

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Institutions to which was referred House Bill No. 492
3 entitled “An act relating to capital construction and State bonding” respectfully
4 reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate
5 propose to the House that the bill be amended by striking out all after the
6 enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 * * * Capital Appropriations * * *

8 Sec. 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

9 (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that of the \$146,030,000.00
10 authorized in this act, no more than \$73,833,449.00 shall be appropriated in the
11 first year of the biennium, and the remainder shall be appropriated in the
12 second year.

13 (b) It is the intent of the General Assembly that in the second year of the
14 biennium, any amendments to the appropriations or authorities granted in this
15 act shall take the form of a Capital Construction and State Bonding Adjustment
16 Act. It is the intent of the General Assembly that unless otherwise indicated,
17 all appropriations in this act are subject to capital budget adjustment.

18 Sec. 2. STATE BUILDINGS

19 (a) The following sums are appropriated to the Department of Buildings
20 and General Services, and the Commissioner is authorized to direct funds
21 appropriated in this section to the projects contained in this section; however,

1 no project shall be canceled unless the Chairs of the Senate Committee on
2 Institutions and the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions are
3 notified before that action is taken.

4 (b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2016:

5 (1) Statewide, asbestos: \$50,000.00

6 (2) Statewide, building reuse and planning: \$75,000.00

7 (3) Statewide, contingency: \$100,000.00

8 (4) Statewide, elevator repairs and replacement: \$100,000.00

9 (5) Statewide, major maintenance: \$8,210,287.00

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

11 \$3,567,791.00

12 (7) Statewide, physical security enhancements: \$200,000.00

13 (8) Burlington, 32 Cherry Street, HVAC controls upgrades:

14 \$150,000.00

15 (9) Burlington, 108 Cherry Street, garage and structural audit:

16 \$50,000.00

17 (10) Montpelier, 120 State Street, life safety and infrastructure

18 improvements: \$300,000.00

19 (11) Montpelier, Department of Labor, parking lot expansion:

20 \$450,000.00

21 (12) Middlesex, State Archives, renovations: \$660,000.00

1	<u>(2) Statewide, building reuse and planning:</u>	<u>\$75,000.00</u>
2	<u>(3) Statewide, contingency:</u>	<u>\$100,000.00</u>
3	<u>(4) Statewide, elevator repairs and replacement:</u>	<u>\$100,000.00</u>
4	<u>(5) Statewide, major maintenance:</u>	<u>\$8,000,000.00</u>
5	<u>(6) Statewide, BGS engineering and architectural project costs:</u>	
6		<u>\$3,677,448.00</u>
7	<u>(7) Statewide, physical security enhancements:</u>	<u>\$200,000.00</u>
8	<u>(8) Montpelier, 115 State Street, State House lawn, access</u>	
9	<u>improvements and water intrusion:</u>	<u>\$300,000.00</u>
10	<u>(9) Montpelier, 120 State Street, life safety and infrastructure</u>	
11	<u>improvements:</u>	<u>\$1,000,000.00</u>
12	<u>(10) Randolph, Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets and Agency</u>	
13	<u>of Natural Resources, collaborative laboratory, site construction:</u>	
14		<u>\$16,931,385.00</u>
15	<u>(11) Southern State Correctional Facility, copper waterline</u>	
16	<u>replacement:</u>	<u>\$1,100,000.00</u>
17	<u>(12) Pittsford, Training Center, electrical system upgrade:</u>	<u>\$500,000.00</u>
18	<u>(13) Statewide, strategic building realignments:</u>	<u>\$300,000.00</u>
19	<u>Appropriation – FY 2016</u>	<u>\$41,163,990.00</u>
20	<u>Appropriation – FY 2017</u>	<u>\$32,333,833.00</u>
21	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 2</u>	<u>\$73,617,823.00</u>

1 Appropriation – FY 2017 \$100,000.00

2 Total Appropriation – Section 5 \$380,000.00

3 Sec. 6. COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

4 (a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2016 to the Department of
5 Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Commerce and Community
6 Development for the following projects described in this subsection:

7 (1) Major maintenance at historic sites statewide: \$200,000.00

8 (2) Bennington Monument, elevator, roof repairs: \$118,000.00

9 (b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2016 to the Agency of
10 Commerce and Community Development for the following projects described
11 in this subsection:

12 (1) Underwater preserves: \$30,000.00

13 (2) Placement and replacement of roadside historic markers:
14 \$15,000.00

15 (3) Unmarked burial fund: \$30,000.00

16 (c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Department of
17 Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Commerce and Community
18 Development for the following projects described in this subsection:

19 (1) Major maintenance at historic sites statewide: \$200,000.00

20 (2) Bennington Monument, elevator, roof repairs: \$50,000.00

1 available from the National Endowment for the Arts, provided that all capital
2 funds are made available to the cultural facilities grant program: \$225,000.00

3 (4) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the
4 Recreational Facilities Grant Program: \$225,000.00

5 (5) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for
6 the Human Services and Educational Facilities Competitive Grant
7 Program: \$225,000.00

8 (6) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for
9 the Regional Economic Development Grant Program: \$225,000.00

10 (b) The following sum is appropriated in FY 2016 to the Agency
11 of Agriculture, Food and Markets for the Agricultural Fairs Capital
12 Projects Competitive Grant Program: \$225,000.00

13 (c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 for Building
14 Communities Grants established in 24 V.S.A. chapter 137:

15 (1) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development,
16 Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Preservation Grant
17 Program: \$225,000.00

18 (2) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development,
19 Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Barns Preservation
20 Grant Program: \$225,000.00

1 (3) To the Vermont Council on the Arts for the Cultural Facilities
2 Grant Program, the sum of which may be used to match funds that may
3 be made available from the National Endowment for the Arts, provided
4 that all capital funds are made available to the cultural facilities grant
5 program: \$225,000.00

6 (4) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the
7 Recreational Facilities Grant Program: \$225,000.00

8 (5) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Human
9 Services and Educational Facilities Competitive Grant Program: \$225,000.00

10 (6) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the
11 Regional Economic Development Grant Program: \$225,000.00

12 (d) The following sum is appropriated in FY 2017 to the Agency of
13 Agriculture, Food and Markets for the Agricultural Fairs Capital Projects
14 Competitive Grant Program: \$225,000.00

15 Appropriation – FY 2016 \$1,575,000.00

16 Appropriation – FY 2017 \$1,575,000.00

17 Total Appropriation – Section 7 \$3,150,000.00

18 Sec. 8. EDUCATION

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

1 (1) Emergency projects: \$82,188.00

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

3 (b) The sum of \$60,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2017 to the Agency of

4 Education for State aid for emergency projects.

5 Appropriation – FY 2016 \$4,057,688.00

6 Appropriation – FY 2017 \$60,000.00

7 Total Appropriation – Section 8 \$4,117,688.00

8 Sec. 9. UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

9 (a) The sum of \$1,400,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2016 to the University
10 of Vermont for construction, renovation, and major maintenance.

11 (b) The sum of \$1,400,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2017 to the University
12 of Vermont for construction, renovation, and major maintenance.

13 Total Appropriation – Section 9 \$2,800,000.00

14 Sec. 10. VERMONT STATE COLLEGES

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

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

18 (2) Engineering technology laboratories, plan, design, and upgrade:

19 \$1,000,000.00

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

21 Colleges:

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

2 (2) Laboratory, plan, design, and upgrade: \$500,000.00

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

12 Appropriation – FY 2016 \$2,400,000.00

13 Appropriation – FY 2017 \$1,900,000.00

14 Total Appropriation – Section 10 \$4,300,000.00

15 Sec. 11. NATURAL RESOURCES

16 (a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2016 to the Agency of
17 Natural Resources for the Department of Environmental Conservation for the
18 projects described in this subsection:

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

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

1	<u>(2) the Water Pollution Control Fund, administrative support –</u>	
2	<u>engineering, oversight, and program management:</u>	<u>\$300,000.00</u>
3	<u>(3) Drinking Water Supply, Drinking Water State Revolving Fund:</u>	
4		<u>\$1,750,834.00</u>
5	<u>(4) Drinking Water Supply, engineering oversight and project</u>	
6	<u>management:</u>	<u>\$300,000.00</u>
7	<u>(5) EcoSystem restoration and protection:</u>	<u>\$3,750,000.00</u>
8	<u>(6) Dam safety and hydrology projects:</u>	<u>\$538,580.00</u>
9	<u>(7) Municipal Pollution Control Grants, principal and interest associated</u>	
10	<u>with funding for the Pownal project:</u>	<u>\$530,000.00</u>
11	<u>(8) Municipal Pollution Control Grants, Waterbury waste treatment</u>	
12	<u>facility for phosphorous removal:</u>	<u>\$379,929.00</u>
13	<u>(9) Municipal Pollution Control Grants, pollution control projects and</u>	
14	<u>planning advances for feasibility studies:</u>	<u>\$392,257.77</u>
15	<u>(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2016 to the Agency of</u>	
16	<u>Natural Resources for the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for the</u>	
17	<u>projects described in this subsection:</u>	
18	<u>(1) Infrastructure rehabilitation, including statewide small scale</u>	
19	<u>rehabilitation, wastewater repairs, preventive improvements and upgrades of</u>	
20	<u>restrooms and bathhouses, and statewide small-scale road rehabilitation</u>	
21	<u>projects:</u>	<u>\$3,000,000.00</u>

1 (2) Guilford, Sweet Pond: \$90,000.00

2 (c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2016 to the Agency of
3 Natural Resources for the Department of Fish and Wildlife:

4 (1) General infrastructure projects: \$1,125,000.00

5 (2) Lake Champlain Walleye Association, Inc. to upgrade: \$25,000.00

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

9 (1) the Water Pollution Control Fund for the Clean Water State/EPA
10 Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF) match: \$1,300,000.00

11 (2) the Water Pollution Control Fund, administrative support –
12 engineering, oversight, and program management: \$300,000.00

13 (3) the Drinking Water Supply, Drinking Water State Revolving Fund:
14 \$2,538,000.00

15 (4) the Drinking Water Supply, engineering oversight and project
16 management: \$300,000.00

17 (5) EcoSystem restoration and protection: \$3,750,000.00

18 (6) Dam safety and hydrology projects: \$750,000.00

19 (e) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Agency of
20 Natural Resources for the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for the
21 projects described in this subsection:

1 (1) Infrastructure rehabilitation, including statewide small scale
2 rehabilitation, wastewater repairs, preventive improvements and upgrades of
3 restrooms and bathhouses, and statewide small-scale road rehabilitation
4 projects: \$3,000,000.00

5 (2) Guilford, Sweet Pond: \$405,000.00

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

8 (1) General infrastructure projects: \$1,125,000.00

9 (2) Lake Champlain Walleye Association, Inc. to upgrade: \$25,000.00

10 Appropriation – FY 2016 \$13,481,601.00

11 Appropriation – FY 2017 \$13,243,000.00

12 Total Appropriation – Section 11 \$26,724,601.00

13 Sec. 12. MILITARY

14 (a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2016 to the Department of
15 Military for the projects described in this subsection:

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

19 (2) Randolph, Vermont Veterans' Memorial Cemetery, agricultural
20 mitigation for the proposed cemetery expansion: \$59,759.00

1 (b) The sum of \$750,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2017 to the Department
2 of Military for maintenance, renovations, roof replacements, ADA renovations,
3 and energy upgrades at State armories. To the extent feasible, these funds shall
4 be used to match federal funds.

5	<u>Appropriation – FY 2016</u>	<u>\$809,759.00</u>
6	<u>Appropriation – FY 2017</u>	<u>\$750,000.00</u>
7	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 12</u>	<u>\$1,559,759.00</u>

8 Sec. 13. PUBLIC SAFETY

9 (a) The sum of \$300,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2016 to the Department
10 of Buildings and General Services for the State's share of the Vermont
11 Emergency Service Training Facility for site location and foundation
12 construction of the new burn building at the Robert H. Wood Vermont Fire
13 Academy. The Department of Public Safety may accept federal funds to
14 support this project.

15 (b) The funds appropriated in subsection (a) of this section shall only
16 become available after the Department of Public Safety has notified the Chairs
17 of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate
18 Committee on Institutions of receipt of the federal match for the project.

19	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 13</u>	<u>\$300,000.00</u>
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20 Sec. 14. AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND MARKETS

1 (a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2016 to the Agency of
2 Agriculture, Food and Markets for the projects described in this subsection:

3 (1) Best Management Practices and Conservation Reserve Enhancement
4 Program: \$1,752,412.00
5 (2) Vermont Exposition Center Building, upgrades: \$200,000.00

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

8 (1) Best Management Practices and Conservation Reserve Enhancement
9 Program: \$1,800,000.00
10 (2) Vermont Exposition Center Building, upgrades: \$115,000.00
11 Appropriation – FY 2016 \$1,952,412.00
12 Appropriation – FY 2017 \$1,915,000.00
13 Total Appropriation – Section 14 \$3,867,412.00

14 Sec. 15. VERMONT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION

15 (a) The sum of \$125,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2016 to the Department
16 of Public Safety for the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force for the dry
17 hydrant program.

18 (b) The sum of \$125,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2017 to the Department
19 of Public Safety for the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force for the
20 project described in subsection (a) of this section.

21 Total Appropriation – Section 15 \$250,000.00

1 **Sec. 16. VERMONT VETERANS' HOME**

2 The sum of \$500,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2016 to the Vermont
3 Veterans' Home for an electronic medical records system. These funds shall
4 be used to match federal funds and shall only become available after the
5 Veterans' Home notifies the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections
6 and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions and the
7 Commissioner of Finance and Management that the electronic medical records
8 system is in compliance with the criteria for creating and maintaining
9 connectivity established by the Vermont Information Technology Leaders
10 pursuant to 18 V.S.A. § 9352(i).

11 **Total Appropriation – Section 16** **\$500,000.00**

12 **Sec. 17. VERMONT HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

13 The sum of \$50,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2016 to the Department of
14 Buildings and General Services for the Vermont Historical Society (VHS) for a
15 matching grant to reduce debt at the Vermont History Center in Barre. The
16 funds shall only become available after the VHS notifies the Department that
17 the funds have been matched.

18 **Total Appropriation – Section 17** **\$50,000.00**

19 **Sec. 18. VERMONT HOUSING AND CONSERVATION BOARD**

20 (a) The following amounts are appropriated in FY 2016 to the Vermont
21 Housing and Conservation Board.

1	<u>(2) of the amount appropriated in 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161,</u>	
2	<u>Sec. 16 (Ag various projects):</u>	<u>\$352,412.25</u>
3	<u>(3) of the amount appropriated in 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161,</u>	
4	<u>Sec. 2 (DII, VIEWS):</u>	<u>\$1,252,109.00</u>
5	<u>(4) of the amount appropriated in 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40,</u>	
6	<u>Sec. 2(b) (State House committee renovations):</u>	<u>\$28,702.15</u>
7	<u>(5) of the amount appropriated in 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40,</u>	
8	<u>Sec. 13 (Public Safety review of State Police facilities):</u>	<u>\$5,000.00</u>
9	<u>(6) of the amount appropriated in 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40,</u>	
10	<u>Sec. 17 (VT Public TV):</u>	<u>\$856.00</u>
11	<u>(7) of the amount appropriated in 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 2</u>	
12	<u>(BGS engineering staff):</u>	<u>\$58,236.66</u>
13	<u>(8) of the amount appropriated in 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 2</u>	
14	<u>(133 State Street foundation and parking lot):</u>	<u>\$156,642.16</u>
15	<u>(9) of the amount appropriated in 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 4</u>	
16	<u>(DOC facilities assessment):</u>	<u>\$19,913.12</u>
17	<u>(10) of the amount appropriated in 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51,</u>	
18	<u>Sec. 18a (E-911):</u>	<u>\$9,940.00</u>
19	<u>(11) of the amount appropriated in 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51,</u>	
20	<u>Sec. 15 (VT Public TV):</u>	<u>\$0.21</u>

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

5 (1) of the amount appropriated in 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 43,
6 Sec. 14 (Fish and Wildlife): \$0.07

7 (2) of the amount appropriated in 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161,
8 Sec. 12 (DEC Water Pollution Control): \$6,981.00

9 (3) of the amount appropriated in 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40,
10 Sec. 12, as amended by 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 104, Sec. 8 (drinking
11 water project): \$35,483.32

12 (4) of the amount appropriated in 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40,
13 Sec. 12 (Fish and Wildlife, Roxbury): \$128,802.00

14 (5) of the amount appropriated in 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40,
15 Sec. 12, as amended by 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 104, Sec 8 (Fish and
16 Wildlife, Roxbury): \$87,204.00

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

19 (1) of the proceeds from the sale of property authorized by 1996 Acts
20 and Resolves No. 102, Sec. 1 (Duxbury land sale): \$45,556.36

1	<u>(2) of the proceeds from the sale of property authorized by 2009 Acts</u>	
2	<u>and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 25 (Building 617, Essex):</u>	<u>\$7,078.21</u>
3	<u>(3) of the proceeds from the sale of property authorized by 2009 Acts</u>	
4	<u>and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 25 (1193 North Avenue, Burlington):</u>	<u>\$353,785.97</u>
5	<u>(4) of the proceeds from the sale of property authorized by 2011 Acts</u>	
6	<u>and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 2, as amended by 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 104,</u>	
7	<u>Sec. 3 (121 and 123 South Main Street, Waterbury):</u>	<u>\$75,000.00</u>
8	<u>(5) of the proceeds from the sale of property authorized by by 2011 Acts</u>	
9	<u>and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 2, as amended by 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 104,</u>	
10	<u>Sec. 3 (Ladd Hall, Waterbury):</u>	<u>\$228,000.00</u>
11	<u>Total Reallocations and Transfers – Section 19</u>	<u>\$2,900,765.08</u>

12 Sec. 21. GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND APPROPRIATIONS

13 (a) The State Treasurer is authorized to issue general obligation bonds in
14 the amount of \$144,000,000.00 for the purpose of funding the appropriations
15 of this act. The State Treasurer, with the approval of the Governor, shall
16 determine the appropriate form and maturity of the bonds authorized by this
17 section consistent with the underlying nature of the appropriation to be funded.
18 The State Treasurer shall allocate the estimated cost of bond issuance or
19 issuances to the entities to which funds are appropriated pursuant to this
20 section and for which bonding is required as the source of funds, pursuant to
21 32 V.S.A. § 954.

1 purpose of locating the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets and Agency
2 of Natural Resources collaborative laboratory on the Vermont Technical
3 College campus in Randolph, Vermont.

4 **Sec. 24. NAMING OF STATE BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES**

5 On or before January 15, 2016, the Commissioner of Buildings and General
6 Services and the State Librarian shall recommend to the House Committee on
7 Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions an
8 appropriate State agency or department to name State buildings and facilities.

9 **Sec. 25. 29 V.S.A. § 821(a) is amended to read:**

10 (a) State buildings.

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12 (13) “Vermont Agriculture and Environmental Laboratory” shall be the
13 name of the State laboratory in Randolph.

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15 **Sec. 26. 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 178, Sec. 37 is amended to read:**

16 **Sec. 37. COUNTY COURTHOUSES; PLAN**

17 (a) Pursuant to the restructuring of the Judiciary in 2009 Acts and Resolves
18 No. 154, the Court Administrator ~~and~~, in consultation with the Commissioner
19 of Buildings and General Services, shall evaluate:

1 (1) the scope of the State's responsibility for maintaining county
2 courthouses, including Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance
3 and;

4 (2) whether an emergency fund is necessary for construction or
5 renovation projects at county courthouses;

6 (3) the current ownership and maintenance responsibilities for each
7 county courthouse; and

8 (4) parameters for determining the county's share of maintaining county
9 courthouses in the future.

10 (b) On or before January 15, ~~2015~~ 2016, the Judiciary shall report to the
11 House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee
12 on Institutions with the results of the evaluation.

13 Sec. 27. 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 178, Sec. 17 is amended to read:

14 Sec. 17. 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 26(c) is amended to read:

15 (c) ~~The~~ Notwithstanding 29 V.S.A. § 166, the Commissioner of Buildings
16 and General Services is authorized to do any or all of the following with
17 respect to the Vermont health laboratory located at 195 Colchester Avenue in
18 Burlington:

19 (1) investigate all potential uses of the land and building, including
20 redeveloping the land, provided that it is consistent with existing deed
21 covenants; and

1 by the structure, and the broadest options available for the management and
2 ownership of the facility.

3 (b) The funds appropriated in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 178, Sec. 1,
4 amending 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 2, and Sec. 30 of this act, shall
5 only become available to the Department of Buildings and General Services
6 after the Secretary of Human Services notifies the Commissioner of Finance
7 and Management that the examination described in subsection (a) of this
8 section is completed.

9 (c) On or before February 1, 2016, the Secretary of Human Services shall
10 present the results of the examination described in subsection (a) of this section
11 to the House Committees on Appropriations, on Corrections and Institutions,
12 and on Human Services, and the Senate Committees on Appropriations, on
13 Health and Welfare, and on Institutions.

14 * * * Education * * *

15 Sec. 30. SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION AID AWARDS

16 It is the intent of the General Assembly that the House Committees on
17 Corrections and Institutions and on Education, and the Senate Committees on
18 Education and on Institutions develop a plan to evaluate strategically the
19 statutory process set forth in 16 V.S.A. § 3448 for awarding State aid for
20 school construction.

* * * Information Technology * * *

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2 **Sec. 31. COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS; MAINFRAME**

3 (a) The Chief Information Officer shall conduct a cost-benefit analysis of
4 the State's legacy mainframe system. The analysis shall include a review of
5 the cost-effectiveness of the legacy mainframe versus implementation of new
6 projects, the cost of maintaining the mainframe, and possible use of the
7 mainframe in lieu of new systems.

8 (b) On or before December 1, 2015, the Chief Information Officer shall
9 submit a report on the analysis described in subsection (a) of this section to the
10 House Committees on Appropriations, on Corrections and Institutions, and on
11 Government Operations, and the Senate Committees on Appropriations, on
12 Institutions, and on Government Operations.

13 **Sec. 32. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY REVIEW**

14 (a) The Executive Branch shall transfer, upon request, one vacant position
15 for use in the Legislative Joint Fiscal Office (JFO) for a two-year staff
16 position, or the JFO shall hire a consultant, to provide support to the General
17 Assembly to conduct independent reviews of State information technology
18 projects and operations.

19 (b) The Secretary of Administration and the Chief Information Officer
20 shall:

1 (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law regarding loan
2 forgiveness, upon the award of a loan from the Vermont Environmental
3 Protection Agency Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF), the
4 Secretary of Natural Resources, in a manner that is consistent with federal
5 grant provisions, may forgive up to 100 percent of a loan if the award is made
6 for a project on the priority list and the project is capitalized, at least in part,
7 from funds derived from a federal DWSRF capitalization grant that includes
8 provisions authorizing loan forgiveness. Such loan forgiveness shall be based
9 on the loan value, but funds to be forgiven shall only consist of federal funds,
10 except where the loan is used as a match to other federal grants requiring
11 nonfederal funds as a match.

12 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law regarding loan
13 forgiveness, upon the award of a loan from the Vermont Drinking Water State
14 Revolving Loan Fund, the Secretary of Natural Resources may provide loan
15 forgiveness for preliminary engineering and final design costs when a
16 municipality undertakes such engineering on behalf of a household that has
17 been disconnected involuntarily from a public water supply system for reasons
18 other than nonpayment of fees, provided it is not the same municipality that is
19 disconnecting the household.

1 Sec. 36. 24 V.S.A. § 4755(a) is amended to read:

2 (a) Except as provided by subsection (c) of this section, the bond bank may
3 make loans to a municipality on behalf of the ~~state~~ State for one or more of the
4 purposes set forth in section 4754 of this chapter. Each of such loans shall be
5 made subject to the following conditions and limitations:

6 (1) no loan shall be made for any purpose permitted under this chapter
7 other than from the revolving fund in which the same purpose is included;

8 (2) the total amount of loan out of a particular revolving fund shall not
9 exceed the balance of that fund;

10 (3) the loan shall be evidenced by a municipal bond, payable by the
11 municipality over a term not to exceed ~~20~~ 30 years, or the projected useful life
12 of the project, which is less, except:

13 (A) ~~and without~~ there shall be no deferral of payment ~~except as~~
14 ~~provided, unless authorized~~ by 10 V.S.A. §§ ~~1624(b)~~ and § ~~1624a, or;~~

15 (B) the term of the loan shall not exceed 20 years when required by
16 10 V.S.A. § 1624(b); and

17 (C) the loan may be evidenced by any other permitted debt
18 instrument payable as permitted by chapter 53 of this title;

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1 Sec. 37. 24 V.S.A. § 4756 is amended to read:

2 § 4756. ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATION

3 (a) No construction loan or loan for the purchase of land or conservation
4 easements to a municipality shall be made under this chapter, nor shall any part
5 of any revolving fund which is designated for project construction be expended
6 under section 4757 of this title, until such time as:

7 * * *

8 (b) The bond bank may make loans to a municipality for the preparation of
9 final engineering plans and specifications subject to the following conditions
10 and limitations:

11 (1) The loan shall be evidenced by a note, executed by the municipality,
12 payable over a term not to exceed ~~20~~ 30 years at zero percent interest in equal
13 annual payments.

14 (2) The ~~secretary of natural resources~~ Secretary of Natural Resources
15 shall have certified to the bond bank that the project:

16 (A) has priority for award of a planning loan;

17 (B) for which final engineering plans are to be prepared, is described
18 in a preliminary engineering plan or facilities plan that has been approved by
19 the ~~secretary~~ Secretary; and

20 (C) is in conformance with applicable ~~state~~ State and federal law and
21 regulations promulgated thereunder.

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2 * * * Public Safety * * *

3 Sec. 38. TRAINING CENTER; FINDINGS, PURPOSE, AND INTENT

4 (a) The General Assembly finds that the Robert H. Wood, Jr. Criminal
5 Justice and Fire Service Training Center of Vermont (the Training Center) is
6 an asset to the State because it provides multiple agencies with the space to
7 train people who protect the lives of Vermonters. These agencies presently
8 include the Vermont Criminal Justice Training Council, the Vermont Fire
9 Service Training Council, the Department of Public Safety, the Department of
10 Corrections, and the Department of Motor Vehicles.

11 (b) The purpose of Sec. 38 of this act is to create a committee to govern the
12 access to, the use and future needs of, and the capital investments in Training
13 Center facilities so that agencies continue to enjoy access to it and so that
14 members of the public may also be able to use the Training Center. While this
15 committee is established to oversee Training Center facilities, it is the General
16 Assembly's intent that this committee shall not have jurisdiction over any
17 training content provided at the Training Center.

1 Sec. 39. 29 V.S.A. chapter 19 is added to read:

2 CHAPTER 19. TRAINING CENTER GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

3 § 841. COMMITTEE CREATION

4 (a) Creation. There is created the Training Center Governance Committee
5 to manage access to the facilities of the Robert H. Wood Jr. Criminal Justice
6 and Fire Service Training Center of Vermont (Training Center), located in
7 Pittsford, Vermont.

8 (b) Membership. The Committee shall be composed of the following eight
9 members:

10 (1) the Executive Director of the Vermont Criminal Justice Training
11 Council;

12 (2) the Chair of the Vermont Fire Service Training Council;

13 (3) an employee of the Department of Buildings and General Services,
14 appointed by the Commissioner of the Department;

15 (4) the Chair of the Vermont Criminal Justice Training Council;

16 (5) the Chief Training Officer of the Vermont Fire Academy;

17 (6) an employee of the Department of Corrections, appointed by the
18 Commissioner of the Department;

19 (7) the Director of the Division of Fire Safety; and

20 (8) a member of the State Police, appointed by the Commissioner of
21 Public Safety.

1 (c) Powers and duties. The Committee shall:

2 (1) Use and access. Govern the use of and access to the Training
3 Center. In so governing, the Committee shall take into consideration the needs
4 of the State’s various agencies and members of the public in using the Training
5 Center’s facilities.

6 (2) Future needs and capital investments.

7 (A) plan for the future capital needs of the Training Center;

8 (B) submit a capital program plan to the Department of Buildings and
9 General Services for the capital construction bill set forth in 32 V.S.A. § 701a
10 and report to the General Assembly as necessary on any recommended
11 legislative action for capital needs; and

12 (C) on an ongoing basis, monitor the effectiveness of any capital
13 investments related to training needs.

14 (3) Performance analysis. Establish policies to ensure the facility
15 training needs of those persons that use the Training Center are cost-effectively
16 met, and establish performance measures for assessing on an ongoing basis
17 how well those needs are met.

18 (4) Budget and rates.

19 (A) manage the operating budget for the facilities at the Training
20 Center;

21 (B) set the rates for use of space at the Training Center;

1 (C) enter into and administer new contracts on behalf of the Training
2 Center regarding the operations of the Training Center; and

3 (D) develop approaches to budgeting and paying for space that
4 encourage collaboration among those persons that use the Training Center, and
5 address future major maintenance needs.

6 (d) Meetings.

7 (1) The Committee shall meet no fewer than four times per year.

8 (2) A majority of the membership shall constitute a quorum.

9 (3) The Committee shall elect a chair and may adopt rules of procedure.

10 (e) Reimbursement. Members of the Committee who are not employees of
11 the State and who are not otherwise compensated or reimbursed for their
12 attendance shall be entitled to per diem compensation and reimbursement of
13 expenses pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 1010.

14 Sec. 40. INITIAL MEETING OF GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE;

15 TRANSITIONAL PROVISION

16 (a) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall call the
17 initial meeting of the Training Center Governance Committee set forth in
18 Sec. 38 of this act, to be held on or before September 30, 2015.

19 (b) The Training Center Governance Committee shall be responsible for
20 requests for use of the Robert H. Wood, Jr. Criminal Justice and Fire Service
21 Training Center of Vermont made on and after the initial Committee meeting.

1 but shall permit any scheduled use of the Training Center made prior to that
2 date.

3 (c) The Training Center Governance Committee shall have access to any
4 contracts regarding the operations of the Training Center that are in existence
5 prior to the date of the initial Committee meeting.

6 Sec. 41. TRAINING CENTER GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE; REPORT

7 On or before February 1, 2016, the Training Center Governance Committee
8 set forth in Sec. 38 of this act shall report to the General Assembly regarding
9 the operation of its powers and duties to date and recommend any further
10 legislative action it finds necessary.

11 * * * Security * * *

12 **Sec. 42. STATE HOUSE SECURITY**

13 (a) The Sergeant at Arms, in consultation with the Chair of the Capitol
14 Complex Working Group established in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 178,
15 Sec. 26, is authorized to create a security and safety protocol for the State
16 House, conduct trainings for the State House and One Baldwin Street, and
17 install security cameras at the exterior entrances of the State House. The
18 Sergeant at Arms may retain consultant services to complete the work
19 described in this subsection. Any consultants retained pursuant to this
20 subsection shall be hired by the Joint Fiscal Office and shall work through the

1 Joint Fiscal Office under the direction of the Sergeant at Arms and the Chair of
2 the Working Group.

3 (b) The Sergeant at Arms is authorized to use funds appropriated in 2013
4 Acts and Resolves No. 51, Sec. 2(c)(17), as amended by 2014 Acts and
5 Resolves No. 178, Sec. 1, to directly conduct the work described in subsection
6 (a) of this section or retain consultant services through the Joint Fiscal Office
7 to conduct the work described in subsection (a) of this section.

8 (c) Prior to the installation, the Sergeant at Arms, in consultation with the
9 Chair of the Working Group, shall establish a policy for the use of the security
10 cameras described in subsection (a) of this section. The policy shall include
11 requirements on limiting access rights to the camera and video feed, and
12 retaining video feed for a minimum of seven days and a maximum of 30 days.

13 * * * Effective Date * * *

14 Sec. 43. EFFECTIVE DATE

15 This act shall take effect on passage.

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19 (Committee vote: _____)

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21 Senator _____

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FOR THE COMMITTEE