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2 Representative Emmons of Springfield moves that the House concur in the  
3 Senate Proposal of Amendment with further proposal of amendment as  
4 follows:

5 First: In Sec. 1, amending 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec. 2, in  
6 subdivision (b)(13), by striking out “\$2,281,094.00” and inserting in lieu  
7 thereof “\$2,181,094.00”, in (e)(2), in the first sentence, by striking out “may”  
8 and inserting in lieu thereof “shall” and by striking out all after subsection (g)  
9 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

10	Appropriation – FY 2018	\$27,857,525.00	<u>\$25,038,619.00</u>
11	Appropriation – FY 2019	\$27,853,933.00	<u>\$28,131,610.00</u>
12	Total Appropriation – Section 2	\$55,711,458.00	<u>\$53,170,229.00</u>

13 Second: In Sec. 2, amending 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec. 3, by  
14 striking out all after the ellipses and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

15 (b) ~~The sum of \$300,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2019 to the Department~~  
16 ~~of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for the~~  
17 ~~projects described in subsection (a) of this section.~~ The following sums are  
18 appropriated in FY 2019 to the Department of Buildings and General Services  
19 for the Agency of Human Services:

20 (1) Statewide correctional facilities, cameras, locks, perimeter intrusion  
21 at correctional facilities: \$300,000.00



1        (d) For the amount appropriated in subdivision (b)(3) of this section, the  
2        design and construction documents shall be consistent with the Woodside  
3        Juvenile Rehabilitation Center feasibility report, dated December 22, 2016.

4        (e) For the amount appropriated in subdivision (b)(4) of this section:

5            (1) The use of funds shall be restricted to capital renovations and fit-up  
6        costs and shall not be used for any periodic lease payments, usage fees, or  
7        other operating expenses.

8            (2)(A) The State of Vermont shall execute an agreement with the  
9        Brattleboro Retreat for the renovation and fit-up project at the Brattleboro  
10       Retreat. The agreement shall include the following provisions:

11            (i) the Brattleboro Retreat shall provide access to a minimum of an  
12       additional 12 level-1 beds to the State for a period determined by the Secretary  
13       to be in the best interests of the State;

14            (ii) the Brattleboro Retreat shall target a completion date for the  
15       renovation and fit-up project of December 2019; and

16            (iii) terms and conditions that ensure the protection of State  
17       investment of capital appropriations, including:

18            (I) an initial strategic plan for long-term reuse of renovated  
19       facilities;

1                   (II) authority for the Agency of Human Services to access  
2                   Brattleboro Retreat's financials to ensure the success of the strategic plan  
3                   described in subdivision (I) of this subdivision (2)(A)(iii); and

4                   (III) a process for sharing information necessary to the  
5                   Department of Mental Health for its statutory oversight responsibilities.

6                   (B) Prior to execution, the State Treasurer shall approve the  
7                   agreement described in subdivision (A) of this subdivision (2) to ensure that it  
8                   is in compliance with applicable tax-exempt bond requirements.

9                   (3) The Department of Buildings and General Services shall not expend  
10                  funds until the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services and the  
11                  Secretary of Human Services have notified the Commissioner of Finance and  
12                  Management and the Chairs of the House Committees on Corrections and  
13                  Institutions and on Health Care, and of the Senate Committees on Health and  
14                  Welfare and on Institutions that the agreement described in subdivision (2)(A)  
15                  of this subsection (e) has been executed.

16                  (4) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services and the  
17                  Secretary of Human Services may also propose draft legislation to the House  
18                  Committees on Corrections and Institutions and on Health Care, and the Senate  
19                  Committees on Health and Welfare and on Institutions that may be necessary  
20                  to fulfill the agreement.

1           (5)(A) On or before October 15, 2018, the Secretary of Human Services  
2           shall notify the Chairs of the House Committees on Corrections and  
3           Institutions and on Health Care, and of the Senate Committees on Health and  
4           Welfare and on Institutions if an agreement between the Brattleboro Retreat  
5           and the State of Vermont cannot be reached and shall submit to them an  
6           alternative proposal for the 12 beds. With approval of the Speaker of the  
7           House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, as appropriate, the House  
8           Committees on Corrections and Institutions and on Health Care and the Senate  
9           Committees on Health and Welfare and on Institutions may meet up to two  
10           times when the General Assembly is not in session to evaluate, approve, or  
11           recommend alterations to the proposal. Members of the House Committees on  
12           Corrections and Institutions and on Health Care, and the Senate Committees on  
13           Health and Welfare and on Institutions shall be entitled to receive a per diem  
14           and expenses as provided in 2 V.S.A. § 406.

15           (B) The Secretary of Human Services shall submit a copy of the  
16           alternative proposal described in subdivision (A) of this subdivision (5) to the  
17           Joint Fiscal Committee.

18	Appropriation – FY 2018		\$300,000.00
19	Appropriation – FY 2019	<del>\$300,000.00</del>	<u>\$6,200,000.00</u>
20	Total Appropriation – Section 3	<del>\$600,000.00</del>	<u>\$6,500,000.00</u>

1       Third: In Sec. 4, amending 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec. 5, by  
2 striking out all after subsection (c) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

3       (d) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2019 to the Agency of  
4 Commerce and Community Development for the following projects described  
5 in this subsection:

6       (1) Lake Champlain Maritime Museum:

7               (A) Underwater preserves:                               \$30,000.00

8               (B) Schooner Lois McClure, repairs and upgrades:       \$25,000.00

9       (2) Placement and replacement of roadside historic markers:

10   \$15,000.00 \$29,000.00

11       (3) VT Center for Geographic Information, digital orthophotographic  
12 quadrangle mapping:   \$125,000.00

13       (4) Civil War Heritage Trail, signs:                               \$30,000.00

14       (e) The amounts appropriated in subdivisions (a)(2) ~~and~~, (a)(3), (d)(1)(B),  
15 and (d)(4) of this section shall be used as a one-to-one matching grant. The  
16 funds shall become available after the Agency notifies the Department that the  
17 funds have been matched.

18       (f) It is the intent of the General Assembly that any requests for capital  
19 funds to support projects described in this section be submitted to the Agency  
20 of Commerce and Community Development for inclusion in the Governor's  
21 annual consolidated capital budget request, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 309.

1	Appropriation – FY 2018	\$450,000.00
2	Appropriation – FY 2019	<del>\$370,000.00</del> <u>\$539,000.00</u>
3	Total Appropriation – Section 5	<del>\$820,000.00</del> <u>\$989,000.00</u>

4        Fourth: In Sec. 8, amending 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec. 11, in  
5        subdivision (e)(1)(B), by striking out “\$1,500,000.00” and inserting in lieu  
6        thereof “\$1,400,000.00”, in subdivision (f)(4), by striking out “subdivision (2)”  
7        and inserting in lieu thereof “subdivisions (2)(A)–(2)(C)”, in subdivision  
8        (g)(1)(B), by striking out “\$1,000,000.00” and inserting in lieu thereof  
9        “\$1,200,000.00”, and in subsection (m), by striking out “\$200,000.00” and  
10       inserting in lieu thereof “\$100,000.00”

11       Fifth: In Sec. 12, adding 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec. 16a, by  
12       striking out “\$500,000.00” and inserting in lieu thereof “\$300,000.00”

13       Sixth: In Sec. 26, amending 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, by adding  
14       Secs. 36a and 37a, in Sec. 36a, by striking out the section heading and  
15       inserting in lieu thereof the following:

16       “2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Secs. 36a–36c are added to read:”,  
17       in Sec. 36a, by striking out subdivision (c)(3) in its entirety and inserting in  
18       lieu thereof the following:

19       (3) The Program is authorized to award one-to-one matching grants of  
20       up to \$25,000.00 per school. The required match shall be met through dollars  
21       raised and not in-kind services. It is the intent of the General Assembly that

1 grants shall be used to match federal funds from the Department of Homeland  
2 Security at a ratio of four State dollars to one federal dollar.

3 and by striking out all after Sec. 36a and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

4 \* \* \* Sunset of School Security Grant Program \* \* \*

5 Sec. 36b. REPEAL OF SCHOOL SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM

6 The School Safety and Security Grant Program established in Sec. 17 of this  
7 act shall be repealed on July 1, 2019.

8 \* \* \* School Safety Advisory Group \* \* \*

9 Sec. 36c. SCHOOL SAFETY ADVISORY GROUP; REPORT

10 (a) Creation. There is created the School Safety Advisory Group to  
11 develop statewide guidelines and best practices concerning school safety and  
12 the prevention of school shootings.

13 (b) Membership. The Advisory Group shall be composed of the following  
14 six members:

15 (1) the Secretary of Administration or designee;

16 (2) the Secretary of Education or designee;

17 (3) the Commissioner of Public Safety or designee;

18 (4) the Executive Director of the Vermont School Boards Association or  
19 designee;

20 (5) the President of the Vermont-National Education Association or  
21 designee; and



1           (6) a representative of the Vermont Principals' Association.

2           (c) Powers and duties. The Advisory Group shall study the following  
3 issues and develop specific guidelines and best practices for Vermont schools  
4 concerning them:

5           (1) improving security in and around school buildings and property;

6           (2) ensuring staff and students know what they should do in the event of  
7 a school shooting or other incident;

8           (3) training for staff and students, including the type and frequency of  
9 the training;

10          (4) sharing information with parents and community if an event  
11 occurs; and

12          (5) gathering information on security measures implemented in schools  
13 from corresponding State education and public safety departments in states  
14 where school shootings have occurred.

15          (d) Assistance. The Advisory Group shall have the administrative,  
16 technical, and legal assistance of the Agency of Education and the Department  
17 of Public Safety.

18          (e) Report. On or before July 1, 2018, the Advisory Group shall submit a  
19 written report to the General Assembly with its findings, including specific  
20 guidelines and best practices, and any recommendations for legislative action  
21 necessary to ensure that all schools in Vermont begin implementing those

1 guidelines and best practices and have a plan for compliance before the  
2 beginning of the next school year.

3 (f) Meetings.

4 (1) The Secretary of Education shall call the first meeting of the  
5 Advisory Group.

6 (2) The Commissioner of Public Safety or designee shall be the Chair.

7 (3) A majority of the membership shall constitute a quorum.

8 (4) The Advisory Group shall cease to exist on July 1, 2019.

9 (g) Compensation and reimbursement. Members of the Advisory Group  
10 who are not employees of the State of Vermont and who are not otherwise  
11 compensated or reimbursed for their attendance shall be entitled to per diem  
12 compensation and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 1010 for  
13 meetings. These payments shall be made from monies appropriated to the  
14 General Assembly.

15 Seventh: By striking out all after Sec. 26, and inserting in lieu thereof the  
16 following:

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

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2 Sec. 27. 28 V.S.A. § 1354 is amended to read:

3 § 1354. ARTICLE IV; THE STATE COUNCIL

4 (a) ~~A~~ The Vermont state council for interstate adult offender supervision  
5 State Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision is created. The ~~state~~  
6 ~~council~~ State Council shall consist of ~~five~~ six members:

7 (1) ~~one representative of the legislative branch appointed by the general~~  
8 ~~assembly pursuant to a process determined by the joint rules committee~~ one  
9 member of the House of Representatives, who shall be appointed by the  
10 Speaker, and one member of the Senate, who shall be appointed by the  
11 Committee on Committees;

12 (2) one representative of the ~~judicial branch~~ Judicial branch appointed  
13 by the ~~chief justice~~ Chief Justice of the ~~supreme court~~ Supreme Court;

14 (3) one representative of the ~~executive branch~~ Executive Branch  
15 appointed by the ~~governor~~ Governor;

16 (4) one representative of a victims group appointed by the ~~governor~~  
17 Governor; and

18 (5) one individual who in addition to serving as a member of the ~~council~~  
19 Council shall serve as the compact administrator for this ~~state~~ State, appointed  
20 by the ~~governor~~ Governor after consultation with the ~~general assembly~~ General  
21 Assembly and the ~~supreme court~~ Supreme Court.

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Sec. 28. EFFECTIVE DATE

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This act shall take effect on passage.