funds	<u>885,599</u>
18	Total	885,599
19	Sec. B.119 Buildings and general services - federal surplus property	
20	Personal services	24,386
21	Operating expenses	<u>5,771</u>

1	Total	30,157
2	Source of funds	
3	Enterprise funds	<u>30,157</u>
4	Total	30,157
5	Sec. B.120 Buildings and general services - state surplus property	
6	Personal services	107,634
7	Operating expenses	<u>108,954</u>
8	Total	216,588
9	Source of funds	
10	Internal service funds	<u>216,588</u>
11	Total	216,588
12	Sec. B.121 Buildings and general services - property management	
13	Personal services	1,016,964
14	Operating expenses	<u>1,131,458</u>
15	Total	2,148,422
16	Source of funds	
17	Internal service funds	<u>2,148,422</u>
18	Total	2,148,422
19	Sec. B.122 Buildings and general services - fee for space	
20	Personal services	15,088,221
21	Operating expenses	<u>13,420,970</u>

1	Total	28,509,191
2	Source of funds	
3	Internal service funds	<u>28,509,191</u>
4	Total	28,509,191
5	Sec. B.124 Executive office - governor's office	
6	Personal services	1,627,847
7	Operating expenses	<u>460,416</u>
8	Total	2,088,263
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	1,695,176
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>393,087</u>
12	Total	2,088,263
13	Sec. B.125 Legislative council	
14	Personal services	3,297,642
15	Operating expenses	<u>910,056</u>
16	Total	4,207,698
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	<u>4,207,698</u>
19	Total	4,207,698
20	Sec. B.126 Legislature	
21	Personal services	3,671,819

1	Operating expenses	<u>3,592,956</u>
2	Total	7,264,775
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	<u>7,264,775</u>
5	Total	7,264,775
6	Sec. B.127 Joint fiscal committee	
7	Personal services	1,535,079
8	Operating expenses	<u>113,801</u>
9	Total	1,648,880
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	<u>1,648,880</u>
12	Total	1,648,880
13	Sec. B.128 Sergeant at arms	
14	Personal services	598,470
15	Operating expenses	<u>72,904</u>
16	Total	671,374
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	<u>671,374</u>
19	Total	671,374
20	Sec. B.129 Lieutenant governor	
21	Personal services	164,873

1	Operating expenses	<u>29,614</u>
2	Total	194,487
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	<u>194,487</u>
5	Total	194,487
6	Sec. B.130 Auditor of accounts	
7	Personal services	3,691,861
8	Operating expenses	<u>151,915</u>
9	Total	3,843,776
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	418,307
12	Special funds	53,145
13	Internal service funds	<u>3,372,324</u>
14	Total	3,843,776
15	Sec. B.131 State treasurer	
16	Personal services	3,337,295
17	Operating expenses	<u>265,138</u>
18	Total	3,602,433
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	1,022,452
21	Special funds	2,471,709

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>108,272</u>
2	Total	3,602,433
3	Sec. B.132 State treasurer - unclaimed property	
4	Personal services	832,146
5	Operating expenses	<u>293,555</u>
6	Total	1,125,701
7	Source of funds	
8	Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,125,701</u>
9	Total	1,125,701
10	Sec. B.133 Vermont state retirement system	
11	Personal services	7,920,899
12	Operating expenses	<u>1,266,225</u>
13	Total	9,187,124
14	Source of funds	
15	Pension trust funds	<u>9,187,124</u>
16	Total	9,187,124
17	Sec. B.134 Municipal employees' retirement system	
18	Personal services	2,649,446
19	Operating expenses	<u>700,137</u>
20	Total	3,349,583

1	Source of funds	
2	Pension trust funds	<u>3,349,583</u>
3	Total	3,349,583
4	Sec. B.135 State labor relations board	
5	Personal services	203,674
6	Operating expenses	<u>43,645</u>
7	Total	247,319
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	237,743
10	Special funds	6,788
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,788</u>
12	Total	247,319
13	Sec. B.136 VOSHA review board	
14	Personal services	54,576
15	Operating expenses	<u>18,646</u>
16	Total	73,222
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	36,611
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>36,611</u>
20	Total	73,222

1	Sec. B.137 Homeowner rebate	
2	Grants	<u>16,200,000</u>
3	Total	16,200,000
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	<u>16,200,000</u>
6	Total	16,200,000
7	Sec. B.138 Renter rebate	
8	Grants	<u>10,400,000</u>
9	Total	10,400,000
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	3,120,000
12	Education fund	<u>7,280,000</u>
13	Total	10,400,000
14	Sec. B.139 Tax department - reappraisal and listing payments	
15	Grants	<u>3,425,000</u>
16	Total	3,425,000
17	Source of funds	
18	Education fund	<u>3,425,000</u>
19	Total	3,425,000
20	Sec. B.140 Municipal current use	
21	Grants	<u>15,321,776</u>

1	Total	15,321,776
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	<u>15,321,776</u>
4	Total	15,321,776
5	Sec. B.141 Lottery commission	
6	Personal services	1,934,113
7	Operating expenses	1,309,216
8	Grants	<u>150,000</u>
9	Total	3,393,329
10	Source of funds	
11	Enterprise funds	<u>3,393,329</u>
12	Total	3,393,329
13	Sec. B.142 Payments in lieu of taxes	
14	Grants	<u>7,100,000</u>
15	Total	7,100,000
16	Source of funds	
17	Special funds	<u>7,100,000</u>
18	Total	7,100,000
19	Sec. B.143 Payments in lieu of taxes - Montpelier	
20	Grants	<u>270,000</u>
21	Total	270,000

1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	<u>270,000</u>
3	Total	270,000
4	Sec. B.144 Payments in lieu of taxes - correctional facilities	
5	Grants	<u>65,000</u>
6	Total	65,000
7	Source of funds	
8	Special funds	<u>65,000</u>
9	Total	65,000
10	Sec. B.145 Total general government	
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	76,911,237
13	Transportation fund	4,014,502
14	Special funds	11,749,144
15	Education fund	10,705,000
16	Federal funds	861,098
17	Internal service funds	90,972,965
18	Interdepartmental transfers	9,165,235
19	Enterprise funds	3,423,486
20	Pension trust funds	12,536,707
21	Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,125,701</u>

1	Total	221,465,075
2	Sec. B.200 Attorney general	
3	Personal services	8,782,030
4	Operating expenses	1,386,540
5	Grants	<u>26,894</u>
6	Total	10,195,464
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	4,338,420
9	Special funds	1,848,908
10	Tobacco fund	530,790
11	Federal funds	1,067,909
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,409,437</u>
13	Total	10,195,464
14	Sec. B.201 Vermont court diversion	
15	Personal services	63,550
16	Operating expenses	500
17	Grants	<u>1,996,483</u>
18	Total	2,060,533
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	1,396,486
21	Special funds	<u>664,047</u>

1	Total	2,060,533
2	Sec. B.202 Defender general - public defense	
3	Personal services	10,489,892
4	Operating expenses	<u>1,026,336</u>
5	Total	11,516,228
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	10,927,676
8	Special funds	<u>588,552</u>
9	Total	11,516,228
10	Sec. B.203 Defender general - assigned counsel	
11	Personal services	5,489,474
12	Operating expenses	<u>49,819</u>
13	Total	5,539,293
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	<u>5,539,293</u>
16	Total	5,539,293
17	Sec. B.204 Judiciary	
18	Personal services	36,350,769
19	Operating expenses	8,552,590
20	Grants	<u>76,030</u>
21	Total	44,979,389

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	39,391,172
3	Special funds	2,667,459
4	Tobacco fund	39,031
5	Federal funds	556,455
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,325,272</u>
7	Total	44,979,389
8	Sec. B.205 State's attorneys	
9	Personal services	11,690,469
10	Operating expenses	<u>1,945,843</u>
11	Total	13,636,312
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	10,990,771
14	Special funds	105,855
15	Federal funds	31,000
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,508,686</u>
17	Total	13,636,312
18	Sec. B.206 Special investigative unit	
19	Personal services	90,000
20	Operating expenses	1,100
21	Grants	<u>1,750,000</u>

1	Total	1,841,100
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	<u>1,841,100</u>
4	Total	1,841,100
5	Sec. B.207 Sheriffs	
6	Personal services	3,939,833
7	Operating expenses	<u>425,800</u>
8	Total	4,365,633
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	<u>4,365,633</u>
11	Total	4,365,633
12	Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration	
13	Personal services	2,581,402
14	Operating expenses	<u>2,517,522</u>
15	Total	5,098,924
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	2,805,505
18	Federal funds	270,726
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,022,693</u>
20	Total	5,098,924

1	Sec. B.209 Public safety - state police	
2	Personal services	51,937,925
3	Operating expenses	8,269,462
4	Grants	<u>759,635</u>
5	Total	60,967,022
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	33,887,477
8	Transportation fund	20,250,000
9	Special funds	2,849,249
10	Federal funds	2,161,852
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,818,444</u>
12	Total	60,967,022
13	Sec. B.210 Public safety - criminal justice services	
14	Personal services	8,605,625
15	Operating expenses	2,525,328
16	Grants	<u>191,650</u>
17	Total	11,322,603
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	7,090,142
20	Special funds	1,941,138
21	Federal funds	1,327,086

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>964,237</u>
2	Total	11,322,603
3	Sec. B.211 Public safety - emergency management and homeland security	
4	Personal services	3,137,644
5	Operating expenses	1,458,342
6	Grants	<u>17,207,831</u>
7	Total	21,803,817
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	502,542
10	Federal funds	21,113,661
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>187,614</u>
12	Total	21,803,817
13	Sec. B.212 Public safety - fire safety	
14	Personal services	6,263,825
15	Operating expenses	2,591,448
16	Grants	<u>107,000</u>
17	Total	8,962,273
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	383,349
20	Special funds	8,179,056
21	Federal funds	354,868

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>
2	Total	8,962,273
3	Sec. B.215 Military - administration	
4	Personal services	708,516
5	Operating expenses	341,919
6	Grants	<u>100,000</u>
7	Total	1,150,435
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	<u>1,150,435</u>
10	Total	1,150,435
11	Sec. B.216 Military - air service contract	
12	Personal services	5,453,003
13	Operating expenses	<u>1,026,294</u>
14	Total	6,479,297
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	552,185
17	Federal funds	<u>5,927,112</u>
18	Total	6,479,297
19	Sec. B.217 Military - army service contract	
20	Personal services	10,640,120
21	Operating expenses	<u>6,883,650</u>

1	Total	17,523,770
2	Source of funds	
3	Federal funds	<u>17,523,770</u>
4	Total	17,523,770
5	Sec. B.218 Military - building maintenance	
6	Personal services	895,500
7	Operating expenses	<u>626,874</u>
8	Total	1,522,374
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	1,512,374
11	Special funds	<u>10,000</u>
12	Total	1,522,374
13	Sec. B.219 Military - veterans' affairs	
14	Personal services	2,169,931
15	Operating expenses	160,999
16	Grants	<u>96,784</u>
17	Total	2,427,714
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	794,156
20	Special funds	109,718
21	Federal funds	<u>1,523,840</u>

1	Total	2,427,714
2	Sec. B.220 Center for crime victim services	
3	Personal services	1,670,219
4	Operating expenses	269,420
5	Grants	<u>11,155,252</u>
6	Total	13,094,891
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	1,264,140
9	Special funds	5,072,158
10	Federal funds	<u>6,758,593</u>
11	Total	13,094,891
12	Sec. B.221 Criminal justice training council	
13	Personal services	1,068,015
14	Operating expenses	<u>1,327,800</u>
15	Total	2,395,815
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	2,317,482
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>78,333</u>
19	Total	2,395,815
20	Sec. B.222 Agriculture, food and markets - administration	
21	Personal services	1,433,951

1	Operating expenses	312,646
2	Grants	<u>212,222</u>
3	Total	1,958,819
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	1,101,524
6	Special funds	520,239
7	Federal funds	<u>337,056</u>
8	Total	1,958,819
9	Sec. B.223 Agriculture, food and markets - food safety and consumer	
10	protection	
11	Personal services	3,657,316
12	Operating expenses	713,308
13	Grants	<u>2,750,000</u>
14	Total	7,120,624
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	2,593,189
17	Special funds	3,553,332
18	Federal funds	933,097
19	Global Commitment fund	34,006
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>7,000</u>
21	Total	7,120,624

1	Sec. B.224 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural development	
2	Personal services	1,230,962
3	Operating expenses	853,358
4	Grants	<u>1,140,562</u>
5	Total	3,224,882
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	1,921,634
8	Special funds	582,764
9	Federal funds	676,266
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>44,218</u>
11	Total	3,224,882
12	Sec. B.225 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural resource management	
13	and environmental stewardship	
14	Personal services	3,247,517
15	Operating expenses	737,336
16	Grants	<u>1,203,080</u>
17	Total	5,187,933
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	2,052,525
20	Special funds	1,957,631
21	Federal funds	1,026,838

1	Global Commitment fund	56,272
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>94,667</u>
3	Total	5,187,933
4	Sec. B.225.1 Agriculture, food and markets - Vermont Agriculture and	
5	Environmental Lab	
6	Personal services	1,282,870
7	Operating expenses	<u>965,342</u>
8	Total	2,248,212
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	782,059
11	Special funds	1,417,990
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>48,163</u>
13	Total	2,248,212
14	Sec. B.225.2 Agriculture, Food and Markets - Clean Water	
15	Personal services	998,344
16	Operating expenses	292,257
17	Grants	<u>1,525,000</u>
18	Total	2,815,601
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	375,000
21	Special funds	<u>2,440,601</u>

1	Total	2,815,601
2	Sec. B.226 Financial regulation - administration	
3	Personal services	1,919,911
4	Operating expenses	<u>194,235</u>
5	Total	2,114,146
6	Source of funds	
7	Special funds	<u>2,114,146</u>
8	Total	2,114,146
9	Sec. B.227 Financial regulation - banking	
10	Personal services	1,644,347
11	Operating expenses	<u>350,156</u>
12	Total	1,994,503
13	Source of funds	
14	Special funds	<u>1,994,503</u>
15	Total	1,994,503
16	Sec. B.228 Financial regulation - insurance	
17	Personal services	4,538,399
18	Operating expenses	<u>504,759</u>
19	Total	5,043,158
20	Source of funds	
21	Special funds	4,975,958

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>67,200</u>
2	Total	5,043,158
3	Sec. B.229 Financial regulation - captive insurance	
4	Personal services	4,070,007
5	Operating expenses	<u>490,641</u>
6	Total	4,560,648
7	Source of funds	
8	Special funds	<u>4,560,648</u>
9	Total	4,560,648
10	Sec. B.230 Financial regulation - securities	
11	Personal services	835,280
12	Operating expenses	<u>179,328</u>
13	Total	1,014,608
14	Source of funds	
15	Special funds	<u>1,014,608</u>
16	Total	1,014,608
17	Sec. B.232 Secretary of state	
18	Personal services	10,038,201
19	Operating expenses	<u>2,243,361</u>
20	Total	12,281,562

1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	10,544,858
3	Federal funds	1,661,704
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>75,000</u>
5	Total	12,281,562
6	Sec. B.233 Public service - regulation and energy	
7	Personal services	10,567,119
8	Operating expenses	2,013,321
9	Grants	<u>3,687,932</u>
10	Total	16,268,372
11	Source of funds	
12	Special funds	14,551,869
13	Federal funds	1,002,268
14	ARRA funds	650,000
15	Interdepartmental transfers	41,667
16	Enterprise funds	<u>22,568</u>
17	Total	16,268,372
18	Sec. B.234 Public service board	
19	Personal services	3,099,507
20	Operating expenses	<u>445,493</u>
21	Total	3,545,000

1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	<u>3,545,000</u>
3	Total	3,545,000
4	Sec. B.235 Enhanced 9-1-1 Board	
5	Personal services	3,289,987
6	Operating expenses	294,843
7	Grants	<u>720,000</u>
8	Total	4,304,830
9	Source of funds	
10	Special funds	<u>4,304,830</u>
11	Total	4,304,830
12	Sec. B.236 Human rights commission	
13	Personal services	454,052
14	Operating expenses	<u>77,347</u>
15	Total	531,399
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	455,632
18	Federal funds	<u>75,767</u>
19	Total	531,399
20	Sec. B.237 Liquor control - administration	
21	Personal services	3,732,527

1	Operating expenses	<u>478,007</u>
2	Total	4,210,534
3	Source of funds	
4	Enterprise funds	<u>4,210,534</u>
5	Total	4,210,534
6	Sec. B.238 Liquor control - enforcement and licensing	
7	Personal services	2,519,794
8	Operating expenses	<u>491,938</u>
9	Total	3,011,732
10	Source of funds	
11	Special funds	151,119
12	Tobacco fund	213,843
13	Federal funds	312,503
14	Enterprise funds	<u>2,334,267</u>
15	Total	3,011,732
16	Sec. B.239 Liquor control - warehousing and distribution	
17	Personal services	1,006,762
18	Operating expenses	<u>439,188</u>
19	Total	1,445,950
20	Source of funds	
21	Enterprise funds	<u>1,445,950</u>

1	Total	1,445,950
2	Sec. B.240 Total protection to persons and property	
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	140,331,901
5	Transportation fund	20,250,000
6	Special funds	82,266,236
7	Tobacco fund	783,664
8	Federal funds	64,642,371
9	ARRA funds	650,000
10	Global Commitment fund	90,278
11	Interdepartmental transfers	12,737,631
12	Enterprise funds	<u>8,013,319</u>
13	Total	329,765,400
14	Sec. B.300 Human services - agency of human services - secretary's office	
15	Personal services	16,945,382
16	Operating expenses	5,927,510
17	Grants	<u>3,069,120</u>
18	Total	25,942,012
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	6,112,158
21	Special funds	91,017

1	Tobacco fund	67,500
2	Federal funds	11,436,482
3	Global Commitment fund	6,436,024
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,798,831</u>
5	Total	25,942,012
6	Sec. B.301 Secretary's office - global commitment	
7	Operating expenses	5,529,495
8	Grants	<u>1,665,005,640</u>
9	Total	1,670,535,135
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	317,889,662
12	Special funds	28,263,866
13	Tobacco fund	27,530,657
14	State health care resources fund	290,768,571
15	Federal funds	1,006,042,379
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>40,000</u>
17	Total	1,670,535,135
18	Sec. B.302 Rate setting	
19	Personal services	831,219
20	Operating expenses	<u>98,596</u>
21	Total	929,815

1	Source of funds	
2	Global Commitment fund	<u>929,815</u>
3	Total	929,815
4	Sec. B.303 Developmental disabilities council	
5	Personal services	261,555
6	Operating expenses	67,012
7	Grants	<u>248,388</u>
8	Total	576,955
9	Source of funds	
10	Federal funds	<u>576,955</u>
11	Total	576,955
12	Sec. B.304 Human services board	
13	Personal services	659,457
14	Operating expenses	<u>89,986</u>
15	Total	749,443
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	208,383
18	Federal funds	112,844
19	Global Commitment fund	355,736
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>72,480</u>
21	Total	749,443

1	Sec. B.305 AHS - administrative fund	
2	Personal services	350,000
3	Operating expenses	<u>4,650,000</u>
4	Total	5,000,000
5	Source of funds	
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>5,000,000</u>
7	Total	5,000,000
8	Sec. B.306 Department of Vermont health access - administration	
9	Personal services	166,815,638
10	Operating expenses	5,252,813
11	Grants	<u>17,445,598</u>
12	Total	189,514,049
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	6,551,086
15	Special funds	799,894
16	Federal funds	99,758,443
17	Global Commitment fund	71,800,549
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>10,604,077</u>
19	Total	189,514,049

1	Sec. B.307 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - global		
2	commitment		
3	Grants		<u>753,359,676</u>
4	Total		753,359,676
5	Source of funds		
6	Global Commitment fund		<u>753,359,676</u>
7	Total		753,359,676
8	Sec. B.308 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - long		
9	term care waiver		
10	Grants		<u>187,293,862</u>
11	Total		187,293,862
12	Source of funds		
13	General fund		753,720
14	Federal funds		896,280
15	Global Commitment fund		<u>185,643,862</u>
16	Total		187,293,862
17	Sec. B.309 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - state		
18	only		
19	Grants		<u>44,373,965</u>
20	Total		44,373,965

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	36,451,439
3	Global Commitment fund	<u>7,922,526</u>
4	Total	44,373,965
5	Sec. B.310 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid non-waiver	
6	matched	
7	Grants	<u>46,362,233</u>
8	Total	46,362,233
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	17,804,538
11	Federal funds	<u>28,557,695</u>
12	Total	46,362,233
13	Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support	
14	Personal services	7,605,625
15	Operating expenses	2,974,444
16	Grants	<u>3,185,000</u>
17	Total	13,765,069
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	2,156,700
20	Special funds	1,286,732
21	Federal funds	5,584,598

1	Global Commitment fund	<u>4,737,039</u>
2	Total	13,765,069
3	Sec. B.312 Health - public health	
4	Personal services	40,636,991
5	Operating expenses	9,221,544
6	Grants	<u>38,431,111</u>
7	Total	88,289,646
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	5,496,552
10	Special funds	17,054,895
11	Tobacco fund	2,409,514
12	Federal funds	38,055,582
13	Global Commitment fund	24,126,242
14	Interdepartmental transfers	1,121,861
15	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
16	Total	88,289,646
17	Sec. B.313 Health - alcohol and drug abuse programs	
18	Personal services	3,681,311
19	Operating expenses	295,122
20	Grants	<u>47,410,480</u>
21	Total	51,386,913

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	2,755,862
3	Special funds	459,453
4	Tobacco fund	1,357,025
5	Federal funds	12,012,707
6	Global Commitment fund	<u>34,801,866</u>
7	Total	51,386,913
8	Sec. B.314 Mental health - mental health	
9	Personal services	28,694,403
10	Operating expenses	3,885,385
11	Grants	<u>192,151,689</u>
12	Total	224,731,477
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	1,593,826
15	Special funds	434,904
16	Federal funds	3,620,435
17	Global Commitment fund	219,062,312
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>20,000</u>
19	Total	224,731,477

1	Sec. B.316 Department for children and families - administration & support	
2	services	
3	Personal services	37,891,973
4	Operating expenses	9,938,078
5	Grants	<u>3,828,592</u>
6	Total	51,658,643
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	23,929,434
9	Special funds	718,986
10	Federal funds	23,390,910
11	Global Commitment fund	3,402,828
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>216,485</u>
13	Total	51,658,643
14	Sec. B.317 Department for children and families - family services	
15	Personal services	32,191,167
16	Operating expenses	4,701,495
17	Grants	<u>74,968,686</u>
18	Total	111,861,348
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	33,593,853
21	Special funds	1,691,637

1	Federal funds	25,015,922
2	Global Commitment fund	51,423,882
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>136,054</u>
4	Total	111,861,348
5	Sec. B.318 Department for children and families - child development	
6	Personal services	6,196,295
7	Operating expenses	833,601
8	Grants	<u>76,203,172</u>
9	Total	83,233,068
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	31,364,569
12	Special funds	1,820,000
13	Federal funds	38,233,170
14	Global Commitment fund	<u>11,815,329</u>
15	Total	83,233,068
16	Sec. B.319 Department for children and families - office of child support	
17	Personal services	10,226,408
18	Operating expenses	<u>3,644,264</u>
19	Total	13,870,672
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	3,445,615

1	Special funds	455,718
2	Federal funds	9,581,739
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>387,600</u>
4	Total	13,870,672
5	Sec. B.320 Department for children and families - aid to aged, blind and	
6	disabled	
7	Personal services	2,221,542
8	Grants	<u>11,367,424</u>
9	Total	13,588,966
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	9,688,636
12	Global Commitment fund	<u>3,900,330</u>
13	Total	13,588,966
14	Sec. B.321 Department for children and families - general assistance	
15	Grants	<u>7,087,010</u>
16	Total	7,087,010
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	5,680,025
19	Federal funds	1,111,320
20	Global Commitment fund	<u>295,665</u>
21	Total	7,087,010

1	Sec. B.322 Department for children and families - 3SquaresVT	
2	Grants	<u>29,827,906</u>
3	Total	29,827,906
4	Source of funds	
5	Federal funds	<u>29,827,906</u>
6	Total	29,827,906
7	Sec. B.323 Department for children and families - reach up	
8	Operating expenses	95,202
9	Grants	<u>37,138,535</u>
10	Total	37,233,737
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	7,666,172
13	Special funds	23,401,676
14	Federal funds	3,819,096
15	Global Commitment fund	<u>2,346,793</u>
16	Total	37,233,737
17	Sec. B.324 Department for children and families - home heating fuel	
18	assistance/LIHEAP	
19	Grants	<u>17,351,664</u>
20	Total	17,351,664

1	Source of funds	
2	Federal funds	<u>17,351,664</u>
3	Total	17,351,664
4	Sec. B.325 Department for children and families - office of economic	
5	opportunity	
6	Personal services	372,844
7	Operating expenses	28,119
8	Grants	<u>9,315,255</u>
9	Total	9,716,218
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	4,667,495
12	Special funds	57,990
13	Federal funds	4,350,417
14	Global Commitment fund	<u>640,316</u>
15	Total	9,716,218
16	Sec. B.326 Department for children and families - OEO - weatherization	
17	assistance	
18	Personal services	289,008
19	Operating expenses	53,816
20	Grants	<u>10,857,176</u>
21	Total	11,200,000

1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	9,000,000
3	Federal funds	1,000,000
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,200,000</u>
5	Total	11,200,000
6	Sec. B.327 Department for children and families - Woodside rehabilitation	
7	center	
8	Personal services	4,795,936
9	Operating expenses	<u>694,946</u>
10	Total	5,490,882
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	1,035,771
13	Global Commitment fund	4,358,111
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>97,000</u>
15	Total	5,490,882
16	Sec. B.328 Department for children and families - disability determination	
17	services	
18	Personal services	5,701,206
19	Operating expenses	<u>527,556</u>
20	Total	6,228,762

1	Source of funds	
2	Federal funds	5,963,048
3	Global Commitment fund	<u>265,714</u>
4	Total	6,228,762
5	Sec. B.329 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - administration &	
6	support	
7	Personal services	29,605,791
8	Operating expenses	<u>5,211,053</u>
9	Total	34,816,844
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	11,637,389
12	Special funds	1,390,457
13	Federal funds	13,491,875
14	Global Commitment fund	7,230,839
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,066,284</u>
16	Total	34,816,844
17	Sec. B.330 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - advocacy and	
18	independent living grants	
19	Grants	<u>20,560,309</u>
20	Total	20,560,309

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	7,862,665
3	Federal funds	6,992,730
4	Global Commitment fund	<u>5,704,914</u>
5	Total	20,560,309
6	Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - blind and visually	
7	impaired	
8	Grants	<u>1,411,457</u>
9	Total	1,411,457
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	349,154
12	Special funds	223,450
13	Federal funds	593,853
14	Global Commitment fund	<u>245,000</u>
15	Total	1,411,457
16	Sec. B.332 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - vocational	
17	rehabilitation	
18	Grants	<u>8,972,255</u>
19	Total	8,972,255
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	1,371,845

1	Special funds	70,000
2	Federal funds	4,552,523
3	Global Commitment fund	7,500
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,970,387</u>
5	Total	8,972,255
6	Sec. B.333 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - developmental	
7	services	
8	Grants	<u>197,610,142</u>
9	Total	197,610,142
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	155,125
12	Special funds	15,463
13	Federal funds	359,857
14	Global Commitment fund	<u>197,079,697</u>
15	Total	197,610,142
16	Sec. B.334 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - TBI home and	
17	community based waiver	
18	Grants	<u>5,647,336</u>
19	Total	5,647,336
20	Source of funds	
21	Global Commitment fund	<u>5,647,336</u>

1	Total	5,647,336
2	Sec. B.335 Corrections - administration	
3	Personal services	2,606,169
4	Operating expenses	<u>215,943</u>
5	Total	2,822,112
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	<u>2,822,112</u>
8	Total	2,822,112
9	Sec. B.336 Corrections - parole board	
10	Personal services	245,629
11	Operating expenses	<u>81,081</u>
12	Total	326,710
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	<u>326,710</u>
15	Total	326,710
16	Sec. B.337 Corrections - correctional education	
17	Personal services	2,827,819
18	Operating expenses	<u>510,128</u>
19	Total	3,337,947
20	Source of funds	
21	Education fund	3,109,463

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>228,484</u>
2	Total	3,337,947
3	Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services	
4	Personal services	110,418,338
5	Operating expenses	20,357,559
6	Grants	<u>9,872,638</u>
7	Total	140,648,535
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	133,909,426
10	Special funds	483,963
11	Federal funds	470,962
12	Global Commitment fund	5,387,869
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>396,315</u>
14	Total	140,648,535
15	Sec. B.339 Corrections - Correctional services – out-of-state beds	
16	Personal services	<u>7,039,110</u>
17	Total	7,039,110
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	<u>7,039,110</u>
20	Total	7,039,110

1	Sec. B.340 Corrections - correctional facilities - recreation	
2	Personal services	556,422
3	Operating expenses	<u>345,501</u>
4	Total	901,923
5	Source of funds	
6	Special funds	<u>901,923</u>
7	Total	901,923
8	Sec. B.341 Corrections - Vermont offender work program	
9	Personal services	1,359,804
10	Operating expenses	<u>548,231</u>
11	Total	1,908,035
12	Source of funds	
13	Internal service funds	<u>1,908,035</u>
14	Total	1,908,035
15	Sec. B.342 Vermont veterans' home - care and support services	
16	Personal services	17,571,664
17	Operating expenses	<u>4,794,203</u>
18	Total	22,365,867
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	5,923,637
21	Special funds	8,655,269

1	Federal funds	7,375,975
2	Global Commitment fund	<u>410,986</u>
3	Total	22,365,867
4	Sec. B.343 Commission on women	
5	Personal services	280,633
6	Operating expenses	<u>76,378</u>
7	Total	357,011
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	352,011
10	Special funds	<u>5,000</u>
11	Total	357,011
12	Sec. B.344 Retired senior volunteer program	
13	Grants	<u>151,096</u>
14	Total	151,096
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	<u>151,096</u>
17	Total	151,096
18	Sec. B.345 Green mountain care board	
19	Personal services	9,380,201
20	Operating expenses	<u>835,995</u>
21	Total	10,216,196

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	1,364,985
3	Special funds	2,341,434
4	Federal funds	448,808
5	Global Commitment fund	4,568,408
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,492,561</u>
7	Total	10,216,196
8	Sec. B.346 Total human services	
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	692,110,761
11	Special funds	99,623,727
12	Tobacco fund	31,364,696
13	State health care resources fund	290,768,571
14	Education fund	3,109,463
15	Federal funds	1,400,586,175
16	Global Commitment fund	1,613,907,164
17	Internal service funds	1,908,035
18	Interdepartmental transfers	26,848,419
19	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
20	Total	4,160,252,011

1	Sec. B.400 Labor - programs	
2	Personal services	31,744,618
3	Operating expenses	9,723,007
4	Grants	<u>225,000</u>
5	Total	41,692,625
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	3,814,311
8	Special funds	3,363,869
9	Federal funds	32,805,942
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,708,503</u>
11	Total	41,692,625
12	Sec. B.401 Total labor	
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	3,814,311
15	Special funds	3,363,869
16	Federal funds	32,805,942
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,708,503</u>
18	Total	41,692,625
19	Sec. B.500 Education - finance and administration	
20	Personal services	9,210,219
21	Operating expenses	2,507,191

1	Grants	<u>15,810,700</u>
2	Total	27,528,110
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	3,696,946
5	Special funds	16,821,588
6	Education fund	1,014,007
7	Federal funds	5,036,834
8	Global Commitment fund	<u>958,735</u>
9	Total	27,528,110
10	Sec. B.501 Education - education services	
11	Personal services	16,964,227
12	Operating expenses	1,406,432
13	Grants	<u>122,039,206</u>
14	Total	140,409,865
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	4,916,711
17	Special funds	2,996,817
18	Tobacco fund	750,389
19	Federal funds	130,421,580
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,324,368</u>
21	Total	140,409,865

1	Sec. B.502 Education - special education: formula grants	
2	Grants	<u>180,749,796</u>
3	Total	180,749,796
4	Source of funds	
5	Education fund	<u>180,749,796</u>
6	Total	180,749,796
7	Sec. B.503 Education - state-placed students	
8	Grants	<u>16,700,000</u>
9	Total	16,700,000
10	Source of funds	
11	Education fund	<u>16,700,000</u>
12	Total	16,700,000
13	Sec. B.504 Education - adult education and literacy	
14	Grants	<u>3,351,468</u>
15	Total	3,351,468
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	787,995
18	Education fund	1,800,000
19	Federal funds	<u>763,473</u>
20	Total	3,351,468

1	Sec. B.504.1 Education - flexible pathways	
2	Grants	<u>4,750,000</u>
3	Total	4,750,000
4	Source of funds	
5	Education fund	<u>4,750,000</u>
6	Total	4,750,000
7	Sec. B.505 Education - adjusted education payment	
8	Grants	<u>1,322,319,706</u>
9	Total	1,322,319,706
10	Source of funds	
11	Education fund	<u>1,322,319,706</u>
12	Total	1,322,319,706
13	Sec. B.506 Education - transportation	
14	Grants	<u>18,240,000</u>
15	Total	18,240,000
16	Source of funds	
17	Education fund	<u>18,240,000</u>
18	Total	18,240,000
19	Sec. B.507 Education - small school grants	
20	Grants	<u>7,700,000</u>
21	Total	7,700,000

1	Source of funds	
2	Education fund	<u>7,700,000</u>
3	Total	7,700,000
4	Sec. B.508 Education - capital debt service aid	
5	Grants	<u>30,000</u>
6	Total	30,000
7	Source of funds	
8	Education fund	<u>30,000</u>
9	Total	30,000
10	Sec. B.510 Education - essential early education grant	
11	Grants	<u>6,400,000</u>
12	Total	6,400,000
13	Source of funds	
14	Education fund	<u>6,400,000</u>
15	Total	6,400,000
16	Sec. B.511 Education - technical education	
17	Grants	<u>13,530,912</u>
18	Total	13,530,912
19	Source of funds	
20	Education fund	<u>13,530,912</u>
21	Total	13,530,912

1	Sec. B.513 Appropriation and transfer to education fund	
2	Grants	<u>305,902,634</u>
3	Total	305,902,634
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	<u>305,902,634</u>
6	Total	305,902,634
7	Sec. B.514 State teachers' retirement system	
8	Grants	<u>82,659,576</u>
9	Total	82,659,576
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	<u>82,659,576</u>
12	Total	82,659,576
13	Sec. B.514.1 State teachers' retirement system	
14	Personal services	8,174,982
15	Operating expenses	<u>1,465,911</u>
16	Total	9,640,893
17	Source of funds	
18	Pension trust funds	<u>9,640,893</u>
19	Total	9,640,893
20	Sec. B.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits	
21	Grants	<u>18,322,584</u>

1	Total	18,322,584
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	<u>18,322,584</u>
4	Total	18,322,584
5	Sec. B.516 Total general education	
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	416,286,446
8	Special funds	19,818,405
9	Tobacco fund	750,389
10	Education fund	1,573,234,421
11	Federal funds	136,221,887
12	Global Commitment fund	958,735
13	Interdepartmental transfers	1,324,368
14	Pension trust funds	<u>9,640,893</u>
15	Total	2,158,235,544
16	Sec. B.600 University of Vermont	
17	Grants	<u>42,509,093</u>
18	Total	42,509,093
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	38,462,876
21	Global Commitment fund	<u>4,046,217</u>

1	Total	42,509,093
2	Sec. B.601 Vermont Public Television	
3	Grants	<u>271,103</u>
4	Total	271,103
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>271,103</u>
7	Total	271,103
8	Sec. B.602 Vermont state colleges	
9	Grants	<u>25,100,464</u>
10	Total	25,100,464
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	<u>25,100,464</u>
13	Total	25,100,464
14	Sec. B.603 Vermont state colleges - allied health	
15	Grants	<u>1,157,775</u>
16	Total	1,157,775
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	748,314
19	Global Commitment fund	<u>409,461</u>
20	Total	1,157,775

1	Sec. B.605 Vermont student assistance corporation	
2	Grants	<u>19,414,588</u>
3	Total	19,414,588
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	<u>19,414,588</u>
6	Total	19,414,588
7	Sec. B.606 New England higher education compact	
8	Grants	<u>84,000</u>
9	Total	84,000
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	<u>84,000</u>
12	Total	84,000
13	Sec. B.607 University of Vermont - Morgan Horse Farm	
14	Grants	<u>1</u>
15	Total	1
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	<u>1</u>
18	Total	1
19	Sec. B.608 Total higher education	
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	84,081,346

1	Global Commitment fund	<u>4,455,678</u>
2	Total	88,537,024
3	Sec. B.700 Natural resources - agency of natural resources - administration	
4	Personal services	3,517,448
5	Operating expenses	2,128,893
6	Grants	<u>114,960</u>
7	Total	5,761,301
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	4,850,163
10	Special funds	472,400
11	Federal funds	275,000
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>163,738</u>
13	Total	5,761,301
14	Sec. B.701 Natural resources - state land local property tax assessment	
15	Operating expenses	<u>2,339,405</u>
16	Total	2,339,405
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	1,917,905
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>421,500</u>
20	Total	2,339,405

1	Sec. B.702 Fish and wildlife - support and field services	
2	Personal services	16,280,543
3	Operating expenses	5,286,467
4	Grants	<u>739,000</u>
5	Total	22,306,010
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	4,987,323
8	Special funds	77,955
9	Fish and wildlife fund	9,592,312
10	Federal funds	7,531,572
11	Interdepartmental transfers	115,848
12	Permanent trust funds	<u>1,000</u>
13	Total	22,306,010
14	Sec. B.703 Forests, parks and recreation - administration	
15	Personal services	1,149,604
16	Operating expenses	667,688
17	Grants	<u>1,963,413</u>
18	Total	3,780,705
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	1,154,294
21	Special funds	1,456,877

1	Federal funds	<u>1,169,534</u>
2	Total	3,780,705
3	Sec. B.704 Forests, parks and recreation - forestry	
4	Personal services	5,278,211
5	Operating expenses	729,049
6	Grants	<u>450,000</u>
7	Total	6,457,260
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	4,231,560
10	Special funds	717,701
11	Federal funds	1,250,000
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>257,999</u>
13	Total	6,457,260
14	Sec. B.705 Forests, parks and recreation - state parks	
15	Personal services	7,326,858
16	Operating expenses	<u>2,636,530</u>
17	Total	9,963,388
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	571,102
20	Special funds	<u>9,392,286</u>
21	Total	9,963,388

1	Sec. B.706 Forests, parks and recreation - lands administration	
2	Personal services	536,452
3	Operating expenses	<u>1,198,797</u>
4	Total	1,735,249
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	472,300
7	Special funds	171,199
8	Federal funds	1,073,000
9	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>18,750</u>
10	Total	1,735,249
11	Sec. B.707 Forests, parks and recreation - youth conservation corps	
12	Grants	<u>430,689</u>
13	Total	430,689
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	48,307
16	Special funds	188,382
17	Federal funds	94,000
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>100,000</u>
19	Total	430,689
20	Sec. B.708 Forests, parks and recreation - forest highway maintenance	
21	Personal services	94,000

1	Operating expenses	<u>85,925</u>
2	Total	179,925
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	<u>179,925</u>
5	Total	179,925
6	Sec. B.709 Environmental conservation - management and support services	
7	Personal services	5,854,115
8	Operating expenses	677,351
9	Grants	<u>160,000</u>
10	Total	6,691,466
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	374,367
13	Special funds	385,773
14	Federal funds	724,194
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>5,207,132</u>
16	Total	6,691,466
17	Sec. B.710 Environmental conservation - air and waste management	
18	Personal services	10,490,655
19	Operating expenses	8,220,578
20	Grants	<u>1,949,993</u>
21	Total	20,661,226

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	90,472
3	Special funds	16,726,784
4	Federal funds	3,629,701
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>214,269</u>
6	Total	20,661,226
7	Sec. B.711 Environmental conservation - office of water programs	
8	Personal services	17,347,245
9	Operating expenses	5,662,996
10	Grants	<u>26,312,625</u>
11	Total	49,322,866
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	7,582,013
14	Special funds	12,654,402
15	Federal funds	27,890,186
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,196,265</u>
17	Total	49,322,866
18	Sec. B.712 Environmental conservation - tax-loss Connecticut river flood	
19	control	
20	Operating expenses	<u>34,700</u>
21	Total	34,700

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	3,470
3	Special funds	<u>31,230</u>
4	Total	34,700
5	Sec. B.713 Natural resources board	
6	Personal services	2,504,516
7	Operating expenses	<u>402,928</u>
8	Total	2,907,444
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	606,932
11	Special funds	<u>2,300,512</u>
12	Total	2,907,444
13	Sec. B.714 Total natural resources	
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	27,070,133
16	Special funds	44,575,501
17	Fish and wildlife fund	9,592,312
18	Federal funds	43,637,187
19	Interdepartmental transfers	7,695,501
20	Permanent trust funds	<u>1,000</u>
21	Total	132,571,634

1	Sec. B.800 Commerce and community development - agency of commerce	
2	and community development - administration	
3	Personal services	2,960,194
4	Operating expenses	717,804
5	Grants	<u>4,768,627</u>
6	Total	8,446,625
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	3,511,636
9	Special funds	3,599,800
10	Federal funds	1,200,000
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>135,189</u>
12	Total	8,446,625
13	Sec. B.801 Economic development	
14	Personal services	3,639,189
15	Operating expenses	667,420
16	Grants	<u>1,994,836</u>
17	Total	6,301,445
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	4,600,379
20	Special funds	767,950
21	Federal funds	<u>933,116</u>

1	Total	6,301,445
2	Sec. B.802 Housing & community development	
3	Personal services	6,939,855
4	Operating expenses	882,101
5	Grants	<u>1,357,213</u>
6	Total	9,179,169
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	2,623,306
9	Special funds	4,423,559
10	Federal funds	2,024,863
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>107,441</u>
12	Total	9,179,169
13	Sec. B.804 Community development block grants	
14	Grants	<u>6,249,045</u>
15	Total	6,249,045
16	Source of funds	
17	Federal funds	<u>6,249,045</u>
18	Total	6,249,045
19	Sec. B.805 Downtown transportation and capital improvement fund	
20	Personal services	94,328
21	Grants	<u>335,151</u>

1	Total	429,479
2	Source of funds	
3	Special funds	<u>429,479</u>
4	Total	429,479
5	Sec. B.806 Tourism and marketing	
6	Personal services	1,167,103
7	Operating expenses	1,856,903
8	Grants	<u>150,380</u>
9	Total	3,174,386
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	3,074,386
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>100,000</u>
13	Total	3,174,386
14	Sec. B.807 Vermont life	
15	Personal services	670,903
16	Operating expenses	<u>61,465</u>
17	Total	732,368
18	Source of funds	
19	Enterprise funds	<u>732,368</u>
20	Total	732,368

1	Sec. B.808 Vermont council on the arts	
2	Grants	<u>645,307</u>
3	Total	645,307
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	<u>645,307</u>
6	Total	645,307
7	Sec. B.809 Vermont symphony orchestra	
8	Grants	<u>141,214</u>
9	Total	141,214
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	<u>141,214</u>
12	Total	141,214
13	Sec. B.810 Vermont historical society	
14	Grants	<u>954,354</u>
15	Total	954,354
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	<u>954,354</u>
18	Total	954,354
19	Sec. B.811 Vermont housing and conservation board	
20	Grants	<u>27,086,977</u>
21	Total	27,086,977

1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	12,297,808
3	Federal funds	<u>14,789,169</u>
4	Total	27,086,977
5	Sec. B.812 Vermont humanities council	
6	Grants	<u>217,959</u>
7	Total	217,959
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	<u>217,959</u>
10	Total	217,959
11	Sec. B.813 Total commerce and community development	
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	15,768,541
14	Special funds	21,518,596
15	Federal funds	25,196,193
16	Interdepartmental transfers	342,630
17	Enterprise funds	<u>732,368</u>
18	Total	63,558,328
19	Sec. B.900 Transportation - finance and administration	
20	Personal services	11,650,431
21	Operating expenses	2,501,368

1	Grants	<u>55,000</u>
2	Total	14,206,799
3	Source of funds	
4	Transportation fund	13,262,499
5	Federal funds	<u>944,300</u>
6	Total	14,206,799
7	Sec. B.901 Transportation - aviation	
8	Personal services	2,650,087
9	Operating expenses	17,110,961
10	Grants	<u>274,000</u>
11	Total	20,035,048
12	Source of funds	
13	Transportation fund	5,776,348
14	Federal funds	14,123,500
15	Local match	<u>135,200</u>
16	Total	20,035,048
17	Sec. B.902 Transportation - buildings	
18	Operating expenses	<u>2,000,000</u>
19	Total	2,000,000
20	Source of funds	
21	Transportation fund	<u>2,000,000</u>

1	Total	2,000,000
2	Sec. B.903 Transportation - program development	
3	Personal services	45,052,065
4	Operating expenses	199,839,357
5	Grants	<u>44,608,524</u>
6	Total	289,499,946
7	Source of funds	
8	Transportation fund	41,433,591
9	TIB fund	8,439,463
10	Federal funds	238,651,226
11	Local match	<u>975,666</u>
12	Total	289,499,946
13	Sec. B.904 Transportation - rest areas construction	
14	Operating expenses	<u>550,000</u>
15	Total	550,000
16	Source of funds	
17	Transportation fund	60,000
18	Federal funds	<u>490,000</u>
19	Total	550,000
20	Sec. B.905 Transportation - maintenance state system	
21	Personal services	44,434,460

1	Operating expenses	45,739,029
2	Grants	<u>1,383,280</u>
3	Total	91,556,769
4	Source of funds	
5	Transportation fund	86,728,962
6	Federal funds	4,727,807
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>100,000</u>
8	Total	91,556,769
9	Sec. B.906 Transportation - policy and planning	
10	Personal services	3,446,689
11	Operating expenses	675,519
12	Grants	<u>5,864,950</u>
13	Total	9,987,158
14	Source of funds	
15	Transportation fund	2,576,853
16	Federal funds	7,396,305
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>14,000</u>
18	Total	9,987,158
19	Sec. B.907 Transportation - rail	
20	Personal services	5,757,863
21	Operating expenses	<u>28,123,741</u>

1	Total	33,881,604
2	Source of funds	
3	Transportation fund	18,665,089
4	TIB fund	2,482,700
5	Federal funds	12,588,350
6	ARRA funds	90,899
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>54,566</u>
8	Total	33,881,604
9	Sec. B.908 Transportation - public transit	
10	Personal services	1,147,270
11	Operating expenses	268,987
12	Grants	<u>29,757,441</u>
13	Total	31,173,698
14	Source of funds	
15	Transportation fund	7,928,915
16	Federal funds	<u>23,244,783</u>
17	Total	31,173,698
18	Sec. B.909 Transportation - central garage	
19	Personal services	4,596,869
20	Operating expenses	<u>15,134,918</u>
21	Total	19,731,787

1	Source of funds	
2	Internal service funds	<u>19,731,787</u>
3	Total	19,731,787
4	Sec. B.910 Department of motor vehicles	
5	Personal services	18,539,423
6	Operating expenses	<u>10,370,632</u>
7	Total	28,910,055
8	Source of funds	
9	Transportation fund	27,416,335
10	Federal funds	1,388,720
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>105,000</u>
12	Total	28,910,055
13	Sec. B.911 Transportation - town highway structures	
14	Grants	<u>6,333,500</u>
15	Total	6,333,500
16	Source of funds	
17	Transportation fund	<u>6,333,500</u>
18	Total	6,333,500
19	Sec. B.912 Transportation - town highway local technical assistance program	
20	Grants	<u>394,700</u>
21	Total	394,700

1	Source of funds	
2	Transportation fund	239,700
3	Federal funds	<u>155,000</u>
4	Total	394,700
5	Sec. B.913 Transportation - town highway class 2 roadway	
6	Grants	<u>7,248,750</u>
7	Total	7,248,750
8	Source of funds	
9	Transportation fund	<u>7,248,750</u>
10	Total	7,248,750
11	Sec. B.914 Transportation - town highway bridges	
12	Personal services	5,206,279
13	Operating expenses	14,774,385
14	Grants	<u>41,066</u>
15	Total	20,021,730
16	Source of funds	
17	Transportation fund	1,232,953
18	TIB fund	1,421,331
19	Federal funds	16,162,896
20	Local match	<u>1,204,550</u>
21	Total	20,021,730

1	Sec. B.915 Transportation - town highway aid program	
2	Grants	<u>25,982,744</u>
3	Total	25,982,744
4	Source of funds	
5	Transportation fund	<u>25,982,744</u>
6	Total	25,982,744
7	Sec. B.916 Transportation - town highway class 1 supplemental grants	
8	Grants	<u>128,750</u>
9	Total	128,750
10	Source of funds	
11	Transportation fund	<u>128,750</u>
12	Total	128,750
13	Sec. B.917 Transportation - town highway: state aid for nonfederal disasters	
14	Grants	<u>1,150,000</u>
15	Total	1,150,000
16	Source of funds	
17	Transportation fund	<u>1,150,000</u>
18	Total	1,150,000
19	Sec. B.918 Transportation - town highway: state aid for federal disasters	
20	Grants	<u>1,280,000</u>
21	Total	1,280,000

1	Source of funds	
2	Federal funds	<u>1,280,000</u>
3	Total	1,280,000
4	Sec. B.919 Transportation - municipal mitigation grant program	
5	Grants	<u>2,905,000</u>
6	Total	2,905,000
7	Source of funds	
8	Transportation fund	1,440,000
9	Special funds	<u>1,465,000</u>
10	Total	2,905,000
11	Sec. B.920 Transportation - public assistance grant program	
12	Operating expenses	640,000
13	Grants	<u>10,300,000</u>
14	Total	10,940,000
15	Source of funds	
16	Transportation fund	160,000
17	Special funds	300,000
18	Federal funds	10,000,000
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>480,000</u>
20	Total	10,940,000

1	Sec. B.921 Transportation board	
2	Personal services	198,657
3	Operating expenses	<u>30,588</u>
4	Total	229,245
5	Source of funds	
6	Transportation fund	<u>229,245</u>
7	Total	229,245
8	Sec. B.922 Total transportation	
9	Source of funds	
10	Transportation fund	249,994,234
11	TIB fund	12,343,494
12	Special funds	1,765,000
13	Federal funds	331,152,887
14	ARRA funds	90,899
15	Internal service funds	19,731,787
16	Interdepartmental transfers	753,566
17	Local match	<u>2,315,416</u>
18	Total	618,147,283
19	Sec. B.1000 Debt service	
20	Operating expenses	<u>76,991,491</u>
21	Total	76,991,491

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	71,119,465
3	Transportation fund	1,884,089
4	Special funds	336,000
5	ARRA funds	1,150,524
6	TIB debt service fund	<u>2,501,413</u>
7	Total	76,991,491

8 Sec. B.1001 Total debt service

9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	71,119,465
11	Transportation fund	1,884,089
12	Special funds	336,000
13	ARRA funds	1,150,524
14	TIB debt service fund	<u>2,501,413</u>
15	Total	76,991,491

16 Sec. B.1100 NEXT GENERATION; APPROPRIATIONS AND
17 TRANSFERS

18 (a) In fiscal year 2017, \$2,904,900 is appropriated or transferred from the
19 Next Generation Initiative Fund created in 16 V.S.A. § 2887 as prescribed:

20 (1) Workforce education and training. The amount of \$1,577,500 as
21 follows:

1 (A) Workforce Education and Training Fund (WETF). The amount
2 of \$1,017,500 is transferred to the Vermont Workforce Education and Training
3 Fund created in 10 V.S.A. § 543 and subsequently appropriated to the
4 Department of Labor for workforce education and training. Up to seven
5 percent of the funds may be used for administration of the program. Of this
6 amount, \$350,000 shall be allocated for competitive grants for internships
7 through the Vermont Strong Internship Program pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 544.

8 (B) Adult Career Technical Education Programs. The amount of
9 \$360,000 is appropriated to the Department of Labor in consultation with the
10 State Workforce Investment Board. This appropriation is for the purpose of
11 awarding competitive grants to regional technical centers and high schools to
12 provide adult career technical education, as that term is defined in
13 16 V.S.A. § 1522, to unemployed and underemployed Vermont adults.

14 (C) The amount of \$200,000 is appropriated to the Agency of
15 Commerce and Community Development to issue performance grants to the
16 University of Vermont and the Vermont Center for Emerging Technologies for
17 patent development and commercialization of technology and to enhance the
18 development of high technology businesses and Next Generation employment
19 opportunities throughout Vermont.

1 (2) Loan repayment. The amount of \$57,900 as follows:

2 (A) Large animal veterinarians' loan forgiveness. The amount of
3 \$30,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets
4 for a loan forgiveness program for large animal veterinarians pursuant to
5 6 V.S.A. § 20.

6 (B) Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) incentive.
7 The amount of \$27,900 is appropriated to the Agency of Commerce and
8 Community Development for an incentive payment pursuant to 2011 Acts and
9 Resolves No. 52, Sec. 6, as amended by Sec. B.1100.2 of this act.

10 (3) Scholarships and grants. The amount of \$1,269,500 as follows:

11 (A) Nondegree VSAC grants. The amount of \$494,500 is
12 appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation. These funds
13 shall be for the purpose of providing nondegree grants to Vermonters to
14 improve job skills and increase overall employability, enabling them to enroll
15 in a postsecondary education or training program, including adult technical
16 education that is not part of a degree or accredited certificate program. A
17 portion of these funds shall be used for grants for indirect educational expenses
18 to students enrolled in training programs. The grants shall not exceed \$3,000
19 per student. None of these funds shall be used for administrative overhead.

20 (B) National Guard Educational Assistance. The amount of
21 \$150,000 is appropriated to Military – administration to be transferred to the

1 Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for the National Guard Educational
2 Assistance Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 2856.

3 (C) Dual enrollment programs and need-based stipend. The amount
4 of \$600,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Education for dual enrollment
5 programs consistent with 16 V.S.A. § 944(f)(2) and \$25,000 is appropriated to
6 the Agency of Education to be transferred to the Vermont Student Assistance
7 Corporation for need based stipends pursuant to Sec. E.605.1 of this act.

8 Sec. B.1100.1 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR RECOMMENDATION FOR

9 FISCAL YEAR 2018 NEXT GENERATION FUND

10 DISTRIBUTION

11 (a) The Department of Labor, in coordination with the Agency of
12 Commerce and Community Development, the Agency of Human Services, and
13 the Agency of Education, and in consultation with the State Workforce
14 Investment Board, shall recommend to the Governor on or before December 1,
15 2016 how \$2,904,900 from the Next Generation Fund should be allocated or
16 appropriated in fiscal year 2018 to provide maximum benefit to workforce
17 education and training, participation in secondary or postsecondary education
18 by underrepresented groups, and support for promising economic sectors in
19 Vermont. The State agencies and departments listed herein shall promote
20 actively and publicly the availability of the funds to eligible entities.

1 Sec. B.1100.2 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 52, Sec 6 is amended to read:

2 Sec. 6. SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND
3 MATHEMATICS (STEM) INCENTIVE PROGRAM

4 * * *

5 ~~(b)(4) The secretary shall award up to a maximum of \$75,000.00 per year~~
6 ~~for incentives in accordance with this section, which shall be made in the order~~
7 ~~in which they are claimed, as determined by the secretary in his or her~~
8 ~~discretion, and not to exceed a total program cap of \$375,000.00. [Repealed.]~~

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10 Sec. B.1101 FISCAL YEAR 2017 ONE-TIME GENERAL FUND
11 APPROPRIATIONS

12 (a) In fiscal year 2017, \$425,000 is appropriated to the Secretary of State
13 for 2016 primary and general elections.

14 (b) The sum of \$65,000 is appropriated to the Department of Finance and
15 Management for the Governor's transition. These funds are for costs incurred
16 by the transitions of Executive Office. No funds shall be used for inaugural
17 celebrations. Any unexpended portion of these funds shall revert to the
18 General Fund.

19 (c) The sum of \$350,000 is appropriated to the Department of Taxes for the
20 purchase and implementation of Tax IT security system.

1 (d) The sum of \$140,000 is appropriated to the Secretary of Administration
2 to support the Dr. Dynasaur expansion study and report pursuant to Sec. C.100
3 of this act.

4 Sec. B.1102 FISCAL YEAR 2017; ONE-TIME GENERAL FUND

5 APPROPRIATION; HOMELESSNESS STUDY; REPORT

6 (a) The sum of \$40,000 is appropriated to the Department for Children and
7 Families for a homelessness study. This appropriation represents funding for
8 partial cost of the study and the remaining funding shall be provided by partner
9 organizations.

10 (1) The Commissioner shall contract with a nationally recognized
11 organization with expertise in analyzing homelessness expenditures to conduct
12 a comprehensive analysis of current State expenditures on homelessness. The
13 analysis shall also examine savings in other program expenditures resulting
14 from the provision of homelessness services, including savings in health care
15 expenditures. The analysis shall also include a comprehensive plan for
16 substantially reducing homelessness in Vermont, including necessary strategic
17 investments.

18 (2) On or before January 15, 2017, the Commissioner shall submit this
19 report to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Human Services and
20 the Senate Committees on Appropriations and Health and Welfare.

1 Sec. B.1103 SECURITY PLAN AND FUNDING

2 (a) The Secretary of Administration shall develop site specific workplace
3 security and risk reduction plans for State office buildings. These plans shall
4 enhance security through improved workplace management practices,
5 employee training, and building security improvements, including parking lots.

6 (b) The funds necessary to carry out these plans shall be requested as part
7 of the fiscal year 2017 budget adjustment process.

8 Sec. B.1104 FISCAL YEAR 2017 ONE-TIME FIFTY-THIRD WEEK OF
9 MEDICAID COST FUNDING

10 (a) In fiscal year 2017, \$7,606,911 of General Fund is appropriated to the
11 Agency of Administration for transfer to the Agency of Human Services
12 Global Commitment upon determination of the Commissioner of Finance and
13 Management of the amount necessary to fund the 53rd week of Medicaid
14 expenditures. Any remaining General Fund from this appropriation shall be
15 placed in the 27/53 Reserve established as 32 V.S.A. § 308e by Sec. B.1105 of
16 this act. As provided by 32 V.S.A. § 511, the Commissioner of Finance and
17 Management may approve expenditures of Global Commitment and Federal
18 Funds for the 53rd week of Medicaid.

19 (b) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall report to the Joint
20 Fiscal Committee in July 2016 on the status of funds appropriated in this
21 section.

1 Sec. B.1105 32 V.S.A. § 308e is added to read:

2 § 308e. 27/53 RESERVE

3 (a)(1) There is hereby created within the General Fund a 27/53 Reserve.
4 The purpose of this reserve is to meet the liabilities of the reoccurring 27th
5 State payroll and the 53rd week of Medicaid payments. These liabilities will
6 be funded by reserving a prorated amount of General Fund each year, before
7 the liability comes due.

8 (2) Beginning in September, 2016 and annually thereafter at the
9 September Joint Fiscal Committee meeting, the Commissioner of Finance and
10 Management will report on the anticipated liability for the next 27th payroll
11 and 53rd week of Medicaid Payments, provide the current reserve balance and
12 a schedule of annual amounts needed to meet the obligation of these
13 payments.

14 (b) As part of the Governor's budget submission under section 306 of this
15 title, the amount prorated for the upcoming fiscal year identified in subdivision
16 (a)(2) of this section shall be included as an appropriation and transferred to
17 the 27/53 Reserve.

18 (c) In a fiscal year where a 27th State payroll or 53rd week of Medicaid
19 payment is due, the General Assembly shall appropriate the funds from the
20 27/53 Reserve to meet the expenditures within the year that these payments
21 are due.

1 Sec. C.100 DR. DYNASAUR EXPANSION STUDY; REPORT

2 (a) The Secretary of Administration shall analyze the financial implications
3 of expanding Dr. Dynasaur, the State's children's Medicaid and Children's
4 Health Insurance Program, to all Vermont residents up to 26 years of age. The
5 Secretary may contract with other individuals and entities as needed to provide
6 actuarial services, economic modeling, and any other assistance the Secretary
7 requires in carrying out the analysis described in this act.

8 (b)(1) Estimated program costs shall include the cost of coverage, one-time
9 and ongoing operating costs, administrative costs, and reserves or reinsurance
10 to the extent they are deemed advisable.

11 (2) The cost estimates shall be for a period of five years beginning on
12 January 1, 2019, and shall assume a reasonable rate of health care spending
13 growth.

14 (3) Estimated costs shall be offset by any cost reductions to State
15 government spending and by any avoided State or federal tax liability that the
16 State of Vermont would otherwise incur as an employer.

17 (4) The cost estimates shall include an analysis of any cost increases or
18 reductions anticipated for municipalities and school districts, including impacts
19 on projected education spending.

20 (5) The cost estimates shall project increasing provider reimbursement
21 rates at regular intervals from 100 percent of Medicare rates up to commercial

1 rates. Medicare and commercial rates shall be determined based on claims
2 data from the Vermont's all-payer claims database.

3 (c)(1) On or before January 15, 2017, the Secretary shall submit a report to
4 the House Committees on Health Care, on Appropriations, and on Ways and
5 Means and the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare, on Appropriations,
6 and on Finance comprising its analysis of the costs of expanding Dr. Dynasaur
7 to all Vermont residents up to 26 years of age and potential plans for financing
8 the expansion. The financing plans shall be consistent with the principles of
9 equity expressed in 18 V.S.A. § 9371(11), which states that financing of health
10 care in Vermont must be sufficient, fair, predictable, transparent, sustainable,
11 and shared equitably. In developing the financing plans, the Secretary shall
12 consider the following:

13 (A) all current sources of funding for State government, including
14 taxes, fees, and assessments;

15 (B) existing health care revenue sources, including the claims tax
16 levied pursuant to 32 V.S.A. chapter 243, the provider assessments imposed
17 pursuant to 33 V.S.A. chapter 19, subchapter 2, and the employer assessment
18 required pursuant to 21 V.S.A. chapter 25 to determine whether they are
19 suitable for preservation or expansion to fund the program expansion;

20 (C) new revenue sources such as a payroll tax, gross receipts tax, or
21 business enterprise tax, or a combination of them;

1 (D) expansion or reform of existing taxes;

2 (E) opportunities and challenges presented by federal law, including
3 the Internal Revenue Code; Section 1332 of the Patient Protection and
4 Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. No. 111-148, as amended by the Health Care and
5 Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, Pub. L. No. 111-152; and Titles XIX
6 (Medicaid) and XXI (SCHIP) of the Social Security Act, and by State
7 tax law; and

8 (F) anticipated federal funds that may be used for health care
9 services, including consideration of methods to maximize receipt of federal
10 funds available for this purpose.

11 (2) The Secretary's report shall also include information on the impacts
12 of the coverage and proposed tax changes on individuals, households,
13 businesses, public sector entities, and the nonprofit community, including
14 migration of coverage, insurance market impacts, financial impacts, federal tax
15 implications, and other economic effects. The impact assessment shall cover
16 the same five-year period as the cost estimates.

17 (d)(1) Agencies, departments, boards, and similar units of State
18 government, including the Agency of Human Services, Department of
19 Financial Regulation, Department of Labor, Director of Health Care Reform,
20 and Green Mountain Care Board shall provide information and assistance

1 requested by the Secretary and its contractors to enable them to conduct the
2 analysis required by this act.

3 (2) To the extent necessary to conduct the analysis required by this act, a
4 health insurer licensed to do business in Vermont shall provide any
5 information requested by the Secretary or its contractors within 30 days of the
6 request. The Secretary may enter into a confidentiality agreement with an
7 insurer if the data requested includes personal health information or other
8 confidential material.

9 Sec. C.101 VERMONT INTERACTIVE TECHNOLOGIES; SURPLUS

10 PROPERTY

11 (a) Pursuant to 29 V.S.A. chapter 59, all property owned by Vermont
12 Interactive Technologies (VIT) that was funded in whole or in part by the State
13 shall be transferred as surplus property to the Department of Buildings and
14 General Services.

15 (b) Notwithstanding 29 V.S.A. § 1556, on or before June 30, 2016, the
16 Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to sell any
17 property described in subsection (a) of this section to an elementary school,
18 secondary school, or public, educational, and government (PEG) channel, that
19 was a VIT hosting site, for \$1.00 per item.

20 (c) The VIT Coordinating Council is authorized to use any remaining
21 operating funds to reimburse for damage incurred when property owned by

1 VIT was removed from any school or nonprofit organization that was a VIT
2 hosting site.

3 Sec. C.102 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 58, Sec. B.301, as amended by 2016
4 Acts and Resolves No. 68, Sec. 13, is further amended to read:

5 Sec. B.301 Secretary's office - global commitment

6	Operating expenses	7,884,268	7,884,268
7	Grants	<u>1,434,250,041</u>	<u>1,434,250,041</u>
8	Total	1,442,134,309	1,442,134,309

9 Source of funds

10	General fund	217,281,414	215,042,009
11	Special funds	27,899,279	27,899,279
12	Tobacco fund	28,079,458	28,079,458
13	State health care resources fund	282,705,968	284,945,373
14	Federal funds	886,128,190	886,128,190
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>40,000</u>	<u>40,000</u>
16	Total	1,442,134,309	1,442,134,309

17 Sec. C.103 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 58, Sec. B.346 as amended 2016 Acts
18 and Resolves No. 68, Sec. Sec. 36, is further amended to read:

19 Sec. B.346 Total human services

20 Source of funds

21	General fund	677,913,668	675,674,263
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1	Special funds	97,129,681	97,129,681
2	Tobacco fund	31,952,069	31,952,069
3	State health care resources fund	282,705,968	284,945,373
4	Education fund	3,886,204	3,886,204
5	Federal funds	1,388,932,032	1,388,032,032
6	Global commitment fund	1,379,045,585	1,379,045,585
7	Internal service funds	1,816,195	1,816,195
8	Interdepartmental transfers	34,112,598	34,112,598
9	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
10	Total	3,897,519,000	3,897,519,000

11 Sec.C.104 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 68, Sec. 53 is amended to read:

12 Sec. 53. FUND TRANSFERS

13 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal
14 year 2016:

15 (1) The following amounts shall be transferred to the General Fund from
16 the funds indicated:

17	<u>21638</u>	<u>AG - Fees & Reimbursements - Court Order</u>	<u>3,383,514.00</u>
18	<u>22005</u>	<u>AHS Central Office earned federal receipts</u>	<u>16,216,920.00</u>
19	<u>50300</u>	<u>Liquor Control Fund</u>	<u>1,080,623.00</u>
20	<u>62100</u>	<u>Unclaimed Property Fund</u>	<u>2,799,843.00 3,074,843.00</u>
21	<u>21405</u>	<u>Bond Investment Earnings Fund</u>	<u>33,273.00</u>

1	<u>21928</u>	<u>Secretary of State Services Fund</u>	<u>1,636,419.00</u>
2	<u>21698</u>	<u>Public Service Department - Regulation/Energy</u>	
3		<u>Efficiency</u>	<u>134,946.00</u>
4	<u>21709</u>	<u>Public Service Board - Special Funds</u>	<u>75,426.00</u>
5	<u>21944</u>	<u>Vermont Enterprise Fund</u>	<u>1,424,697.00</u>
6		<u>Caledonia Fair</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>
7		<u>North Country Hospital Loan</u>	<u>24,250.00</u>
8	<u>21678</u>	<u>Mosquito Control Fund</u>	<u>142,000.00</u>
9		* * *	
10	Sec. C.105 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 68, Sec. 54 is amended to read:		
11	Sec. 54. REVERSIONS		
12	<u>(a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal</u>		
13	<u>year 2016:</u>		
14	<u>(1) The following amounts shall revert to the General Fund from the</u>		
15	<u>accounts indicated:</u>		
16	<u>1100891301</u>	<u>Secretary of Administration - Independent Review of the</u>	
17		<u>Vermont Veterans' Home</u>	<u>20,000.00</u>
18	<u>1140070000</u>	<u>Use Tax Reimbursement Program</u>	<u>302.39</u>
19	<u>1140330000</u>	<u>Renter Rebates</u>	<u>150,000.00</u>
20	<u>1240001000</u>	<u>Lieutenant Governor's Office</u>	<u>10,333.64</u>
21	<u>1250010000</u>	<u>State Auditor's Office</u>	<u>43,585.00</u>

1	<u>6120890802</u>	<u>FW-Non-motorized Boat Access</u>	<u>2,769.34</u>
2	<u>333001000</u>	<u>Green Mountain Care Board</u>	<u>36,684.00</u>

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4 Sec. D.100 APPROPRIATIONS; PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX

5 (a) This act contains the following amounts appropriated from special
6 funds that receive revenue from the property transfer tax. Expenditures from
7 these appropriations shall not exceed available revenues.

8 (1) The sum of \$518,000 is appropriated from the Current Use
9 Administration Special Fund to the Department of Taxes for administration of
10 the Use Tax Reimbursement Program. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 9610(c),
11 amounts above \$518,000 from the property transfer tax that are deposited into
12 the Current Use Administration Special Fund shall be transferred into the
13 General Fund.

14 (2) The sum of \$11,304,840 is appropriated from the Vermont Housing
15 and Conservation Trust Fund to the Vermont Housing and Conservation
16 Board. Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 312, amounts above \$11,304,840 from
17 the property transfer tax that are deposited into the Vermont Housing and
18 Conservation Trust Fund shall be transferred into the General Fund.

19 (3) The sum of \$3,760,599 is appropriated from the Municipal and
20 Regional Planning Fund. Notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a), amounts
21 above \$3,760,599 from the property transfer tax that are deposited into the

1 Municipal and Regional Planning Fund shall be transferred into the General
2 Fund. The \$3,760,599 shall be allocated as follows:

3 (A) \$2,924,417 for disbursement to regional planning commissions in
4 a manner consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b);

5 (B) \$457,482 for disbursement to municipalities in a manner
6 consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b);

7 (C) \$378,700 to the Agency of Commerce and Community
8 Development for the Vermont Center for Geographic Information.

9 Sec. D.100.1 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 45, Sec. 37(10) is amended to read:

10 (10) Sec. 35 (repeal of the allocation of property transfer tax revenue)
11 shall take effect on July 1, ~~2016~~ 2017.

12 Sec. D.101 FUND TRANSFERS, REVERSIONS, AND RESERVES

13 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the following amounts are
14 transferred from the funds indicated:

15 (1) From the General Fund to the Next Generation Initiative Fund
16 established by 16 V.S.A. § 2887: \$2,904,900.

17 (2) From the Clean Water Fund established by 10 V.S.A. § 1388 to the
18 Agricultural Water Quality Special Fund created under 6 V.S.A. § 4803:
19 \$1,975,000.

20 (3) From the Transportation Fund to the Downtown Transportation and
21 Related Capital Improvement Fund established by 24 V.S.A. § 2796 to be used

1 by the Vermont Downtown Development Board for the purposes of the Fund:
2 \$423,966.

3 (4) From the Transportation Infrastructure Bond Fund established by
4 19 V.S.A. § 11f to the Transportation Infrastructure Bonds Debt Service Fund
5 established by 32 V.S.A. § 951a for the purpose of funding fiscal year 2018
6 transportation infrastructure bonds debt service: \$2,503,738.

7 Sec. D.102 TOBACCO LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUND BALANCE

8 (a) Notwithstanding 18 V.S.A. § 9502(b), the actual balances at the end of
9 fiscal year 2016 in the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund established by
10 32 V.S.A. § 435a. shall remain for appropriation in fiscal year 2017.

11 Sec. D.103 TRANSFER OF TOBACCO TRUST FUNDS

12 (a) Notwithstanding 18 V.S.A. § 9502(a)(3) and (4), the actual amount of
13 investment earnings of the Tobacco Trust Fund at the end of fiscal year 2017
14 and any additional amount necessary to ensure the balance in the Tobacco
15 Litigation Settlement Fund at the close of fiscal year 2017 is not negative shall
16 be transferred in fiscal year 2017 from the Tobacco Trust Fund established by
17 18 V.S.A. § 9502(a) to the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund established by
18 32 V.S.A. § 435a.

1 * * * GENERAL GOVERNMENT * * *

2 Sec. E.100 EXECUTIVE BRANCH POSITION AUTHORIZATIONS

3 (a) The establishment of the following new permanent classified positions,
4 intended to support the implementation of the All Payer Model is authorized in
5 fiscal year 2017 only if the Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS)
6 approves Vermont's request for a waiver.

7 (1) In the Green Mountain Care Board – one (1) Healthcare Statistical
8 Information Administrator, one (1) Health Facility Senior Auditor & Rate
9 Specialist, and two (2) Reimbursement Analyst.

10 (b) The establishment of the following new permanent exempt positions is
11 authorized in fiscal year 2017 as follows:

12 (1) In the Office of the Defender General – two (2) Staff Attorney.

13 (2) In the Department of State's Attorneys – four (4) Deputy State's
14 Attorney.

15 (c) The positions established in this section shall be transferred and
16 converted from existing vacant positions in the Executive Branch of State
17 government, and shall not increase the total number of authorized State
18 positions, as defined in Sec. A.107 of this act.

1 Sec. E.100.1 SHIFT DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
2 PILOT POSITIONS TO DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT
3 HEALTH ACCESS

4 (a) Notwithstanding 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.100(d)(3),
5 positions at the Department for Children and Families Health Access
6 Eligibility Unit established through the position pilot by 2014 Acts and
7 Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.100(d)(1) shall be transferred to the Department of
8 Vermont Health Access.

9 Sec. E.100.2 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.100(d), as amended by
10 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 4, Sec. 74, is further amended to read:

11 (d) Position Pilot Program. A Position Pilot is hereby created to assist
12 participating departments in more effectively managing costs of overtime,
13 compensatory time, temporary employees, and contractual work by removing
14 the position cap with the goal of maximizing resources to the greatest benefit
15 of Vermont taxpayers.

16 (1) Notwithstanding Sec. A.107 of this act, the Agency of
17 Transportation, the Department for Children and Families, the ~~Department of~~
18 ~~Environmental Conservation~~ Agency of Natural Resources, and the
19 Department of Buildings and General Services, and the Department of
20 Corrections shall not be subject to the cap on positions for the duration of the

1 Pilot. The Department of Corrections is authorized to add only Correctional
2 Officer I and II positions.

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4 Sec. E.100.3 FUNDING FOR THE OFFICE OF THE HEALTH CARE

5 ADVOCATE

6 (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.100 of this act, \$1,457,406 shall be
7 used for the contract with the Office of the Health Care Advocate.

8 Sec. E.100.4 ADMINISTRATION; PURCHASING AND CONTRACTING

9 REPORT

10 (a) Pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 2222(a), the Secretary of Administration has
11 issued Bulletin 3.5 establishing the general policy and minimum standards for
12 soliciting, awarding, processing, executing and overseeing contracts for
13 service, as well as managing contract compliance. This Bulletin shall apply to
14 the procurements of goods, products, and services of all State agencies.

15 It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Executive Branch complies
16 with the requirements of Bulletin 3.5. It is also the intent that the State shall
17 streamline its purchasing and contracting services.

18 (b) The Secretary of Administration, the Commissioner of Buildings and
19 General Services, and interested stakeholders shall evaluate the State
20 purchasing and contracting process. The evaluation shall include
21 recommendations from the Chief Performance Officer, the Director of the

1 Office of Purchasing and Contracting, the Commissioner of Finance and
2 Management, and the Attorney General. As used in this subsection,
3 “interested stakeholders” includes at least three vendors that regularly contract
4 with the State, at least one Commissioner, and at least one Secretary.

5 (c) On or before November 15, 2016, the Secretary of Administration and
6 the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall submit a plan for
7 the State’s purchasing and contracting services that will result in improved
8 State services and increased financial savings. The plan shall include
9 recommendations for:

10 (1) creating a mechanism to enforce uniform compliance with State
11 contracting law and procedures,

12 (2) achieving cost efficiencies, and

13 (3) implementing e-procurement and contract management systems.

14 (d) The plan described in subsection (c) of this section shall be submitted to
15 the House and Senate Committees on Government Operations and on
16 Appropriations, to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions, and
17 the Senate Committee on Institutions.

18 Sec. E.100.5 AUDIT FINDINGS REMEDIATION

19 (a) The Secretary of Administration shall ensure that within the annual
20 budget documents presented to the legislature, all agencies and departments

1 include a brief description of and remediation plans for any existing or pending
2 audits findings.

3 Sec. E.100.6 LEGAL SERVICES; EVALUATION; REPORT

4 (a) The Secretary of Administration shall evaluate the use of State
5 government legal service positions, including general counsels, assistant
6 attorneys general, special assistant attorneys general, staff attorneys, and
7 special counsels. The evaluation shall include the current number of positions,
8 the change in the number of positions from 2006 to 2016, whether any
9 positions duplicate services, and whether there are efficiencies to be gained by
10 a different structure.

11 (b) On or before December 1, 2016, the Secretary of Administration shall
12 submit a report based on the evaluation described in subsection (a) of this
13 section to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

14 Sec. E.102 SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION; WORKERS

15 COMPENSATION INSURANCE REPORT

16 (a) The Office of Risk Management shall present to the Joint Fiscal
17 Committee at its November 2016 meeting a report on activities pursuant to
18 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 58, Sec. B.1106 (a)(6). The report shall include:
19 ~~(1) activities taken to privatize the Risk Management function within the~~
20 ~~Worker's Compensation Insurance Division of the Secretary of~~

1 ~~Administration's Office, including any projected savings and program impacts~~
2 ~~if privatization of the workers compensation division occurs,~~

*(1) activities taken to change the Risk Management function within the
Workers' Compensation Insurance Division of the Secretary of
Administration's Office, how any change will improve the level and quality of
service, and any potential savings;*

3 (2) specific actions to increase safety coordination staff or service
4 provision as suggested in the Risk Management Loss Prevention Study
5 conducted in 2003; and

6 (3) specific actions taken to address the State Auditor's
7 recommendations stemming from the 2013 performance audit on worker's
8 compensation (Rpt. No. 13-05).

9 Sec. E.106 3 V.S.A. § 2281 is amended to read:

10 § 2281. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT

11 The Department of Finance and Management is created in the Agency of
12 Administration and is charged with all powers and duties assigned to it by law,
13 including the following:

14 * * *

15 ~~(5) To maintain a central payroll office which shall be the successor to~~
16 ~~and continuation of the payroll functions of the Department of Human~~
17 ~~Resources. [Repealed.]~~

1 Sec. E.108 3 V.S.A. § 2283 is amended to read:

2 § 2283. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

3 (a) The Department of Human Resources is created in the Agency of
4 Administration. In addition to other responsibilities assigned to it by law, the
5 Department is responsible for fulfilling the payroll functions and for the
6 provision of centralized human resources management services for State
7 government, including the administration of a classification and compensation
8 system for State employees under chapter 13 of this title and the performance
9 of duties assigned to the Commissioner of Human Resources under chapter 27
10 of this title. All agencies and departments of the State which receive services
11 from the Department of Human Resources shall be charged for those services
12 through an assessment payable to the Human Resources Internal Service Fund
13 on a basis established by the Commissioner of Human Resources and with the
14 approval of the Secretary of Administration.

15 (b) The Department of Human Resources shall maintain a central payroll
16 office, which shall be the successor to and continuation of the payroll functions
17 of the Department of Finance and Management.

18 (c)(1) There is established in the Department of Human Resources a
19 Human Resource Services Internal Service Fund to consist of revenues from
20 charges to agencies, departments, and similar units of Vermont State

1 government and to be available to fund the costs of the consolidated human
2 resource services in the Department of Human Resources.

3 * * *

4 Sec. E.108.1 TRANSFER OF POSITIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS

5 (a) The rules of the Department of Finance and Management relating to
6 payroll in effect on the effective date of this act shall be the rules of the
7 Department of Human Resources, until amended or repealed by that
8 department. All references in those rules to the “Commissioner” and the
9 “Department of Finance and Management,” shall be deemed to refer to the
10 “Commissioner of Human Resources” and the “Department of Human
11 Resources.”

12 (b) All employees, professional and support staff, consultants, positions,
13 and equipment and the remaining balances of all appropriation amounts for
14 personal services and operating expenses for the payroll function are
15 transferred from the Department of Finance and Management to the
16 Department of Human Resources.

17 Sec. E.108.2 GENERAL AMENDMENTS

18 (a) The words “Commissioner of Finance and Management” are amended
19 to read “Commissioner of Human Resources” in the following statutes:

20 (1) 3 V.S.A. § 631(a)(6)–(7), and 32 V.S.A. § 1261(a).

21 Sec. E.108.3 3 V.S.A. § 309 is amended to read:

1 § 309. DUTIES OF COMMISSIONER OF HUMAN RESOURCES

2 (a) The Commissioner, as administrative head of the Department, shall
3 direct and supervise all its administrative and technical activities. In addition
4 to the duties imposed elsewhere in this chapter, it shall be the Commissioner's
5 duty:

6 * * *

7 (20) To maintain a central payroll office, personnel earnings records,
8 and records on authorized deductions.

9 (21) To certify, by voucher, to the Commissioner of Finance and
10 Management all necessary and appropriate disbursements associated with the
11 payroll function.

12 * * *

13 Sec. E.111 Tax – administration/collection

14 (a) Of this appropriation, \$15,000 is from the Current Use Administration
15 Special Fund established by 32 V.S.A. § 9610(c) and shall be appropriated for
16 programming changes to the CAPTAP software used by municipalities for
17 establishing property values and administering their grand lists.

18 Sec. E.113 Buildings and general services – engineering

19 (a) The \$3,553,061 interdepartmental transfer in this appropriation shall be
20 from the General Bond Fund appropriation in the Capital Bill of the 2015
21 legislative session, as amended by the 2016 legislative session.

1 Sec. E.126 Legislature

2 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, from fiscal year 2016
3 funds appropriated to the Legislature and carried forward into fiscal year 2017,
4 the amount of \$133,000 shall revert to the General Fund.

5 (b) It is the intent of the General Assembly that funding for the Legislature
6 in fiscal year 2017 be included at a level sufficient to support an 18-week
7 legislative session.

8 Sec. E.126.1 3 V.S.A. § 637 is added to read:

9 § 637. DENTAL COVERAGE; MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL

10 ASSEMBLY

11 (a) A member of the General Assembly and a session employee of the
12 General Assembly or the Legislative Council shall be eligible to participate in
13 any group dental insurance program negotiated in a collective bargaining
14 agreement with State employees. Premiums shall be paid by the legislator or
15 employee at the full actuarial rate with no contributions from the State and
16 shall be deducted from compensation due for services rendered during the
17 legislative session or assessed and paid directly by the legislator or employee.

18 (b) A person who elects to participate in the group dental insurance
19 program pursuant to this section shall notify the program's administrator, in
20 writing, of such election. The enrollment period for persons electing pursuant
21 to this section shall correspond with the enrollment period for State employees.

1 Sec. E.127 Joint fiscal committee

2 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, from fiscal year 2016
3 funds appropriated to the Joint Fiscal Committee and carried forward into
4 fiscal year 2017, the amount of \$50,000 shall revert to the General Fund.

5 Sec. E.127.1 VERMONT HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE

6 TECHNOLOGY; SUSTAINABILITY ANALYSIS; REPORT

7 (a) The Joint Fiscal Office, through a contract with an independent third
8 party, shall provide a report to the General Assembly on or before December 1,
9 2016 with an analysis of the current functionality and long-term sustainability
10 of the technology for Vermont's Health Benefit Exchange, including a review
11 of the deficiencies in Vermont Health Connect functionality and the
12 integration, connectivity, and business logic of each as they pertain to both the
13 back-end systems and the user interface of Vermont Health Connect. The
14 analysis shall provide recommendations for improving the function, efficiency,
15 reliability, operations, and customer experience of the technology going
16 forward. The report shall include an evaluation of the investment value of
17 existing components of the Exchange technology and the contractor's
18 assessment of the feasibility and cost-effectiveness of leveraging existing
19 components of the Vermont Health Benefit Exchange as part of the technology
20 for a larger, integrated eligibility system, including reviewing changes other
21 states have made to the Exchange components of their technology

1 infrastructure. The analysis and report shall provide a comparison of the
2 investments required to ensure a sustainable State-based Exchange through
3 further investment in Vermont Health Connect's current technology, including
4 any opportunities to build on other states' Exchange technology, with the
5 estimated investments that would be required to transition to a fully or partially
6 federally facilitated Exchange.

7 (b) In preparing its request for proposal, the Joint Fiscal Office shall
8 consult with health insurers offering qualified health plans on Vermont Health
9 Connect.

10 (c) The General Assembly shall provide ongoing oversight and review of
11 the analysis and report.

12 (d) The provisions of this section shall only take effect if direct funding is
13 appropriated during the fiscal year 2016 legislative session.

14 Sec. E.128 Sergeant at arms

15 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, from fiscal year 2016
16 funds appropriated to the Sergeant at arms and carried forward into fiscal year
17 2017, the amount of \$10,000 shall revert to the General Fund.

18 Sec. E.133 Vermont state retirement system

19 (a) Notwithstanding 3 V.S.A. § 473(d), in fiscal year 2017, investment fees
20 shall be paid from the corpus of the Fund.

1 Sec. E.142 Payments in lieu of taxes

2 (a) This appropriation is for State payments in lieu of property taxes under
3 32 V.S.A. chapter 123, subchapter 4, and the payments shall be calculated in
4 addition to and without regard to the appropriations for PILOT for Montpelier
5 and for correctional facilities elsewhere in this act. Payments in lieu of taxes
6 under this section shall be paid from the PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A.
7 § 3709.

8 Sec. E.143 Payments in lieu of taxes – Montpelier

9 (a) Payments in lieu of taxes under this section shall be paid from the
10 PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.

11 Sec. E.144 Payments in lieu of taxes – correctional facilities

12 (a) Payments in lieu of taxes under this section shall be paid from the
13 PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.

14 * * * PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY * * *

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16 Sec. E.200 Attorney general

17 (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Office of the Attorney
18 General, Medicaid Fraud and Residential Abuse Unit, is authorized to retain,
19 subject to appropriation, one-half of the State share of any recoveries from
20 Medicaid fraud settlements, excluding interest, that exceed the State share of
21 restitution to the Medicaid Program. All such designated additional recoveries

1 retained shall be used to finance Medicaid Fraud and Residential Abuse Unit
2 activities.

3 (b) Of the revenue available to the Attorney General under 9 V.S.A.
4 § 2458(b)(4), \$997,000 is appropriated in Sec. B.200 of this act.

5 Sec. E.208 Public safety – administration

6 (a) The Commissioner of Public Safety is authorized to enter into a
7 performance-based contract with the Essex County Sheriff’s Department to
8 provide law enforcement service activities agreed upon by both the
9 Commissioner of Public Safety and the Sheriff.

*Sec. E.204 JUDICIARY AND VERMONT BAR ASSOCIATION
WORK GROUP; ANALYSIS OF CHILD PROTECTION
SYSTEM*

*(a) The Judiciary and the Vermont Bar Association shall convene a work
group of stakeholders from Franklin and Grand Isle Counties, including
judges, attorneys representing parents, attorneys representing children, State’s
Attorneys, guardians ad litem, social workers from the Family Services
Division of the Department for Children and Families, and the Defender
General or designee to undertake an analysis of how to improve the child
protection system and how better to manage the child abuse and neglect
caseload within the Judiciary. The work group’s analysis shall include:*

(1) examining whether the addition of special masters or other judicial adjuncts could increase the case-clearing rate of the existing pool of judges;

(2) examining whether the current deployment of judges to treatment court is increasing dockets and decreasing access to justice; and

(3) determining whether the addition of a Superior Court judge is the most critical need within the system.

(b) The Court Administrator shall report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Judiciary on recommendations arising from the work group's analysis by April 22, 2016.

(c) The appropriation in Sec. B.204 of this act that funds one new Superior Court judge shall be contingent on the recommendation of the work group.

1 Sec. E.208.1 20 V.S.A. § 2063(c) is amended to read:

2 (c)(1) The Criminal History Record Check Fund is established and shall be
3 managed by the Commissioner of Public Safety in accordance with the
4 provisions of 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5. The ~~first \$200,000.00 of fees~~
5 paid each year under this section shall be placed in the ~~fund~~ Fund and used for
6 personnel and equipment related to the processing, maintenance, and
7 dissemination of criminal history records. The Commissioner of Finance and
8 Management may draw warrants for disbursements from this Fund in
9 anticipation of receipts.

1 (2) ~~After the first \$200,000.00 of fees paid each year under this section~~
2 ~~are placed in the Criminal History Record Check Fund, all~~ At the end of each
3 fiscal year, if there is an undesignated surplus in the Fund, any additional fees
4 paid during that year under this section shall go to the General Fund.

5 Sec. E.208.2 REPORT; CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS COSTS

6 (a) On or before January 15, 2017, the Department of Public Safety shall
7 report to the House Committee on Appropriations concerning the costs over
8 each of the last five fiscal years associated with processing, maintaining, and
9 disseminating criminal history records pursuant to 20 V.S.A. § 2063.

10 Sec. E.209 Public safety – state police

11 (a) Of this appropriation, \$35,000 in special funds shall be available for
12 snowmobile law enforcement activities and \$35,000 in general funds shall be
13 available to the Southern Vermont Wilderness Search and Rescue Team, which
14 comprises State Police, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, county sheriffs,
15 and local law enforcement personnel in Bennington, Windham, and Windsor
16 Counties, for snowmobile enforcement.

17 (b) Of this appropriation, \$405,000 is allocated for grants in support of the
18 Drug Task Force and the Gang Task Force. Of this amount, \$190,000 shall be
19 used by the Vermont Drug Task Force to fund three town task force officers.
20 These town task force officers shall be dedicated to enforcement efforts with
21 respect to both regulated drugs as defined in 18 V.S.A. § 4201(29) and the

1 diversion of legal prescription drugs. Any unobligated funds may be allocated
2 by the Commissioner to fund the work of the Drug Task Force and to support
3 the efforts of the Mobile Enforcement Team (Gang Task Force), or carried
4 forward.

5 Sec. E.212 Public safety – fire safety

6 (a) Of this General Fund appropriation, \$55,000 shall be granted to the
7 Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force for the purpose of designing dry
8 hydrants.

9 Sec. E.215 Military – administration

10 (a) The amount of \$250,000 shall be disbursed to the Vermont Student
11 Assistance Corporation for the National Guard Educational Assistance
12 Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 2856. Of this amount, \$100,000 shall be
13 general funds from this appropriation, and \$150,000 shall be Next Generation
14 special funds, as appropriated in Sec. B.1100(a)(3)(B) of this act.

15 Sec. E.219 Military – veterans’ affairs

16 (a) Of this appropriation, \$1,000 shall be used for continuation of the
17 Vermont Medal Program; \$4,800 shall be used for the expenses of the
18 Governor’s Veterans’ Advisory Council; \$7,500 shall be used for the Veterans’
19 Day parade; \$5,000 shall be granted to the Vermont State Council of the
20 Vietnam Veterans of America to fund the Service Officer Program; \$5,000
21 shall be used for the Military, Family, and Community Network; and \$10,000

1 shall be granted to the American Legion for the Boys' State and Girls' State
2 programs.

3 (b) Of this General Fund appropriation, \$39,484 shall be deposited into the
4 Armed Services Scholarship Fund established in 16 V.S.A. § 2541.

5 Sec. E.220 Center for crime victims services

6 (a) Notwithstanding 20 V.S.A. § 2365(c), the Vermont Center for Crime
7 Victims Services shall transfer \$55,021 from the Domestic and Sexual
8 Violence Special Fund established in 13 V.S.A. § 5360 to the Criminal Justice
9 Training Council for the purpose of funding one-half the costs of the Domestic
10 Violence Trainer position. The other half of the position will be funded with
11 an appropriation to the Criminal Justice Training Council.

12 Sec. E.223 Agriculture, food and markets – food safety and consumer
13 protection

14 (a) The Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets shall use the Global
15 Commitment funds appropriated in this section for the Food Safety and
16 Consumer Protection Division to provide public health approaches and other
17 innovative programs to improve the health outcomes, health status, and quality
18 of life for uninsured, underinsured, and Medicaid-eligible individuals in
19 Vermont.

20 Sec. E.224 Agriculture, food and markets – agricultural development

1 (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.224 of this act, the amount of
2 \$900,490 in general funds is appropriated for expenditure by the Working
3 Lands Enterprise Board established in 6 V.S.A. § 4606 for administrative
4 expenses, direct grants, and investments in food and forest systems pursuant to
5 6 V.S.A. § 4607 and consistent with the funding priorities in 2012 Acts and
6 Resolves No. 142, Sec. 5, as amended by 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179,
7 Sec. E.224.1.

8 Sec. E.225 Agriculture, food and markets – laboratories, agricultural resource
9 management and environmental stewardship

10 (a) The Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets shall use the Global
11 Commitment funds appropriated in this section to provide public health
12 approaches and other innovative programs to improve the health outcomes,
13 health status, and quality of life for uninsured, underinsured, and
14 Medicaid-eligible individuals in Vermont.

15 Sec. E.228 INSURANCE REGULATORY AND SUPERVISION FUND;
16 PROJECTIONS; BALANCE TRANSFER; DISTRIBUTION
17 PILOT

18 (a) Notwithstanding 8 V.S.A. § 80(d):

19 (1) In September 2018, the Commissioner of Finance and Management
20 shall project the two-year balance in the Insurance Regulatory and Supervision
21 Fund (Insurance Fund) for fiscal years 2019 and 2020. Half of the projected

1 balance shall be transferred from the Insurance Fund to the General Fund in
2 fiscal year 2019, and half shall be transferred from the Insurance Fund to the
3 General Fund in fiscal year 2020.

4 (2) In September 2020, the Commissioner of Finance and Management
5 shall project the two-year balance in the Insurance Fund for fiscal years 2021
6 and 2022. Half of the projected balance shall be transferred from the Insurance
7 Fund to the General Fund in fiscal year 2021, and half shall be transferred from
8 the Insurance Fund to the General Fund in fiscal year 2022.

9 (b) This section shall expire on June 30, 2022.

10 Sec. E.232 RECORDS RETENTION AND ARCHIVING

11 (a) The State Archivist shall, in consultation with representatives of
12 statewide criminal justice agencies, develop recommendations and action plans
13 for these agencies to meet their records retention and evidence requirements.
14 These recommendations and action plans shall consider industry best practice
15 and cost efficiency and security, including available options for digital records.

16 (b) The State Archivist, in consultation with the Department of Information
17 and Innovation, shall develop best practices for how and when to destroy
18 electronic records that are no longer required to be maintained by the State.

19 Sec. E.233 30 V.S.A. § 20 is amended to read:

20 § 20. PARTICULAR PROCEEDINGS AND ACTIVITIES; PERSONNEL

1 (a)(1) The Board or the Department of Public Service may authorize or
2 retain legal counsel, official stenographers, expert witnesses, advisors,
3 temporary employees, and other research, scientific, or engineering services:

4 (i)(A) To assist the Board or Department in any proceeding listed in
5 subsection (b) of this section.

6 (ii)(B) To monitor compliance with any formal opinion or order of
7 the Board.

8 (iii)(C) In proceedings under section 248 of this title, to assist other
9 State agencies that are named parties to the proceeding where the Board or
10 Department determines that they are essential to a full consideration of the
11 petition, or for the purpose of monitoring compliance with an order resulting
12 from such a petition.

13 (iv)(D) In addition to the ~~above~~ services in subdivisions (1)(A)–(C)
14 of this subsection (a), in proceedings under subsection 248(h) of this title, by
15 contract with the regional planning commission of the region or regions
16 affected by a proposed facility, to assist in determining conformance with local
17 and regional plans and to obtain the ~~commissions~~ commission's data, analysis,
18 and recommendations on the economic, environmental, historic, or other
19 impact of the proposed facility in the region.

20 (v)(E) To assist in monitoring the ongoing and future reliability and
21 the postclosure activities of any nuclear generating plant within the State. ~~For~~

1 ~~the purpose of~~ In this subdivision section, “postclosure activities” includes
2 planning for and implementation of any action within the State’s jurisdiction
3 that shall or will occur when the plant permanently ceases generating
4 electricity.

5 (2) The Agency of Natural Resources may authorize or retain legal
6 counsel, official stenographers, expert witnesses, advisors, temporary
7 employees, and other research, scientific, or engineering services to:

8 (A) Assist the Agency of Natural Resources in any proceeding under
9 section 248 of this title.

10 (B) Monitor compliance with an order issued under section 248 of
11 this title.

12 (C) Assist the Board or the Department of Public Service in any
13 proceedings described in subdivisions (b)(9) (Federal Energy Regulatory
14 Commission) and (11) (Nuclear Regulatory Commission) of this section.
15 Allocation of Agency of Natural Resources costs under this subdivision (C)
16 shall be in the same manner as provided under subdivisions (b)(9) and (11) of
17 this section. The Agency of Natural Resources shall report annually to the
18 Joint Fiscal Committee all costs incurred and expenditures charged under the
19 authority of this subsection with respect to proceedings under subdivision
20 (b)(9) of this section and the purpose for which such costs were incurred and
21 expenditures made.

1 (a) ~~The Board, the Department, or the Agency of Natural Resources~~ An
2 agency may allocate the portion of the expense incurred or authorized by it in
3 retaining additional personnel ~~for the particular proceedings authorized in~~
4 pursuant to section 20 of this title to the applicant or the ~~public service~~
5 company or companies involved ~~in those proceedings~~. In this section,
6 “agency” means an agency, board, or department of the State enabled to
7 authorize or retain personnel under section 20 of this title.

8 (1) The Board shall upon petition of an applicant or ~~public service~~
9 company to which costs are proposed to be allocated, review and determine,
10 after opportunity for hearing, having due regard for the size and complexity of
11 the project, the necessity and reasonableness of such costs, and may amend or
12 revise such allocations. Nothing in this section shall confer authority on the
13 Board to select or decide the personnel, the expenses of whom are being
14 allocated, unless such personnel are retained by the Board. Prior to allocating
15 costs, the Board shall make a determination of the purpose and use of the funds
16 to be raised hereunder, identify the recipient of the funds, provide for
17 allocation of costs among companies to be assessed, indicate an estimated
18 duration of the ~~proceedings~~ retention of personnel whose costs are being
19 allocated, and estimate the total costs to be imposed. With the approval of the
20 Board, such estimates may be revised as necessary. From time to time during
21 the progress of the work of such additional personnel, the ~~Board, the~~

1 ~~Department, or the Agency of Natural Resources~~ agency retaining the
2 personnel shall render to the company detailed statements showing the amount
3 of money expended or contracted for in the work of such personnel, which
4 statements shall be paid by the applicant or the ~~public-service~~ company into the
5 State Treasury at such time and in such manner as the ~~Board, the Department,~~
6 ~~or the Agency of Natural Resources~~ agency may reasonably direct.

7 (2) In any proceeding under section 248 of this title, the Agency of
8 Natural Resources may allocate the portion of the expense incurred in retaining
9 additional staff authorized in subsection 21(a) of this title only if the following
10 apply:

11 (A) the Agency of Natural Resources does not have the expertise and
12 the retention of such expertise is required to fulfill ~~the Agency's~~ its statutory
13 obligations in the proceeding; and

14 (B) the Agency of Natural Resources allocates only that portion of
15 the cost for such expertise that exceeds the fee paid by the applicant under
16 section 248b of this title.

17 (b) When regular employees of ~~the Board, the Department, or the Agency~~
18 ~~of Natural Resources~~ an agency are employed in the particular proceedings and
19 activities described in section 20 of this title, the ~~Board, the Department, or the~~
20 ~~Agency of Natural Resources~~ agency may also allocate the portion of their
21 costs and expenses to the applicant or the ~~public-service~~ company or

1 companies involved ~~in the proceedings~~. The costs of regular employees shall
2 be computed on the basis of working days within the salary period. The
3 manner of assessment and of making payments shall otherwise be as provided
4 for additional personnel in subsection (a) of this section. However, with
5 respect to proceedings under section 248 of this title, the Agency of Natural
6 Resources shall not allocate the costs of regular employees.

7 * * *

8 (e) ~~On or before January 15, 2011, and annually thereafter, the Agency of~~
9 ~~Natural Resources~~ Annually, on or before January 15, each agency shall report
10 to the Senate and House Committees on Natural Resources and Energy the
11 total amount of expenses allocated under this section during the previous fiscal
12 year. The report shall include the name of each applicant or ~~public service~~
13 company to whom expenses were allocated and the amount allocated to each
14 applicant or company.

15 * * *

16 (g) ~~The Board, or the Department with the approval of the Governor, An~~
17 agency may allocate such portion of expense incurred or authorized by it in
18 compensating persons retained in the monitoring of postclosure activities of a
19 nuclear generating plant pursuant to ~~subdivision 20(a)(1)(v)~~ subsection 20(a)
20 of this title to the ~~nuclear generating~~ plant whose activities are being

1 monitored. Except for the Board, the agency shall obtain the approval of the
2 Governor before making such an allocation.

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4 * * * HUMAN SERVICES * * *

5 Sec. E.300 DEPOSIT AND USE OF MASTER SETTLEMENT FUND

6 (a) Deposit of Master Tobacco Settlement receipts and appropriations of
7 Tobacco Settlement funds in fiscal year 2017 are made, notwithstanding
8 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec. D.104.

9 Sec. E.300.1 3 V.S.A. § 3022a is added to read:

10 § 3022a. IMPROVING GRANTS MANAGEMENT FOR RESULTS-BASED
11 PROGRAMS

12 (a) The Secretary of Human Services shall compile a grants inventory
13 using the Department of Finance and Management's master list of all grants
14 awarded during the prior fiscal year by the Agency or any its departments to
15 any public and private entities. The inventory should reflect:

16 (1) the date and title of the grant;

17 (2) the amount of federal and State funds committed during the prior
18 fiscal year;

19 (3) a summary description of each grant;

20 (4) the recipient of the grant;

21 (5) the department responsible for making the award;

1 (6) the major Agency program served by the grant;

2 (7) the existence or nonexistence in the grant of performance measures;

3 (8) the scheduled expiration date of the grant; ~~and~~

4 (9) the number of people served by each grant;

(10) the length of time the entity has had the grant; and

(11) the indirect rate of the entity.

5 (b) Annually, on or before January 15, the Agency shall submit the
6 inventory to the General Assembly in an electronic format.

7 (c) The Secretary of Human Services and the Chief Performance Officer
8 shall report to the Government Accountability Committee in September of
9 each year and to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations
10 annually, on or before January 15, regarding the progress of the Agency in
11 improving grant management in regard to:

12 (1) compilation of the inventory required in subsection (a) of this
13 section;

14 (2) establishing a drafting template to achieve common language and
15 requirements for all grant agreements, to the extent that it does not conflict
16 with Agency of Administration Bulletin 5 – Policy for Grant Issuance and
17 Monitoring or federal requirements contained in 2 C.F.R. Chapter I, Chapter II,
18 Part 200, including:

1 (A) a specific format covering expected goals and clear concise
2 performance measures that demonstrate results and which are attached to
3 each goal; and

4 (B) providing both community organizations and the Agency the
5 same point of reference in assessing how the grantees are meeting expectations
6 in terms of performance;

7 (3) executing Designated Agency Master Grant agreements using the
8 new drafting template;

9 (4) executing grant agreements with other grantees using the new
10 drafting template; and

11 (5) progress in improving the overall timeliness of executing
12 agreements.

13 Sec. E.300.2 REDUCING DUPLICATION OF AHS SERVICES;

14 PROGRESS REPORT

15 (a) On or before November 15, 2016, the Agency of Human Services shall
16 report to the House Committees on Appropriations, on Health Care, and on
17 Human Services and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health
18 and Welfare regarding its progress in implementing the recommendations in
19 the areas of case management, medication management, and diagnostic
20 assessment and evaluation contained in the report on reducing duplication of

1 services that the Agency submitted to the General Assembly on January 15,
2 2016 pursuant to 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 54, Sec. 25.

3 Sec. E.301 Secretary's office – Global Commitment:

4 (a) The Agency of Human Services shall use the funds appropriated in this
5 section for payment of the actuarially certified premium required under the
6 intergovernmental agreement between the Agency of Human Services and the
7 managed care entity, the Department of Vermont Health Access, as provided
8 for in the Global Commitment for Health Waiver (Global Commitment)
9 approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under Section
10 1115 of the Social Security Act.

11 (b) In addition to the State funds appropriated in this section, a total
12 estimated sum of \$29,633,326 is anticipated to be certified as State matching
13 funds under the Global Commitment as follows:

14 (1) \$18,500,400 certified State match available from local education
15 agencies for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services under
16 the Global Commitment. This amount combined with \$21,999,600 of federal
17 funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act equals a total estimated
18 expenditure of \$40,500,000. An amount equal to the amount of the federal
19 matching funds for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services
20 under Global Commitment shall be transferred from the Global Commitment

1 Fund to the Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund created in 16 V.S.A.

2 § 2959a.

3 (2) \$4,091,214 certified State match available from local education
4 agencies for direct school-based health services, including school nurse
5 services, that increase the access of quality health care to uninsured persons,
6 underinsured persons, and Medicaid beneficiaries.

7 (3) \$1,883,273 certified State match available from local education
8 agencies for eligible services as allowed by federal regulation for early
9 periodic screening, diagnosis, and treatment programs for school-age children.

10 (4) \$2,731,052 certified State match available via the University of
11 Vermont's Child Health Improvement Program for quality improvement
12 initiatives for the Medicaid program.

13 (5) \$2,427,387 certified State match available from local designated
14 mental health and developmental services agencies for eligible mental health
15 services provided under Global Commitment.

16 Sec. E.304 3 V.S.A. § 3091(h) is amended to read:

17 (h)(1) Notwithstanding subsections (d) and (f) of this section, the Secretary
18 shall review all Board decisions and orders concerning TANF, TANF-EA,
19 Office of Child Support Cases, ~~and~~ Medicaid, and the Vermont Health Benefit
20 Exchange. The Secretary shall:

1 (A) adopt a Board decision or order, except that the Secretary may
2 reverse or modify a Board decision or order if:

- 3 (i) the Board's findings of fact lack any support in the record; or
4 (ii) the decision or order implicates the validity or applicability of
5 any Agency policy or rule.

6 (B) issue a written decision setting forth the legal, factual or policy
7 basis for reversing or modifying a Board decision or order.

8 (2) Notwithstanding subsections (d) and (f) of this section, a Board
9 decision and order concerning TANF, TANF-EA, Office of Child Support, ~~or~~
10 Medicaid, and the Vermont Health Benefit Exchange shall become the final
11 and binding decision of the Agency upon its approval by the Secretary. The
12 Secretary shall either approve, modify or reverse the Board's decision and
13 order within 15 days of the date of the Board decision and order. If the
14 Secretary fails to issue a written decision within 15 days as required by this
15 subdivision, the Board's decision and order shall be deemed to have been
16 approved by the Secretary.

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18 Sec. E.306 18 V.S.A. § 9351 is amended to read:

19 § 9351. HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PLAN

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21 (b) The Health Information Technology Plan shall:

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(5) recommend funding mechanisms for the ongoing development and maintenance costs of a statewide health information system, including funding options ~~and an implementation strategy for a loan and grant program;~~

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(7) integrate the information technology components of the Blueprint for Health established in chapter 13 of this title, the Agency of Human Services' Enterprise Master Patient Index, and all other Medicaid management information systems being developed by the Department of Vermont Health Access, information technology components of the quality assurance system, ~~the program to capitalize with loans and grants electronic medical record systems in primary care practices,~~ and any other information technology initiatives coordinated by the ~~Secretary~~ Director of Health Care Reform in the Agency of Administration pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 2222a; and

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(c) The Secretary of Administration or designee shall update the plan annually to reflect emerging technologies, the State's changing needs, and such other areas as the Secretary or designee deems appropriate. The Secretary or designee shall solicit recommendations from Vermont Information Technology Leaders, Inc. (VITL) and other entities in order to update the Health Information Technology Plan pursuant to this section, including applicable

1 standards, protocols, and pilot programs, and may enter into a contract or grant
2 agreement with VITL or other entities to update some or all of the Plan. Upon
3 approval by the Secretary, the updated Plan shall be distributed to the
4 Commissioner of Information and Innovation; ~~the Commissioner of Financial~~
5 ~~Regulation~~; the Commissioner of Vermont Health Access; the Secretary of
6 Human Services; the Commissioner of Health; the Commissioner of Mental
7 Health; the Commissioner of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living; the
8 Senate Committee on Health and Welfare; the House Committee on Health
9 Care; affected parties; and interested stakeholders.

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11 (f) ~~Qualified applicants may seek grants to invest in the infrastructure~~
12 ~~necessary to allow for and promote the electronic exchange and use of health~~
13 ~~information from federal agencies, including the Office of the National~~
14 ~~Coordinator for Health Information Technology, the Health Resources and~~
15 ~~Services Administration, the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, the~~
16 ~~Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the Centers for Disease Control~~
17 ~~and Prevention, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the Federal~~
18 ~~Communications Commission. The Secretary of Administration or designee~~
19 ~~shall require applicants for grants authorized pursuant to Section 13301 of Title~~
20 ~~XXX of Division A of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009,~~
21 ~~Public Law 111-5, to submit the application for State review pursuant to the~~

1 ~~process established in federal Executive Order 12372, Intergovernmental~~
2 ~~Review of Federal Programs. Grant applications shall be consistent with the~~
3 ~~goals outlined in the strategic plan developed by the Office of the National~~
4 ~~Coordinator for Health Information Technology and the statewide Health~~
5 ~~Information Technology Plan. [Repealed.]~~

6 Sec. E.306.1 18 V.S.A. § 9352(h) is amended to read:

7 (h) ~~Loan and grant programs. VITL shall solicit recommendations from the~~
8 ~~Secretary of Administration or designee, health insurers, the Vermont~~
9 ~~Association of Hospitals & Health Systems, Inc., the Vermont Medical~~
10 ~~Society, Bi-State Primary Care Association, the Council of Developmental and~~
11 ~~Mental Health Services, the Behavioral Health Network, the Vermont Health~~
12 ~~Care Association, the Vermont Assembly of Home Health Agencies, other~~
13 ~~health professional associations, and appropriate departments and agencies of~~
14 ~~State government, in establishing a financing program, including loans and~~
15 ~~grants, to provide electronic health records systems to providers, with priority~~
16 ~~given to Blueprint communities and primary care practices serving low income~~
17 ~~Vermonters. Health information technology systems acquired under a grant or~~
18 ~~loan authorized by this section shall comply with data standards for~~
19 ~~interoperability adopted by VITL and the State Health Information Technology~~
20 ~~Plan. An implementation plan for this loan and grant program shall be~~
21 ~~incorporated into the State Health Information Technology Plan. [Repealed.]~~

1 Sec. E.306.2 18 V.S.A. § 706(c) and (d) are amended to read:

2 (c)(1) The Blueprint payment reform methodologies shall include
3 per-person per-month payments to medical home practices by each health
4 insurer and Medicaid for their attributed patients and for contributions to the
5 shared costs of operating the community health teams. Per-person per-month
6 payments to practices shall be based on the official National Committee for
7 Quality Assurance’s Physician Practice Connections–Patient Centered Medical
8 Home (NCQA PPC-PCMH) score to the extent practicable and shall be in
9 addition to their normal fee-for-service or other payments.

10 (2) Consistent with the recommendation of the Blueprint expansion
11 design and evaluation committee, the director of the Blueprint may ~~implement~~
12 recommend to the Commissioner of Vermont Health Access changes to the
13 payment amounts or to the payment reform methodologies described in
14 subdivision (1) of this subsection, including by providing for enhanced
15 payment to health care professional practices which operate as a medical
16 home, including primary care naturopathic physicians’ practices; payment
17 toward the shared costs for community health teams; or other payment
18 methodologies required by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
19 (CMS) for participation by Medicaid or Medicare.

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1 (d) An insurer may appeal a decision of ~~the director~~ to require a particular
2 payment methodology or payment amount to the ~~commissioner of Vermont~~
3 ~~health access~~ Commissioner of Vermont Health Access, who shall provide a
4 hearing in accordance with 3 V.S.A. chapter 25. An insurer aggrieved by the
5 decision of the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner may appeal to the ~~superior court~~
6 Superior Court for the Washington district within 30 days after the
7 ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner issues his or her decision.

8 Sec. E.306.3 2014 Acts and Resolves No.179, Sec. E.306.1 as amended by
9 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 58, Sec. E.306, is further amended to read:

10 Sec. E. 306.1 EMERGENCY RULES

11 (a) The Agency of Human Services shall adopt rules pursuant to 3 V.S.A.
12 chapter 25 prior to June 30, ~~2016~~ 2017 to conform Vermont's rules regarding
13 operation of the Vermont Health Benefit Exchange to federal guidance and
14 regulations implementing the provisions of the Patient Protection and
15 Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. No. 111-148, as amended by the federal Health
16 Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, Pub. L. No. 111-152. The
17 rules shall be adopted to achieve timely compliance with federal laws and
18 guidance and shall be deemed to meet the standard for the adoption of
19 emergency rules required pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 844(a).

20 Sec. E.306.4 33 V.S.A. § 1811(l) is added to read:

1 (l) To the extent permitted under federal law, a registered carrier shall
2 allow for the enrollment of a pregnant individual, and of any individual who is
3 eligible for coverage under the terms of the health benefit plan because of a
4 relationship to the pregnant individual, at any time after the commencement of
5 the pregnancy. Coverage shall be effective as of the first of the month
6 following the individual's selection of a health benefit plan.

7 Sec. E.306.5 33 V.S.A. § 1901e(c) is amended to read:

8 (c) ~~At the close of the fiscal year~~ Annually on or before October 1, the
9 Agency shall provide a detailed report to the Joint Fiscal Committee which
10 describes the managed care organization's investments under the terms and
11 conditions of the Global Commitment for Health Medicaid Section 1115
12 waiver, including the amount of the investment and the agency or departments
13 authorized to make the investment.

14 Sec. E.306.6 33 V.S.A. § 1901h is amended to read:

15 § 1901h. PROSPECTIVE PAYMENT; HOME HEALTH SERVICES

16 (a) On or before ~~July 1, 2016~~ July 1, 2017 and upon approval from the
17 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the Department of Vermont
18 Health Access shall modify reimbursement methodologies to home health
19 agencies, as defined in section 1951 of this title, in order to implement
20 prospective payments for the medical services paid for by the Department
21 under the Global Commitment to Health waiver, and to replace fee-for-service

1 payment methodologies. The Department shall determine an appropriate
2 schedule for determining a revised base calculation for the payment.

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4 Sec. E.306.7 33 V.S.A. § 1908 is amended to read:

5 § 1908. MEDICAID; PAYER OF LAST RESORT; RELEASE OF
6 INFORMATION

7 (a) Any clause in an insurance contract, plan, or agreement which limits or
8 excludes payments to a recipient is void.

9 (b) Medicaid shall be the payer of last resort to any insurer which contracts
10 to pay health care costs for a recipient.

11 (c) Every applicant for or recipient of Medicaid under this subchapter is
12 deemed to have authorized all third parties to release to the Agency all
13 information needed by the Agency to secure or enforce its rights under this
14 subchapter. The Agency shall inform an applicant or recipient of the
15 provisions of this subsection at the time of application for Medicaid benefits.

16 ~~(d) At the Agency's request, an insurer shall provide the Agency with the~~
17 ~~information necessary to determine whether an applicant or recipient of~~
18 ~~Medicaid under this subchapter is or was covered by the insurer and the nature~~
19 ~~of the coverage, including the member, subscriber, or policyholder information~~
20 ~~necessary to determine third party liability and other information required~~
21 ~~under 18 V.S.A. § 9410(h). The Agency may require the insurer to provide the~~

1 ~~information electronically~~ On and after July 1, 2016, an insurer shall accept
2 the Agency's right of recovery and the assignment of rights and shall not
3 charge the Agency or any of its authorized agents fees for the processing of
4 claims or eligibility requests. Data files requested by or provided to the
5 Agency shall provide the Agency with eligibility and coverage information
6 that will enable the Agency to determine the existence of third-party coverage
7 for Medicaid recipients, the period during which Medicaid recipients may have
8 been covered by the insurer, and the nature of the coverage provided, including
9 information such as the name, address, and identifying number of the plan.

10 (e)(1) Upon request, to the extent permitted under the federal Health
11 Insurance Portability and Accountability Act and other federal privacy laws
12 and notwithstanding any State privacy law to the contrary, an insurer shall
13 transmit to the Agency, in a manner prescribed by the Centers for Medicare
14 and Medicaid Services or as agreed between the insurer and the Agency, an
15 electronic file of all of the insurer's identified subscribers or policyholders and
16 their dependents.

17 (2) An insurer shall comply with a request under the provisions of this
18 subsection no later than 60 days following the date of the Agency's request and
19 shall be required to provide the Agency with only the information required by
20 this section.

1 (3) The Agency shall request the data from an insurer once each month.
2 The Agency shall not request subscriber or policyholder enrollment data that
3 precede the date of the request by more than three years.

4 (4) The Agency shall use the data collected pursuant this section solely
5 for the purposes of determining whether a Medicaid recipient also has or has
6 had coverage with the insurer providing the data.

7 (5) The Agency shall ensure that all data collected and maintained
8 pursuant to this section are collected and stored securely and that such data are
9 stored no longer than necessary to determine whether Medicaid benefits may
10 be coordinated with the insurer, or as otherwise required by law.

11 Insurers shall not be liable for any security incidents caused by the Agency in
12 the collection or maintenance of the data.

13 (f)(1) Each insurer shall submit a file containing information required to
14 coordinate benefits, such as the name, address, group policy number, coverage
15 type, Social Security number, and date of birth of each subscriber or
16 policyholder and each dependent covered by the insurer, including the policy
17 effective and termination dates, claims submission address, and employer's
18 mailing address.

19 (2) The Agency shall adopt rules governing the exchange of information
20 pursuant to this section. The rules shall be consistent with laws relating to the

1 confidentiality or privacy of personal information and medical records,
2 including the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.

3 (g) From funds recovered pursuant to this subchapter, the federal
4 government shall be paid a portion equal to the proportionate share originally
5 provided by the federal government to pay for medical assistance to a recipient
6 or minor.

7 Sec. E.306.8 33 V.S.A. § 111(a) is amended to read:

8 (a)(1) The names of or information pertaining to applicants for or recipients
9 of assistance or benefits, including information obtained under section 112 of
10 this title, shall not be disclosed to anyone, except for the purposes directly
11 connected with the administration of the Department or when required by law.

12 (2) Names of or information pertaining to applicants for or recipients of
13 Medicaid shall be subject to the confidentiality provisions set forth in section
14 1902a of this title.

15 Sec. E.306.9 33 V.S.A. § 1902a is added to read:

16 § 1902a. CONFIDENTIALITY OF MEDICAID APPLICATIONS AND
17 RECORDS; DISCLOSURE TO AUTHORIZED
18 REPRESENTATIVE

19 (a) All applications submitted and records created under the authority of
20 this chapter concerning any applicant for or recipient of Medicaid are
21 confidential and shall be made available only to persons authorized by the

1 Agency, the State, or the United States for purposes directly related to plan
2 administration. In addition, the Agency shall maintain a process to allow a
3 Medicaid applicant or recipient or his or her authorized representative to have
4 access to confidential information when necessary for an eligibility
5 determination and the appeals process.

6 (b) Applications and records considered confidential are those that
7 disclose:

8 (1) the name and address of the applicant or recipient;

9 (2) medical services provided;

10 (3) the applicant or recipient's social and economic circumstances;

11 (4) the Agency's evaluation of personal information;

12 (5) medical data, including diagnosis and past history of disease or
13 disability; and

14 (6) any information received for the purpose of verifying income
15 eligibility and determining the amount of medical assistance payments.

16 (c) A person found to have violated this section may be assessed an
17 administrative penalty of not more than \$1,000.00 for a first violation and not
18 more than \$2,000.00 for any subsequent violation.

19 (d) As used in this section:

20 (1) "Authorized representative" means any person designated by a
21 Medicaid applicant or recipient to review confidential information about the

1 Medicaid applicant or recipient pertaining to the eligibility determination and
2 the appeals process.

3 (2) “Purposes directly related to plan administration” means establishing
4 eligibility, determining the amount of medical assistance, providing services to
5 recipients, conducting or assisting with an investigation or prosecution, and
6 civil or criminal proceedings, or audits, related to the administration of the
7 State Medicaid program.

8 Sec. E.306.10 33 V.S.A. § 2001 is amended to read:

9 § 2001. LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT

10 (a) In connection with the Pharmacy Best Practices and Cost Control
11 Program, the Commissioner of Vermont Health Access shall report for review
12 by the ~~Health Care Oversight Committee, prior to initial implementation, and~~
13 House Committees on Appropriations, on Health Care, and on Human Services
14 and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare prior
15 to any subsequent modifications:

16 (1) the compilation that constitutes the preferred drug list or list of drugs
17 subject to prior authorization or any other utilization review procedures;

18 (2) any utilization review procedures, including any prior authorization
19 procedures; and

1 (3) the procedures by which drugs will be identified as preferred on the
2 preferred drug list, and the procedures by which drugs will be selected for prior
3 authorization or any other utilization review procedure.

4 (b) The ~~Health Care Oversight Committee~~ Committees shall closely
5 monitor implementation of the preferred drug list and utilization review
6 procedures to ensure that the consumer protection standards enacted pursuant
7 to section 1999 of this title are not diminished as a result of implementing the
8 preferred drug list and the utilization review procedures, including any
9 unnecessary delay in access to appropriate medications. The ~~Committee~~
10 Committees shall ensure that all affected interests, including consumers, health
11 care providers, pharmacists, and others with pharmaceutical expertise have an
12 opportunity to comment on the preferred drug list and procedures reviewed
13 under this subsection.

14 (c) The Commissioner of Vermont Health Access shall report annually on
15 or before ~~August 31~~ October 30 to the ~~Health Reform Oversight Committee~~
16 House Committees on Appropriations, on Health Care, and on Human Services
17 and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare
18 concerning the Pharmacy Best Practices and Cost Control Program. Topics
19 covered in the report shall include issues related to drug cost and utilization;
20 the effect of national trends on the pharmacy program; comparisons to other
21 states; and decisions made by the Department's Drug Utilization Review

1 Board in relation to both drug utilization review efforts and the placement of
2 drugs on the Department's preferred drug list.

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4 Sec. E.306.11 PRESCRIBING PRACTICES; CLINICAL UTILIZATION
5 REVIEW BOARD; REPORT

6 (a) The Clinical Utilization Review Board in the Department of Vermont
7 Health Access shall analyze data from prescriptions dispensed to Medicaid
8 beneficiaries, including prescriptions written to treat mental health conditions,
9 to determine whether health care providers routinely follow the U.S. Food and
10 Drug Administration's recommended dosage amounts. On or before
11 January 15, 2017, the Clinical Utilization Review Board shall report its
12 findings and any recommendations to the House Committees on
13 Appropriations, on Health Care, and on Human Services and the Senate
14 Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare.

*Sec. E.306.12 APPROPRIATION; AMBULANCE PROVIDER
REIMBURSEMENT RATES*

(a) The sum of \$2,300,000 in Global Commitment funds is appropriated to
the Department of Vermont Health Access in fiscal year 2017 for the purpose
of increasing reimbursement rates to ambulance agencies beginning on July 1,
2016 for services provided to Medicaid beneficiaries.

Sec. E.306.13 HOME HEALTH AGENCY MEDICAID COMPENSATION;

REPORT

(a) The Department of Vermont Health Access shall design one or more mechanisms to provide additional reimbursement or compensation to home health agencies that serve a greater percentage of Medicaid patients than the median of home health agencies in this State. The Department shall use \$750,000 of the funds appropriated for payments to hospitals for Medicaid inpatient services to increase reimbursement or compensation to the home health agencies serving a greater percentage of Medicaid patients than the median using the mechanism or mechanisms designed for this purpose pursuant to this section.

(b) On or before December 1, 2016, the Department shall report its designs and any related recommendations to the House Committees on Appropriations, on Health Care, on Human Services, and on Ways and Means and the Senate Committees on Appropriations, on Health and Welfare, and on Finance.

1 Sec. E.307 OUTPATIENT PSYCHOTHERAPY; UTILIZATION REVIEW

2 *(a) Following a Medicaid beneficiary's 20th outpatient psychotherapy visit*
3 *in the same calendar year, the Department of Vermont Health Access shall*
4 *review the individual's case to determine whether he or she may benefit from*
5 *enhanced case management services in order to ensure that the individual is*

1 receiving appropriate, high-quality, coordinated care that is tailored to the
2 individual's specific health care needs.

Sec. E.307.1 MEDICARE SUPPLEMENTAL PLANS FOR DUAL

ELIGIBLE MEDICAID BENEFICIARIES

(a) The Department of Vermont Health Access shall explore the use of State or Global Commitment funds to purchase Medicare supplemental insurance plans for individuals eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid, including the feasibility of federal financial participation, the estimated savings to the State with and without federal financial participation, and the benefits both of providing Medicare supplemental plans to the entire population of dual eligible individuals and of providing the plans to only a subset of the highest utilizers of all or a specific set of services.

(b) If the Department determines that savings can be achieved, then as part of its recommendations for fiscal year 2017 budget adjustment, the Department shall propose a plan for implementing the purchase of Medicare supplemental insurance plans for the dual eligibles in a manner that is the most cost-effective for the State and that provides the greatest benefits for the dual eligible population.

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1 (2)(A) First priority for the use of any savings from the long-term care
2 appropriation after the needs of all individuals meeting the terms and
3 conditions of the waiver have been met shall be given to home- and
4 community-based services. Savings may also be used for quality improvement
5 purposes in nursing homes but shall not be used to increase nursing home rates
6 under 33 V.S.A. § 905.

7 (B) Savings either shall be one-time investments or shall be used in
8 ways that are sustainable into the future. Excluding appropriations allocated
9 for acute services, any unexpended and unobligated State General Fund or
10 Special Fund appropriation remaining at the close of a fiscal year shall be
11 carried forward to the next fiscal year.

12 (C) The Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living
13 shall not reduce the base funding needed in a subsequent fiscal year prior to
14 calculating savings for the current fiscal year.

15 (c) The Department, in collaboration with Choices for Care participants,
16 participants' families, and long-term care providers, shall conduct an
17 assessment of the adequacy of the provider system for delivery of home- and
18 community-based services and nursing home services. On or before
19 October 1, 2016, the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent
20 Living shall report the results of this assessment to the House Committees on
21 Appropriations and on Human Services and the Senate Committees on

1 Appropriations and on Health and Welfare in order to inform the reinvestment
2 of savings during the budget adjustment process.

3 (d) On or before January 15, 2017, the Department of Disabilities, Aging,
4 and Independent Living shall propose reinvestment of the savings calculated
5 pursuant to this section to the General Assembly as part of the Department's
6 proposed budget adjustment presentation.

7 (e) Concurrent with the procedures set forth in 32 V.S.A. § 305a, the Joint
8 Fiscal Office and the Secretary of Administration shall provide to the
9 Emergency Board their respective estimates of caseloads and expenditures for
10 programs under the Choices for Care program.

11 Sec. E.312 Health – public health

12 (a) AIDS/HIV funding:

13 (1) In fiscal year 2017 and as provided in this section, the Department of
14 Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$475,000 in AIDS Medication
15 Rebates special funds to the Vermont AIDS service and peer-support
16 organizations for client-based support services. The Department of Health
17 AIDS Program shall meet at least quarterly with the Community Advisory
18 Group (CAG) with current information and data relating to service initiatives.
19 The funds shall be allocated according to an RFP process.

20 (2) Ryan White Title II funds for AIDS services and the Vermont
21 Medication Assistance Program (VMAP) shall be distributed in accordance

1 with federal guidelines. The federal guidelines shall not apply to programs or
2 services funded solely by State general funds.

3 (3)(A) The Secretary of Human Services shall immediately notify the
4 Joint Fiscal Committee if at any time there are insufficient funds in VMAP to
5 assist all eligible individuals. The Secretary shall work in collaboration with
6 persons living with HIV/AIDS to develop a plan to continue access to VMAP
7 medications until such time as the General Assembly can take action.

8 (B) As provided in this section, the Secretary of Human Services
9 shall work in collaboration with the VMAP Advisory Committee, which shall
10 be composed of no less than 50 percent of members who are living with
11 HIV/AIDS. If a modification to the program's eligibility requirements or
12 benefit coverage is considered, the Committee shall make recommendations
13 regarding the program's formulary of approved medication, related laboratory
14 testing, nutritional supplements, and eligibility for the program.

15 (4) In fiscal year 2017, the Department of Health shall provide grants in
16 the amount of \$100,000 in General Funds to Vermont AIDS service
17 organizations and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers for
18 community-based HIV prevention programs and services. These funds shall
19 be used for HIV/AIDS prevention purposes, including syringe exchange
20 programs, improving the availability of confidential and anonymous HIV
21 testing; prevention work with at-risk groups such as women, intravenous drug

1 users, and people of color; and anti-stigma campaigns. No more than
2 15 percent of the funds may be used for the administration of such services by
3 the recipients of these funds. The method by which these prevention funds are
4 distributed shall be determined by mutual agreement of the Department of
5 Health and the Vermont AIDS service organizations and other Vermont
6 HIV/AIDS prevention providers.

7 (5) In fiscal year 2017, the Department of Health shall provide grants in
8 the amount of \$150,000 in general funds to Vermont AIDS service
9 organizations and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers for syringe
10 exchange programs. The method by which these prevention funds are
11 distributed shall be determined by mutual agreement of the Department of
12 Health, the Vermont AIDS service organizations, and other Vermont
13 HIV/AIDS prevention providers. The performance period for these grants will
14 be State fiscal year 2017. Grant reporting shall include outcomes and results.

15 (b) The funding for tobacco cessation and prevention activities in fiscal
16 year 2017 shall include funding for tobacco cessation programs that serve
17 pregnant women.

18 Sec. E.318 CHILD CARE SERVICES PROGRAM; WAITLIST

19 (a) Prior to implementing a waitlist or cap on the number of subsidized
20 child care slots in fiscal year 2017, the Department for Children and Families

1 shall report at the November 2016 meeting of the Joint Fiscal Committee on
2 the status of the case load, the caseload projection, and available funding.

3 Sec. E.321 HOUSING ASSISTANCE BENEFITS; FLEXIBILITY
4 PROGRAM

5 (a) For State fiscal year 2017, the Agency of Human Services may continue
6 a housing assistance program within the General Assistance program to create
7 flexibility to provide these General Assistance benefits. The purpose of the
8 program is to mitigate poverty and serve applicants more effectively than they
9 are currently being served with General Assistance funds. The program shall
10 operate in a consistent manner within existing statutes and rules and policies
11 effective on July 1, 2013, and any succeeding amendments thereto, and may
12 create programs and provide services consistent with these policies. Eligible
13 activities shall include, among others, the provision of shelter, overflow
14 shelter, case management, transitional housing, deposits, down payments,
15 rental assistance, upstream prevention, and related services that ensure that all
16 Vermonters have access to shelter, housing, and the services they need to
17 become safely housed. The Agency may award grants to homeless and
18 housing service providers for eligible activities. The assistance provided under
19 this section is not an entitlement and may be discontinued when the
20 appropriation has been fully spent.

1 (b) The program may operate in up to 12 districts designated by the
2 Secretary of Human Services. The Agency shall establish goals and
3 procedures for evaluating the program overall, including performance
4 measures that demonstrate program results, and for each district in which the
5 Agency operates the program, it shall establish procedures for evaluating the
6 district program and its effects.

7 (c) The Agency shall continue to engage interested parties, including both
8 statewide organizations and local agencies, in the design, implementation, and
9 evaluation of the General Assistance flexibility program.

10 Sec. E.321.1 GENERAL ASSISTANCE HOUSING

11 (a) Funds appropriated to the Agency of Human Services in the General
12 Assistance program in fiscal year 2017 may be used for temporary housing in
13 catastrophic situations and for vulnerable populations, as defined in rules
14 adopted by the Agency. The cold weather exception policy issued by the
15 Department for Children and Families' Economic Services Division dated
16 October 25, 2012, and any succeeding amendments to it, shall remain in effect.

17 Sec. E.321.2 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec. E.321.2(c), as amended by
18 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 58, Sec. E.321.2, is further amended to read:

19 (c) On or before ~~January 31~~ and July 31 of each year beginning in 2015
20 2016, the Agency of Human Services shall report statewide statistics related to
21 the use of emergency housing vouchers during the preceding ~~calendar~~

1 ~~half year~~ State fiscal year, including demographic information, deidentified
2 client data, shelter and motel usage rates, clients' primary stated cause of
3 homelessness, average lengths of stay in emergency housing by demographic
4 group and by type of housing, and such other relevant data as the Secretary
5 deems appropriate. When the General Assembly is in session, the Agency
6 shall provide its report to the House Committee on General, Housing and
7 Military Affairs, the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Housing
8 and General Affairs, and the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.
9 When the General Assembly is not in session, the Agency shall provide its
10 report to the Joint Fiscal Committee.

11 Sec. E.323 33 V.S.A. § 1106 is amended to read:

12 § 1106. REQUIRED SERVICES TO PARTICIPATING FAMILIES

13 (a) The Commissioner shall provide participating families case
14 management services, periodic reassessment of service needs and the family
15 development plan, and referral to any agencies or programs that provide the
16 services needed by participating families to improve the family's prospects for
17 job placement and job retention, including the following:

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19 (3) Career counseling, education, and training, and job search assistance
20 consistent with the purposes of this chapter, including detailed information on
21 the postsecondary education program pursuant to section 1122 of this chapter.

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Sec. E.323.1 33 V.S.A. § 1134 is amended to read:

§ 1134. PROGRAM EVALUATION

On or before January 31 of each year, the Commissioner shall design and implement procedures to evaluate, measure, and report to the Governor and the General Assembly the Department's progress in achieving the goals of the programs provided for in sections 1002, 1102, and 1202 of this title. The report shall include:

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(7) a description of the current basic needs budget and housing allowance, the current maximum grant amounts, and the basic needs budget and housing allowance adjusted to reflect an annual cost-of-living increase; ~~and~~

(8) a description of the families, during the last fiscal year, that included an adult family member receiving financial assistance for 60 or more months in his or her lifetime, including:

(A) the number of families and the types of barriers facing these families; and

(B) the number of families that became ineligible for the Reach Up program pursuant to subsection 1108(a) of this title, and the types of income

1 and financial assistance received by those families that did not return to the
2 Reach Up program within 90 days of becoming ineligible; ~~and~~

(9) a description of the families in the postsecondary education program
pursuant to section 1122 of this chapter, including the number of participating
families and any barriers to their further participation; and

*(10) a description of how the inclusion of \$125.00 of Supplemental
Security Income for the purpose of calculating Reach Up eligibility and benefit
levels pursuant to subdivision 1103(c)(9) of this title has affected participating
families.*

3 Sec. E.324 HOME HEATING FUEL ASSISTANCE/LIHEAP

4 (a) For the purpose of a crisis set-aside, for seasonal home heating fuel
5 assistance through December 31, 2016, and for program administration, the
6 Commissioner of Finance and Management shall transfer \$2,550,000 from the
7 Home Weatherization Assistance Fund to the Home Heating Fuel Assistance
8 Fund to the extent that federal LIHEAP or similar federal funds are not
9 available. An equivalent amount shall be returned to the Home Weatherization
10 Fund from the Home Heating Fuel Assistance Fund to the extent that federal
11 LIHEAP or similar federal funds are received. Should a transfer of funds from
12 the Home Weatherization Assistance Fund be necessary for the 2016–2017
13 crisis set-aside and for seasonal home heating fuel assistance through
14 December 31, 2016 and if LIHEAP funds awarded as of December 31, 2016

1 for fiscal year 2017 do not exceed \$2,550,000, subsequent payments under the
2 Home Heating Fuel Assistance Program shall not be made prior to January 30,
3 2017. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, payments authorized by the
4 Department for Children and Families' Economic Services Division shall not
5 exceed funds available, except that for fuel assistance payments made through
6 December 31, 2016, the Commissioner of Finance and Management may
7 anticipate receipts into the Home Weatherization Assistance Fund.

8 Sec. E.324.1 EXPEDITED CRISIS FUEL ASSISTANCE

9 (a) The Commissioner for Children and Families or designee may authorize
10 crisis fuel assistance to those income-eligible households that have applied for
11 an expedited seasonal fuel benefit but have not yet received it, if the benefit
12 cannot be executed in time to prevent them from running out of fuel. The
13 crisis fuel grants authorized pursuant to this section count toward the one crisis
14 fuel grant allowed per household for the winter heating season pursuant to
15 33 V.S.A. § 2609(b).

16 Sec. E.324.2 LIHEAP AND WEATHERIZATION

17 (a) Notwithstanding 33 V.S.A. §§ 2603 and 2501, in fiscal year 2017, the
18 Secretary of Administration may, upon recommendation of the Secretary of
19 Human Services, transfer up to 15 percent of the federal fiscal year 2017
20 federal Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) block grant
21 from the federal funds appropriation in Sec. B.324 of this act to the Home

1 Weatherization Assistance appropriation in Sec. B.326 of this act to be used
2 for weatherization in State fiscal year 2017. An equivalent appropriation
3 transfer less \$1,200,000 shall be made to Sec. B.324 of this act, Low Income
4 Home Energy Assistance Program, from the Home Weatherization Assistance
5 Fund in Sec. B.326 of this act to provide home heating fuel benefits in State
6 fiscal year 2017. At least three days prior to any such transfer being made, the
7 Secretary of Administration shall report the intended transfer to the Joint Fiscal
8 Office and shall report any completed transfers to the Joint Fiscal Committee
9 at its next meeting.

10 Sec. E.325 Department for children and families – office of economic
11 opportunity

12 (a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.325 of this act, \$1,092,000
13 shall be granted to community agencies for homeless assistance by preserving
14 existing services, increasing services, or increasing resources available
15 statewide. These funds may be granted alone or in conjunction with federal
16 Emergency Solutions Grants funds. Grant decisions shall be made with
17 assistance from the Vermont Coalition to End Homelessness.

18 Sec. E.326 Department for children and families – OEO – weatherization
19 assistance

20 (a) Of the Special Fund appropriation in Sec. B.326 of this act, \$750,000 is
21 for the replacement and repair of home heating equipment.

1 Sec. E.337 28 V.S.A. § 120 is amended to read:

2 § 120. DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS EDUCATION PROGRAM;

3 INDEPENDENT SCHOOL

4 (a) Authority. An education program is established within the Department
5 of Corrections ~~for the education of~~ to provide educational, vocational, and risk
6 reduction services to persons who have not completed secondary education and
7 who are committed to under the custody of the Commissioner who are eligible
8 or required to participate in the program pursuant to subsection (h) of this
9 section.

10 (b) Applicability of education provisions. The education program shall be
11 approved by the State Board of Education as an independent school under
12 16 V.S.A. § 166, ~~shall comply with the education quality standards provided~~
13 ~~by 16 V.S.A. § 165,~~ and shall be coordinated with adult education, special
14 education, and career technical education.

15 (c) Program supervision. The Commissioner of Corrections shall ~~appoint a~~
16 ~~Director of Corrections Education, who shall be~~ hire a licensed as an
17 administrator under 16 V.S.A. chapter 51, to serve as the ~~Superintendent of the~~
18 ~~Community High School of Vermont~~ Headmaster of Corrections Education
19 and coordinate use of other education programs by persons under the
20 ~~supervision~~ custody of the Commissioner.

1 (d) Curriculum. The education program shall offer a minimum course of
2 study, as defined in 16 V.S.A. § 906, and special education programs as
3 required in 16 V.S.A. chapter 101 ~~at each correctional facility and Department~~
4 ~~service center, but is not required to offer a driver training course or a physical~~
5 ~~educational course.~~

6 (e) [Repealed]

7 (f) Reimbursement payments. The provision of 16 V.S.A. § 4012, relating
8 to payment for State-placed students, shall not apply to the Corrections
9 education program.

10 (g) [Repealed]

11 (h) ~~Required participation~~ Participation. ~~All persons~~ Any person under the
12 custody of the Commissioner is eligible to participate in the education program
13 described in subsection (a) of this section; provided, however, that
14 participation is mandatory for all persons who are under the age of 23 years of
15 age and have not received a high school diploma shall participate in an
16 ~~education program~~ unless exempted by the Commissioner. The Commissioner
17 may approve the participation of other students, including individuals who are
18 enrolled in an alternative justice or diversion program.

19 Sec. E.338 CALEDONIA COUNTY WORK CAMP; ELIGIBILITY

20 (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Department of
21 Corrections shall continue to utilize the North Unit of the Caledonia County

1 Work Camp (CCWC) for offenders who are work camp eligible under
2 28 V.S.A. § 817.

3 (b) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Department of
4 Corrections shall utilize 50 beds within the CCWC South Unit for
5 offenders who:

6 (1) are classified as minimum custody as scored by the Department's
7 custody level instrument; and

8 (2) have completed their minimum sentence and are eligible for
9 furlough or parole, but lack appropriate housing.

10 (c) An offender who is serving time for a sex offense conviction shall not
11 be deemed to satisfy the criteria set forth in subsection (b) of this section
12 unless the offender is a resident of St. Johnsbury.

13 Sec. E.342 Vermont veterans' home – care and support services

14 (a) The Vermont Veterans' Home will use the Global Commitment funds
15 appropriated in this section for the purpose of increasing the access of quality
16 health care to uninsured persons, underinsured persons, and Medicaid
17 beneficiaries.

18 Sec. E.345 Green mountain care board

19 (a) The Green Mountain Care Board shall use the Global Commitment
20 funds appropriated in this section to encourage the formation and maintenance

1 of public-private partnerships in health care, including initiatives to support
2 and improve the health care delivery system.

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5 Sec. E.400 WORKFORCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING STUDY

6 COMMITTEE

7 (a) Intent and purpose:

8 (1) 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 81, Sec. 1 created a Workforce
9 Development Work Group charged with the duty to research, inventory, and
10 collect certain data concerning workforce education and training programs
11 and activities in Vermont. The Work Group met several times and worked
12 diligently and cooperatively with State entities involved in workforce education
13 and training programs but ultimately had insufficient time and resources to
14 complete a full inventory. The purpose of this section is to continue and
15 complete the work of the 2013 Work Group.

16 (b) There is created a Workforce Education and Training Study

17 Committee composed of the following members:

18 (1) two members of the Senate appointed by the President Pro
19 Tempore of the Senate;

20 (2) two members of the House of Representatives appointed by the
21 Speaker of the House;

1 (3) the Secretary of Commerce and Community Development or
2 designee;

3 (4) the Commissioner of Labor or designee;

4 (5) the Secretary of Education or designee; and

5 (6) one member appointed by the State Workforce Development
6 Board.

7 (c) The Committee shall:

8 (1) coordinate with the State Workforce Development Board, the
9 Department of Labor, and other entities that are gathering the data and
10 information specified in this section;

11 (2) research and inventory all workforce education and training
12 programs and activities taking place in Vermont;

13 (3) identify the number of individuals served by each of the
14 programs and activities, and estimate the number of individuals in the State
15 who could benefit from these programs and activities;

16 (4) identify the mechanics by which these programs and activities
17 are evaluated for effectiveness and outcomes;

18 (5) provide a summary for each program or activity of its delivery
19 model, including how the program or activity aligns with employment
20 opportunities located in Vermont;

1 (6) identify current statutory provisions concerning coordination,
2 integration, and improvement of workforce education and training
3 programs, including identification of the entities responsible for performing
4 those duties;

5 (7) identify overlaps in existing workforce education and training
6 programs and activities;

7 (8) research and inventory all programs and activities taking place in the
8 State, both public and private, that identify and evaluate employers' needs for
9 employees, including the skills, education, and experience required for
10 available and projected jobs;

11 (9) indicate who is responsible for these activities and how they are
12 funded;

13 (10) specify the data collection activities that are taking place;

14 (11) identify overlaps in programs, activities, and data collection
15 that identify and evaluate employers' needs for employees;

16 (12) undertake any other research and gather other data and information
17 as the Work Group deems necessary and appropriate to complete its work
18 consistent with this act;

19 (13) evaluate the efficacy of consolidating all State-funded workforce
20 education and training programs within the Department of Labor.

1 (d)(1) The Committee shall convene its first meeting no later than
2 June 15, 2016.

3 (2) The Committee shall have the administrative, legal, and fiscal
4 support of the Department of Labor, Office of Legislative Council, and the
5 Joint Fiscal Office.

6 (e)(1) In order to perform its duties pursuant to this act, the Committee
7 shall have the authority to request and gather data and information as it
8 determines is necessary from entities that conduct workforce education and
9 training programs and activities, including agencies, departments, and
10 programs within the Executive Branch and from nongovernmental entities
11 that receive State-controlled funding.

12 (2) Unless otherwise exempt from public disclosure pursuant to State or
13 federal law, a workforce education and training provider shall provide the data
14 and information requested by the Committee within a reasonable time period.

15 (3) On or before January 15, 2017, the Committee shall submit its
16 findings and work product to the House Committees on Commerce and
17 Economic Development and on Appropriations, and to the Senate
18 Committees on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs and
19 on Appropriations.

1 (4) Legislative members of the Committee shall be eligible for per diem
2 compensation, mileage reimbursement, and other necessary expenses as
3 provided in 2 V.S.A. § 406.

4 * * * K-12 EDUCATION * * *

5 Sec. E.500 Education – finance and administration

6 (a) The Global Commitment funds appropriated in this section for school
7 health services, including school nurses, shall be used for the purpose of
8 funding certain health-care-related projects. It is the goal of these projects to
9 increase the access of quality health care to uninsured persons, underinsured
10 persons, and Medicaid beneficiaries.

11 Sec. E.502 Education – special education: formula grants

12 (a) Of the appropriation authorized in this section, and notwithstanding any
13 other provision of law, an amount not to exceed \$3,566,029 shall be used by
14 the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2017 as funding for 16 V.S.A.
15 § 2967(b)(2)–(6). In distributing such funds, the Secretary shall not be limited
16 by the restrictions contained within 16 V.S.A. § 2969(c) and (d). In addition to
17 funding for 16 V.S.A. § 2967(b)(2)–(6), up to \$192,805 may be used by the
18 Agency of Education for its participation in the higher education partnership
19 plan.

1 Sec. E.503 Education – state-placed students

2 (a) The Independence Place Program of the Lund Family Center shall be
3 considered a 24-hour residential program for the purposes of reimbursement of
4 education costs.

5 Sec. E.504.1 Education – adult education and literacy

6 (a) Of this appropriation, \$4,000,000 from the Education Fund shall be
7 distributed to school districts for reimbursement of high school completion
8 services pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 943(c). Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A.
9 § 4025(b), of this Education Fund appropriation, the amount of:

10 (1) \$600,000 is available for dual enrollment programs consistent with
11 16 V.S.A. § 944(f)(2), and the amount of \$25,000 is available for use pursuant
12 to Sec. E.605.1(a)(2) of this act; and

13 (2) \$100,000 is available to support the Vermont Virtual Learning
14 Collaborative at the River Valley Regional Technical Center School District.

15 Sec. E.513 16 V.S.A. § 4025(a)(2) is amended to read:

16 (2) For each fiscal year, the amount of the general funds appropriated ~~or~~
17 and transferred to the Education Fund shall be ~~\$277,400,000.00~~
18 \$305,900,000.00, to be increased annually beginning for fiscal year 2018 by
19 the most recent New England economic project cumulative price index, as of
20 November 15, for state and local government purchases of goods and services
21 from fiscal year 2012 consensus of the Joint Fiscal Office and Administration

1 determination of the National Income and Product Accounts (NIPA) Implicit
2 Price Deflator for State and Local Government Consumption Expenditures and
3 Gross Investment as reported by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of
4 Economic Analysis through the fiscal year for which the payment is being
5 determined, plus an additional one-tenth of one percent.

6 Sec. E.513.1 Appropriation and transfer to education fund

7 (a) Pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 4025(a)(2) as amended by Sec. E.513 of this
8 act, there is appropriated in fiscal year 2017 from the General Fund for transfer
9 to the Education Fund the amount of \$305,902,634.

10 Sec. E.514 State teachers' retirement system

11 (a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(g)(2), the annual contribution to
12 the State Teachers' Retirement System (STRS) shall be \$82,659,576.

13 (b) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(c)(2), of the annual contribution,
14 \$8,327,249 is the "normal contribution," and \$74,332,327 is the "accrued
15 liability contribution."

16 Sec. E.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits

17 (a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944b(b)(2), \$18,322,584 will be
18 contributed to the Retired Teachers' Health and Medical Benefits plan.

1 * * * HIGHER EDUCATION * * *

2 Sec. E.600 University of Vermont

3 (a) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall issue warrants to
4 pay one-twelfth of this appropriation to the University of Vermont on or about
5 the 15th day of each calendar month of the year.

6 (b) Of this appropriation, \$380,326 shall be transferred to EPSCoR
7 (Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research) for the purpose of
8 complying with State matching fund requirements necessary for the receipt of
9 available federal or private funds, or both.

10 (c) If Global Commitment Fund monies are unavailable, the total grant
11 funding for the University of Vermont shall be maintained through the General
12 Fund or other State funding sources.

13 (d) The University of Vermont will use the Global Commitment funds
14 appropriated in this section to support Vermont physician training. The
15 University of Vermont prepares students, both Vermonters and out-of-state,
16 and awards approximately 100 medical degrees annually. Graduates of this
17 program, currently representing a significant number of physicians practicing
18 in Vermont, deliver high quality health care services to Medicaid beneficiaries
19 and to the uninsured or underinsured persons, or both, in Vermont and across
20 the nation.

1 Sec. E.600.1 REPEAL; UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT 40 PERCENT RULE

2 (a) 16 V.S.A. § 2282 (limit on tuition for Vermont students) is repealed on
3 July 1, 2016.

4 Sec. E.602 Vermont state colleges

5 (a) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall issue warrants to
6 pay one-twelfth of this appropriation to the Vermont State Colleges on or
7 about the 15th day of each calendar month of the year.

8 (b) Of this appropriation, \$427,898 shall be transferred to the Vermont
9 Manufacturing Extension Center for the purpose of complying with State
10 matching fund requirements necessary for the receipt of available federal or
11 private funds, or both.

12 Sec. E.603 Vermont state colleges – allied health

13 (a) If Global Commitment fund monies are unavailable, the total grant
14 funding for the Vermont State Colleges shall be maintained through the
15 General Fund or other State funding sources.

16 (b) The Vermont State Colleges shall use the Global Commitment funds
17 appropriated in this section to support the dental hygiene, respiratory therapy,
18 and nursing programs which graduate approximately 315 health care providers
19 annually. These graduates deliver direct, high quality health care services to
20 Medicaid beneficiaries or uninsured or underinsured persons, or both.

1 Sec. E.605 Vermont student assistance corporation

2 (a) Of this appropriation, \$25,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to
3 the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation to be deposited into the Trust
4 Fund established in 16 V.S.A. § 2845.

5 (b) Of the appropriated amount remaining after accounting for subsections
6 (a) and (d) of this section, not less than 93 percent of this appropriation shall be
7 used for direct student aid.

8 (c) Funds available to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation
9 pursuant to Sec. E.215(a) of this act shall be used for the purposes of 16 V.S.A.
10 § 2856. Any unexpended funds from this allocation shall carry forward for
11 this purpose.

12 (d) Of this appropriation, not more than \$100,000 may be used by the
13 Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for a student aspirational pilot
14 initiative to serve one or more high schools.

15 (e) The Vermont Student Assistance Corporation shall conduct a review of
16 the Non-Degree Grant program utilizing the Results Based Accountability
17 approach. This review shall be submitted to the House and Senate Committees
18 on Appropriations as part of the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation
19 fiscal year 2018 budget submission.

1 Sec. E.605.1 NEED-BASED STIPEND FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT AND
2 EARLY COLLEGE STUDENTS

3 (a) The sum of \$50,000 shall be transferred to the Vermont Student
4 Assistance Corporation (VSAC) as follows:

5 (1) \$25,000 from Sec. B.1100(a)(3)(C) (Next Generation funds
6 appropriated for dual enrollment and need-based stipend purposes).

7 (2) \$25,000 from Sec. E.504(a)(1) (adult education and literacy funds
8 appropriated for dual enrollment and need-based stipend purposes).

9 (b) The sums transferred to VSAC in this section shall be used to fund a
10 flat-rate, need-based stipend or voucher program for financially needy students
11 enrolled in a dual enrollment course pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 944 or in early
12 college pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 4011(e) to be used for the purchase of books,
13 cost of transportation, and payment of fees. VSAC shall establish the criteria
14 for program eligibility. Funds shall be granted to eligible students on a
15 first-come, first-served basis until funds are depleted.

16 (c) VSAC shall report on the program to the House and Senate Committees
17 on Education and on Appropriations on or before January 15, 2017.

1 ~~(d) “Fair market value” in this section shall be based upon the value of the~~
2 ~~land at its highest and best use determined without regard to federal~~
3 ~~conservation restrictions on the parcel or any conservation restrictions under a~~
4 ~~state agreement made with respect to the parcel.~~

5 ~~(e) The Selectboard of a town aggrieved by the appraisal of property by the~~
6 ~~Division of Property Valuation and Review under this section may, within~~
7 ~~21 days after the receipt by the town listers of notice of the appraisal of its~~
8 ~~property by the Division of Property Valuation and Review, appeal from that~~
9 ~~appraisal to the Superior Court of the district in which the property is situated~~

10 As used in this subchapter:

11 (1) “ANR land” in this section means lands held by the Agency of
12 Natural Resources.

13 (2) “Fair market value” in this section shall be based upon the value of
14 the land at its highest and best use determined without regard to federal
15 conservation restrictions on the parcel or any conservation restrictions under a
16 State agreement made with respect to the parcel.

17 (3) “Municipality” in this section means an incorporated city, town,
18 village, or unorganized town, grant, or gore in which a tax is assessed for
19 noneducational purposes.

20 (b) The State shall annually pay to each municipality a payment in lieu of
21 taxes (PILOT) that shall be the base payment as set forth herein, for all ANR

1 land, excluding buildings or other improvements thereon, as of April 1 of the
2 current year.

3 (c) The State shall establish the base payment for all ANR land, excluding
4 buildings or other improvements thereon, as follows;

5 (1) On parcels acquired before April 1, 2016, 0.55 percent of the fair
6 market value as appraised by the Director of Property Valuation and Review as
7 of April 1 of fiscal year 2015;

8 (2) On parcels acquired after April 1, 2016, the municipal tax rate of the
9 fair market value as assessed on April 1 in the year of acquisition by the
10 municipality in which it is located.

11 (d) Beginning in fiscal year 2022, and thereafter in periods of no less than
12 three years and no greater than five years, the Secretary of Natural Resources
13 shall recommend an adjustment to update the base payments established under
14 subsection (c) of this section consistent with the statewide municipal tax rate or
15 other appropriate indicators. For years that the Secretary of Natural Resources
16 recommends an adjustment under this subsection, a request for funding the
17 adjustment shall be included as part of the budget report required under section
18 306 of this title.

19 (e) Any adjustment to the acreage of any existing ANR parcel will result in
20 the change of the base payment for the year in which the change occurs. A per
21 acre payment will be determined for the parcel. This per acre payment will be

1 either added or subtracted from the base payment as necessary for the number
2 of acres that need to be adjusted.

3 (f) The selectboard of a town aggrieved by the appraisal of property by
4 the Division of Property Valuation and Review under subdivision (c)(1) of
5 this section may, within 21 days after the receipt by the town listers of
6 notice of the appraisal of its property by the Division of Property Valuation
7 and Review in fiscal year 2017 only, appeal that appraisal to the Superior
8 Court of the district in which the property is situated.

9 Sec. E.701.1 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 58, Sec. E.701.2 is amended to read:

10 Sec. E.701.2. PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES FOR AGENCY OF
11 NATURAL RESOURCES LANDS IN FISCAL YEARS
12 2017, ~~AND~~ 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021

13 (a) Notwithstanding the requirements of 32 V.S.A. § 3708(c)(1) to the
14 contrary, for purposes of payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) for lands ~~held~~
15 acquired by the Agency of Natural Resources before April 1, 2016, the State
16 shall pay to each municipality:

17 (1) in fiscal year 2017, the PILOT amount received by the municipality
18 in fiscal year 2016 plus or minus ~~one-third~~ one-fourth of the difference
19 between the PILOT amount the municipality received in fiscal year 2016 and
20 the PILOT amount the municipality would receive under 32 V.S.A. § ~~3708~~, as
21 ~~amended by Sec. E.701.1 of this act~~ § 3708(c)(1); and;

1 (2) in fiscal year 2018, the PILOT amount received by the municipality
2 in fiscal year 2016 plus or minus ~~two-thirds~~ one-half of the difference between
3 the PILOT amount the municipality received in fiscal year 2016 and the
4 PILOT amount the municipality would receive under 32 V.S.A. § 3708, as
5 ~~amended by Sec. E.701.1 of this act~~ § 3708(c)(1); and

6 (3) in fiscal year 2019, the PILOT amount received by the municipality
7 in fiscal year 2016 plus or minus three-fourths of the difference between the
8 PILOT amount the municipality received in fiscal year 2016 and the PILOT
9 amount the municipality would receive under 32 V.S.A. § 3708(c)(1).

10 (b) If the Agency of Natural Resources acquires land in a municipality after
11 April 1, ~~2015~~ 2016, the State shall make a PILOT payment on the newly
12 acquired land to the municipality under ~~Sec. E.701.1 of this act~~ 32 V.S.A.
13 § 3708(c)(2), and the newly acquired land shall not be subject to this section.

14 (c) If the PILOT amount to be received by a municipality under 32 V.S.A.
15 § 3708(c)(1), as of April 1, 2016, is:

16 (1) more than \$25,000 less than that municipality's PILOT payment in
17 fiscal year 2016, the municipality will receive an additional payment of \$3,000
18 in fiscal years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021;

19 (2) between \$25,000 and \$20,000 less than that municipality's PILOT
20 payment in fiscal year 2016, the municipality will receive an additional
21 payment of \$2,500 in fiscal years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021;

1 (3) between \$19,999 and \$15,000 less than that municipality's PILOT
2 payment in fiscal year 2016, the municipality will receive an additional
3 payment of \$2,000 in fiscal years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021;

4 (4) between \$14,999 and \$10,000 less than that municipality's PILOT
5 payment in fiscal year 2016, the municipality will receive an additional
6 payment of \$1,500 in fiscal years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021;

7 (5) between \$9,999 and \$7,500 less than that municipality's PILOT
8 payment in fiscal year 2016, the municipality will receive an additional
9 payment of \$1,000 in fiscal years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021;

10 (6) between \$7,499 and \$5,000 less than that municipality's PILOT
11 payment in fiscal year 2016, the municipality will receive an additional
12 payment of \$500 in fiscal years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021;

13 (7) more than \$25,000 more than that municipality's PILOT payment in
14 fiscal year 2016, the municipality will receive \$3,000 less in fiscal years 2017,
15 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021;

16 (8) between \$24,999 and \$20,000 more than that municipality's PILOT
17 payment in fiscal year 2016, the municipality will receive \$2,500 less in fiscal
18 years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021;

19 (9) between \$19,999 and \$15,000 more than that municipality's PILOT
20 payment in fiscal year 2016, the municipality will receive \$2,000 less in fiscal
21 years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021;

1 (10) between \$14,999 and \$10,000 more than that municipality's PILOT
2 payment in fiscal year 2016, the municipality will receive \$1,500 less in fiscal
3 years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021;

4 (11) between \$9,999 and \$7,500 more than that municipality's PILOT
5 payment in fiscal year 2016, the municipality will receive \$1,000 less in fiscal
6 years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021;

7 (12) between \$7,499 and \$5,000 more than that municipality's PILOT
8 payment in fiscal year 2016, the municipality will receive \$500 less in fiscal
9 years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021.

10 Sec. E.701.2 REPEAL

11 (a) 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 58, Sec. E.701.1 is repealed.

12 Sec. E.704 Forests, parks and recreation - forestry

13 (a) This Special Fund appropriation shall be authorized, notwithstanding
14 the provisions of 3 V.S.A. § 2807(c)(2).

15 Sec. E.706 Forests, parks and recreation – lands administration

16 (a) This Special Fund appropriation shall be authorized, notwithstanding
17 the provisions of 3 V.S.A. § 2807(c)(2).

18 Sec. E.709 AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURES AT ELIZABETH

19 MINE SUPERFUND SITE

20 (a) Notwithstanding the \$100,000 limitation on the expenditure of funds
21 from the Environmental Contingency Fund established pursuant to 10 V.S.A.

1 § 1283, the Secretary of Natural Resources may expend funds to accomplish
2 activities authorized under 10 V.S.A. § 1283(b)(9) at the Elizabeth Mine
3 Superfund Site.

4 Sec. E.712 AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURES; CONNECTICUT
5 RIVER VALLEY FLOOD CONTROL COMMISSION

6 (a) Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 1158, the Department of Environmental
7 Conservation may make payment up to \$2,500 in any one year to the
8 Connecticut River Valley Flood Control Commission for the purposes set forth
9 in 10 V.S.A. § 1158.

10 * * * COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT * * *

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12 Sec. E.804 Community development block grants

13 (a) Community Development Block Grants shall carry forward until
14 expended.

15 * * * TRANSPORTATION * * *

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17 Sec. E.909 Transportation – central garage

18 (a) Of this appropriation, \$7,390,351 is appropriated from the
19 Transportation Equipment Replacement Account within the Central Garage
20 Fund for the purchase of equipment as authorized in 19 V.S.A. § 13(b).

21 Sec. E.915 Transportation – town highway aid program

22 (a) This appropriation is authorized, notwithstanding the provisions of
23 19 V.S.A. § 306(a).

