

1 H.542

2 Introduced by Committee on Appropriations

3 Date:

4 Subject: Fiscal year 2018 budget

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, 2017.

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 2018
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 2018. 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, 2017.
19 Agency and department heads are directed to implement staffing and service
20 levels at the beginning of fiscal year 2018 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 2018.

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 single-
9 year appropriations and only for the purpose indicated and shall be paid from
10 funds shown as the source of funds. If in this act there is an error in either
11 addition or subtraction, the totals shall be adjusted accordingly. Apparent
12 errors in referring to section numbers of statutory titles within this act may be
13 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, 2018.

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, 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 2018, 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 2018, federal funds available to the State of
8 Vermont and designated as federal in this and other acts of the 2017 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 2018 except for new positions authorized by the 2017 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 by 2016 Acts and
7 Resolves No. 172, Sec. E.100.2, and as further amended by Sec. E.100.1 of
8 this act.

9 Sec. A.108 LEGEND

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

15 <u>B.100–B.199 and E.100–E.199</u>	<u>General Government</u>
16 <u>B.200–B.299 and E.200–E.299</u>	<u>Protection to Persons and Property</u>
17 <u>B.300–B.399 and E.300–E.399</u>	<u>Human Services</u>
18 <u>B.400–B.499 and E.400–E.499</u>	<u>Labor</u>
19 <u>B.500–B.599 and E.500–E.599</u>	<u>General Education</u>
20 <u>B.600–B.699 and E.600–E.699</u>	<u>Higher Education</u>
21 <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, the
8 D sections contain fund transfers and reserve allocations for the upcoming
9 budget year, the F sections contain miscellaneous technical statute corrections,
10 and the I sections contain housing bond authorization.

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

12	Personal services	777,092
13	Operating expenses	<u>150,120</u>
14	Total	927,212

15 Source of funds

16	General fund	<u>927,212</u>
17	Total	927,212

18 Sec. B.101 Secretary of administration - finance

19	Personal services	1,187,190
20	Operating expenses	<u>153,789</u>
21	Total	1,340,979

1	Source of funds	
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,340,979</u>
3	Total	1,340,979
4	Sec. B.102 Secretary of administration - workers' compensation insurance	
5	Personal services	566,009
6	Operating expenses	<u>226,235</u>
7	Total	792,244
8	Source of funds	
9	Internal service funds	<u>792,244</u>
10	Total	792,244
11	Sec. B.103 Secretary of administration - general liability insurance	
12	Personal services	445,807
13	Operating expenses	<u>43,958</u>
14	Total	489,765
15	Source of funds	
16	Internal service funds	<u>489,765</u>
17	Total	489,765
18	Sec. B.104 Secretary of administration - all other insurance	
19	Personal services	22,513
20	Operating expenses	<u>11,382</u>
21	Total	33,895

1	Source of funds	
2	Internal service funds	<u>33,895</u>
3	Total	33,895
4	Sec. B.105 Information and innovation - communications and information	
5	technology	
6	Personal services	24,540,424
7	Operating expenses	<u>15,675,832</u>
8	Total	40,216,256
9	Source of funds	
10	Internal service funds	<u>40,216,256</u>
11	Total	40,216,256
12	Sec. B.106 Finance and management - budget and management	
13	Personal services	1,471,321
14	Operating expenses	<u>202,003</u>
15	Total	1,673,324
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	1,309,469
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>363,855</u>
19	Total	1,673,324
20	Sec. B.107 Finance and management - financial operations	
21	Personal services	2,374,631

1	Operating expenses	<u>619,703</u>
2	Total	2,994,334
3	Source of funds	
4	Internal service funds	<u>2,994,334</u>
5	Total	2,994,334
6	Sec. B.108 Human resources - operations	
7	Personal services	7,612,746
8	Operating expenses	<u>1,377,239</u>
9	Total	8,989,985
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	1,968,777
12	Special funds	277,462
13	Internal service funds	6,206,438
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>537,308</u>
15	Total	8,989,985
16	Sec. B.108.1 Human Resources - VTHR Operations	
17	Personal services	1,802,885
18	Operating expenses	<u>765,629</u>
19	Total	2,568,514
20	Source of funds	
21	Internal service funds	<u>2,568,514</u>

1	Total	2,568,514
2	Sec. B.109 Human resources - employee benefits & wellness	
3	Personal services	1,070,140
4	Operating expenses	<u>581,803</u>
5	Total	1,651,943
6	Source of funds	
7	Internal service funds	<u>1,651,943</u>
8	Total	1,651,943
9	Sec. B.110 Libraries	
10	Personal services	1,759,682
11	Operating expenses	1,463,407
12	Grants	<u>148,400</u>
13	Total	3,371,489
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	2,329,975
16	Special funds	123,998
17	Federal funds	820,514
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>97,002</u>
19	Total	3,371,489
20	Sec. B.111 Tax - administration/collection	
21	Personal services	14,471,939

1	Operating expenses	<u>5,117,491</u>
2	Total	19,589,430
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	18,075,976
5	Special funds	1,370,888
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>142,566</u>
7	Total	19,589,430
8	Sec. B.112 Buildings and general services - administration	
9	Personal services	659,538
10	Operating expenses	<u>103,275</u>
11	Total	762,813
12	Source of funds	
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>762,813</u>
14	Total	762,813
15	Sec. B.113 Buildings and general services - engineering	
16	Personal services	2,725,021
17	Operating expenses	<u>812,504</u>
18	Total	3,537,525
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	0
21	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>3,537,525</u>

1	Total	3,537,525
2	Sec. B.114 Buildings and general services - information centers	
3	Personal services	3,247,710
4	Operating expenses	1,560,479
5	Grants	<u>35,750</u>
6	Total	4,843,939
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	632,642
9	Transportation fund	3,886,230
10	Special funds	<u>325,067</u>
11	Total	4,843,939
12	Sec. B.115 Buildings and general services - purchasing	
13	Personal services	1,052,452
14	Operating expenses	<u>197,598</u>
15	Total	1,250,050
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	<u>1,250,050</u>
18	Total	1,250,050
19	Sec. B.116 Buildings and general services - postal services	
20	Personal services	741,125
21	Operating expenses	<u>116,121</u>

1	Total	857,246
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	85,063
4	Internal service funds	<u>772,183</u>
5	Total	857,246
6	Sec. B.117 Buildings and general services - copy center	
7	Personal services	708,890
8	Operating expenses	<u>162,809</u>
9	Total	871,699
10	Source of funds	
11	Internal service funds	<u>871,699</u>
12	Total	871,699
13	Sec. B.118 Buildings and general services - fleet management services	
14	Personal services	759,471
15	Operating expenses	<u>239,611</u>
16	Total	999,082
17	Source of funds	
18	Internal service funds	<u>999,082</u>
19	Total	999,082
20	Sec. B.119 Buildings and general services - federal surplus property	
21	Personal services	32,667

1	Operating expenses	<u>5,760</u>
2	Total	38,427
3	Source of funds	
4	Enterprise funds	<u>38,427</u>
5	Total	38,427
6	Sec. B.120 Buildings and general services - state surplus property	
7	Personal services	142,751
8	Operating expenses	<u>109,881</u>
9	Total	252,632
10	Source of funds	
11	Internal service funds	<u>252,632</u>
12	Total	252,632
13	Sec. B.121 Buildings and general services - property management	
14	Personal services	1,025,441
15	Operating expenses	<u>864,228</u>
16	Total	1,889,669
17	Source of funds	
18	Internal service funds	<u>1,889,669</u>
19	Total	1,889,669
20	Sec. B.122 Buildings and general services - fee for space	
21	Personal services	15,282,330

1	Operating expenses	<u>14,081,331</u>
2	Total	29,363,661
3	Source of funds	
4	Internal service funds	<u>29,363,661</u>
5	Total	29,363,661
6	Sec. B.124 Executive office - governor's office	
7	Personal services	1,412,803
8	Operating expenses	<u>468,873</u>
9	Total	1,881,676
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	1,695,176
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>186,500</u>
13	Total	1,881,676
14	Sec. B.125 Legislative council	
15	Personal services	3,812,245
16	Operating expenses	<u>866,666</u>
17	Total	4,678,911
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	<u>4,678,911</u>
20	Total	4,678,911

1	Sec. B.126 Legislature	
2	Personal services	3,932,539
3	Operating expenses	<u>3,649,343</u>
4	Total	7,581,882
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>7,581,882</u>
7	Total	7,581,882
8	Sec. B.127 Joint fiscal committee	
9	Personal services	1,603,075
10	Operating expenses	<u>154,661</u>
11	Total	1,757,736
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	<u>1,757,736</u>
14	Total	1,757,736
15	Sec. B.128 Sergeant at arms	
16	Personal services	667,093
17	Operating expenses	<u>74,252</u>
18	Total	741,345
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	<u>741,345</u>
21	Total	741,345

1	Sec. B.129 Lieutenant governor	
2	Personal services	208,858
3	Operating expenses	<u>30,097</u>
4	Total	238,955
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>238,955</u>
7	Total	238,955
8	Sec. B.130 Auditor of accounts	
9	Personal services	3,689,915
10	Operating expenses	<u>158,765</u>
11	Total	3,848,680
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	400,371
14	Special funds	53,145
15	Internal service funds	<u>3,395,164</u>
16	Total	3,848,680
17	Sec. B.131 State treasurer	
18	Personal services	3,443,785
19	Operating expenses	<u>267,689</u>
20	Total	3,711,474

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	1,006,452
3	Special funds	2,604,257
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>100,765</u>
5	Total	3,711,474
6	Sec. B.132 State treasurer - unclaimed property	
7	Personal services	827,048
8	Operating expenses	<u>298,653</u>
9	Total	1,125,701
10	Source of funds	
11	Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,125,701</u>
12	Total	1,125,701
13	Sec. B.133 Vermont state retirement system	
14	Personal services	5,984,464
15	Operating expenses	<u>1,314,760</u>
16	Total	7,299,224
17	Source of funds	
18	Pension trust funds	<u>7,299,224</u>
19	Total	7,299,224
20	Sec. B.134 Municipal employees' retirement system	
21	Personal services	2,096,238

1	Operating expenses	<u>751,569</u>
2	Total	2,847,807
3	Source of funds	
4	Pension trust funds	<u>2,847,807</u>
5	Total	2,847,807
6	Sec. B.135 State labor relations board	
7	Personal services	208,856
8	Operating expenses	<u>47,734</u>
9	Total	256,590
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	247,014
12	Special funds	6,788
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,788</u>
14	Total	256,590
15	Sec. B.136 VOSHA review board	
16	Personal services	74,662
17	Operating expenses	<u>13,543</u>
18	Total	88,205
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	44,103
21	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>44,102</u>

1	Total	88,205
2	Sec. B.137 Homeowner rebate	
3	Grants	<u>16,600,000</u>
4	Total	16,600,000
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>16,600,000</u>
7	Total	16,600,000
8	Sec. B.138 Renter rebate	
9	Grants	<u>10,500,000</u>
10	Total	10,500,000
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	3,150,000
13	Education fund	<u>7,350,000</u>
14	Total	10,500,000
15	Sec. B.139 Tax department - reappraisal and listing payments	
16	Grants	<u>3,460,000</u>
17	Total	3,460,000
18	Source of funds	
19	Education fund	<u>3,460,000</u>
20	Total	3,460,000

1	Sec. B.140 Municipal current use	
2	Grants	<u>15,283,643</u>
3	Total	15,283,643
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	<u>15,283,643</u>
6	Total	15,283,643
7	Sec. B.141 Lottery commission	
8	Personal services	1,950,778
9	Operating expenses	1,321,236
10	Grants	<u>150,000</u>
11	Total	3,422,014
12	Source of funds	
13	Enterprise funds	<u>3,422,014</u>
14	Total	3,422,014
15	Sec. B.142 Payments in lieu of taxes	
16	Grants	<u>7,600,000</u>
17	Total	7,600,000
18	Source of funds	
19	Special funds	<u>7,600,000</u>
20	Total	7,600,000

1	Sec. B.143 Payments in lieu of taxes - Montpelier	
2	Grants	<u>184,000</u>
3	Total	184,000
4	Source of funds	
5	Special funds	<u>184,000</u>
6	Total	184,000
7	Sec. B.144 Payments in lieu of taxes - correctional facilities	
8	Grants	<u>40,000</u>
9	Total	40,000
10	Source of funds	
11	Special funds	<u>40,000</u>
12	Total	40,000
13	Sec. B.145 Total general government	
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	80,004,752
16	Transportation fund	3,886,230
17	Special funds	12,585,605
18	Education fund	10,810,000
19	Federal funds	820,514
20	Internal service funds	92,497,479
21	Interdepartmental transfers	7,116,203

1	Enterprise funds	3,460,441
2	Pension trust funds	10,147,031
3	Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,125,701</u>
4	Total	222,453,956
5	Sec. B.200 Attorney general	
6	Personal services	9,260,374
7	Operating expenses	1,382,078
8	Grants	<u>26,894</u>
9	Total	10,669,346
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	4,876,409
12	Special funds	1,774,350
13	Tobacco fund	348,000
14	Federal funds	1,113,091
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,557,496</u>
16	Total	10,669,346
17	Sec. B.201 Vermont court diversion	
18	Personal services	823,550
19	Operating expenses	500
20	Grants	<u>1,996,483</u>
21	Total	2,820,533

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	2,156,486
3	Special funds	<u>664,047</u>
4	Total	2,820,533
5	Sec. B.202 Defender general - public defense	
6	Personal services	10,815,479
7	Operating expenses	<u>1,058,134</u>
8	Total	11,873,613
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	11,283,960
11	Special funds	<u>589,653</u>
12	Total	11,873,613
13	Sec. B.203 Defender general - assigned counsel	
14	Personal services	5,631,235
15	Operating expenses	<u>49,819</u>
16	Total	5,681,054
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	<u>5,681,054</u>
19	Total	5,681,054
20	Sec. B.204 Judiciary	
21	Personal services	38,277,720

1	Operating expenses	9,358,344
2	Grants	<u>76,030</u>
3	Total	47,712,094
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	42,162,907
6	Special funds	2,667,460
7	Federal funds	556,455
8	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,325,272</u>
9	Total	47,712,094
10	Sec. B.205 State's attorneys	
11	Personal services	12,440,142
12	Operating expenses	<u>2,158,949</u>
13	Total	14,599,091
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	11,733,829
16	Special funds	123,480
17	Federal funds	31,000
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,710,782</u>
19	Total	14,599,091
20	Sec. B.206 Special investigative unit	
21	Personal services	85,000

1	Operating expenses	1,100
2	Grants	<u>1,913,000</u>
3	Total	1,999,100
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	<u>1,999,100</u>
6	Total	1,999,100
7	Sec. B.207 Sheriffs	
8	Personal services	4,061,398
9	Operating expenses	<u>433,009</u>
10	Total	4,494,407
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	<u>4,494,407</u>
13	Total	4,494,407
14	Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration	
15	Personal services	2,624,989
16	Operating expenses	<u>2,661,095</u>
17	Total	5,286,084
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	2,896,171
20	Federal funds	279,160
21	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,110,753</u>

1	Total	5,286,084
2	Sec. B.209 Public safety - state police	
3	Personal services	52,941,680
4	Operating expenses	9,656,601
5	Grants	<u>759,635</u>
6	Total	63,357,916
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	35,799,847
9	Transportation fund	20,250,000
10	Special funds	3,190,202
11	Federal funds	2,334,001
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,783,866</u>
13	Total	63,357,916
14	Sec. B.210 Public safety - criminal justice services	
15	Personal services	9,015,234
16	Operating expenses	2,346,270
17	Grants	<u>191,650</u>
18	Total	11,553,154
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	7,006,967
21	Special funds	2,134,552

1	Federal funds	1,516,096
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>895,539</u>
3	Total	11,553,154
4	Sec. B.211 Public safety - emergency management and homeland security	
5	Personal services	3,398,216
6	Operating expenses	1,401,401
7	Grants	<u>10,100,000</u>
8	Total	14,899,617
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	516,797
11	Special funds	300,000
12	Federal funds	13,798,597
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>284,223</u>
14	Total	14,899,617
15	Sec. B.212 Public safety - fire safety	
16	Personal services	6,442,511
17	Operating expenses	3,083,185
18	Grants	<u>107,000</u>
19	Total	9,632,696
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	426,712

1	Special funds	8,309,126
2	Federal funds	851,858
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>
4	Total	9,632,696
5	Sec. B.215 Military - administration	
6	Personal services	712,974
7	Operating expenses	359,195
8	Grants	<u>100,000</u>
9	Total	1,172,169
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	<u>1,172,169</u>
12	Total	1,172,169
13	Sec. B.216 Military - air service contract	
14	Personal services	5,527,805
15	Operating expenses	<u>1,073,275</u>
16	Total	6,601,080
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	583,733
19	Federal funds	<u>6,017,347</u>
20	Total	6,601,080

1	Sec. B.217 Military - army service contract	
2	Personal services	7,325,373
3	Operating expenses	<u>6,008,750</u>
4	Total	13,334,123
5	Source of funds	
6	Federal funds	<u>13,334,123</u>
7	Total	13,334,123
8	Sec. B.218 Military - building maintenance	
9	Personal services	884,161
10	Operating expenses	<u>696,659</u>
11	Total	1,580,820
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	1,520,820
14	Special funds	<u>60,000</u>
15	Total	1,580,820
16	Sec. B.219 Military - veterans' affairs	
17	Personal services	762,092
18	Operating expenses	163,245
19	Grants	<u>94,380</u>
20	Total	1,019,717

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	794,678
3	Special funds	125,310
4	Federal funds	<u>99,729</u>
5	Total	1,019,717
6	Sec. B.220 Center for crime victim services	
7	Personal services	1,788,731
8	Operating expenses	312,067
9	Grants	<u>11,663,697</u>
10	Total	13,764,495
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	1,264,140
13	Special funds	5,132,559
14	Federal funds	<u>7,367,796</u>
15	Total	13,764,495
16	Sec. B.221 Criminal justice training council	
17	Personal services	1,061,527
18	Operating expenses	<u>1,277,414</u>
19	Total	2,338,941
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	2,298,555

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>40,386</u>
2	Total	2,338,941
3	Sec. B.222 Agriculture, food and markets - administration	
4	Personal services	1,654,766
5	Operating expenses	288,742
6	Grants	<u>272,972</u>
7	Total	2,216,480
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	1,098,695
10	Special funds	630,066
11	Federal funds	<u>487,719</u>
12	Total	2,216,480
13	Sec. B.223 Agriculture, food and markets - food safety and consumer	
14	protection	
15	Personal services	3,939,183
16	Operating expenses	726,671
17	Grants	<u>2,750,000</u>
18	Total	7,415,854
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	2,661,332
21	Special funds	3,672,807

1	Federal funds	1,074,715
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>7,000</u>
3	Total	7,415,854
4	Sec. B.224 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural development	
5	Personal services	1,640,008
6	Operating expenses	1,016,357
7	Grants	<u>1,170,875</u>
8	Total	3,827,240
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	1,928,127
11	Special funds	625,830
12	Federal funds	1,233,783
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>39,500</u>
14	Total	3,827,240
15	Sec. B.225 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural resource management	
16	and environmental stewardship	
17	Personal services	3,344,918
18	Operating expenses	563,044
19	Grants	<u>587,000</u>
20	Total	4,494,962

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	1,852,119
3	Special funds	1,958,384
4	Federal funds	477,028
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>207,431</u>
6	Total	4,494,962
7	Sec. B.225.1 Agriculture, food and markets - Vermont Agriculture and	
8	Environmental Lab	
9	Personal services	1,356,637
10	Operating expenses	<u>757,396</u>
11	Total	2,114,033
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	848,119
14	Special funds	1,207,787
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>58,127</u>
16	Total	2,114,033
17	Sec. B.225.2 Agriculture, Food and Markets - Clean Water	
18	Personal services	1,070,182
19	Operating expenses	266,190
20	Grants	<u>850,000</u>
21	Total	2,186,372

1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	<u>2,186,372</u>
3	Total	2,186,372
4	Sec. B.226 Financial regulation - administration	
5	Personal services	1,998,578
6	Operating expenses	<u>198,577</u>
7	Total	2,197,155
8	Source of funds	
9	Special funds	<u>2,197,155</u>
10	Total	2,197,155
11	Sec. B.227 Financial regulation - banking	
12	Personal services	1,668,222
13	Operating expenses	<u>394,337</u>
14	Total	2,062,559
15	Source of funds	
16	Special funds	<u>2,062,559</u>
17	Total	2,062,559
18	Sec. B.228 Financial regulation - insurance	
19	Personal services	4,436,994
20	Operating expenses	<u>555,765</u>
21	Total	4,992,759

1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	4,921,496
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>71,263</u>
4	Total	4,992,759
5	Sec. B.229 Financial regulation - captive insurance	
6	Personal services	4,476,171
7	Operating expenses	<u>566,984</u>
8	Total	5,043,155
9	Source of funds	
10	Special funds	<u>5,043,155</u>
11	Total	5,043,155
12	Sec. B.230 Financial regulation - securities	
13	Personal services	863,956
14	Operating expenses	<u>185,402</u>
15	Total	1,049,358
16	Source of funds	
17	Special funds	<u>1,049,358</u>
18	Total	1,049,358
19	Sec. B.232 Secretary of state	
20	Personal services	9,750,435

1	Operating expenses	<u>2,538,565</u>
2	Total	12,289,000
3	Source of funds	
4	Special funds	11,007,000
5	Federal funds	1,207,000
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>75,000</u>
7	Total	12,289,000
8	Sec. B.233 Public service - regulation and energy	
9	Personal services	10,273,714
10	Operating expenses	2,111,355
11	Grants	<u>3,883,867</u>
12	Total	16,268,936
13	Source of funds	
14	Special funds	13,856,417
15	Federal funds	1,234,279
16	ARRA funds	1,120,000
17	Interdepartmental transfers	41,667
18	Enterprise funds	<u>16,573</u>
19	Total	16,268,936
20	Sec. B.234 Public service board	
21	Personal services	3,166,727

1	Operating expenses	<u>481,111</u>
2	Total	3,647,838
3	Source of funds	
4	Special funds	<u>3,647,838</u>
5	Total	3,647,838
6	Sec. B.235 Enhanced 9-1-1 Board	
7	Personal services	3,759,427
8	Operating expenses	362,937
9	Grants	<u>720,000</u>
10	Total	4,842,364
11	Source of funds	
12	Special funds	<u>4,842,364</u>
13	Total	4,842,364
14	Sec. B.236 Human rights commission	
15	Personal services	481,533
16	Operating expenses	<u>79,095</u>
17	Total	560,628
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	490,527
20	Federal funds	<u>70,101</u>
21	Total	560,628

1	Sec. B.237 Liquor control - administration	
2	Personal services	3,864,134
3	Operating expenses	<u>600,485</u>
4	Total	4,464,619
5	Source of funds	
6	Enterprise funds	<u>4,464,619</u>
7	Total	4,464,619
8	Sec. B.238 Liquor control - enforcement and licensing	
9	Personal services	2,660,717
10	Operating expenses	<u>560,506</u>
11	Total	3,221,223
12	Source of funds	
13	Special funds	20,000
14	Tobacco fund	213,843
15	Federal funds	312,503
16	Enterprise funds	<u>2,674,877</u>
17	Total	3,221,223
18	Sec. B.239 Liquor control - warehousing and distribution	
19	Personal services	990,624
20	Operating expenses	<u>422,578</u>
21	Total	1,413,202

1	Source of funds	
2	Enterprise funds	<u>1,413,202</u>
3	Total	1,413,202
4	Sec. B.240 Total protection to persons and property	
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	147,547,660
7	Transportation fund	20,250,000
8	Special funds	83,999,327
9	Tobacco fund	561,843
10	Federal funds	53,396,381
11	ARRA funds	1,120,000
12	Interdepartmental transfers	13,253,305
13	Enterprise funds	<u>8,569,271</u>
14	Total	328,697,787
15	Sec. B.300 Human services - agency of human services - secretary's office	
16	Personal services	19,186,112
17	Operating expenses	5,402,146
18	Grants	<u>7,444,843</u>
19	Total	32,033,101
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	10,014,889

1	Special funds	91,017
2	Tobacco fund	0
3	Federal funds	19,149,640
4	Global Commitment fund	453,000
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,324,555</u>
6	Total	32,033,101
7	Sec. B.301 Secretary's office - global commitment	
8	Operating expenses	846,057
9	Grants	<u>1,582,497,210</u>
10	Total	1,583,343,267
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	265,834,181
13	Special funds	29,496,422
14	Tobacco fund	21,269,352
15	State health care resources fund	293,176,780
16	Federal funds	955,526,532
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>18,040,000</u>
18	Total	1,583,343,267
19	Sec. B.302 Rate setting	
20	Personal services	864,718

1	Operating expenses	<u>97,142</u>
2	Total	961,860
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	480,930
5	Federal funds	<u>480,930</u>
6	Total	961,860
7	Sec. B.303 Developmental disabilities council	
8	Personal services	290,325
9	Operating expenses	67,012
10	Grants	<u>248,388</u>
11	Total	605,725
12	Source of funds	
13	Federal funds	<u>605,725</u>
14	Total	605,725
15	Sec. B.304 Human services board	
16	Personal services	682,525
17	Operating expenses	<u>88,308</u>
18	Total	770,833
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	409,989
21	Federal funds	314,044

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>46,800</u>
2	Total	770,833
3	Sec. B.305 AHS - administrative fund	
4	Personal services	350,000
5	Operating expenses	<u>10,150,000</u>
6	Total	10,500,000
7	Source of funds	
8	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>10,500,000</u>
9	Total	10,500,000
10	Sec. B.306 Department of Vermont health access - administration	
11	Personal services	177,240,484
12	Operating expenses	5,542,033
13	Grants	<u>7,264,742</u>
14	Total	190,047,259
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	31,518,780
17	Special funds	3,577,938
18	Federal funds	139,552,196
19	Global Commitment fund	7,915,736
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>7,482,609</u>
21	Total	190,047,259

1	Sec. B.307 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - global	
2	commitment	
3	Grants	<u>752,459,668</u>
4	Total	752,459,668
5	Source of funds	
6	Global Commitment fund	<u>752,459,668</u>
7	Total	752,459,668
8	Sec. B.308 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - long	
9	term care waiver	
10	Grants	<u>196,483,201</u>
11	Total	196,483,201
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	753,720
14	Federal funds	896,280
15	Global Commitment fund	<u>194,833,201</u>
16	Total	196,483,201
17	Sec. B.309 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - state	
18	only	
19	Grants	<u>50,175,082</u>
20	Total	50,175,082

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	40,507,054
3	Global Commitment fund	<u>9,668,028</u>
4	Total	50,175,082
5	Sec. B.310 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid non-waiver	
6	matched	
7	Grants	<u>37,213,898</u>
8	Total	37,213,898
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	13,685,694
11	Federal funds	<u>23,528,204</u>
12	Total	37,213,898
13	Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support	
14	Personal services	7,692,836
15	Operating expenses	2,999,965
16	Grants	<u>3,725,000</u>
17	Total	14,417,801
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	2,646,995
20	Special funds	1,640,781
21	Federal funds	6,606,306

1	Global Commitment fund	3,478,719
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>
3	Total	14,417,801
4	Sec. B.312 Health - public health	
5	Personal services	41,822,394
6	Operating expenses	7,579,809
7	Grants	<u>36,106,485</u>
8	Total	85,508,688
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	8,567,428
11	Special funds	17,443,570
12	Tobacco fund	1,088,918
13	Federal funds	44,857,697
14	Global Commitment fund	12,551,629
15	Interdepartmental transfers	974,446
16	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
17	Total	85,508,688
18	Sec. B.313 Health - alcohol and drug abuse programs	
19	Personal services	3,763,900
20	Operating expenses	208,810

1	Grants	<u>49,363,212</u>
2	Total	53,335,922
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	2,908,535
5	Special funds	1,084,761
6	Tobacco fund	949,917
7	Federal funds	13,197,694
8	Global Commitment fund	<u>35,195,015</u>
9	Total	53,335,922
10	Sec. B.314 Mental health - mental health	
11	Personal services	29,838,587
12	Operating expenses	3,666,056
13	Grants	<u>198,405,282</u>
14	Total	231,909,925
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	4,864,021
17	Special funds	434,904
18	Federal funds	6,691,092
19	Global Commitment fund	219,899,908
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>20,000</u>
21	Total	231,909,925

1	Sec. B.316 Department for children and families - administration & support	
2	services	
3	Personal services	41,307,378
4	Operating expenses	10,464,802
5	Grants	<u>3,678,688</u>
6	Total	55,450,868
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	30,639,729
9	Special funds	655,548
10	Federal funds	23,274,906
11	Global Commitment fund	664,660
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>216,025</u>
13	Total	55,450,868
14	Sec. B.317 Department for children and families - family services	
15	Personal services	31,887,814
16	Operating expenses	4,723,500
17	Grants	<u>75,838,377</u>
18	Total	112,449,691
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	33,280,421
21	Special funds	1,691,637

1	Federal funds	26,151,771
2	Global Commitment fund	51,191,608
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>134,254</u>
4	Total	112,449,691
5	Sec. B.318 Department for children and families - child development	
6	Personal services	6,405,300
7	Operating expenses	802,146
8	Grants	<u>76,955,662</u>
9	Total	84,163,108
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	34,716,782
12	Special funds	1,820,000
13	Federal funds	36,142,431
14	Global Commitment fund	<u>11,483,895</u>
15	Total	84,163,108
16	Sec. B.319 Department for children and families - office of child support	
17	Personal services	10,242,836
18	Operating expenses	<u>3,632,098</u>
19	Total	13,874,934
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	3,478,675

1	Special funds	455,719
2	Federal funds	9,552,940
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>387,600</u>
4	Total	13,874,934
5	Sec. B.320 Department for children and families - aid to aged, blind and	
6	disabled	
7	Personal services	2,182,805
8	Grants	<u>11,367,424</u>
9	Total	13,550,229
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	9,649,899
12	Global Commitment fund	<u>3,900,330</u>
13	Total	13,550,229
14	Sec. B.321 Department for children and families - general assistance	
15	Grants	<u>6,927,360</u>
16	Total	6,927,360
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	5,530,025
19	Federal funds	1,111,320
20	Global Commitment fund	<u>286,015</u>
21	Total	6,927,360

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>33,735,219</u>
10	Total	33,830,421
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	6,717,098
13	Special funds	21,806,288
14	Federal funds	2,674,594
15	Global Commitment fund	<u>2,632,441</u>
16	Total	33,830,421
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	452,430
7	Operating expenses	33,444
8	Grants	<u>9,673,747</u>
9	Total	10,159,621
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	4,483,212
12	Special funds	57,990
13	Federal funds	4,350,903
14	Global Commitment fund	<u>1,267,516</u>
15	Total	10,159,621
16	Sec. B.326 Department for children and families - OEO - weatherization	
17	assistance	
18	Personal services	333,097
19	Operating expenses	56,878
20	Grants	<u>10,529,067</u>
21	Total	10,919,042

1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	9,690,895
3	Federal funds	<u>1,228,147</u>
4	Total	10,919,042
5	Sec. B.327 Department for children and families - Woodside rehabilitation	
6	center	
7	Personal services	5,515,892
8	Operating expenses	<u>697,584</u>
9	Total	6,213,476
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	1,142,720
12	Global Commitment fund	4,973,756
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>97,000</u>
14	Total	6,213,476
15	Sec. B.328 Department for children and families - disability determination	
16	services	
17	Personal services	6,023,192
18	Operating expenses	<u>507,294</u>
19	Total	6,530,486
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	82,500

1	Federal funds	6,338,219
2	Global Commitment fund	<u>109,767</u>
3	Total	6,530,486
4	Sec. B.329 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - administration &	
5	support	
6	Personal services	31,147,704
7	Operating expenses	<u>5,194,746</u>
8	Total	36,342,450
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	15,894,860
11	Special funds	1,390,457
12	Federal funds	17,990,849
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,066,284</u>
14	Total	36,342,450
15	Sec. B.330 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - advocacy and	
16	independent living grants	
17	Grants	<u>21,162,885</u>
18	Total	21,162,885
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	8,403,232
21	Federal funds	7,148,466

1	Global Commitment fund	<u>5,611,187</u>
2	Total	21,162,885
3	Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - blind and visually	
4	impaired	
5	Grants	<u>1,451,457</u>
6	Total	1,451,457
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	389,154
9	Special funds	223,450
10	Federal funds	593,853
11	Global Commitment fund	<u>245,000</u>
12	Total	1,451,457
13	Sec. B.332 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - vocational	
14	rehabilitation	
15	Grants	<u>8,972,255</u>
16	Total	8,972,255
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	1,371,845
19	Special funds	70,000
20	Federal funds	4,552,523
21	Global Commitment fund	7,500

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,970,387</u>
2	Total	8,972,255
3	Sec. B.333 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - developmental	
4	services	
5	Grants	<u>208,837,426</u>
6	Total	208,837,426
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	155,125
9	Special funds	15,463
10	Federal funds	359,857
11	Global Commitment fund	<u>208,306,981</u>
12	Total	208,837,426
13	Sec. B.334 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - TBI home and	
14	community based waiver	
15	Grants	<u>5,647,336</u>
16	Total	5,647,336
17	Source of funds	
18	Global Commitment fund	<u>5,647,336</u>
19	Total	5,647,336
20	Sec. B.335 Corrections - administration	
21	Personal services	2,761,226

1	Operating expenses	<u>238,644</u>
2	Total	2,999,870
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	<u>2,999,870</u>
5	Total	2,999,870
6	Sec. B.336 Corrections - parole board	
7	Personal services	259,000
8	Operating expenses	<u>81,081</u>
9	Total	340,081
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	<u>340,081</u>
12	Total	340,081
13	Sec. B.337 Corrections - correctional education	
14	Personal services	2,827,819
15	Operating expenses	<u>510,128</u>
16	Total	3,337,947
17	Source of funds	
18	Education fund	3,189,163
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>148,784</u>
20	Total	3,337,947

1	Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services	
2	Personal services	108,272,207
3	Operating expenses	22,048,934
4	Grants	<u>9,426,638</u>
5	Total	139,747,779
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	132,862,670
8	Special funds	629,963
9	Federal funds	470,962
10	Global Commitment fund	5,387,869
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>396,315</u>
12	Total	139,747,779
13	Sec. B.339 Corrections - Correctional services-out of state beds	
14	Personal services	<u>7,410,632</u>
15	Total	7,410,632
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	<u>7,410,632</u>
18	Total	7,410,632
19	Sec. B.340 Corrections - correctional facilities - recreation	
20	Personal services	447,785

1	Operating expenses	<u>455,845</u>
2	Total	903,630
3	Source of funds	
4	Special funds	<u>903,630</u>
5	Total	903,630
6	Sec. B.341 Corrections - Vermont offender work program	
7	Personal services	1,375,777
8	Operating expenses	<u>565,784</u>
9	Total	1,941,561
10	Source of funds	
11	Internal service funds	<u>1,941,561</u>
12	Total	1,941,561
13	Sec. B.342 Vermont veterans' home - care and support services	
14	Personal services	18,740,073
15	Operating expenses	<u>4,687,334</u>
16	Total	23,427,407
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	6,365,116
19	Special funds	8,474,443
20	Federal funds	8,176,862

1	Global Commitment fund	<u>410,986</u>
2	Total	23,427,407
3	Sec. B.343 Commission on women	
4	Personal services	300,078
5	Operating expenses	<u>70,983</u>
6	Total	371,061
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	<u>371,061</u>
9	Total	371,061
10	Sec. B.344 Retired senior volunteer program	
11	Grants	<u>151,096</u>
12	Total	151,096
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	<u>151,096</u>
15	Total	151,096
16	Sec. B.345 Green Mountain Care Board	
17	Personal services	7,312,099
18	Operating expenses	<u>1,407,428</u>
19	Total	8,719,527
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	2,119,482

1	Special funds	3,587,883
2	Federal funds	226,574
3	Global Commitment fund	2,567,518
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>218,070</u>
5	Total	8,719,527
6	Sec. B.346 Total human services	
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	690,747,501
9	Special funds	105,242,759
10	Tobacco fund	23,308,187
11	State health care resources fund	293,176,780
12	Education fund	3,189,163
13	Federal funds	1,408,931,087
14	Global Commitment fund	1,541,149,269
15	Internal service funds	1,941,561
16	Interdepartmental transfers	45,068,129
17	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
18	Total	4,112,779,436
19	Sec. B.400 Labor - programs	
20	Personal services	30,803,543
21	Operating expenses	8,195,159

1	Grants	<u>1,500,000</u>
2	Total	40,498,702
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	3,282,129
5	Special funds	3,616,477
6	Federal funds	31,891,593
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,708,503</u>
8	Total	40,498,702
9	Sec. B.401 Total labor	
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	3,282,129
12	Special funds	3,616,477
13	Federal funds	31,891,593
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,708,503</u>
15	Total	40,498,702
16	Sec. B.500 Education - finance and administration	
17	Personal services	8,778,194
18	Operating expenses	2,475,753
19	Grants	<u>17,087,879</u>
20	Total	28,341,826

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	3,475,789
3	Special funds	18,330,173
4	Education fund	1,015,606
5	Federal funds	2,714,811
6	Global Commitment fund	260,000
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,545,447</u>
8	Total	28,341,826
9	Sec. B.501 Education - education services	
10	Personal services	18,681,101
11	Operating expenses	1,604,659
12	Grants	<u>125,444,492</u>
13	Total	145,730,252
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	5,530,968
16	Special funds	3,908,374
17	Tobacco fund	750,388
18	Federal funds	133,477,859
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,062,663</u>
20	Total	145,730,252

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>4,254,045</u>
15	Total	4,254,045
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	787,995
18	Education fund	2,700,000
19	Federal funds	<u>766,050</u>
20	Total	4,254,045

1	Sec. B.504.1 Education - Flexible Pathways	
2	Grants	<u>7,200,000</u>
3	Total	7,200,000
4	Source of funds	
5	Education fund	<u>7,200,000</u>
6	Total	7,200,000
7	Sec. B.505 Education - adjusted education payment	
8	Grants	<u>1,352,200,000</u>
9	Total	1,352,200,000
10	Source of funds	
11	Education fund	<u>1,352,200,000</u>
12	Total	1,352,200,000
13	Sec. B.506 Education - transportation	
14	Grants	<u>18,745,381</u>
15	Total	18,745,381
16	Source of funds	
17	Education fund	<u>18,745,381</u>
18	Total	18,745,381
19	Sec. B.507 Education - small school grants	
20	Grants	<u>7,600,000</u>
21	Total	7,600,000

1	Source of funds	
2	Education fund	<u>7,600,000</u>
3	Total	7,600,000
4	Sec. B.508 Education - capital debt service aid	
5	Grants	<u>25,000</u>
6	Total	25,000
7	Source of funds	
8	Education fund	<u>25,000</u>
9	Total	25,000
10	Sec. B.510 Education - essential early education grant	
11	Grants	<u>6,442,927</u>
12	Total	6,442,927
13	Source of funds	
14	Education fund	<u>6,442,927</u>
15	Total	6,442,927
16	Sec. B.511 Education - technical education	
17	Grants	<u>13,613,512</u>
18	Total	13,613,512
19	Source of funds	
20	Education fund	<u>13,613,512</u>
21	Total	13,613,512

1	Sec. B.513 Appropriation and transfer to education fund	
2	Grants	<u>314,695,753</u>
3	Total	314,695,753
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	<u>314,695,753</u>
6	Total	314,695,753
7	Sec. B.514 State teachers' retirement system	
8	Grants	<u>83,809,437</u>
9	Total	83,809,437
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	75,912,816
12	Education fund	<u>7,896,621</u>
13	Total	83,809,437
14	Sec. B.514.1 State teachers' retirement system	
15	Personal services	6,192,879
16	Operating expenses	<u>1,494,552</u>
17	Total	7,687,431
18	Source of funds	
19	Pension trust funds	<u>7,687,431</u>
20	Total	7,687,431

1	Sec. B.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits	
2	Grants	<u>27,560,966</u>
3	Total	27,560,966
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	27,560,966
6	Education fund	<u>0</u>
7	Total	27,560,966
8	Sec. B.516 Total general education	
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	427,964,287
11	Special funds	22,238,547
12	Tobacco fund	750,388
13	Education fund	1,614,888,843
14	Federal funds	136,958,720
15	Global Commitment fund	260,000
16	Interdepartmental transfers	4,608,110
17	Pension trust funds	<u>7,687,431</u>
18	Total	2,215,356,326
19	Sec. B.600 University of Vermont	
20	Grants	<u>42,509,093</u>
21	Total	42,509,093

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	38,462,876
3	Education fund	0
4	Global Commitment fund	<u>4,046,217</u>
5	Total	42,509,093
6	Sec. B.601 Vermont Public Television	
7	Grants	<u>1</u>
8	Total	1
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	<u>1</u>
11	Total	1
12	Sec. B.602 Vermont state colleges	
13	Grants	<u>27,300,464</u>
14	Total	27,300,464
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	27,300,464
17	Education fund	<u>0</u>
18	Total	27,300,464
19	Sec. B.602.1 Vermont state colleges - Supplemental Aid	
20	Grants	<u>700,000</u>
21	Total	700,000

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	700,000
3	Education fund	<u>0</u>
4	Total	700,000
5	Sec. B.603 Vermont state colleges - allied health	
6	Grants	<u>1,157,775</u>
7	Total	1,157,775
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	748,314
10	Education fund	0
11	Global Commitment fund	<u>409,461</u>
12	Total	1,157,775
13	Sec. B.605 Vermont student assistance corporation	
14	Grants	<u>19,414,588</u>
15	Total	19,414,588
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	19,414,588
18	Education fund	<u>0</u>
19	Total	19,414,588

1	Sec. B.606 New England higher education compact	
2	Grants	<u>84,000</u>
3	Total	84,000
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	84,000
6	Education fund	<u>0</u>
7	Total	84,000
8	Sec. B.607 University of Vermont - Morgan Horse Farm	
9	Grants	<u>1</u>
10	Total	1
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	<u>1</u>
13	Total	1
14	Sec. B.608 Total higher education	
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	86,710,244
17	Education fund	0
18	Global Commitment fund	<u>4,455,678</u>
19	Total	91,165,922
20	Sec. B.700 Natural resources - agency of natural resources - administration	
21	Personal services	3,930,773

1	Operating expenses	1,090,586
2	Grants	<u>34,960</u>
3	Total	5,056,319
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	4,231,479
6	Special funds	554,112
7	Federal funds	15,000
8	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>255,728</u>
9	Total	5,056,319
10	Sec. B.701 Natural resources - state land local property tax assessment	
11	Operating expenses	<u>2,493,229</u>
12	Total	2,493,229
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	2,071,729
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>421,500</u>
16	Total	2,493,229
17	Sec. B.702 Fish and wildlife - support and field services	
18	Personal services	16,627,558
19	Operating expenses	5,223,271
20	Grants	<u>860,000</u>
21	Total	22,710,829

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	5,120,337
3	Special funds	266,350
4	Fish and wildlife fund	9,329,826
5	Federal funds	7,865,515
6	Interdepartmental transfers	127,801
7	Permanent trust funds	<u>1,000</u>
8	Total	22,710,829
9	Sec. B.703 Forests, parks and recreation - administration	
10	Personal services	1,353,932
11	Operating expenses	785,612
12	Grants	<u>2,061,750</u>
13	Total	4,201,294
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	1,480,709
16	Special funds	1,447,050
17	Federal funds	1,263,535
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>10,000</u>
19	Total	4,201,294
20	Sec. B.704 Forests, parks and recreation - forestry	
21	Personal services	5,345,642

1	Operating expenses	772,756
2	Grants	<u>500,000</u>
3	Total	6,618,398
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	4,638,604
6	Special funds	347,174
7	Federal funds	1,362,000
8	Interdepartmental transfers	195,999
9	Permanent trust funds	<u>74,621</u>
10	Total	6,618,398
11	Sec. B.705 Forests, parks and recreation - state parks	
12	Personal services	7,999,465
13	Operating expenses	<u>2,603,498</u>
14	Total	10,602,963
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	555,654
17	Special funds	<u>10,047,309</u>
18	Total	10,602,963
19	Sec. B.706 Forests, parks and recreation - lands administration	
20	Personal services	536,620

1	Operating expenses	<u>1,201,508</u>
2	Total	1,738,128
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	501,609
5	Special funds	144,769
6	Federal funds	1,073,000
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>18,750</u>
8	Total	1,738,128
9	Sec. B.707 Forests, parks and recreation - youth conservation corps	
10	Grants	<u>326,689</u>
11	Total	326,689
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	48,307
14	Special funds	188,382
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>90,000</u>
16	Total	326,689
17	Sec. B.708 Forests, parks and recreation - forest highway maintenance	
18	Personal services	94,000
19	Operating expenses	<u>85,925</u>
20	Total	179,925

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	<u>179,925</u>
3	Total	179,925
4	Sec. B.709 Environmental conservation - management and support services	
5	Personal services	5,671,296
6	Operating expenses	1,510,008
7	Grants	<u>187,442</u>
8	Total	7,368,746
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	931,187
11	Special funds	351,935
12	Federal funds	702,230
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>5,383,394</u>
14	Total	7,368,746
15	Sec. B.710 Environmental conservation - air and waste management	
16	Personal services	12,163,522
17	Operating expenses	8,258,175
18	Grants	<u>2,061,047</u>
19	Total	22,482,744
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	95,050

1	Special funds	18,252,862
2	Federal funds	3,944,591
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>190,241</u>
4	Total	22,482,744
5	Sec. B.711 Environmental conservation - office of water programs	
6	Personal services	18,132,902
7	Operating expenses	5,531,907
8	Grants	<u>24,284,028</u>
9	Total	47,948,837
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	7,564,123
12	Special funds	10,876,060
13	Federal funds	28,447,666
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,060,988</u>
15	Total	47,948,837
16	Sec. B.713 Natural resources board	
17	Personal services	2,556,391
18	Operating expenses	410,259
19	Grants	<u>100,000</u>
20	Total	3,066,650

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	607,606
3	Special funds	<u>2,459,044</u>
4	Total	3,066,650
5	Sec. B.714 Total natural resources	
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	28,026,319
8	Special funds	44,935,047
9	Fish and wildlife fund	9,329,826
10	Federal funds	44,673,537
11	Interdepartmental transfers	7,754,401
12	Permanent trust funds	<u>75,621</u>
13	Total	134,794,751
14	Sec. B.800 Commerce and community development - agency of commerce	
15	and community development - administration	
16	Personal services	3,175,456
17	Operating expenses	1,206,988
18	Grants	<u>3,537,627</u>
19	Total	7,920,071
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	3,707,045

1	Special funds	4,059,800
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>153,226</u>
3	Total	7,920,071
4	Sec. B.801 Economic development	
5	Personal services	2,295,552
6	Operating expenses	820,188
7	Grants	<u>3,679,403</u>
8	Total	6,795,143
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	4,602,224
11	Special funds	610,350
12	Federal funds	<u>1,582,569</u>
13	Total	6,795,143
14	Sec. B.802 Housing & community development	
15	Personal services	3,643,631
16	Operating expenses	786,231
17	Grants	<u>4,258,021</u>
18	Total	8,687,883
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	2,627,105
21	Special funds	4,490,916

1	Federal funds	1,468,739
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>101,123</u>
3	Total	8,687,883
4	Sec. B.804 Community development block grants	
5	Grants	<u>6,326,320</u>
6	Total	6,326,320
7	Source of funds	
8	Federal funds	<u>6,326,320</u>
9	Total	6,326,320
10	Sec. B.805 Downtown transportation and capital improvement fund	
11	Personal services	98,581
12	Grants	<u>335,151</u>
13	Total	433,732
14	Source of funds	
15	Special funds	<u>433,732</u>
16	Total	433,732
17	Sec. B.806 Tourism and marketing	
18	Personal services	1,191,303
19	Operating expenses	1,792,070
20	Grants	<u>121,880</u>
21	Total	3,105,253

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	3,075,253
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>30,000</u>
4	Total	3,105,253
5	Sec. B.807 Vermont life	
6	Personal services	715,174
7	Operating expenses	<u>47,849</u>
8	Total	763,023
9	Source of funds	
10	Enterprise funds	<u>763,023</u>
11	Total	763,023
12	Sec. B.808 Vermont council on the arts	
13	Grants	<u>675,307</u>
14	Total	675,307
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	<u>675,307</u>
17	Total	675,307
18	Sec. B.809 Vermont symphony orchestra	
19	Grants	<u>141,214</u>
20	Total	141,214

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	<u>141,214</u>
3	Total	141,214
4	Sec. B.810 Vermont historical society	
5	Grants	<u>996,945</u>
6	Total	996,945
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	<u>996,945</u>
9	Total	996,945
10	Sec. B.811 Vermont housing and conservation board	
11	Grants	<u>30,839,032</u>
12	Total	30,839,032
13	Source of funds	
14	Special funds	12,150,447
15	Federal funds	<u>18,688,585</u>
16	Total	30,839,032
17	Sec. B.812 Vermont humanities council	
18	Grants	<u>217,959</u>
19	Total	217,959

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	<u>217,959</u>
3	Total	217,959
4	Sec. B.813 Total commerce and community development	
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	16,043,052
7	Special funds	21,745,245
8	Federal funds	28,066,213
9	Interdepartmental transfers	284,349
10	Enterprise funds	<u>763,023</u>
11	Total	66,901,882
12	Sec. B.900 Transportation - finance and administration	
13	Personal services	11,835,039
14	Operating expenses	2,732,631
15	Grants	<u>55,000</u>
16	Total	14,622,670
17	Source of funds	
18	Transportation fund	13,520,910
19	Federal funds	<u>1,101,760</u>
20	Total	14,622,670

1	Sec. B.901 Transportation - aviation	
2	Personal services	3,502,776
3	Operating expenses	14,029,319
4	Grants	<u>204,000</u>
5	Total	17,736,095
6	Source of funds	
7	Transportation fund	4,929,552
8	Federal funds	<u>12,806,543</u>
9	Total	17,736,095
10	Sec. B.902 Transportation - buildings	
11	Operating expenses	<u>1,900,000</u>
12	Total	1,900,000
13	Source of funds	
14	Transportation fund	<u>1,900,000</u>
15	Total	1,900,000
16	Sec. B.903 Transportation - program development	
17	Personal services	53,313,749
18	Operating expenses	193,926,320
19	Grants	<u>40,242,156</u>
20	Total	287,482,225

1	Source of funds	
2	Transportation fund	39,895,056
3	TIB fund	8,198,136
4	Federal funds	238,291,275
5	Interdepartmental transfers	239,345
6	Local match	<u>858,413</u>
7	Total	287,482,225
8	Sec. B.904 Transportation - rest areas construction	
9	Personal services	42,274
10	Operating expenses	<u>620,726</u>
11	Total	663,000
12	Source of funds	
13	Transportation fund	79,774
14	Federal funds	<u>583,226</u>
15	Total	663,000
16	Sec. B.905 Transportation - maintenance state system	
17	Personal services	43,638,652
18	Operating expenses	45,265,393
19	Grants	<u>421,780</u>
20	Total	89,325,825

1	Source of funds	
2	Transportation fund	87,376,083
3	Federal funds	1,849,742
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>100,000</u>
5	Total	89,325,825
6	Sec. B.906 Transportation - policy and planning	
7	Personal services	3,804,950
8	Operating expenses	707,135
9	Grants	<u>6,084,347</u>
10	Total	10,596,432
11	Source of funds	
12	Transportation fund	2,706,491
13	Federal funds	7,755,912
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>134,029</u>
15	Total	10,596,432
16	Sec. B.907 Transportation - rail	
17	Personal services	6,410,380
18	Operating expenses	<u>30,670,870</u>
19	Total	37,081,250
20	Source of funds	
21	Transportation fund	18,935,869

1	TIB fund	2,840,249
2	Federal funds	15,269,507
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>35,625</u>
4	Total	37,081,250
5	Sec. B.908 Transportation - public transit	
6	Personal services	1,137,749
7	Operating expenses	120,263
8	Grants	<u>30,874,145</u>
9	Total	32,132,157
10	Source of funds	
11	Transportation fund	7,955,199
12	Federal funds	<u>24,176,958</u>
13	Total	32,132,157
14	Sec. B.909 Transportation - central garage	
15	Personal services	4,459,194
16	Operating expenses	<u>15,595,717</u>
17	Total	20,054,911
18	Source of funds	
19	Internal service funds	<u>20,054,911</u>
20	Total	20,054,911

1	Sec. B.910 Department of motor vehicles	
2	Personal services	18,395,579
3	Operating expenses	<u>10,906,337</u>
4	Total	29,301,916
5	Source of funds	
6	Transportation fund	27,773,478
7	Federal funds	1,423,438
8	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>105,000</u>
9	Total	29,301,916
10	Sec. B.911 Transportation - town highway structures	
11	Grants	<u>6,333,500</u>
12	Total	6,333,500
13	Source of funds	
14	Transportation fund	<u>6,333,500</u>
15	Total	6,333,500
16	Sec. B.912 Transportation - town highway local technical assistance program	
17	Operating expenses	71,627
18	Grants	<u>329,066</u>
19	Total	400,693
20	Source of funds	
21	Transportation fund	100,693

1	Federal funds	<u>300,000</u>
2	Total	400,693
3	Sec. B.913 Transportation - town highway class 2 roadway	
4	Grants	<u>7,848,750</u>
5	Total	7,848,750
6	Source of funds	
7	Transportation fund	<u>7,848,750</u>
8	Total	7,848,750
9	Sec. B.914 Transportation - town highway bridges	
10	Personal services	3,349,613
11	Operating expenses	13,074,396
12	Grants	<u>100,000</u>
13	Total	16,524,009
14	Source of funds	
15	Transportation fund	1,111,449
16	TIB fund	1,156,927
17	Federal funds	13,488,269
18	Local match	<u>767,364</u>
19	Total	16,524,009

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>180,000</u>
21	Total	180,000

1	Source of funds	
2	Transportation fund	20,000
3	Federal funds	<u>160,000</u>
4	Total	180,000
5	Sec. B.919 Transportation - municipal mitigation assistance program	
6	Operating expenses	150,000
7	Grants	<u>7,632,342</u>
8	Total	7,782,342
9	Source of funds	
10	Transportation fund	1,240,000
11	Special funds	1,100,000
12	Federal funds	<u>5,442,342</u>
13	Total	7,782,342
14	Sec. B.920 Transportation - public assistance grant program	
15	Operating expenses	640,000
16	Grants	<u>5,000,000</u>
17	Total	5,640,000
18	Source of funds	
19	Transportation fund	160,000
20	Special funds	2,000,000
21	Federal funds	3,000,000

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>480,000</u>
2	Total	5,640,000
3	Sec. B.921 Transportation board	
4	Personal services	205,657
5	Operating expenses	<u>28,093</u>
6	Total	233,750
7	Source of funds	
8	Transportation fund	<u>233,750</u>
9	Total	233,750
10	Sec. B.922 Total transportation	
11	Source of funds	
12	Transportation fund	249,382,048
13	TIB fund	12,195,312
14	Special funds	3,100,000
15	Federal funds	325,648,972
16	Internal service funds	20,054,911
17	Interdepartmental transfers	1,093,999
18	Local match	<u>1,625,777</u>
19	Total	613,101,019

1	Sec. B.1000 Debt service	
2	Operating expenses	<u>79,333,039</u>
3	Total	79,333,039
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	73,989,703
6	Transportation fund	1,709,452
7	ARRA funds	1,130,146
8	TIB debt service fund	<u>2,503,738</u>
9	Total	79,333,039
10	Sec. B.1001 Total debt service	
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	73,989,703
13	Transportation fund	1,709,452
14	ARRA funds	1,130,146
15	TIB debt service fund	<u>2,503,738</u>
16	Total	79,333,039
17	Sec. B.1100 NEXT GENERATION; APPROPRIATIONS AND	
18	TRANSFERS	
19	<u>(a) In fiscal year 2018, \$2,909,900 is appropriated or transferred from the</u>	
20	<u>Next Generation Initiative Fund created in 16 V.S.A. § 2887 as prescribed:</u>	

1 (1) Workforce education and training. The amount of \$1,605,400 as
2 follows:

3 (A) Workforce Education and Training Fund (WETF). The amount
4 of \$1,045,400 is transferred to the Workforce Education and Training Fund
5 created in 10 V.S.A. § 543 and subsequently appropriated to the Department of
6 Labor for workforce education and training. Up to seven percent of the funds
7 may be used for administration of the program. Of this amount, \$350,000 shall
8 be allocated for competitive grants for internships through the Vermont Strong
9 Internship Program pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 544.

10 (B) Adult Career Technical Education Programs. The amount of
11 \$360,000 is appropriated to the Department of Labor in consultation with the
12 State Workforce Development Board. This appropriation is for the purpose of
13 awarding competitive grants to regional technical centers and high schools to
14 provide adult career technical education, as that term is defined in 16 V.S.A.
15 § 1522, to unemployed and underemployed Vermont adults.

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

1 (2) Loan repayment. The amount of \$30,000 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 for a
4 loan repayment program for large animal veterinarians pursuant to 6 V.S.A.
5 § 20.

6 (3) Scholarships and grants. The amount of \$1,274,500 as follows:

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

17 (B) National Guard Educational Assistance. The amount of
18 \$150,000 is appropriated to Military – administration to be transferred to the
19 Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for the National Guard Educational
20 Assistance Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 2856.

1 (C) Dual enrollment programs and need-based stipend. The amount
2 of \$600,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Education for dual enrollment
3 programs consistent with 16 V.S.A. § 944(f)(2), and \$30,000 is appropriated to
4 the Agency of Education to be transferred to the Vermont Student Assistance
5 Corporation for need-based stipends pursuant to Sec. E.605.1 of this act.

6 Sec. B.1100.1 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR RECOMMENDATION FOR
7 FISCAL YEAR 2019 NEXT GENERATION FUND
8 DISTRIBUTION

9 (a) The Department of Labor, in coordination with the Agencies of
10 Commerce and Community Development, of Human Services, and of
11 Education, and in consultation with the State Workforce Development Board,
12 shall recommend to the Governor on or before December 1, 2017 how
13 \$2,909,900 from the Next Generation Initiative Fund should be allocated or
14 appropriated in fiscal year 2019 to provide maximum benefit to workforce
15 education and training, participation in secondary or postsecondary education
16 by underrepresented groups, and support for promising economic sectors in
17 Vermont. The State agencies and departments listed herein shall promote
18 actively and publicly the availability of the funds to eligible entities.

1 Sec. B.1101 FISCAL YEAR 2018 ONE-TIME GENERAL FUND

2 APPROPRIATIONS

3 (a) Department for Children and Families: The sum of \$600,000 in general
4 funds is appropriated to the Department for Children and Families to be used to
5 facilitate the development of two seasonal warming shelters, one in the
6 Rutland district office service area and one in the Barre district office service
7 area to be in place for the 2017-2018 heating season. The Department for
8 Children and Families and the local continuums of care in the Rutland and
9 Barre districts shall report on or before September 15 and November 15, 2017
10 to the Legislative Joint Fiscal Committee on the progress of the siting and
11 development of seasonal warming shelters in these two areas of the State. The
12 Secretary of Human Services and the Commissioner for Children and Families
13 shall work with hospitals and community organizations to access additional
14 funding, matching funds, and in-kind contributions, and to facilitate siting to
15 expand shelter availability throughout other regions of the State. A report on
16 projected shelter availability for the 2017-2018 heating season shall be
17 submitted to the Legislative Joint Fiscal Committee on or before
18 November 15, 2017.

19 (b) Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets: The sum of \$25,000 in
20 general funds is appropriated to the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets
21 to support the Farms 2+2 Program.

1 (c) Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets: The sum of \$75,000 in
2 general funds is appropriated to the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets
3 for a grant to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board for federal rural
4 development grant writing assistance.

5 Sec. B.1102 FISCAL YEAR 2018 MANAGEMENT SAVINGS

6 (a) The Secretary of Administration shall reduce fiscal year 2018
7 appropriations and make transfers to the General Fund for a total of
8 \$5,000,000. The Administration is not limited to the following proposals to
9 achieve this target, but shall analyze the following for fiscal year 2018
10 budgetary savings:

11 (1) the elimination of exempt positions;

12 (2) savings identified through improved business processes and
13 administrative efficiencies;

14 (3) administrative or contractual reductions, including savings from
15 improved systems of procurement;

16 (4) savings in State employee health care costs through increased price
17 awareness;

18 (5) the Agency of Human Services shall review and quantify savings
19 from improved oversight and fiscal controls in order to prevent fraud and
20 overpayment related to personal care services reimbursed by the departments
21 of the Agency;

1 (6) review of statewide operating expenses that include:

2 (A) physical space needs statewide for potential reduction of leased
3 space or divestment of owned real estate where appropriate;

4 (B) examination of the alignment of the cost control incentives or
5 disincentives in the State's largest internal service fund programs, including
6 fee for space, and innovation and information charges; and

7 (C) telecommunication services, postage equipment, and other
8 equipment rentals.

9 (b) The Department of Corrections shall be held harmless from the savings
10 target in subsection (a) of this section due to Corrections-specific existing
11 savings targets contained elsewhere in this act.

12 (c) Savings identified by the Administration to meet the target in
13 subsection (a) of this section shall be multiyear in nature to the greatest extent
14 possible. The Administration shall provide in the report required in subsection
15 (d) of this section the fully annualized savings for any reductions and transfers
16 that require more time to be fully implemented.

17 (d) The Secretary shall submit a written report of the appropriations
18 reductions and transfers to the Joint Fiscal Committee in November 2017. The
19 report shall include:

20 (1) the budgetary changes by agency and department and funding
21 source;

1 (2) the short- and long-term implications to individuals, organizations,
2 or State systems of each change;

3 (3) if any identified savings are only one-time in nature, the associated
4 longer term actions that the Secretary recommends to make the savings
5 continue into future years or become permanent; and

6 (4) if any reductions or transfers require specific statutory changes, these
7 shall be summarized in the report and presented in full to the House and Senate
8 Committees on Appropriations and other relevant standing committees during
9 the 2018 legislative session.

10 Sec. B.1103 [DELETED]

11 Sec. B.1104 [DELETED]

12 Sec. B.1105 [DELETED]

13 Sec. B.1106 [DELETED]

14 Sec. B.1107 [DELETED]

15 Sec. C.100 FISCAL YEAR 2017 ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS

16 (a) In fiscal year 2017, the sum of \$1,930,000 in general funds is
17 appropriated to the Secretary of Administration to be carried forward into
18 fiscal year 2018 for distribution to departments to provide funding for changes
19 in employee classification occurring in fiscal year 2017 that are approved in
20 accordance with the collective bargaining agreements.

1 (b) In fiscal year 2017, the sum of \$323,826 in general funds is
2 appropriated to the Judiciary for retroactive docket clerk reclassification.

3 (c) In fiscal year 2017, the sum of \$245,246 in general funds is
4 appropriated to the Attorney General to be carried forward into fiscal year
5 2018 for tobacco master settlement arbitration or litigation.

6 (d) In fiscal year 2017, the sum of \$100,000 in general funds is
7 appropriated to the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets to be carried
8 forward for fiscal year 2018 one-time expenditure by the Vermont Working
9 Lands Enterprise Board established in 6 V.S.A. § 4606 for investments in food
10 and forest system businesses and service providers pursuant to 6 V.S.A. § 4607
11 and consistent with the funding priorities in 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 142,
12 Sec. 5, as amended by 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.224.1.

13 (e) In fiscal year 2017, the sum of \$1,250,000 in general funds is
14 appropriated to the Department of Public Safety to purchase police cruiser and
15 body cameras, including equipment, maintenance, and warranty costs. The
16 first priority for the use of these funds shall be for the State match in fiscal
17 years 2018 and 2019 for federal NHTSA/GHSP funds for cruiser cameras
18 pending a waiver to meet “buy American” federal requirements. Second
19 priority is for cruiser cameras if a waiver is denied. Body cameras may be
20 purchased with any remaining funds.

1 (f) In fiscal year 2017, the sum of \$200,000 in general funds is
2 appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services to be used
3 in combination with available capital appropriations for activities to reuse the
4 Southeast State Correctional Facility located in Windsor, Vermont subsequent
5 to a plan specified in Sec. E.335.1 of this act.

6 (g) In fiscal year 2017, the sum of \$250,000 in general funds is
7 appropriated to the Agency of Administration for a one-time grant to the
8 Vermont Law School. This grant will provide a State match toward the
9 \$5,000,000 hybrid residential and online program designed to attract new
10 groups of national and international students to enroll in Vermont-based
11 programs at the law school.

12 (h) In fiscal year 2017, the sum of \$260,000 in general funds is
13 appropriated to the Office of the Attorney General to pay costs or liabilities
14 incurred by the Attorney General representing Vermont consumers in pending
15 matters relating to VW and the efficacy of a dietary supplement.

16 (i) In fiscal year 2017, the sum of \$880,000 in general funds is appropriated
17 to the Vermont State Colleges to pay the second of three installments to
18 support the unification of Johnson and Lyndon State Colleges into the new
19 Northern Vermont University.

20 (j) In fiscal year 2017, the sum of \$27,000 in general funds is appropriated
21 to the Department of Buildings and General Services to support the operating

1 expenses of the Bennington Welcome Center. For subsequent fiscal years,
2 operating expenses of the Bennington Welcome Center shall not be supported
3 with supplemental appropriations in addition to the amounts requested by the
4 Department of Buildings and General Services and approved by the General
5 Assembly in the annual appropriations bill.

6 (k) In fiscal year 2017, the sum of \$150,000 in general funds is
7 appropriated to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development for
8 the Vermont Small Business Development Center for the purpose of increasing
9 the number of business advisors in the State, with priority for underserved
10 regions.

11 (l) In fiscal year 2017, the sum of \$100,000 in general funds is appropriated
12 to the Office of Economic Opportunity in the Department for Children and
13 Families for pass-through grants to the Community Action Agencies to provide
14 funding for the regional Microbusiness Development Programs pursuant to
15 3 V.S.A. § 3722.

16 Sec. C.100.1 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MARKETING

17 (a) In fiscal year 2017, the Agency of Commerce and Community
18 Development is authorized to transfer and carry forward \$250,000 of general
19 funds appropriated for the Vermont Training Program to:

20 (1) implement the Department of Economic Development's economic
21 development marketing plan to attract and retain residents and businesses to

1 Vermont, highlighting the many positive features that make Vermont a great
2 place to live, work, and do business; and

3 (2) prioritize marketing tactics with the potential to shift most efficiently
4 and effectively perceptions about Vermont as a place to live and
5 work, and that will form a set of marketing assets and strategic
6 framework to sustain Department of Economic Development activities beyond
7 initial implementation.

8 (b) Funds available to implement this section may be matched with federal
9 funds, special funds, grants, donations, and private funds. To increase the
10 amount and effectiveness of marketing activities conducted, the Agency shall
11 collaborate with private sector partners to maximize State marketing resources
12 and to enable Vermont businesses to align their own brand identities with the
13 Vermont brand, enhancing the reputations of both the business and the State.

14 (c) Prior to taking any action pursuant to subsection (a) of this section,
15 including issuing any requests for proposals for contracts or grants to partner
16 with the Department in implementing this section, the Secretary of Commerce
17 and Community Development shall adopt relevant outcomes, performance
18 measures, and indicators in order to:

19 (1) clearly articulate the goals and expectations for the State's economic
20 development marketing plan and its implementation, any contracts or grants

1 with the Department, and for the activities of the Department and its
2 partners; and

3 (2) enable the General Assembly to evaluate the performance and
4 effectiveness of the plan and its implementation, and of the activities of the
5 Department and its partners undertaken pursuant to this section.

6 Sec. C.100.2 MEDICAID CARRY FORWARD REQUIREMENT

7 (a) In fiscal year 2017, the Agency of Human Services shall reserve and
8 carry forward to fiscal year 2018 \$1,250,000 of the general funds appropriated
9 in 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. B.301 as amended by 2017 Acts and
10 Resolves No. 3, Sec. 18. The Commissioner of Finance and Management is
11 authorized to adjust fiscal year 2017 Federal Fund and Global Commitment
12 Fund appropriations in the Agency of Human Services and Department of
13 Vermont Health Access to comport with this requirement.

14 Sec. C.101 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 60 is amended to read

15 Sec. 60. FUND TRANSFERS

16 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
17 2017:

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

20	21054	Misc. Fines & Penalties	442,849.77
21	21065	Financial Institute Supervision	728,499.86

1	21405	Bond Investment Earnings Fund	161,100.90
2	21550	Land & Facilities Trust Fund	450,000.00
3	21641	AG – Administrative Special Fund	30,848.02
4	21638	AG – Fees & Reimbursements -Court Order	<u>(est.)</u> 2,400,000.00
5	22005	AHS Central Office earned federal receipts	28,040,542.00
6	50300	Liquor Control Fund	955,000.00
7		Caledonia Fair	5,000.00
8		North Country Hospital Loan	24,250.00

9 (2) All or a portion of the unencumbered balances in the Insurance
10 Regulatory and Supervision Fund (Fund Number 21075), the Captive
11 Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund (Fund Number 21085), and the
12 Securities Regulatory and Supervision Fund (Fund Number 21080) expected to
13 be approximately ~~\$22,452,018~~ \$22,732,018 shall be transferred to the General
14 Fund, provided that on or before July 1, 2017, the Commissioner of Financial
15 Regulation certifies to the Joint Fiscal Committee that the transfer of such
16 balances, or any smaller portion deemed proper by the Commissioner, will not
17 impair the ability of the Department in fiscal year 2018 to provide thorough,
18 competent, fair, and effective regulatory services, or maintain accreditation by
19 the National Association of Insurance Commissioners; and that the Joint Fiscal
20 Committee does not reject such certification.

1 ~~Human Services—Global Commitment to ensure sufficient funding for Global~~
2 ~~Commitment during fiscal year 2017. Prior to the close of fiscal year 2017, the~~
3 ~~Commissioner shall determine the amount needed for transfer, and shall~~
4 ~~provide a written report to the Joint Fiscal Committee of the determination and~~
5 ~~the amount transferred. Any funds remaining in this appropriation and not~~
6 ~~transferred shall revert to the General Fund in fiscal year 2017.~~

7 ~~(b) The amount of funds appropriated in subsection (a) of this section shall~~
8 ~~be unreserved from the Human Services Caseload Reserve established in~~
9 ~~32 V.S.A. § 308b. The funds reverted in subsection (a) of this section shall be~~
10 ~~reserved in the Human Services Caseload Reserve.~~

11 (a) The amount of \$3,738,117 in general funds shall be unreserved from the
12 Human Services Caseload Management Reserve established in 32 V.S.A.
13 § 308b.

14 (b) At the close of fiscal year 2017 and after meeting the requirements of
15 Sec. C.100.2 of H.542 of the 2017 session, an amount up to \$3,738,117 of any
16 unencumbered General Fund appropriation in 2016 Acts and Resolves No.
17 172, Sec. B.301 as amended by 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 18, and as
18 further amended by Sec. C.107 of H.542 of the 2017 session, that would
19 otherwise be authorized to carry forward shall revert to the General Fund and
20 be reserved in the Human Services Caseload Management Reserve established
21 in 32 V.S.A. § 308b.

1 Sec. C.104 FISCAL YEAR 2017 27/53 RESERVE FUNDING SOURCE

2 TRANSFER

3 (a) Notwithstanding 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. B.1104 or any
4 other provision of law to the contrary, any General Fund amount reserved in
5 fiscal year 2017 in the 27/53 Reserve created in 32 V.S.A. § 308e shall be
6 unreserved.

7 (b) In fiscal year 2017, \$5,287,591 shall be transferred from the Global
8 Commitment Fund to the General Fund to be reserved in the 27/53 Reserve
9 created in 32 V.S.A. § 308e.

10 Sec. C.105 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. B.200 as amended by 2017
11 Acts and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 9 is further amended to read:

12 Sec. B.200 Attorney general

13 Personal services	9,160,530	8,900,530
14 Operating expenses	1,386,540	1,386,540
15 Grants	<u>26,894</u>	<u>26,894</u>
16 Total	10,573,964	10,313,964

17 Source of funds

18 General fund	4,598,420	4,338,420
19 Special funds	2,150,198	2,150,198
20 Tobacco fund	348,000	348,000
21 Federal funds	1,067,909	1,067,909

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,409,437</u>	<u>2,409,437</u>
2	Total	10,573,964	10,313,964
3	Sec. C.106 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. B.240 as amended by 2017		
4	Acts and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 16 is further amended to read:		
5	Sec. B.240 Total protection to persons and property		
6	Source of funds		
7	General fund	140,870,696	140,610,696
8	Transportation fund	21,150,000	21,150,000
9	Special funds	83,106,552	83,106,552
10	Tobacco fund	600,874	600,874
11	Federal funds	64,642,371	64,642,371
12	ARRA funds	650,000	650,000
13	Global Commitment fund	90,278	90,278
14	Interdepartmental transfers	12,737,631	12,737,631
15	Enterprise funds	<u>8,032,560</u>	<u>8,032,560</u>
16	Total	331,880,962	331,620,962
17	Sec. C.107 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. B.301 as amended by 2017		
18	Acts and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 18 is further amended to read:		
19	Sec. B.301 Secretary's office - global commitment		
20	Operating expenses	5,529,495	5,529,495
21	Grants	<u>1,596,194,550</u>	<u>1,599,932,667</u>

1	Total	1,601,724,045	1,605,462,162
2	Source of funds		
3	General fund	284,257,664	287,995,781
4	Special funds	28,263,866	28,263,866
5	Tobacco fund	29,716,875	29,716,875
6	State health care resources fund	297,599,293	297,599,293
7	Federal funds	961,846,347	961,846,347
8	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>40,000</u>	<u>40,000</u>
9	Total	1,601,724,045	1,605,462,162
10	Sec. C.108 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. B.345 as amended by 2017		
11	Acts and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 45 is further amended to read:		
12	Sec. B.345 Green Mountain Care Board		
13	Personal services	8,736,409	9,131,409
14	Operating expenses	<u>1,230,995</u>	<u>835,995</u>
15	Total	9,967,404	9,967,404
16	Source of funds		
17	General fund	1,401,276	1,401,276
18	Special funds	2,342,927	2,342,927
19	Federal funds	448,808	448,808
20	Global Commitment fund	4,281,832	4,281,832
21	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,492,561</u>	<u>1,492,561</u>

1	Total	9,967,404	9,967,404
2	Sec. C.109 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. B.346 as amended by 2017		
3	Acts and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 46 is further amended to read:		
4	Sec. B.346 Total human services		
5	Source of funds		
6	General fund	693,886,463	697,624,580
7	Special funds	99,545,755	99,545,755
8	Tobacco fund	33,550,914	33,550,914
9	State health care resources fund	297,599,293	297,599,293
10	Education fund	3,109,463	3,109,463
11	Federal funds	1,391,826,777	1,391,826,777
12	Global Commitment fund	1,540,769,628	1,540,769,628
13	Internal service funds	1,908,035	1,908,035
14	Interdepartmental transfers	24,664,768	24,664,768
15	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
16	Total	4,086,886,096	4,090,624,213
17	Sec. C.110 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. B.1000 as amended by 2017		
18	Acts and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 58 is further amended to read:		
19	Sec. B.1000 Debt service		
20	Operating expenses	<u>76,991,491</u>	<u>76,991,491</u>
21	Total	76,991,491	76,991,491

1	Source of funds		
2	General fund	71,120,080	71,120,080
3	Transportation fund	1,884,089	1,884,089
4	Special funds	336,000	336,000
5	ARRA funds	1,149,919	1,149,909
6	TIB debt service fund	<u>2,501,413</u>	<u>2,501,413</u>
7	Total	76,991,491	76,991,491

8 Sec. C.111 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. B.1001 as amended by 2017
9 Acts and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 59 is further amended to read:

10 Sec. B.1001 Total debt service

11	Source of funds		
12	General fund	71,120,080	71,120,080
13	Transportation fund	1,884,089	1,884,089
14	Special funds	336,000	336,000
15	ARRA funds	1,149,919	1,149,909
16	TIB debt service fund	<u>2,501,413</u>	<u>2,501,413</u>
17	Total	76,991,491	76,991,491

18 Sec. C.112 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. B.514 is amended to read:

19 Sec. B.514 State teachers' retirement system

20	Grants	78,959,576	<u>78,659,576</u>
21	Total	78,959,576	<u>78,659,576</u>

1	Source of funds		
2	General fund	<u>78,959,576</u>	<u>78,659,576</u>
3	Total	<u>78,959,576</u>	<u>78,659,576</u>

4 Sec. C.113 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. B.515 is amended to read:

5 Sec. B.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits

6	Grants	<u>22,022,584</u>	<u>22,322,584</u>
7	Total	<u>22,022,584</u>	<u>22,322,584</u>

8 Source of funds

9	General fund	<u>22,022,584</u>	<u>22,322,584</u>
10	Total	<u>22,022,584</u>	<u>22,322,584</u>

11 Sec. C.114 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. E.514 is amended to read:

12 Sec. E.514 State teachers' retirement system

13 (a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(g)(2), the annual contribution to
14 the State Teachers' Retirement System (STRS) shall be \$82,659,576, of which
15 ~~\$78,959,576~~ \$78,659,576 shall be the State's contribution and ~~\$3,700,000~~
16 \$4,000,000 shall be contributed from local school systems or educational
17 entities pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944c.

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1 Sec. C.115 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. E.515 is amended to read:

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

3 (a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944b(b)(2), ~~\$22,022,584~~ \$22,322,584
4 will be contributed to the Retired Teachers' Health and Medical Benefits plan.

5 Sec. C.116 32 V.S.A. § 131 is amended to read:

6 § 131. COMPOSITION

7 There shall be an Emergency Board to consist of the Governor, the Chair of
8 the Senate Committee on Finance, the Chair of the Senate Committee on
9 Appropriations, the Chair of the House Committee on Ways and Means, and
10 the Chair of the House Committee on Appropriations; but the Chair of any one
11 of such committees may designate a member of his or her committee who shall
12 be a member of such Board in lieu of the Chair. The Board shall meet at the
13 call of the Governor or a majority of the legislative members of the Board.

14 Sec. C.117 32 V.S.A. § 306 is amended to read:

15 § 306. BUDGET REPORT

16 (a) The Governor shall submit to the General Assembly, not later than the
17 third Tuesday of every annual session, a budget which shall embody his or her
18 estimates, requests, and recommendations for appropriations or other
19 authorizations for expenditures from the State Treasury. In the first year of the
20 biennium, the budget shall relate to the two succeeding fiscal years. In the
21 second year of the biennium, it shall relate to the succeeding fiscal year. The

1 budget shall be based upon the official State revenue estimates, including the
2 Medicaid estimated caseloads and per-member per-month expenditures,
3 adopted by the Emergency Board pursuant to section 305a of this title.

4 * * *

5 Sec. C.118 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 68(a) is amended to read:

6 (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law and subject to the approval
7 of the Secretary of Administration, General, Transportation, Transportation
8 Infrastructure Bond, ~~and~~ Education Fund, Clean Water Fund (Fund 21932),
9 and Agricultural Water Quality Fund (Fund 21933) appropriations remaining
10 unexpended on June 30, 2017 in the Executive Branch of State government
11 shall be carried forward and shall be designated for expenditure.

12 Sec. C.119 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. B.1106(b) as amended by
13 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 70 is further amended to read:

14 (b) The Secretary of Administration shall reduce fiscal year 2017
15 appropriations and make transfers to the General Fund for a total of \$343,369.
16 Savings in the amount of \$206,631 are included in the fiscal year 2017 budget
17 adjustment for a total savings of \$550,000. The remaining appropriations and
18 transfers for savings ~~associated with positions abolished in subsection (a) of~~
19 ~~this section~~ shall be made prior to close out of fiscal year 2017 and be reported
20 to the Joint Fiscal Committee at the July 2017 meeting.

1 Sec. C.120 GENERAL FUND YEAR END CLOSE OUT

2 (a) In fiscal years 2017 and 2018, after satisfying the requirements of
3 32 V.S.A. § 308, and after other reserve requirements have been met, the
4 provisions of 32 V.S.A. § 308c(a)(1)–(3) shall not be applied, and any
5 remaining unreserved and undesignated end of fiscal year General Fund
6 surplus shall be reserved in the General Fund Balance Reserve established in
7 32 V.S.A. § 308c.

8 Sec. D.100 APPROPRIATIONS; PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX

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

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

18 (2) The sum of \$11,304,840 is appropriated from the Vermont Housing
19 and Conservation Trust Fund to the Vermont Housing and Conservation
20 Board. Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 312, amounts above \$11,304,840 from

1 the property transfer tax that are deposited into the Vermont Housing and
2 Conservation Trust Fund shall be transferred into the General Fund.

3 (3) The sum of \$3,760,599 is appropriated from the Municipal and
4 Regional Planning Fund. Notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a), amounts
5 above \$3,760,599 from the property transfer tax that are deposited into the
6 Municipal and Regional Planning Fund shall be transferred into the General
7 Fund. The \$3,760,599 shall be allocated as follows:

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

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

12 (C) \$378,700 to the Agency of Commerce and Community
13 Development for the Vermont Center for Geographic Information, established
14 in 10 V.S.A. § 122.

15 Sec. D.100.1 REPEAL

16 (a) 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 45, Secs. 35 (repeal of change in allocation
17 of property transfer tax revenue) and 37(10), as amended by 2016 Acts and
18 Resolves No. 172, Sec. D.100.1 (effective date of change in allocation of
19 property transfer tax revenue) are repealed.

20 Sec. D.100.2 [DELETED]

1 Sec. D.101 FISCAL YEAR 2018 FUND TRANSFERS, REVERSIONS,
2 AND RESERVES

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

5 (1) From the General Fund to the Next Generation Initiative Fund
6 established by 16 V.S.A. § 2887: \$2,909,900.

7 (2) From the Clean Water Fund established by 10 V.S.A. § 1388 to the
8 Agricultural Water Quality Special Fund created under 6 V.S.A. § 4803:
9 \$1,225,000.

10 (3) From the Transportation Fund to the Downtown Transportation and
11 Related Capital Improvement Fund established by 24 V.S.A. § 2796 to be used
12 by the Vermont Downtown Development Board for the purposes of the Fund:
13 \$423,966.

14 (4) From the Transportation Infrastructure Bond Fund established by
15 19 V.S.A. § 11f to the Transportation Infrastructure Bonds Debt Service Fund
16 established by 32 V.S.A. § 951a for the purpose of funding fiscal year 2019
17 transportation infrastructure bonds debt service: \$2,504,688.

18 (b) Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
19 2018:

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

1	<u>21550</u>	<u>Land & Facilities Trust Fund</u>	<u>429,000.00</u>
2	<u>21638</u>	<u>AG-Fees & Reimbursements-Court Order</u>	<u>2,000,000.00</u>
3	<u>21909</u>	<u>Tax Computer System Modernization</u>	<u>798,808.00</u>
4	<u>21937</u>	<u>GMCB Regulatory and Admin Fund</u>	<u>850,000.00</u>
5	<u>22005</u>	<u>AHS Central Office earned federal receipts</u>	<u>32,971,342.00</u>
6	<u>50300</u>	<u>Liquor Control Fund</u>	<u>1,055,000.00</u>
7		<u>Caledonia Fair</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>
8		<u>North Country Hospital Loan</u>	<u>24,250.00</u>

9 (c) Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
10 2018:

11 (1) The following amounts shall revert to the General Fund from the
12 accounts indicated:

13	<u>1210001000</u>	<u>Legislative Council</u>	<u>150,000.00</u>
14	<u>1210002000</u>	<u>Legislature</u>	<u>385,000.00</u>
15	<u>1230001000</u>	<u>Sergeant at Arms</u>	<u>19,000.00</u>
16	<u>7120890704</u>	<u>International Trade Commission</u>	<u>7,711.88</u>

17 Sec. D.101.1 ONE-TIME FISCAL YEAR 2018 FUND TRANSFER TO
18 EDUCATION FUND

19 (a) In fiscal year 2018, the sum of \$3,270,000 is transferred from the
20 General Fund to the Education Fund.

1 Sec. D.101.2 ONE YEAR RESCISSION ELIGIBILITY FOR GENERAL
2 FUND TO EDUCATION FUND TRANSFER

3 (a) For fiscal year 2018 only and notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 704(g)(2),
4 the transfer and appropriation in Sec. B.513 of this act is subject to General
5 Fund rescissions not to exceed one percent of the transfer or the percent that
6 the rescission amount as specified in Sec. D.105(b) of this act is of the total
7 General Fund budget, whichever is less.

8 (b) Any rescission made to the transfer in subsection (a) of this section
9 shall be subtracted from the base amount used to calculate the General Fund
10 transfer under 16 V.S.A. § 4025(a)(2) for the next fiscal year.

11 Sec. D.102 TOBACCO LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUND BALANCE

12 (a) Notwithstanding 18 V.S.A. § 9502(b), the actual balances at the end of
13 fiscal year 2017 in the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund established by
14 32 V.S.A. § 435a shall remain for appropriation in fiscal year 2018.

15 Sec. D.103 TRANSFER OF TOBACCO TRUST FUNDS

16 (a) Notwithstanding 18 V.S.A. § 9502(a)(3) and (4), the actual amount of
17 investment earnings of the Tobacco Trust Fund at the end of fiscal year 2018
18 and any additional amount necessary to ensure the balance in the Tobacco
19 Litigation Settlement Fund at the close of fiscal year 2018 is not negative shall
20 be transferred in fiscal year 2018 from the Tobacco Trust Fund established by

1 18 V.S.A. § 9502(a) to the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund established by
2 32 V.S.A. § 435a.

3 Sec. D.104 HUMAN SERVICES CASELOAD MANAGEMENT RESERVE

4 (a) The sum of \$12,000,000 shall be reserved from the General Fund in the
5 Human Services Caseload Management Reserve established in 32 V.S.A.
6 § 308b.

7 Sec. D.105 FISCAL YEAR 2018 ONE-TIME CORPORATE TAX REFUND
8 OFFSET

9 (a) The Administration and Legislative economists have indicated that one-
10 time corporate tax refunds may result in a revenue downgrade for fiscal year
11 2018. To address the one-time fiscal impacts of this in fiscal year 2018, the
12 following actions are authorized:

13 (1) As part of the official revenue forecast for fiscal year 2018 under
14 32 V.S.A § 305a, the Emergency Board at its July 2017 meeting shall hear
15 testimony from the Administration and Legislative economists and adopt a
16 fiscal year 2018 estimate for expected corporate tax refunds above historical
17 trend.

18 (2) Based on the adopted amount of corporate income tax refunds under
19 subdivision (1) of this subsection, to the extent necessary the following offsets
20 will be made in the order below:

1 (A) The Commissioner of Finance and Management may review
2 fund balances in State special funds and end of fiscal year 2017 carry forward
3 appropriation balances throughout the Executive Branch. Up to \$5,000,000
4 may be identified for transfer or reversion to the General Fund. To the extent
5 necessary, the Emergency Board will review any proposed fund transfers and
6 under its authority pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 133(b) make fund transfers at a
7 meeting scheduled on or before September 15, 2017.

8 (B) Up to \$10,000,000 of the Global Commitment Fund balance may
9 be transferred to the General Fund.

10 (b) Any other revenue adjustments shall be made in accordance with end of
11 the year revenue offsets and the statutory rescission process under 32 V.S.A.
12 § 704.

13 Sec. D.106 USE OF HEALTH IT-FUND BALANCE

14 (a) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 10301(a), the Agency of Human Services
15 may expend \$2,000,000 of the Health IT-Fund as State match for Global
16 Commitment program expenditures in fiscal year 2018 and the sum of
17 \$500,000 is transferred from the Health IT-Fund to the General Fund and
18 reserved in the Rainy Day Reserve established in 32 V.S.A. § 308c. It is the
19 intent of the General Assembly to expend an additional \$2,000,000 from the
20 Health IT-Fund as State match for Global Commitment program expenditures
21 in fiscal year 2019.

1 Sec. D.107 FISCAL YEAR 2018 TRANSFER TO THE 27/53 RESERVE

2 (a) In fiscal year 2018, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
3 contrary, in order to meet the Medicaid 53rd week reserve requirement of the
4 27/53 Reserve, the sum of \$1,700,000 shall be transferred from the Global
5 Commitment Fund to the General Fund to be reserved in the 27/53 Reserve
6 created in 32 V.S.A. § 308e.

7 * * * GENERAL GOVERNMENT * * *

8 Sec. E.100 EXECUTIVE BRANCH POSITION AUTHORIZATIONS

9 (a) The establishment of the following new permanent classified positions
10 is authorized in fiscal year 2018:

11 (1) In the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets – one (1)

12 Microbiologist.

13 (2) In the Department of Taxes – two (2) Tax Examiner.

14 (b) The establishment of the following new permanent exempt position is
15 authorized in fiscal year 2017 as follows:

16 (1) In the Department of State’s Attorneys – one (1) Labor Relations
17 Manager. This position shall be transferred and converted from existing
18 vacant position number 267186 within the Department of State’s Attorneys.

19 (c) The establishment of the following new classified limited services
20 positions is authorized in fiscal year 2017:

21 (1) In the Department of Military – three (3) Security Guard.

1 (d) The positions established in this section shall be transferred and
2 converted from existing vacant positions in the Executive Branch, and shall not
3 increase the total number of authorized State positions, as defined in
4 Sec. A.107 of this act.

5 Sec. E.100.1 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.100(d), as amended by
6 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 4, Sec. 74, and 2016 Acts and Resolves No.172,
7 Sec. E.100.2, is further amended to read:

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

13 (1) Notwithstanding Sec. A.107 of this act, the Agency of
14 Transportation, the Department for Children and Families, the Agency of
15 Natural Resources, the Department of Buildings and General Services, the
16 Department of Labor, ~~and~~ the Department of Corrections, and the Department
17 of Public Safety shall not be subject to the cap on positions for the duration of
18 the Pilot. The Department of Corrections is authorized to add only
19 Correctional Officer I and II positions.

20 * * *

1 (7) This Pilot shall sunset on July 1, ~~2017~~ 2018, unless extended or
2 modified by the General Assembly.

3 (8) On or before January 15, 2018 the Commissioner of Human
4 Resources shall provide a report by department on the total number of
5 positions created under the authority of this section to the House and Senate
6 Committees on Appropriations. The Commissioner shall include in the report
7 a recommendation on whether this program should be expanded and continue
8 and, if so, should it be extended but remain in session law or be made
9 permanent by codification in statute.

10 Sec. E.100.2 REPEAL

11 (a) 3 V.S.A. § 2222a is repealed.

12 Sec. E.108 [DELETED]

13 Sec. E.108.1 CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM PLANNING

14 (a) As a continuation of classification system analysis begun pursuant to
15 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 58, Sec. E.100.1, the Department of Human
16 Resources shall issue an RFI for consultant services to assist the Department
17 with needs assessment, expertise, and project planning necessary to procure a
18 new Classification and Compensation system.

19 (b) A new Classification and Compensation system shall allow the State to:

20 (1) develop a broader classification system, utilizing fewer job
21 classifications;

1 (2) utilize a more modern, flexible, transparent system for managing job
2 evaluation and placement within the classified system; and

3 (3) provide a contemporary, flexible, easy to understand system for
4 managing pay that effectively combines recognition of competencies,
5 experience or longevity, or both, market parity, and excellence in performance.

6 (c) The Department shall submit a status report to the General Assembly on
7 or before January 31, 2018 that identifies progress in planning for the
8 development and implementation of a new Classification and Compensation
9 system.

10 Sec. E.108.2 3 V.S.A. § 310(a) is amended to read:

11 (a) The Department of Human Resources shall adopt a uniform and
12 equitable plan of classification for each position within State service, now or
13 hereafter created, including positions within the Department of Public Safety,
14 except those positions expressly excluded by section 311 of this title or by
15 other provisions of law. For purposes of internal position alignment and
16 assignment of positions to salary ranges, the plan shall be based upon a ~~point~~
17 ~~factor~~ job content comparison method of job evaluation. As used in this
18 section, “~~point factor~~ job content comparison method” means a system under
19 which positions are assigned to salary ranges based on a scale of values against
20 which job evaluations of individual positions are compared.

1 Sec. E.111 Tax – administration/collection

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

6 Sec. E.111.1 [DELETED]

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

8 (a) The \$3,537,525 interdepartmental transfer in this appropriation shall be
9 from the General Bond Fund appropriation in the Capital Bill of the 2017
10 legislative session.

11 Sec. E.126 2 V.S.A. § 691 is amended to read:

12 § 691. COMMITTEE CREATION

13 There is created a legislative Health Reform Oversight Committee. The
14 Committee shall be composed of the following ~~six~~ eight members:

- 15 (1) the Chair of the House Committee on Appropriations;
16 (2) the Chair of the Senate Committee on Appropriations;
17 (3) the Chair of the House Committee on Ways and Means;
18 (4) the Chair of the Senate Committee on Finance;
19 (5) the Chair of the House Committee on Health Care; ~~and~~
20 (6) the Chair of the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare;
21 (7) the Chair of the House Committee on Human Services; and

1 (8) the Chair of the Senate Committee on Economic Development,
2 Housing and General Affairs.

3 Sec. E.126.1 [DELETED]

4 Sec. E.127 [DELETED]

5 Sec. E.127.1 [DELETED]

6 Sec. E.133 Vermont state retirement system

7 (a) Notwithstanding 3 V.S.A. § 473(d), in fiscal year 2018, investment fees
8 shall be paid from the corpus of the Fund.

9 Sec. E.139 GRAND LIST LITIGATION ASSISTANCE

10 (a) Of the appropriation in Sec. B.139 of this act, \$9,000 shall be
11 transferred to the Attorney General and \$26,000 shall be transferred to the
12 Department of Taxes, Division of Property Valuation and Review and reserved
13 and used with any remaining funds from the amount previously transferred for
14 final payment of expenses incurred by the Department or towns in defense of
15 grand list appeals regarding the reappraisals of the hydroelectric plants and
16 other property owned by TransCanada Hydro Northeast, Inc. in the State of
17 Vermont. Expenditures for this purpose shall be considered qualified
18 expenditures under 16 V.S.A. § 4025(c).

19 Sec. E.142 Payments in lieu of taxes

20 (a) This appropriation is for State payments in lieu of property taxes under
21 32 V.S.A. chapter 123, subchapter 4, and the payments shall be calculated in

1 addition to and without regard to the appropriations for PILOT for Montpelier
2 and for correctional facilities elsewhere in this act. Payments in lieu of taxes
3 under this section shall be paid from the PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A.
4 § 3709.

5 (b) Total payments in lieu of property taxes under 32 V.S.A. chapter 123,
6 subchapter 4, in fiscal year 2018 to be paid from the PILOT Special Fund
7 under 32 V.S.A. § 3709 include the appropriation of \$7,600,000 in Sec. B.142
8 of this act, the appropriation of \$184,000 for the City of Montpelier in Sec.
9 B.143 of this act, the appropriation of \$40,000 for correctional facilities in Sec.
10 B.144 of this act, and the appropriation of \$146,000 for the supplemental
11 facility payments from the Department of Corrections to the City of Newport
12 and the Town of Springfield in Sec. B.338 of this act.

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

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

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

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

1 * * * PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY * * *

2 Sec. E.200 Attorney general

3 (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Office of the Attorney
4 General, Medicaid Fraud and Residential Abuse Unit, is authorized to retain,
5 subject to appropriation, one-half of the State share of any recoveries from
6 Medicaid fraud settlements, excluding interest, that exceed the State share of
7 restitution to the Medicaid Program. All such designated additional recoveries
8 retained shall be used to finance Medicaid Fraud and Residential Abuse Unit
9 activities.

10 (b) Of the revenue available to the Attorney General under 9 V.S.A.
11 § 2458(b)(4), \$1,115,500 is appropriated in Sec. B.200 of this act.

12 Sec. E.204 REPEAL; EXTENSION

13 (a) 2016 Acts and Resolves No.167, Sec. 2 is amended to read:

14 Sec. 2. REPEAL

15 4 V.S.A. § 38 (Judicial Masters) shall be repealed on July 1, ~~2019~~ 2020.

16 Sec. E.204.1 Vermont Rule of Criminal Procedure 43(a) is amended to read:

17 (a) Presence Required.

18 (1) The defendant shall be present at the arraignment, at any subsequent
19 time at which a plea is offered, at every stage of the trial including the
20 impaneling of the jury and the return of the verdict, and at the imposition of
21 sentence, except as otherwise provided by this rule.

1 (2) Arraignments shall be in person and shall be on the record and shall
2 not be performed by video conferencing or other electronic means unless the
3 defendant consents. Notwithstanding this subdivision, video conferencing may
4 be used to effect the appearance of the defendant at status conferences,
5 calendar calls, and other proceedings where the presence of the defendant is
6 not required by this rule.

7 Sec. E.204.2 [DELETED]

8 Sec. E.207 SHERIFFS' HOURLY PAYMENT PILOT

9 (a)(1) Notwithstanding any provision of 32 V.S.A. § 1591(2)(A) to the
10 contrary, during fiscal years 2018 and 2019 the Executive Director of the
11 Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs shall set rates not to exceed \$22
12 per hour for deputy sheriffs that provide necessary assistance in arresting or
13 transporting prisoners, juveniles, or persons with mental illness. In addition to
14 the rate established in this subdivision, a sheriff's department shall be
15 reimbursed for the actual costs for Social Security and Medicare taxes,
16 workers' compensation premiums, unemployment contributions, and other
17 reasonable expenses, provided the costs are attributable to the services
18 provided, documented in a manner required by the Executive Director, and
19 approved by the Executive Director.

1 (2) A law enforcement officer shall not receive compensation pursuant
2 to this subsection if otherwise compensated for the hours during which
3 transportation services are performed.

4 (3) The amounts paid pursuant to this subsection shall not exceed
5 \$441,688 in fiscal year 2018 or 2019.

6 (b) On or before January 15, 2019, the Executive Director of the
7 Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs shall submit a written report to
8 the House and Senate Committees on Judiciary and on Appropriations as to the
9 actual monies spent pursuant to this section, the impact on prison transport and
10 the Departmental budget, and any specific recommendations for statutory
11 changes and budget expenditures for the following fiscal years.

12 Sec. E.208 Public safety – administration

13 (a) The Commissioner of Public Safety is authorized to enter into a
14 performance-based contract with the Essex County Sheriff's Department to
15 provide law enforcement service activities agreed upon by both the
16 Commissioner of Public Safety and the Sheriff.

17 Sec. E.209 Public safety – state police

18 (a) Of this appropriation, \$35,000 in special funds shall be available for
19 snowmobile law enforcement activities and \$35,000 in general funds shall be
20 available to the Southern Vermont Wilderness Search and Rescue Team, which
21 comprises State Police, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, county sheriffs,

1 and local law enforcement personnel in Bennington, Windham, and Windsor
2 Counties, for snowmobile enforcement.

3 (b) Of this appropriation, \$405,000 is allocated for grants in support of the
4 Drug Task Force and the Gang Task Force. Of this amount, \$190,000 shall be
5 used by the Vermont Drug Task Force to fund three town task force officers.
6 These town task force officers shall be dedicated to enforcement efforts with
7 respect to both regulated drugs as defined in 18 V.S.A. § 4201(29) and the
8 diversion of legal prescription drugs. Any unobligated funds may be allocated
9 by the Commissioner to fund the work of the Drug Task Force and to support
10 the efforts of the Mobile Enforcement Team (Gang Task Force), or carried
11 forward.

12 Sec. E.212 Public safety – fire safety

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

16 Sec. E.215 Military – administration

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

1 Sec. E.219 Military – veterans’ affairs

2 (a) Of this appropriation, \$1,000 shall be used for continuation of the
3 Vermont Medal Program; \$4,800 shall be used for the expenses of the
4 Governor’s Veterans’ Advisory Council; \$7,500 shall be used for the Veterans
5 Day parade; \$5,000 shall be used for the Military, Family, and Community
6 Network; and \$10,000 shall be granted to the American Legion for the Boys’
7 State and Girls’ State programs.

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

10 Sec. E.220 Center for crime victim services

11 (a) Notwithstanding 20 V.S.A. § 2365(c), the Vermont Center for Crime
12 Victim Services shall transfer \$39,895 from the Domestic and Sexual Violence
13 Special Fund established in 13 V.S.A. § 5360 to the Criminal Justice Training
14 Council for the purpose of funding one-half of the costs of the Domestic
15 Violence Trainer position. The other half of the position will be funded with
16 an appropriation to the Criminal Justice Training Council.

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

18 (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.224 of this act, the amount of
19 \$805,352 in general funds is appropriated for expenditure by the Vermont
20 Working Lands Enterprise Board established in 6 V.S.A. § 4606 for
21 administrative expenses, and investments in food and forest system businesses

1 and service providers pursuant to 6 V.S.A. § 4607 and consistent with the
2 funding priorities in 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 142, Sec. 5, as amended by
3 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.224.1.

4 Sec. E.233 ENERGY PLANNING SUPPORT; ALLOCATION OF COSTS

5 (a) During fiscal year 2018, the Commissioner of Public Service, in
6 consultation with the Commissioner of Housing and Community
7 Development, shall award the amount of \$300,000 to regional planning
8 commissions established under 24 V.S.A. chapter 117 and to municipalities for
9 the purpose of providing training under 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 174.

10 (b) In awarding funds under this section, the Commissioners shall consider
11 the need and size of a municipality or region and the availability, if any, of
12 other assistance, expertise, or funds to a municipality or region to implement
13 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 174.

14 (c) The Commissioner of Public Service shall allocate costs under
15 subsection (a) of this section to the electric distribution utilities subject to its
16 supervision under Title 30 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated based on their
17 pro rata share of total Vermont retail kilowatt-hour sales for the previous fiscal
18 year. Each of these utilities shall pay its allocation into the State Treasury at
19 such time and in such manner as the Commissioner may direct.

20 Sec. E.234 [DELETED]

1 Sec. E.237 LIQUOR CONTROL WAREHOUSE; PRIVATIZATION;

2 MORATORIUM

3 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Liquor
4 Control Board and the Commissioner of Liquor Control shall not, prior to
5 fiscal year 2019, enter into a privatization contract, as defined in 3 V.S.A.
6 § 341, for the operation of the Liquor Control warehouse.

7 Sec. E.237.1 LOCAL AGENCY STORES; REQUIREMENTS

8 (a) Between July 1, 2017 and December 31, 2018, the Liquor Control
9 Board and the Department of Liquor Control shall not spend more for the
10 purchase of new or replacement signs and displays for local agency stores than
11 the amount of any increase in the budgeted revenues from sales of spirits and
12 fortified wines from fiscal year 2016 to fiscal year 2017.

13 (b) On or before January 15, 2019, the Commissioner of Liquor Control
14 shall submit to the House Committees on Appropriations and on General,
15 Housing and Military Affairs and the Senate Committees on Appropriations
16 and on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs a written report
17 that specifies the amount by which revenues from sales of spirits and fortified
18 wines increased from fiscal year 2016 to fiscal year 2017, and any
19 expenditures made by the Board or the Department for the purchase of new or
20 replacement signs and displays for local agency stores.

1 (c) The Board and the Department shall not require any local agency store
2 to purchase or otherwise pay for any new or replacement signs and displays
3 between July 1, 2017 and December 31, 2018.

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 2018 are made, notwithstanding
8 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec. D.104.

9 Sec. E.300.1 POSITION TRANSFER

10 (a) The Director of Health Care Reform established in 2011 Acts and
11 Resolves No. 48, Sec. 3b(e) is transferred from the Agency of Administration
12 to the Agency of Human Services.

13 Sec. E.300.2 3 V.S.A. § 3027 is added to read:

14 § 3027. HEALTH CARE SYSTEM REFORM; IMPROVING QUALITY
15 AND AFFORDABILITY

16 The Director of Health Care Reform in the Agency of Human Services shall
17 be responsible for the coordination of health care system reform efforts among
18 Executive Branch agencies, departments, and offices, and for coordinating
19 with the Green Mountain Care Board established in 18 V.S.A. chapter 220.

1 Sec. E.300.3 18 V.S.A. § 9491(a) is amended to read:

2 (a) The ~~director of health care reform~~ Director of Health Care Reform in
3 the ~~agency of administration~~ Agency of Human Services shall oversee the
4 development of a current health care workforce development strategic plan that
5 continues efforts to ensure that Vermont has the health care workforce
6 necessary to provide care to all Vermont residents. The ~~director of health care~~
7 ~~reform~~ Director of Health Care Reform may designate an entity responsible for
8 convening meetings and for preparing the draft strategic plan. The Green
9 Mountain Care ~~board~~ Board established in chapter 220 of this title shall review
10 the draft strategic plan and shall approve the final plan and any subsequent
11 modifications.

12 Sec. E.300.4 18 V.S.A. § 9602(a) is amended to read:

13 (a) The Agency of ~~Administration~~ Human Services shall ~~establish~~ maintain
14 the Office of the Health Care Advocate by contract with any nonprofit
15 organization.

16 Sec. E. 300.5 18 V.S.A. § 9607(b)(3) is amended to read:

17 (3) The Green Mountain Care Board shall administer the bill back
18 authority created in this subsection on behalf of the Agency of ~~Administration~~
19 Human Services in support of the Agency's contract with the Office of the
20 Health Care Advocate pursuant to section 9602 of this title to carry out the
21 duties set forth in this chapter.

1 Sec. E.300.6 18 V.S.A. § 9603(c) is amended to read:

2 (c) The Office of the Health Care Advocate shall be able to speak on behalf
3 of the interests of health care and health insurance consumers and to carry out
4 all duties prescribed in this chapter without being subject to any retaliatory
5 action; provided, however, that nothing in this subsection shall limit the
6 authority of the Agency of ~~Administration~~ Human Services to enforce the
7 terms of the contract.

8 Sec. E.300.7 18 V.S.A. § 9604 is amended to read:

9 § 9604. DUTIES OF STATE AGENCIES

10 All State agencies shall comply with reasonable requests from the Office of
11 the Health Care Advocate for information and assistance. The Agency of
12 ~~Administration~~ Human Services may adopt rules necessary to ensure the
13 cooperation of State agencies under this section.

14 Sec. E.300.8 FUNDING FOR THE OFFICE OF THE HEALTH CARE
15 ADVOCATE

16 (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.300 of this act, \$1,457,406 shall be
17 used for the contract with the Office of the Health Care Advocate.

18 Sec. E.300.9 [DELETED]

19 Sec. E.300.10 [DELETED]

20 Sec. E.300.11 [DELETED]

21 Sec. E.300.12 [DELETED]

1 Sec. E.300.13 [DELETED]

2 Sec. E.300.14 REPEALS

3 (a) 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 158, Secs. 1–12 (relating to commitment
4 of criminal defendant who is incompetent to stand trial because of traumatic
5 brain injury), and Sec. 16(a) as amended by 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172,
6 Sec. E.300.3.1 (effective date of Secs. 1–12), are repealed on June 30, 2017.

7 Sec. E.300.15 COMMISSION ON OFFENDERS WITH MENTAL
8 ILLNESS; REPORT

9 (a) On or before September 15, 2018, the Commission on Offenders with
10 Mental Illness shall report to the Joint Legislative Justice Oversight Committee
11 recommendations regarding how to define traumatic brain injury for purposes
12 of determining whether as the result of such an injury a criminal defendant was
13 insane at the time of the offense or is incompetent to stand trial. The
14 Commission’s report shall identify appropriate treatment options and venues
15 for criminal defendants with traumatic brain injury and shall include the
16 amount of funding required to implement the Commission’s recommendations.

17 Sec. E.300.16 AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES; ALIGNMENT OF CARE
18 COORDINATION EFFORTS

19 (a) The Secretary of Human Services shall conduct a comprehensive
20 review of the Agency’s care coordination efforts, including the Vermont
21 Chronic Care Initiative, the Blueprint for Health, the pediatric High Tech

1 Home Care program, and Community Rehabilitation and Treatment, in order
2 to align care coordination services across the Agency's programs and
3 initiatives, reduce duplication of efforts, and ensure that care coordination
4 services are delivered in a consistent manner in order to achieve the best results
5 for Vermonters and to use resources efficiently.

6 Sec. E.300.17 COMMUNITY GRANT INVENTORY AND
7 PRIORITIZATION

8 (a) On or before January 1, 2018, the Secretary of Human Services shall
9 submit a report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations
10 identifying grants to community partners funded by the General Fund, special
11 funds, or Global Commitment. The report shall prioritize the grants and
12 specify whether the grant provides a match required for federal funding other
13 than Medicaid. The report shall also provide the impact of reducing the
14 funding level of any grants in terms of:

- 15 (1) impacts on the safety and welfare of vulnerable Vermont residents;
16 (2) impacts on the Agency's other community partners;
17 (3) how a reduction fits within existing statutory guidelines; and
18 (4) minimizing or avoiding any shift in cost to another department or
19 program of the Agency of Human Services, to another agency or program of
20 State government, or to local government or public schools caused by a grant
21 reduction.

1 Sec. E.301 Secretary's office – Global Commitment

2 (a) The Agency of Human Services shall use the funds appropriated in
3 Sec. B.301 of this act for payment of the actuarially certified premium required
4 under the intergovernmental agreement between the Agency of Human
5 Services and the managed care entity, the Department of Vermont Health
6 Access, as provided for in the Global Commitment for Health Waiver (Global
7 Commitment) approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
8 under Section 1115 of the Social Security Act.

9 (b) In addition to the State funds appropriated in this section, a total
10 estimated sum of \$26,452,991 is anticipated to be certified as State matching
11 funds under the Global Commitment as follows:

12 (1) \$23,371,400 certified State match available from local education
13 agencies for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services under
14 the Global Commitment. This amount combined with \$27,128,600 of federal
15 funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act equals a total estimated
16 expenditure of \$50,500,000. An amount equal to the amount of the federal
17 matching funds for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services
18 under Global Commitment shall be transferred from the Global Commitment
19 Fund to the Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund created in 16 V.S.A.
20 § 2959a.

1 (2) \$3,081,591 certified State match available from local designated
2 mental health and developmental services agencies for eligible mental health
3 services provided under Global Commitment.

4 Sec. E.301.1 FISCAL YEAR 2018 UNENCUMBERED GENERAL FUND

5 APPROPRIATION

6 (a) At the close of fiscal year 2018, an amount up to \$10,000,000 of any
7 unencumbered General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.301 of this act that would
8 otherwise be authorized to carry forward shall revert to the General Fund and
9 be reserved in the Human Services Caseload Management Reserve established
10 in 32 V.S.A. § 308b.

11 Sec. E.306 VERMONT HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE RULES

12 (a) The Agency of Human Services may adopt rules pursuant to 3 V.S.A.
13 chapter 25 to conform Vermont's rules regarding health care eligibility and
14 enrollment and the operation of the Vermont Health Benefit Exchange to
15 federal guidance and regulations. The Agency may use the emergency rules
16 process pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 844 prior to June 30, 2018, but only in the event
17 that new federal guidance or regulations require Vermont to amend or adopt its
18 rules in a time frame that cannot be accomplished under the traditional rule-
19 making process. An emergency rule adopted under these exigent
20 circumstances shall be deemed to meet the standard for the adoption of
21 emergency rules required pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 844(a).

1 Sec. E.306.1 33 V.S.A. § 1998(f)(3) is amended to read:

2 (3) To the extent feasible, the Board shall review all drug classes
3 included in the preferred drug list at least every ~~12~~ 24 months and may
4 recommend that the Commissioner make additions to or deletions from the
5 preferred drug list.

6 Sec. E.306.2 MEDICAID PAYMENT ALIGNMENT

7 (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that alignment of the various
8 Medicaid provider payments, as funded in this act, support access to primary
9 care, including access to independent primary care practices and mental health
10 services statewide.

11 (b) In order to accomplish this, the Department of Vermont Health Access
12 is authorized to make adjustments and transfers within the related appropriated
13 amounts of fiscal year 2018 general funds for these line items in the aggregate
14 as follows:

15 (1) Adjust the total DSH amount to a level no lower than \$27,488,781.

16 (2) Set a specific limit for annual DSH payments to an in-state academic
17 postgraduate teaching facility within the DSH formula.

18 (3) Review and adjust current facility-based payments, and specifically
19 evaluate any Medicaid payments that are above the payment from Medicare for
20 the same service in order to further enhance primary care payments in fiscal
21 year 2018.

1 (c) The Department of Vermont Health Access shall report to the Joint
2 Fiscal Committee in September and November 2017 on any adjustments and
3 transfers made under this authority.

4 Sec. E.306.3 33 V.S.A. § 1811(d) is amended to read:

5 (d) A registered carrier shall guarantee acceptance of all individuals, small
6 employers, and employees of small employers, and each dependent of such
7 individuals and employees, for any health benefit plan offered by the carrier,
8 regardless of any outstanding premium amount a subscriber may owe to the
9 carrier for coverage provided during the previous plan year.

10 Sec. E.307 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 79, Sec. 53(d), as amended by 2014
11 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.307, as amended by 2015 Acts and
12 Resolves No. 58, Sec. E.307, as amended by 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172,
13 Sec. E.307.3, is further amended to read:

14 (d) Secs. 31 (Healthy Vermonters) and 32 (VPharm) shall take effect on
15 January 1, 2014, except that the Agency of Human Services may continue to
16 calculate household income under the rules of the Vermont Health Access Plan
17 after that date if the system for calculating modified adjusted gross income for
18 the Healthy Vermonters and VPharm programs is not operational by that date,
19 but ~~no~~ not later than December 31, ~~2017~~ 2018.

1 Sec. E.308 NURSING HOME MEDICAID RATES; CASE-MIX SCORES

2 (a) In order to ensure that eligible Vermont Medicaid beneficiaries have
3 access to high-quality care nursing home services, the Commissioner of
4 Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living and the Director of the Division of
5 Rate Setting in the Agency of Human Services shall review the Medicaid case-
6 mix scores of nursing homes in Vermont in order to:

7 (1) determine their overall effectiveness in allocating Medicaid funds to
8 nursing homes fairly; and

9 (2) assess the extent to which the case-mix scores adequately and
10 appropriately reimburse nursing homes for caring for patients who exhibit
11 challenging behaviors but who have little or no need for assistance with
12 activities of daily living.

13 (b) The Commissioner and Director shall provide the findings from their
14 assessment and any recommended changes to nursing home rate calculations to
15 the House Committees on Appropriations, on Health Care, and on Human
16 Services and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and
17 Welfare as part of the Agency of Human Services' fiscal year 2019 budget.

18 Sec. E.308.1 CHOICES FOR CARE

19 (a) In the Choices for Care program, "savings" means the difference
20 remaining at the conclusion of fiscal year 2017 between the amount of funds
21 appropriated for Choices for Care, excluding allocations for the provision of

1 acute care services, and the sum of expended and obligated funds, less an
2 amount equal to one percent of the fiscal year 2017 total Choices for Care
3 expenditure. The one percent shall function as a reserve to be used in the event
4 of a fiscal need to freeze Moderate Needs Group enrollment. Savings shall be
5 calculated by the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living
6 and reported to the Joint Fiscal Office.

7 (1) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Department of
8 Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living only obligate funds for
9 expenditures approved under current law.

10 (b)(1) Any funds appropriated for long-term care under the Choices for
11 Care program shall be used for long-term services and supports to recipients.
12 In using these funds, the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent
13 Living shall give priority for services to individuals assessed as having high
14 and highest needs and meeting the terms and conditions of the Choices for
15 Care program within the Global Commitment waiver.

16 (2)(A) First priority for the use of any savings from the long-term care
17 appropriation after the needs of all individuals meeting the terms and
18 conditions of the waiver have been met shall be given to home- and
19 community-based services.

20 (B) Savings either shall be one-time investments or shall be used in
21 ways that are sustainable into the future.

1 (C) The Department may allocate savings between home- and
2 community-based provider rates, base funding to expand capacity to
3 accommodate additional enrollees in home- and community-based services,
4 and equitable funding of adult day providers, including whether some amount,
5 up to 20 percent of the total savings, should be used to increase provider rates.
6 The Department shall provide a report to the House Committee on Human
7 Services and to the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare on the use of
8 savings.

9 (D) Savings may also be used for quality improvement purposes in
10 nursing homes but shall not be used to increase nursing home rates under
11 33 V.S.A. § 905.

12 (E) 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, 2017, 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) The Commissioner shall determine how to allocate any Choices for
4 Care program savings available at the end of fiscal year 2017 and shall report
5 to the Joint Fiscal Committee at the regularly scheduled September 2017
6 meeting on these allocations.

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.308.2 CODIFICATION OF CHOICES FOR CARE ANNUAL

12 SAVINGS

13 (a) The Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living shall
14 make a recommendation to codify the process of determining, allocating, and
15 dispensing any Choices for Care annual savings with its fiscal year 2019
16 budget presentation.

17 Sec. E.310 [DELETED]

18 Sec. E.312 Health – public health

19 (a) AIDS/HIV funding:

20 (1) In fiscal year 2018 and as provided in this section, the Department of
21 Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$475,000 in AIDS Medication

1 Rebates special funds to the Vermont AIDS service and peer-support
2 organizations for client-based support services. The Department of Health
3 AIDS Program shall meet at least quarterly with the Community Advisory
4 Group (CAG) with current information and data relating to service initiatives.
5 The funds shall be allocated according to an RFP process.

6 (2) Ryan White Title II funds for AIDS services and the Vermont
7 Medication Assistance Program (VMAP) shall be distributed in accordance
8 with federal guidelines. The federal guidelines shall not apply to programs or
9 services funded solely by State general funds.

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

15 (B) As provided in this section, the Secretary of Human Services
16 shall work in collaboration with the VMAP Advisory Committee, which shall
17 be composed of not less than 50 percent of members who are living with
18 HIV/AIDS. If a modification to the program's eligibility requirements or
19 benefit coverage is considered, the Committee shall make recommendations
20 regarding the program's formulary of approved medication, related laboratory
21 testing, nutritional supplements, and eligibility for the program.

1 (4) In fiscal year 2018, the Department of Health shall provide grants in
2 the amount of \$100,000 in general funds to Vermont AIDS service
3 organizations and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers for
4 community-based HIV prevention programs and services. These funds shall
5 be used for HIV/AIDS prevention purposes, including syringe exchange
6 programs; improving the availability of confidential and anonymous HIV
7 testing; prevention work with at-risk groups such as women, intravenous drug
8 users, and people of color; and anti-stigma campaigns. Not more than
9 15 percent of the funds may be used for the administration of such services by
10 the recipients of these funds. The method by which these prevention funds is
11 distributed shall be determined by mutual agreement of the Department of
12 Health and the Vermont AIDS service organizations and other Vermont
13 HIV/AIDS prevention providers.

14 (5) In fiscal year 2018, the Department of Health shall provide grants in
15 the amount of \$150,000 in general funds to Vermont AIDS service
16 organizations and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers for syringe
17 exchange programs. The method by which these prevention funds is
18 distributed shall be determined by mutual agreement of the Department of
19 Health, the Vermont AIDS service organizations, and other Vermont
20 HIV/AIDS prevention providers. The performance period for these grants will
21 be State fiscal year 2018. Grant reporting shall include outcomes and results.

1 (b) Improving outcomes for pregnant women:

2 (1) Statistics from the Department of Health indicate that rates of
3 women who smoke during pregnancy in Vermont are approximately twice the
4 national average. Although the rates of pregnant women who smoke in
5 Vermont decreased slightly between 2009 and 2014, there is an opportunity to
6 make additional progress on this very important health indicator. The
7 Commissioner shall prioritize funding for tobacco cessation to address the
8 rates of smoking among pregnant women by utilizing evidence-based best
9 practices. Not less than \$50,000 of the funding for tobacco cessation and
10 prevention activities in fiscal year 2018 shall be used to implement or expand
11 evidence-based interventions intended to reduce tobacco use among pregnant
12 women. The Commissioner shall report on the specific expenditure of this
13 allocation by functional activity as part of the fiscal year 2019 budget
14 presentation to the General Assembly.

15 (2) In consultation with Hunger Free Vermont and representatives from
16 community food shelf or nutrition focused organizations, prenatal and
17 postnatal health care providers, and child care providers, the Commissioner of
18 Health shall develop and implement an outreach plan to Vermonters who are
19 eligible but not enrolled in the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program.

20 (3) The Commissioner shall report to the House Committees on
21 Appropriations and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on

1 Appropriations and on Health and Welfare during fiscal year 2019 budget
2 testimony on the progress made toward reducing the rates of pregnant women
3 who smoke during pregnancy and improving the number of eligible WIC
4 clients who enroll for services.

5 Sec. E.314 TRANSPORTING PATIENTS

6 (a) Beginning on July 1, 2017, any new or renewed contracts entered into
7 by the Agency of Human Services with designated professionals or law
8 enforcement officers for transport of persons pursuant to 18 V.S.A. § 7511 or
9 the transport of children pursuant to 33 V.S.A. § 5123 shall include the
10 requirement to comply with the Agency's policies on the use of restraints.

11 Sec. E.314.1 DESIGNATED AND SPECIALIZED SERVICE AGENCY

12 EMPLOYEE WAGES

13 (a) A total of \$8,370,000 appropriated in Secs. B.314 (Mental Health) and
14 B.333 (Developmental Services) shall be used to increase payments to the
15 designated and specialized service agencies in fiscal year 2018.

16 (b) It is the intent of the General Assembly that funds allocated in
17 subsection (a) of this section for increased payments to the designated and
18 specialized service agencies in fiscal year 2018 be used to fund or offset the
19 costs of increasing the hourly wages of workers to \$14 and to increase the
20 salaries for crisis response and crisis bed personnel in a manner that advances
21 the goal of achieving competitive compensation to regionally equivalent State,

1 health care, or school-based positions of equal skills, credentials, and lengths
2 of employment. It is the sole responsibility of each individual designated and
3 specialized service agency to use the revenue from increased Medicaid
4 payments allocated in subsection (a) of this section to fund increases to worker
5 salaries.

6 (c) To the extent that sufficient funds are unavailable to further the
7 purposes of this section, the designated and specialized service agencies, in
8 consultation with the Departments of Mental Health and of Disabilities, Aging,
9 and Independent Living, shall reduce services or other operations in proportion
10 to the amount necessary to achieve increased hourly wages. The funding of
11 crisis services shall remain a priority and shall not be compromised as a result
12 of other necessary reductions in services.

13 Sec. E.314.2 FISCAL YEAR 2019 BUDGETING FOR DESIGNATED AND
14 SPECIALIZED SERVICE AGENCIES

15 (a) The Secretary of Human Services, in consultation with the Departments
16 of Mental Health and of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living, shall
17 estimate the levels of funding necessary to sustain the designated and
18 specialized service agencies' workforce, including increases in the hourly
19 wages of workers to \$15, and to increase the salaries for clinical employees
20 and other personnel in a manner that advances the goal of achieving
21 competitive compensation to regionally equivalent State, health care, or

1 school-based positions of equal skills, credentials, and lengths of employment;
2 enable the designated and specialized service agencies to meet their statutorily
3 mandated responsibilities and required outcomes; identify the required
4 outcomes; and establish recommended levels of increased funding for
5 inclusion in the fiscal year 2019 budget.

6 (b) The Commissioner shall submit the estimates calculated pursuant to
7 subsection (a) of this section on or before December 15, 2017 to the House
8 Committees on Appropriations and on Health Care and to the Senate
9 Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare.

10 Sec. E.314.3 [DELETED]

11 Sec. E.314.4 [DELETED]

12 Sec. E.316 ECONOMIC SERVICES DIVISION; INNOVATION IN
13 DELIVERY OF SERVICES

14 (a) For the purpose of exploring innovative approaches to the
15 administration of programs within the Department for Children and Families'
16 Economic Services Division, the Commissioner may authorize pilot programs
17 within specific regions of the State that waive Division rules adopted pursuant
18 to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 in a manner that does not impact program eligibility or
19 benefits. Temporarily waiving some existing rules for a prescribed period of
20 time shall enable the Division to test innovative ideas for improving the

1 delivery of services with the specific goal of achieving more responsive client
2 services and operational efficiencies.

3 (b) During fiscal year 2018, the Division may propose pilot programs in
4 accordance with the goals described in subsection (a) of this section to the
5 Commissioner for approval. Each proposal shall outline the targeted service
6 area, efficiencies sought, rules to be waived, duration of the program, and
7 evaluation criteria. Notice shall be given to clients affected by a pilot program
8 and to the chairs of the House Committee on Human Services and Senate
9 Committee on Health and Welfare prior to the commencement of the pilot
10 program, including a description of how benefit delivery will be affected,
11 length of the program, and right to a fair hearing.

12 (c) On or before January 15, 2019, the Commissioner shall submit a report
13 to the House Committee on Human Services and to the Senate Committee on
14 Health and Welfare summarizing the pilot programs implemented pursuant to
15 this section and any findings and recommendations. In the event a particular
16 pilot program is successful at improving the delivery of services to clients, the
17 Commissioner may seek to amend the Division's rules in conformity with the
18 approach used by the pilot program pursuant to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25.

19 Sec. E.317 USE OF RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES

20 (a) At a November 2017 meeting of the Joint Legislative Justice Oversight
21 Committee and Joint Legislative Child Protection Oversight Committee, the

1 Commissioner for Children and Families with the assistance of the
2 Departments of Mental Health and of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent
3 Living and the Agency of Education shall present a report on the use of out-of-
4 state and in-state residential placements, including Woodside. The report shall
5 include the following:

6 (1) utilization for fiscal years 2015, 2016, and 2017, including the
7 number and age of children placed by facility and the total bed days utilized.

8 (2) for each facility, the average daily costs for specific levels of service
9 or treatment acuity in fiscal years 2015, 2016, and 2017 and the total amount
10 paid to each facility by department and by funding source in fiscal years 2015,
11 2016, and 2017.

12 (3) measures used by the Department to determine outcomes for the
13 children placed in these facilities and the cost effectiveness of these facilities,
14 including length of stay, intensity of services provided, reunification of
15 children with their family or home community, or both, relapse or readmittance
16 rates or subsequent involvement with the criminal justice system, or both; and

17 (4) the specific steps taken over the past three years by the Departments
18 and the Agency to increase community-based supports for youths in custody
19 while reducing use of residential care.

20 (b) The report shall also be provided to the House Committees on
21 Appropriations, on Judiciary, on Human Services, and on Corrections and

1 Institutions and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations, on Judiciary, on
2 Health and Welfare, and on Institutions.

3 Sec. E.318 EARLY CARE AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FUNDING

4 (a) Of the additional \$2,500,000 in general funds appropriated in

5 Sec. B.318 of this act:

6 (1) an amount shall be allocated as needed to bring the baseline year
7 used to determine eligibility for the Child Care Financial Assistance Program
8 from the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) that was in place in 2016 to the 2017
9 FPL, which is the most current FPL for State fiscal year 2018; and

10 (2) the remaining amount shall be used for the Early Care and
11 Development program as specified in Sec. E.318.1 of this act.

12 Sec. E.318.1 EARLY CARE AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM GRANT

13 (a) In fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the Department for Children and
14 Families shall award 70 percent of funds designated for the Early Care and
15 Development Program Grants to center-based child care and preschool
16 programs participating in the Step Ahead Recognition System (STARS) and 30
17 percent of the designated funds to family child care homes participating in
18 STARS in accordance with the formula described in subsection (b) of this
19 section.

1 (b) The Department's Child Development Division shall calculate
2 eligibility for Early Care and Development Program Grants on a quarterly
3 basis. In determining eligibility, the Division shall consider:

4 (1) the percent of enrollees receiving a Child Care Financial Assistance
5 Program (CCFAP) subsidy as compared to a center-based child care and
6 preschool program of a family child care home's licensed capacity at a weight
7 of 70 percent;

8 (2) the average number of enrollees at a center-based child care and
9 preschool program or family child care home receiving a CCFAP subsidy at a
10 weight of 15 percent; and

11 (3) the average number of infants and toddlers enrolled in a center-based
12 child care and preschool program or family child care home at a weight of 15
13 percent.

14 (c) The Division shall provide Early Care and Development Program
15 Grants to eligible child care and preschool programs or family child care
16 homes as funds allow. Center-based child care and preschool programs or
17 family child care homes receiving Early Care and Development Program
18 Grants shall remain in compliance with the Department's rules, continue
19 participation in STARS, and maintain high enrollment of children receiving a
20 CCFAP subsidy.

1 Sec. E.321 HOUSING ASSISTANCE BENEFITS; FLEXIBILITY
2 PROGRAM; COMMUNITY BASED ALTERNATIVES TO
3 GENERAL ASSISTANCE TEMPORARY HOUSING

4 (a) For fiscal year 2018, the Agency of Human Services may continue to
5 fund housing assistance programs within the General Assistance program to
6 create flexibility to provide General Assistance benefits, as well as grants to
7 support the establishment of community-based alternatives for temporary
8 housing as part of the effort to reduce the number of individuals temporarily
9 housed by the General Assistance program. The purpose of these housing
10 assistance programs and community-based alternatives is to mitigate poverty
11 and serve applicants more effectively than they are currently being served with
12 General Assistance funds. Eligible activities shall include, among other things,
13 the provision of shelter, overflow shelter, case management, transitional
14 housing, deposits, down payments, rental assistance, upstream prevention, and
15 related services that ensure that all Vermonters have access to shelter, housing,
16 and the services they need to become safely housed. The Agency may award
17 grants to homeless and housing service providers for eligible activities. Where
18 such housing assistance programs and grants are provided and community-
19 based programs are established, the General Assistance rules will not apply.
20 The assistance provided under this section is not an entitlement and may be
21 discontinued when the appropriation has been fully spent.

1 (b) The housing assistance and community-based programs may operate in
2 up to 12 districts designated by the Secretary of Human Services. The Agency
3 shall establish goals and procedures for evaluating the program overall,
4 including performance measures that demonstrate program results, and for
5 each district in which the Agency operates the program, it shall establish
6 procedures for evaluating the 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 housing assistance programs and community-based alternatives
10 to General Assistance temporary housing.

11 Sec. E.321.1 GENERAL ASSISTANCE HOUSING

12 (a) Funds appropriated to the Agency of Human Services in the General
13 Assistance program in fiscal year 2018 may be used for temporary housing in
14 catastrophic situations and for vulnerable populations, as defined in rules
15 adopted by the Agency. The Commissioner for Children and Families may, by
16 policy, provide temporary housing for a limited duration in adverse weather
17 conditions when appropriate shelter space is not available.

18 Sec. E.321.2 33 V.S.A. § 2115 is amended to read:

19 § 2115. GENERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM REPORT

20 On or before ~~January 15~~ September 1 of each year, the Commissioner for
21 Children and Families shall submit a written report to the Joint Fiscal

1 Committee; the House Committees on Appropriations, on General, Housing
2 and Military Affairs, and on Human Services; and the Senate Committees on
3 Appropriations and on Health and Welfare ~~containing~~. The report shall
4 contain the following:

5 (1) an evaluation of the General Assistance program during the previous
6 fiscal year;

7 (2) any recommendations for changes to the program; ~~and~~

8 (3) a plan for continued implementation of the program;

9 (4) statewide statistics using deidentified data related to the use of
10 emergency housing vouchers during the preceding State fiscal year, including
11 demographic information, client data, shelter and motel usage rates, clients'
12 primary stated cause of homelessness, average lengths of stay in emergency
13 housing by demographic group and by type of housing; and

14 (5) other information the Commissioner deems appropriate.

15 Sec. E.324 LIHEAP AND WEATHERIZATION

16 (a) Notwithstanding 33 V.S.A. § 2501, in fiscal year 2018, the Secretary of
17 Administration may, upon recommendation of the Secretary of Human
18 Services, transfer up to 15 percent of the federal fiscal year 2018 federal Low
19 Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) block grant from the
20 federal funds appropriation in Sec. B.324 of this act to the Home
21 Weatherization Assistance appropriation in Sec. B.326 of this act to be used

1 for weatherization in State fiscal year 2018. An equivalent appropriation
2 transfer shall be made to Sec. B.324 of this act, Low Income Home Energy
3 Assistance Program, from the Home Weatherization Assistance Fund in
4 Sec. B.326 of this act to provide home heating fuel benefits in State fiscal year
5 2018. At least three days prior to any such transfer being made, the Secretary
6 of Administration shall report the intended transfer to the Joint Fiscal Office
7 and shall report any completed transfers to the Joint Fiscal Committee at its
8 next meeting.

9 Sec. E.324.1 EXPEDITED CRISIS FUEL ASSISTANCE

10 (a) The Commissioner for Children and Families or designee may authorize
11 crisis fuel assistance to those income-eligible households that have applied for
12 an expedited seasonal fuel benefit but have not yet received it, if the benefit
13 cannot be executed in time to prevent them from running out of fuel. The
14 crisis fuel grants authorized pursuant to this section count toward the one crisis
15 fuel grant allowed per household for the winter heating season pursuant to
16 33 V.S.A. § 2609(b).

17 Sec. E.325 Department for children and families – office of economic
18 opportunity

19 (a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.325 of this act, \$1,092,000
20 shall be granted to community agencies for homeless assistance by preserving
21 existing services, increasing services, or increasing resources available

1 statewide. These funds may be granted alone or in conjunction with federal
2 Emergency Solutions Grants funds. Grant decisions shall be made with
3 assistance from the Vermont Coalition to End Homelessness.

4 Sec. E.326 Department for children and families – OEO – weatherization
5 assistance

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

8 Sec. E.327 WOODSIDE GLOBAL COMMITMENT FUNDING

9 (a) Upon any notification by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid
10 Services or upon determination by the Agency of Human Services that
11 Medicaid funding will not be available to the State for the operation of
12 Woodside Juvenile Rehabilitation Center in fiscal year 2018, the Secretary of
13 Human Services and the Commissioner for Children and Families shall:

14 (1) immediately inform the Joint Fiscal Committee, the House and Senate
15 Committees on Judiciary, the House Committee on Corrections and
16 Institutions, and the Senate Committee on Institutions of such notification or
17 determination; and

18 (2) within 30 days of such notification or determination, develop and
19 submit a proposal to the Committees named in subdivision (1) of this
20 subsection that includes:

1 (A) a plan to suspend operations at the Woodside facility while
2 ensuring alternative placements are made that meet the service needs for the
3 delinquent youths currently placed there; and

4 (B) a fiscal impact analysis that includes fiscal year 2018 and long
5 term fiscal cost estimates.

6 Sec. E.335 ELECTRONIC MONITORING

7 (a) The Commissioner of Corrections shall implement an active electronic
8 monitoring program with real-time enforcement. The Commissioner of
9 Corrections, in consultation with the Department of State's Attorneys and
10 Sheriffs, may contract with a third party to electronically monitor offender
11 positioning.

12 (b) The Electronic Monitoring Program described in subsection (a) of this
13 section may be used to monitor, in lieu of incarcerating in a facility, the
14 following populations:

15 (1) offenders in the custody of the Commissioner who are eligible for
16 the Home Detention Program described in 13 V.S.A. § 7554b; and

17 (2) offenders in the custody of the Commissioner, including the
18 following target populations:

19 (A) offenders who are eligible for home confinement furlough, as
20 described in 28 V.S.A. § 808b;

1 (B) offenders who are past their minimum sentence and are deemed
2 appropriate for the Program by the Commissioner of Corrections; or

3 (C) offenders who are eligible for reintegration furlough, as described
4 in 28 V.S.A. § 808c.

5 (c) An offender shall only be eligible for the Electronic Monitoring
6 Program described in subsection (a) of this section if electronic monitoring
7 equipment is fully functional in the geographic area where the offender will be
8 located.

9 Sec. E.335.1 SOUTHEAST STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

10 (a) Plan. Funding for the Department of Corrections reflects the cessation
11 of operation of the Southeast State Correctional Facility. It is the intent of the
12 General Assembly that the Department develop a plan to provide secure
13 transitional housing for inmates preparing to reenter the community, including
14 the reuse of the Southeast State Correctional Facility for this purpose.

15 (b) Population. It is the intent of the General Assembly that a reentry
16 facility be available for the following populations:

17 (1) inmates on the Lack of Housing (B1) list;

18 (2) moderate- to high-risk inmates who are either past their minimum
19 release date or within 90 days of their release date;

20 (3) inmates who are eligible for reintegration furlough; and

1 (4) inmates who have served a significant sentence and are within six
2 months of their release date.

3 (c) Services. It is the intent of the General Assembly that a reentry facility
4 provides the following prerelease services:

5 (1) acquisition of identification;

6 (2) housing identification;

7 (3) employment readiness and retention;

8 (4) planning to address transportation barriers;

9 (5) money management;

10 (6) transition and reentry case planning;

11 (7) substance abuse treatment;

12 (8) work release; and

13 (9) information technology skills development.

14 (d) Coordination of services. The Department of Corrections shall
15 coordinate with the community justice centers statewide and the Department of
16 Labor to ensure inmates successfully transition back to society.

17 (e) Report. The Department of Corrections shall provide a report on the
18 plan to the Joint Legislative Justice Oversight Committee on or before
19 November 1, 2017.

1 Sec. E.335.2 REDUCTION IN FORCE OF SOUTHEAST STATE

2 CORRECTIONAL FACILITY EMPLOYEES

3 (a) Permanent status classified State employees who are subject to a
4 reduction in force from their positions at the Southeast State Correctional
5 Facility on or after November 1, 2017, whose reemployment rights have not
6 otherwise terminated, and who have not been reemployed with the State during
7 the two-year reduction in force reemployment rights period, shall be granted a
8 continuation of their reduction in force reemployment rights, in accordance
9 with the provisions of the applicable collective bargaining agreement, but
10 solely to vacant classified bargaining unit positions at any State correctional
11 facility that management intends to fill. All other contractual reduction in
12 force reemployment terms and conditions shall apply.

13 (b) Permanent status classified State employees employed by the Southeast
14 State Correctional Facility as of November 1, 2017 shall, in accordance with
15 the provisions of the applicable collective bargaining agreement, be eligible to
16 receive one mandatory offer of reemployment to the Southeast State
17 Correctional Facility when it is reused to provide secure transitional housing
18 for inmates preparing to reenter the community. An employee who accepts the
19 mandatory offer of reemployment shall be appointed in accordance with the
20 provisions of the applicable collective bargaining agreement. If an employee
21 who accepts a mandatory offer of reemployment fails the associated working

1 test period, he or she shall be separated from employment and granted full
2 reduction in force reemployment rights in accordance with the applicable
3 collective bargaining agreement.

4 Sec. E.338 Corrections - correctional services

5 (a) The special funds appropriation of \$146,000 for the supplemental
6 facility payments to Newport and Springfield shall be paid from the PILOT
7 Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.

8 Sec. E.338.1 2008 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. 22(a), as amended by
9 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 157, Sec. 14, by 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 104,
10 Sec. 38, by 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 41, Sec. 1a, and by 2014 Acts and
11 Resolves No. 194, Sec. 15, is further amended to read:

12 (a) Secs. 11 and 12 shall take effect on July 1, ~~2017~~ 2021.

13 Sec. E.338.2 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 131, Sec. 135, as amended by 2015
14 Acts and Resolves No. 4, Sec. 71, is further amended to read:

15 Sec. 135. ~~EFFECTIVE DATES~~

16 ~~This act shall take effect on passage, except that Secs. 118a and 118b~~
17 ~~(amending 18 V.S.A. § 4808 and adding 18 V.S.A. § 4809) shall take effect on~~
18 ~~July 1, 2017. [Repealed.]~~

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

20 (a) The Vermont Veterans' Home shall use the Global Commitment funds
21 appropriated in this section for the purpose of increasing the access of quality

1 health care to uninsured persons, underinsured persons, and Medicaid
2 beneficiaries.

3 Sec. E.342.1 [DELETED]

4 Sec. E.345 Green mountain care board

5 (a) The Green Mountain Care Board shall use the Global Commitment
6 Funds appropriated in Sec. B.345 of this act to encourage the formation and
7 maintenance of public-private partnerships in health care, including initiatives
8 to support and improve the health care delivery system.

9 Sec. E.345.1 FAIR REIMBURSEMENT REPORT

10 (a) Utilizing funds appropriated in Section B.345 of this act, the Green
11 Mountain Care Board shall report to the Health Reform Oversight Committee
12 by October 1, 2017 describing what substantial changes have been put into
13 effect to achieve the site-neutral, fair reimbursements for medical services as
14 envisioned in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 144, Sec. 19, 2015 Acts and
15 Resolves No. 54, Sec. 23, and 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 143, Sec. 5.

16 Sec. E.345.2 HEALTH INSURANCE REGULATION; MARKET

17 STABILITY

18 (a) The Green Mountain Care Board, the Departments of Financial
19 Regulation and of Vermont Health Access, and other State agencies and
20 departments with responsibility for the regulation of health insurers and health
21 insurance plans shall, to the maximum extent permitted under federal law, take

1 such actions as are necessary to maintain the existing health care regulatory
2 framework and a stable health insurance market for major medical health
3 insurance in 2017 while the General Assembly is not in session.

4 * * * LABOR * * *

5 Sec. E.400 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR; RESTRICTION ON TRANSFER
6 OF AUTHORIZED POSITIONS

7 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, no
8 authorized positions in the Department of Labor or appropriations for
9 authorized positions in the Department of Labor shall be transferred to the
10 Agency of Commerce and Community Development without the approval of
11 the General Assembly or, if the General Assembly is not in session, of the
12 Joint Fiscal Committee.

13 Sec. E.400.1 APPRENTICESHIP AND YOUTH MENTORING PROGRAM

14 (a) On or before October 1, 2017, the Department of Labor shall design and
15 begin implementation of the Apprenticeship and Youth Mentoring Program,
16 the purpose of which shall be to provide paid work experiences and paid or
17 unpaid internships for Vermont youths, working with mentoring professionals,
18 that have academic and occupational education as a component, including:

19 (1) a summer youth employment program for high school juniors and
20 seniors; and

1 (2) nonseasonal employment, preapprenticeship programs, and on-the-
2 job training, for an at-risk youth employment program targeted for at-risk
3 individuals 18 to 24 years of age.

4 (b) The Department shall implement the Program using funds from the
5 State's Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act grant from the U.S.
6 Department of Labor, and other State and federal sources, to the extent allowed
7 under applicable law.

8 (c) The Department shall design the Program to serve 150 individual
9 Vermonters.

10 * * * K-12 EDUCATION * * *

11 Sec. E.500 Education – finance and administration

12 (a) The Global Commitment funds appropriated in this section will be used
13 for physician claims for determining medical necessity of Individualized
14 Education Program (IEPs). It is the goal of these services to increase the
15 access of quality health care to uninsured persons, underinsured persons, and
16 Medicaid beneficiaries.

17 Sec. E.500.1 [DELETED]

18 Sec. E.500.2 16 V.S.A. § 4025(b)(4) is added to read:

19 (4) To make payments to the Vermont Teachers' Retirement Fund for
20 the normal contribution in accordance with subsection 1944(c) of this title.

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

2 (a) Of the appropriation authorized in this section, and notwithstanding any
3 other provision of law, an amount not to exceed \$3,566,029 shall be used by
4 the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2018 as funding for 16 V.S.A.
5 § 2967(b)(2)–(6). In distributing such funds, the Secretary shall not be limited
6 by the restrictions contained within 16 V.S.A. § 2969(c) and (d). In addition to
7 funding for 16 V.S.A. § 2967(b)(2)–(6), up to \$192,805 may be used by the
8 Agency of Education for its participation in the higher education partnership
9 plan.

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

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

14 Sec. E.504.1 Education – flexible pathways

15 (a) Of this appropriation, \$4,120,000 from the Education Fund shall be
16 distributed to school districts for reimbursement of high school completion
17 services pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 943(c). Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A.
18 § 4025(b), of this Education Fund appropriation, the amount of:

19 (1) \$600,000 is available for dual enrollment programs consistent with
20 16 V.S.A. § 944(f)(2), and the amount of \$30,000 is available for use pursuant
21 to Sec. E.605.1(a)(2) of this act;

1 (2) \$100,000 is available to support the Vermont Virtual Learning
2 Cooperative at the River Valley Technical Center School District;
3 (3) \$200,000 is available for secondary school reform grants; and
4 (4) \$450,000 is available for the Vermont Academy of Science and
5 Technology and \$1,700,000 for Early College pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 4011(e).

6 E.504.2 ADULT DIPLOMA FUNDING

7 (a) Payment amounts made in section B.504 for the adult diploma program
8 are made notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 4011(f).

9 Sec. E.505 [DELETED]

10 Sec. E.513 Appropriation and transfer to education

11 (a) Pursuant to Sec. B.513 of this act and 16 V.S.A. § 4025(a)(2), there is
12 appropriated in fiscal year 2018 from the General Fund for transfer to the
13 Education Fund the amount of \$314,695,753.

14 Sec. E.514 State teachers' retirement system

15 (a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(g)(2), the annual contribution to
16 the State Teachers' Retirement System (STRS) shall be \$88,409,437 of which
17 \$83,809,437 shall be the State's contribution and \$4,600,000 shall be
18 contributed from local school systems or educational entities pursuant to
19 16 V.S.A. § 1944c.

1 (b) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(c)(2), of the annual contribution,
2 \$8,346,261 is the “normal contribution,” and \$80,063,176 is the “accrued
3 liability contribution.”

4 Sec. E.515 Retired teachers’ health care and medical benefits

5 (a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944b(b)(2), \$27,560,966 will be
6 contributed to the Retired Teachers’ Health and Medical Benefits plan.

7 Sec. E.515.1 16 V.S.A. § 1944b is amended to read:

8 § 1944b. RETIRED TEACHERS’ HEALTH AND MEDICAL BENEFITS

9 FUND

10 (a) There is established a Retired Teachers’ Health and Medical Benefits
11 Fund (Benefits Fund) to pay retired teacher health and medical benefits,
12 including prescription drug benefits, when due in accordance with the terms
13 established by the Board of Trustees of the State Teachers’ Retirement System
14 of Vermont pursuant to subsection 1942(p) and subdivision 1944(c)(12) of this
15 title. The Benefits Fund shall be administered by the Treasurer.

16 (b) The Benefits Fund shall consist of:

17 (1) all monies remitted to the State on behalf of the members of the
18 State Teachers’ Retirement System of Vermont for prescription drug plans
19 pursuant to the Employer Group Waiver Plan with Wrap pursuant to the
20 Medicare Prescription Drug Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003;

1 (2) any monies appropriated by the General Assembly for the purpose of
2 paying the health and medical benefits for retired members and their
3 dependents provided by subsection 1942(p) and subdivision 1944(c)(12) of
4 this title;

5 (3) any monies pursuant to subsection (e) of this section;

6 (4) ~~any monies the General Assembly transfers from the Supplemental~~
7 ~~Property Tax Relief Fund pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 6075; and [Repealed.]~~

8 (5) any monies pursuant to section 1944d of this title.

9 (c) No employee contributions shall be deposited in the Benefits Fund.

10 (d) Interest earned shall remain in the Benefits Fund, and all balances
11 remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall be carried over to the following year;
12 provided, however, that any amounts received in repayment of interfund loans
13 established under subsection (e) of this section may be reinvested by the State
14 Treasurer.

15 (e)(1) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, the State Treasurer is
16 authorized to use interfund loans from the General Fund for payment into the
17 Benefits Fund, which monies shall be identified exclusively for the purposes of
18 payments of retired teacher health and medical benefits pursuant to this
19 section. Any monies borrowed through an interfund loan pursuant to this
20 section shall be paid from monies in the Benefits Fund or from other funds
21 legally available for this purpose. It is the intent of the General Assembly to

1 appropriate sufficient General Fund revenue, after consideration of all other
2 revenue and disbursements, such that the interfund loan shall be paid in full on
3 or before June 30, 2023. The Governor shall include in the annual budget
4 request an amount sufficient to repay any interfund borrowing according to a
5 schedule developed by the State Treasurer. The State Treasurer shall pay the
6 interest and principal as due in accordance with authority granted under
7 32 V.S.A. § 902(b). The State Treasurer shall assess a rate of interest on the
8 outstanding balance of the interfund loan comparable to the rate paid by
9 private depositories of the State's monies, or to the yield available on
10 investments made pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 433. No interfund loans made
11 under this authority shall, in the aggregate, exceed ~~\$30,000,000.00~~
12 \$28,500,000.00.

13 (2) For the purposes of this chapter, calculation of the interfund loan
14 limit shall include long-term receivables and payables but shall not include
15 accruals for federal reimbursement of employer group waiver plan receivables
16 pursuant to subdivision 1944b(b)(1) of this title, receivables due from local
17 school systems pursuant to subsection 1944d of this title, or any short-term
18 accruals.

19 (f) It is the intent of the General Assembly to appropriate the required
20 contributions necessary to pay retired teacher health and medical benefits by
21 combining annual increases in base appropriations, but not from the Education

1 Fund, and surplus revenues as they become available, so that the full cost of
2 retired teacher health and medical benefits payments shall be met in base
3 appropriations by fiscal year ~~2024~~ 2023. To the extent that other revenue
4 sources are identified, the General Fund obligation shall not be reduced, until
5 all annual disbursements to repay the interfund loan in subsection (e) of this
6 section are satisfied. Contributions to the Benefits Fund shall be irrevocable
7 and it shall be impossible at any time prior to the satisfaction of all liabilities,
8 with respect to employees and their beneficiaries, for any part of the corpus or
9 income of the Benefits Fund to be used for, or diverted to, purposes other than
10 the payment of retiree postemployment benefits to members and their
11 beneficiaries and reasonable expenses of administering the Benefits Fund and
12 related benefit plans.

13 (g) The Treasurer shall report on the status of the interfund loan balance
14 allowed under this section as part of the annual budget presentation to the
15 General Assembly.

16 * * * HIGHER EDUCATION * * *

17 Sec. E.600 University of Vermont

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

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

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

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

16 Sec. E.600.1 INCREASING VERMONT'S PRIMARY CARE

17 WORKFORCE

18 (a) Of the Global Commitment funds allocated to the University of
19 Vermont College of Medicine pursuant to this act, at least \$750,000 shall be
20 used to support the College of Medicine's new rural medicine health track,
21 which embeds medical students in a rural community for a year-long

1 longitudinal integrated clerkship during which they will be trained in clinical
2 care while engaging with the local community and conducting population
3 health studies. The goal of the rural medicine health track is to encourage
4 more students to choose careers in primary care in underserved areas of
5 Vermont.

6 Sec. E.602 Vermont state colleges

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

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

14 (c) Vermont State Colleges report. On or before January 15, 2018, the
15 Vermont State Colleges shall submit a report to the House and Senate
16 Committees on Appropriations on the use and effect of State funding
17 appropriated to the Vermont State Colleges. This report shall include the
18 following:

19 (1) Financial statements for the Vermont State Colleges' prior two fiscal
20 years, including balance sheets and profit and loss statements. The financial

1 statements shall identify separately the use of State funding appropriated to the
2 Vermont State Colleges.

3 (2) For the immediately preceding five school years:

4 (A) the number of resident and nonresident students who were
5 enrolled, on both a full-time and a part-time basis;

6 (B) the number of graduate and undergraduate degrees awarded to
7 resident and nonresident students;

8 (C) student retention rates and the average amount of time to
9 graduation;

10 (D) the cost of attendance, including:

11 (i) the average amount of nonloan financial aid awarded;

12 (ii) the average student debt upon graduation; and

13 (iii) in- and out-of-state tuition rates and how these compare with
14 regional peer institutions; and

15 (E) for students that are first in their families to attend college, the
16 information under subdivisions (A) through (D) of this subdivision (2) broken
17 out for this student population.

18 (3) A description of the Vermont State Colleges' strategic priorities and
19 a status report on the achievement of these priorities, including a description of
20 actions necessary to ensure a healthy and viable Vermont State Colleges
21 system that enables the Colleges to achieve their mission.

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

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

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

10 Sec. E.605 Vermont student assistance corporation

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

14 (b) Of this appropriation, not more than \$200,000 may be used by the
15 Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for a student aspirational pilot
16 initiative to serve one or more high schools.

17 (c) Of the appropriated amount remaining after accounting for subsections
18 (a) and (b) of this section, not less than 93 percent of this appropriation shall be
19 used for direct student aid.

20 (d) Funds available to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation
21 pursuant to Sec. E.215(a) of this act shall be used for the purposes of 16 V.S.A.

1 § 2856. Any unexpended funds from this allocation shall carry forward for
2 this purpose.

3 Sec. E.605.1 NEED-BASED STIPEND FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT AND
4 EARLY COLLEGE STUDENTS

5 (a) The sum of \$60,000 shall be transferred to the Vermont Student
6 Assistance Corporation (VSAC) as follows:

7 (1) \$30,000 from Sec. B.1100(a)(3)(C) (Next Generation funds
8 appropriated for dual enrollment and need-based stipend purposes).

9 (2) \$30,000 pursuant to Sec. E.504.1(a)(1) (flexible pathways funds
10 appropriated for dual enrollment and need-based stipend purposes).

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

18 (c) VSAC shall report on the program to the House Committees on
19 Appropriations and on Commerce and Economic Development and to the
20 Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Economic Development,
21 Housing and General Affairs on or before January 15, 2018.

1 Sec. E.608 [DELETED]

2 Sec. E.608.1 [DELETED]

3 * * * NATURAL RESOURCES * * *

4 Sec. E.700 32 V.S.A. § 5(a)(3)(A) is amended to read:

5 (3)(A) This section shall not apply to the following items, if the
6 acceptance of those items will not incur additional expense to the State or
7 create an ongoing requirement for funds, services, or facilities:

8 (i) the acceptance of grants, gifts, donations, loans, or other things
9 of value with a value of \$5,000.00 or less;

10 (ii) the acceptance by the Department of Forests, Parks and
11 Recreation and the Department of Fish and Wildlife of grants, gifts, donations,
12 loans, or other things of value with a value of \$15,000.00 or less; or

13 (iii) the acceptance by the Vermont Veterans' Home of grants,
14 gifts, donations, loans, or other things of value with a value of \$10,000.00 or
15 less.

16 Sec. E.700.1 10 V.S.A. § 1389a is amended to read:

17 § 1389a. CLEAN WATER INVESTMENT REPORT

18 (a) Beginning on January 15, 2017, and annually thereafter, the ~~Clean~~
19 ~~Water Fund Board~~ Secretary of Administration shall publish a Clean Water
20 Investment Report. The Report shall summarize all investments, including
21 their cost-effectiveness, made by the Clean Water Fund Board and other State

1 agencies for clean water restoration over the ~~past~~ prior calendar year. The
2 Report shall include expenditures from the Clean Water Fund, the General
3 Fund, the Transportation Fund, and any other State expenditures for clean
4 water restoration, regardless of funding source.

5 (b) The Report shall document progress or shortcomings in meeting
6 established indicators for clean water restoration. The Report shall include:

7 (1) Documentation of progress or shortcomings in meeting established
8 indicators for clean water restoration.

9 (2) a summary of additional funding sources pursued by the Board,
10 including whether those funding sources were attained; if it was not attained,
11 why it was not attained; and where the money was allocated from the Fund.

12 (3) A summary of water quality problems or concerns in each watershed
13 basin of the State, a list of water quality projects identified as necessary in each
14 basin of the State, and how identified projects have been prioritized for
15 implementation. The water quality problems and projects identified under this
16 subdivision shall include programs or projects identified across State
17 government and shall not be limited to projects listed by the Agency of Natural
18 Resources in its watershed projects database.

19 (4) A summary of any changes to applicable federal law or policy
20 related to the State's water quality improvement efforts, including any changes
21 to requirements to implement total maximum daily load plans in the State.

1 (5) A summary of available federal funding related to or for water
2 quality improvement efforts in the State.

3 (c) The Report may also provide an overview of additional funding
4 necessary to meet objectives established for clean water restoration and
5 recommendations for additional revenue to meet those restoration objectives.
6 The provisions of 2 V.S.A. § 20(d) (expiration of required reports) shall not
7 apply to the report required by this section.

8 ~~(b)~~(d)(1) The ~~Board~~ Secretary of Administration shall develop and use a
9 results-based accountability process in publishing the annual report required by
10 subsection (a) of this section.

11 (2) The Secretary of Administration shall develop user-friendly issue
12 briefs, tables, or executive summaries that make the information required
13 under subdivision (b)(3) available to the public separately from the report
14 required by this section.

15 (3) On or before September 1 of each year, the Secretary of
16 Administration shall submit to the Joint Fiscal Committee an interim report
17 regarding the information required under subdivision (b)(5) of this section
18 relating to available federal funding.

1 * * * COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT * * *

2 Sec. E.800 VERMONT LIFE MAGAZINE

3 (a) The Secretary of Administration with the assistance of the Secretary of
4 Commerce and Community Development shall issue an RFP by September 1,
5 2017 that seeks bids from interested media parties by December 1, 2017 to
6 maximize the State benefit of Vermont Life magazine by:

7 (1) sale of Vermont Life magazine as an operating enterprise, or sale of
8 any identifiable Vermont Life assets after the suspension of publication by the
9 State to offset in whole or in part the magazine's existing debt; or

10 (2) licensing arrangements with entities that would result in payments to
11 the State that reduce over time the magazine's existing debt; or

12 (3) partnership or operating proposals that continue publication without
13 additional State support and have a high likelihood of eventual positive
14 revenue streams to the State that reduce over time the magazine's existing debt
15 or would result in a future sale of the enterprise sufficient to offset the debt, or
16 both; or

17 (4) other media and publishing proposals that offset in whole or in part
18 the magazine's existing debt.

19 (b) Departments of the State are not precluded from submitting bids, but
20 the primary criterion in selecting a proposal will be the financial benefit to the
21 State.

1 (c) The Secretary of Administration, in consultation with the Secretary of
2 Commerce and Community Development, will analyze the bids received and
3 make a determination of acceptance. The Secretary of Administration, with
4 the approval of the Emergency Board, is authorized to execute a contract
5 regarding the sale, licensing, partnership, or other proposal for Vermont Life to
6 maximize the State benefit.

7 (d) If the determination is made for the State to continue publication, the
8 full cost of Vermont Life operations shall be covered within the funds
9 appropriated to the Agency in fiscal year 2019 and beyond.

10 Sec. E.800.1 VERMONT EB-5 REGIONAL CENTER; PLAN FOR
11 REORGANIZATION; REPORT; BUDGET PROPOSAL

12 (a) On or before December 15, 2017, the Agency of Commerce and
13 Community Development shall consider and adopt and plan for the
14 reorganization and operation of the Vermont EB-5 Regional Center.

15 (b) The plan shall address specific steps the Agency will take to ensure the
16 Center successfully connects Vermont businesses with investors and
17 effectively markets and promotes economic development opportunities in
18 Vermont.

19 (c) The Agency shall include in the Governor's budget proposal for fiscal
20 year 2019 a detailed assessment and request for the funding necessary to
21 implement the plan of reorganization required by this section.

1 Sec. E.804 Community development block grants

2 (a) Community Development Block Grants shall carry forward until
3 expended.

4 * * * TRANSPORTATION * * *

5 Sec. E.904 [DELETED]

6 Sec. E.909 Transportation – central garage

7 (a) Of this appropriation, \$7,904,353 is appropriated from the
8 Transportation Equipment Replacement Account within the Central Garage
9 Fund for the purchase of equipment as authorized in 19 V.S.A. § 13(b).

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

11 (a) This appropriation is authorized, notwithstanding the provisions of
12 19 V.S.A. § 306(a).

13 * * * MISCELLANEOUS TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS * * *

14 Sec. F.1 33 V.S.A. § 2604(b) is amended to read:

15 (b) Fuel cost requirements. The Secretary of Human Services or designee
16 shall by procedure establish a table that contains amounts that will function as
17 a proxy for applicant households' annual heating fuel cost for the previous
18 year. The seasonal fuel expenditure estimates contained within the table shall
19 closely approximate the actual home heating costs experienced by participants
20 in the Home Heating Fuel Assistance Program. ~~Data on actual heating costs~~
21 ~~collected pursuant to subsection 2602(d) of this title shall be used in lieu of the~~

1 ~~proxy table when available.~~ The table shall be revised no less frequently than
2 every three years based on data supplied by certified fuel suppliers, the
3 Department of Public Service, and other industry sources to the Office of
4 Home Heating Fuel Assistance. The Secretary or designee shall provide a
5 draft of the table to the Home Energy Assistance Task Force established
6 pursuant to subsection 2602a(c) of this title and solicit input from the Task
7 Force prior to finalizing the table.

8 Sec. F.2 33 V.S.A. § 2605(a) is amended to read:

9 (a) The Secretary of Human Services or designee shall by rule establish a
10 table that specifies maximum percentages of applicant households' annual
11 heating fuel costs, based on the proxy table established pursuant to subsection
12 2604(b) of this title ~~and, when available, the data collected pursuant to~~
13 ~~subsection 2602(d) of this title~~, that can be authorized for payment as annual
14 home heating fuel assistance benefits for the following year. The maximum
15 percentages contained within this table shall vary by household size and annual
16 household income. In no instance shall the percentage exceed 90 percent.

17 Sec. F.3 33 V.S.A. § 2608 is amended to read:

18 § 2608. WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM AGREEMENTS

19 The Director of the Home Energy Assistance Program shall inform the
20 Administrator of the Home Weatherization Assistance Program, established
21 under chapter 25 of this title, of all participants in the Home Heating Fuel

1 Assistance Program ~~and of the information required by subsection 2602(d) of~~
2 ~~this title.~~ The Agency of Human Services shall provide all participants in the
3 Home Heating Fuel Assistance Program with information regarding the
4 efficiency utility established under 30 V.S.A. § 209. All participants in the
5 Home Heating Fuel Assistance Program shall be deemed to comply with any
6 income requirements of the Home Weatherization Program, but to receive
7 weatherization services, recipients shall be required to meet any other
8 eligibility requirements of the Home Weatherization Program. As a condition
9 of receipt of benefits under the Home Heating Fuel Assistance Program, a
10 recipient shall consent to receive services of the Home Weatherization
11 Assistance Program. ~~The Home Weatherization Assistance Program shall use~~
12 ~~the information required by subsection 2602(d) of this title to determine the~~
13 ~~number of British thermal units (Btus) needed to heat a square foot of space for~~
14 ~~each participant in the Home Energy Assistance Program.~~ The Home
15 Weatherization Assistance Program shall give the highest priority to providing
16 services to participants within the Home Heating Fuel Assistance Program and,
17 among those participants, to those who require the ~~most BTUs to heat a square~~
18 ~~foot of space~~ highest energy usage.

19 Sec. F.4 33 V.S.A. § 2502(b)(3)(C) is amended to read:

20 (C) Establishing Program eligibility levels at 80 percent of the area
21 median income, or 80 percent of the State median income, whichever is higher.

1 Subject to the priority under section 2608 of this title given to participants in
2 the Home Heating Fuel Assistance Program, the State program shall, when
3 weighing factors to assign priority to buildings or units eligible for
4 weatherization assistance, assign the greatest weight to those buildings and
5 units that require the ~~most Btus to heat a square foot of space~~ highest energy
6 usage.

7 Sec. F.5 33 V.S.A. § 2609(a) is amended to read:

8 (a) Annually, the Secretary of Human Services or designee shall determine
9 an appropriate amount of funds ~~in the Home Heating Fuel Assistance fund~~ to
10 be set aside for expenditure for the crisis fuel assistance component of the
11 Home Heating Fuel Program. The Secretary or designee shall also adopt rules
12 to define crisis situations for the expenditure of the home heating fuel crisis
13 funds, and to establish the income ~~and asset~~ eligibility requirements of
14 households for receipt of crisis Home Heating Fuel Assistance, provided that
15 no household shall be eligible whose gross household income is greater than
16 200 percent of the federal poverty level ~~or is in excess of income maximums~~
17 ~~established by LIHEAP~~ based on the income of all persons residing in the
18 household. To the extent allowed by federal law, the Secretary or designee
19 shall establish by rule a calculation of gross income based on the same rules
20 used in 3SquaresVT, except that the Secretary or designee shall include
21 additional deductions or exclusions from income required by LIHEAP.

1 Sec. F.6 33 V.S.A. § 2502(d) is amended to read:

2 (d) Subject to budgetary approval by the General Assembly, or approval by
3 the Emergency Board, amounts in the Home Weatherization Assistance Fund
4 created by section 2501 of this title may be transferred to the Home Heating
5 Fuel Assistance ~~Fund created by section 2603 of this title~~ program, and used
6 for energy assistance to low income persons, provided that such transfer does
7 not reduce the fiscal capacity of the State Office of Economic Opportunity to
8 meet the budgetary obligations of the Weatherization Program as set forth in
9 this chapter, and that in the event of approval by the Emergency Board, the
10 Emergency Board so certifies.

11 Sec. F.7 33 V.S.A. § 2502(c) is amended to read:

12 (c) The Secretary of Human Services shall by rule establish rent
13 stabilization agreements and provisions to recapture amounts expended for
14 weatherization of a rental unit which exceed the amount of energy cost
15 reductions projected to be obtained by eligible tenants of the unit. The time
16 periods established for rent stabilization and recapture shall be set taking into
17 account the size of benefits received by tenants and landlords as well as the
18 effect on program participation. Funds recaptured under this section shall be
19 deposited into the Home Weatherization Assistance ~~Trust~~ Fund established
20 under section 2501 of this title.

1 Sec. F.8 18 V.S.A. § 7254(a) is amended to read:

2 (a) The ~~director of health care reform~~ Director of Health Care Reform and
3 the ~~commissioners of mental health, of health, and of Vermont health access~~
4 Commissioners of Mental Health, of Health, and of Vermont Health Access
5 and the Green Mountain Care ~~board~~ Board or designees shall ensure that the
6 redesign of the mental health delivery system established in this chapter is an
7 integral component of the health care reform efforts ~~established in~~ coordinated
8 pursuant to 3 V.S.A. ~~§ 2222a~~ § 3027. Specifically, the ~~director,~~
9 ~~commissioners, and board~~ Director, Commissioners, and Board shall confer on
10 planning efforts necessary to ensure that the following initiatives are
11 coordinated and advanced:

12 * * *

13 Sec. F.9 18 V.S.A. § 9351(b) is amended to read:

14 (b) The Health Information Technology Plan shall:

15 * * *

16 (7) integrate the information technology components of the Blueprint for
17 Health established in chapter 13 of this title, the Agency of Human Services'
18 Enterprise Master Patient Index, and all other Medicaid management
19 information systems being developed by the Department of Vermont Health
20 Access, information technology components of the quality assurance system,
21 the program to capitalize with loans and grants electronic medical record

1 systems in primary care practices, and any other information technology
2 initiatives coordinated ~~by the Secretary of Administration~~ pursuant to 3 V.S.A.
3 ~~§ 2222a~~ § 3027; and

4 * * *

5 Sec. F.10 18 V.S.A. § 9416(a) is amended to read:

6 (a) The ~~commissioner of health~~ Commissioner of Health shall contract with
7 the Vermont Program for Quality in Health Care, Inc. to implement and
8 maintain a statewide quality assurance system to evaluate and improve the
9 quality of health care services rendered by health care providers of health care
10 facilities, including managed care organizations, to determine that health care
11 services rendered were professionally indicated or were performed in
12 compliance with the applicable standard of care, and that the cost of health
13 care rendered was considered reasonable by the providers of professional
14 health services in that area. The ~~commissioner of health~~ Commissioner of
15 Health shall ensure that the information technology components of the quality
16 assurance system comply with, and the ~~commissioner of Vermont health~~
17 ~~access~~ Commissioner of Vermont Health Access shall ensure such components
18 are incorporated into, the statewide health information technology plan
19 developed under section 9351 of this title and any other information
20 technology initiatives coordinated ~~by the secretary of administration~~ pursuant
21 to 3 V.S.A. ~~§ 2222a~~ § 3027.

1 * * * Effective Dates for Secs. A.100–G.100 * * *

2 Sec. G.100 EFFECTIVE DATES

3 (a) This section and Secs. C.100 (fiscal year 2017 one-time appropriations),
4 C.100.1 (Economic Development marketing), C.100.2 (Medicaid carry
5 forward requirement), C.101 (fiscal year 2017 fund transfers),
6 C.102 (Volkswagen settlement), C.103 (expenditure of Human Services
7 Caseload Management Reserve), C.104 (fiscal year 2017 27/53 Reserve,
8 transfer), C.105 (fiscal year 2017 Attorney General adjustment), C.106 (fiscal
9 year 2017 Protection function total adjustment), C.107 (fiscal year 2017
10 Secretary’ office, Global Commitment adjustment), C.108 (fiscal year 2017
11 Green Mountain Care Board adjustment), C.109 (fiscal year 2017 Human
12 Services function total adjustment), C.110–C.111 (fiscal year 2017 debt
13 service adjustments), C.112–C.115 (fiscal year 2017 teachers’ retirement
14 system and health care and medical benefits adjustments), C.116 (Emergency
15 Board composition), C.117 (budget report), C.118 (fiscal year 2017 carry
16 forward authority), C.119 (fiscal year 2017 cost savings), C.120 (General Fund
17 year end close out), D.102 (Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund balance),
18 E.100(b) (Labor Relations Manager position), E.100(c) (Security Guard
19 positions), E.100(d) (transfer of vacant positions), E.100.1(d)(7) (position pilot
20 program), E.100.2 (repeal), E.300.1–E.300.7 (transfer Director of Health Care
21 Reform to the Agency of Human Services), E.300.14 (repeals),

1 E.308.1 (Choices for Care), E.327 (Woodside Global Commitment funding),
2 and F.1-F.10 (miscellaneous technical statute corrections), shall take effect on
3 passage.

4 (b) All remaining sections shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

5 * * *

6 Sec. H.1 [RESERVED]

7 * * *

8 * * * Vermont Housing and Conservation Board;

9 Housing Bond Proceeds for Affordable Housing * * *

10 Sec. I.1 FINDINGS AND PURPOSE; AFFORDABLE HOUSING BOND

11 (a) Findings.

12 (1) The General Assembly finds that investments are needed to help
13 house the most vulnerable Vermonters as well as creating more homes for
14 workers.

15 (2) The shortage of affordable and available homes has been highlighted
16 recently by:

17 (A) the Vermont Futures Project of the Vermont Chamber of
18 Commerce, which set a growth target of 5,000 new and improved housing
19 units annually;

20 (B) a national consultant's recommendations for a Roadmap to End
21 Homelessness, which calls for, over the next five years, 368 new units for

1 permanent supportive housing and 1,251 new homes affordable to families
2 with income that is not more than 30 percent of the median; and

3 (C) the 2015 statewide housing needs assessment by Bowen National
4 Research, which found the largest gaps in housing affordable to households
5 with income below 30 percent of median and households with income between
6 85 percent and 120 percent of median, and found a lack of housing availability
7 across the income spectrum.

8 (b) Purpose and intent.

9 (1) The purpose of Secs. I.1–I.12 of this act is to promote the
10 development and improvement of housing for Vermonters.

11 (2) It is the intent of the General Assembly:

12 (A) to extend the clean water surcharge to provide an interim source
13 of revenue for addressing water quality issues throughout the State;

14 (B) to continue its work on identifying a long-term funding source or
15 sources that are sufficient in scope and targeted in design to address these
16 water quality issues; and

17 (C) once one or more long-term funding sources are identified and
18 enacted, but not later than July 1, 2027, to reduce the amount of the clean
19 water surcharge to 0.04 percent.

1 Sec. I.2 10 V.S.A. § 314 is added to read:

2 § 314. AFFORDABLE HOUSING BOND; INVESTMENT

3 The Vermont Housing and Conservation Board shall use the proceeds of
4 bonds, notes, and other obligations issued by the Vermont Housing Finance
5 Agency pursuant to subdivision 621(22) of this title and transferred to the
6 Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund to fund the creation and
7 improvement of owner-occupied and rental housing for Vermonters with very
8 low to middle income, in areas targeted for growth and reinvestment, as
9 follows:

10 (1) not less than 25 percent of the housing shall be targeted to
11 Vermonters with very low income, meaning households with income below 50
12 percent of area median income;

13 (2) not less than 25 percent of the housing shall be targeted to
14 Vermonters with moderate income, meaning households with income between
15 80 and 120 percent of area median income; and

16 (3) the remaining housing shall be targeted to Vermonters with income
17 that is less than or equal to 120 percent of area median income, consistent with
18 the provisions of this chapter.

1 Sec. I.3 10 V.S.A. § 323 is amended to read:

2 § 323. ANNUAL REPORT

3 Prior to January 31 of each year, the ~~board~~ Board shall submit a report
4 concerning its activities to the ~~governor~~ Governor and ~~legislative committees~~
5 ~~on agriculture, natural resources and energy, appropriations, ways and means,~~
6 ~~finance, and institutions~~ to the House Committees on Agriculture and Forestry,
7 on Appropriations, on Corrections and Institutions, on Natural Resources, Fish
8 and Wildlife, and on Ways and Means and the Senate Committees on
9 Agriculture, on Appropriations, on Finance, on Institutions, and on Natural
10 Resources and Energy. The report shall include, ~~but not be limited to,~~ the
11 following:

12 (1) a list and description of activities funded by the ~~board~~ Board during
13 the preceding year, including commitments made to fund projects through
14 housing bond proceeds pursuant to section 314 of this title, and project
15 descriptions, levels of affordability, and geographic location;

16 * * *

1 * * * Allocation of Property Transfer Tax Revenues * * *

2 Sec. I.4 32 V.S.A. § 9610 is amended to read:

3 § 9610. REMITTANCE OF RETURN AND TAX; INSPECTION OF
4 RETURNS

5 (a) Not later than 30 days after the receipt of any property transfer return, a
6 town clerk shall file the return in the office of the town clerk and electronically
7 forward a copy of the acknowledged return to the Commissioner; provided,
8 however, that with respect to a return filed in paper format with the town, the
9 Commissioner shall have the discretion to allow the town to forward a paper
10 copy of that return to the ~~department~~ Department.

11 (b) The copies of property transfer returns in the custody of the town clerk
12 may be inspected by any member of the public.

13 (c) Prior to distributions of property transfer tax revenues under 10 V.S.A.
14 § 312, 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a), and ~~32 V.S.A. § subdivision~~ subdivision 435(b)(10) of this
15 title, one two percent of the revenues received from the property transfer tax
16 shall be deposited in a special fund in the Department of Taxes for Property
17 Valuation and Review administration costs.

18 (d)(1) Prior to any distribution of property transfer tax revenue under
19 10 V.S.A. § 312, 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a), subdivision 435(b)(10) of this title, and
20 subsection (c) of this section, \$2,500,000.00 of the revenue received from the
21 property transfer tax shall be transferred to the Vermont Housing Finance

1 Agency to pay the principal of and interest due on the bonds, notes, and other
2 obligations authorized to be issued by the Agency pursuant to 10 V.S.A.
3 § 621(22), the proceeds of which the Vermont Housing and Conservation
4 Board shall use to create affordable housing pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 314.

5 (2) As long as the bonds, notes, and other obligations incurred pursuant
6 to subdivision (1) of this subsection remain outstanding, the rate of tax
7 imposed pursuant to section 9602 of this title shall not be reduced below a rate
8 estimated, at the time of any reduction, to generate annual revenues of at least
9 \$12,000,000.00.

10 * * * Vermont Housing Finance Agency; Authority to Issue Bonds for
11 Affordable Housing * * *

12 Sec. I.5 10 V.S.A. § 621 is amended to read:

13 § 621. GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES

14 The Agency shall have all of the powers necessary and convenient to carry
15 out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of this chapter, including
16 without limitation those general powers provided a business corporation by
17 11A V.S.A. § 3.02 and those general powers provided a nonprofit corporation
18 by 11B V.S.A. § 3.02 and including, without limiting the generality of the
19 foregoing, the power to:

20 * * *

1 (21) use funds received from real estate trust and escrow accounts
2 established under 26 V.S.A. § 2214(c), IORTA funds, for down payment and
3 closing cost assistance with priority given to persons and families at or below
4 90 percent of median income and to persons and families purchasing
5 perpetually affordable housing;

6 (22) issue bonds, notes, and other obligations secured by the property
7 transfer tax revenues transferred to the Agency pursuant to 32 V.S.A.
8 § 9610(d).

9 Sec. I.6 10 V.S.A. § 631(l) is added to read:

10 (l)(1) The bonds, notes, and other obligations authorized to be issued
11 pursuant to subdivision 621(22) of this title shall be secured by a pledge of the
12 property transfer tax revenues to be transferred to the Agency pursuant to
13 32 V.S.A. § 9610(d) and shall mature on or before June 30, 2039.

14 (2) The Agency may issue the bonds, notes, and other obligations in one
15 or more series at one time or from time to time, provided that the aggregate
16 annual debt service on the bonds, notes, and other obligations shall not exceed
17 \$2,500,000.00 at any time.

18 (3) The Agency shall transfer the proceeds of the bonds, notes, and other
19 obligations, less issuance fees and costs and required reserves, to the Vermont
20 Housing and Conservation Trust Fund established pursuant to section 312 of

1 this title for use by the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board as provided
2 in section 314 of this title.

3 (4) The Agency, the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, and the
4 State Treasurer may execute one or more agreements governing the terms and
5 conditions under which the property transfer tax revenues that secure the
6 bonds, notes, and obligations shall be transferred to the Agency, and any other
7 issues they determine appropriate.

8 * * * Funding for Affordable Housing Bond Program; Allocation
9 of Revenues; Intent * * *

10 Sec. I.7 INTENT; FUNDING FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING BOND
11 PROGRAM; ALLOCATION OF PROPERTY TRANSFER
12 TAX REVENUES

13 (a) Revenues from the property transfer tax, before the passage of this act,
14 were allocated pursuant to statute as follows:

15 (1) The first two percent was deposited in a special fund in the
16 Department of Taxes for Property Valuation and Review administration costs
17 pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 9610(c).

18 (2) Of the remaining 98 percent of the revenues:

19 (A) 17 percent was deposited in the Municipal and Regional Planning
20 Fund created in 24 V.S.A. § 4306.

1 (B) 50 percent was deposited in the Vermont Housing and
2 Conservation Trust Fund created in 10 V.S.A. § 312.

3 (C) 33 percent was deposited in the General Fund created in
4 32 V.S.A. § 435.

5 (b) Pursuant to Sec. I.4 of this act, in 32 V.S.A. § 9610(d), the first
6 \$2,500,000.00 of revenue generated from the property transfer tax is
7 transferred to the Vermont Housing Finance Agency to service the bonds,
8 notes, and other obligations incurred by the Agency pursuant to 10 V.S.A.
9 § 621(22), the proceeds of which the Vermont Housing and Conservation
10 Board shall use to create affordable housing pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 314.

11 (c) Transferring the first \$2,500,000.00 of property transfer tax revenues to
12 the Vermont Housing Finance Agency for debt service reduces the amount of
13 revenues available for allocation to the respective statutory recipients identified
14 in subsection (a) of this section.

15 (d) To compensate for this reduction of available property transfer tax
16 revenue, it is the intent of the General Assembly through this act to provide for
17 the transfer of \$2,500,000.00 to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust
18 Fund, as follows:

19 (1) Sec. D.100 of this act appropriates \$11,304,840.00 in fiscal year
20 2018 from the Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund to the Vermont
21 Housing and Conservation Board. Upon the effective date of this act,

1 \$1,500,000.00 shall revert to the Fund, resulting in a fiscal year 2018 total
2 appropriation to the Board of \$9,804,840.00. In fiscal year 2018 only, the
3 amount of \$1,500,000.00 from the Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust
4 Fund shall be transferred to the General Fund.

5 (2) As provided in Sec. I.9 of this act, from July 1, 2017 until
6 July 1, 2027, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 9602a, the first \$1,000,000.00 in revenue
7 generated by the clean water surcharge of 0.2 percent shall be transferred to the
8 Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund. In fiscal year 2018 only, the
9 Commissioner shall transfer the amount of \$1,000,000.00 from the Vermont
10 Housing and Conservation Trust Fund to the General Fund.

11 (3) After July 1, 2027, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 9602a as amended in
12 Sec. I.10 of this act, \$1,000,000.00 in total revenue generated by the clean
13 water surcharge of 0.04 percent shall be transferred to the Vermont Housing
14 and Conservation Trust Fund.

15 (4) As provided in Sec. I.11 of this act, the clean water surcharge will be
16 repealed in its entirety on July 1, 2039.

17 * * * Clean Water Surcharge; Repeal of 2018 Sunset * * *

18 Sec. I.8 REPEAL; SUNSET OF CLEAN WATER SURCHARGE

19 (a) 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 64, Sec. 39 (sunset of clean water
20 surcharge in 2018) is repealed.

1 * * * Clean Water Surcharge; Allocation of
2 Revenue to Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund in 2027 * * *

3 Sec. I.10 32 V.S.A. § 9602a is amended to read:

4 § 9602a. CLEAN WATER SURCHARGE

5 There shall be a surcharge of ~~0.2~~ 0.04 percent on the value of property
6 subject to the property transfer tax under section 9602 of this title, except that
7 there shall be no surcharge on the first \$100,000.00 in value of property to be
8 used for the principal residence of the transferee or the first \$200,000.00 in
9 value of property transferred if the purchaser obtains a purchase money
10 mortgage funded in part with a homeland grant through the Vermont Housing
11 and Conservation Trust Fund or which the Vermont Housing and Finance
12 Agency or U.S. Department of Agriculture and Rural Development has
13 committed to make or purchase. The surcharge shall be in addition to any tax
14 assessed under section 9602 of this title. The surcharge assessed under this
15 section shall be paid, collected, and enforced under this chapter in the same
16 manner as the tax assessed under section 9602 of this title. The Commissioner
17 shall deposit the surcharge collected under this section ~~in the Clean Water~~
18 ~~Fund under 10 V.S.A. § 1388, except for the first \$1,000,000.00 of revenue~~
19 ~~generated by the surcharge, which shall be deposited in the Vermont Housing~~
20 and Conservation Trust Fund created in 10 V.S.A. § 312.

1 * * * Repeal of Affordable Housing Bond Provisions After Life of Bond * * *

2 Sec. I.11 REPEAL

3 (a) The following shall be repealed on July 1, 2039:

4 (1) 10 V.S.A. § 314 (Vermont Housing and Conservation Board;
5 affordable housing bond and investments).

6 (2) 10 V.S.A. § 621(22) (Vermont Housing Finance Agency (VHFA)
7 authority to issue debt obligations secured by property transfer tax).

8 (3) 10 V.S.A. § 631(1) (debt obligations issued by VHFA).

9 (4) 32 V.S.A. § 9610(d) (property transfer tax priority for affordable
10 housing debt repayment).

11 (5) 32 V.S.A. § 9602a (clean water surcharge).

12 * * * Effective Dates for Secs. I.1–I.12 * * *

13 Sec. I.12 EFFECTIVE DATES

14 (a) Secs. I.1–I.12 shall take effect on July 1, 2017, except that Sec. I.10

15 (allocating clean water surcharge revenue to Vermont Housing and

16 Conservation Trust Fund) shall take effect on July 1, 2027.