

SECTION 6

BUILDING COMMUNITIES GRANTS

The committee has already heard from ACCD and will hear testimony from BGS and Agency of Ag on the other grants. The Vermont Arts Council will provide testimony on the Cultural Facilities Grants detailed below (Rebecca)

SEC. 6 APPROPRIATIONS: BUILDING COMMUNITIES GRANTS

1. The sum of \$1,200,000 is requested to be appropriated to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development for:

- A. Historic Preservation Grants \$400,000
- B. Historic Barns and Agricultural Grants \$400,000
- C. Cultural Facilities Grants \$400,000

FY'18 and FY'19 funds are requested for the Cultural Facilities Competitive Grant Program to be administered by the Vermont Arts Council and made available on a one-for-one matching basis with funds raised from non-state sources. No such grant shall be available for a project receiving funding from any other appropriation of this act. The appropriations shall be awarded on a competitive basis. In recommending grant awards, a review panel shall give priority consideration to applicants who demonstrate greater financial need or are in underserved areas of the State.

2. The sum of \$1,200,000 is requested to be appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for grant programs:

- A. Recreational Facilities Grants Program..... \$400,000
- B. Regional Economic Development Grant Program..... \$400,000
- C. Human Services and Educational Facilities Grants: Human Services \$200,000
- D. Human Services and Educational Facilities Grants: Education..... \$200,000

3. The sum of \$400,000 is requested to be appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for grant programs:

- A. Competitive Grants Program: Agricultural Fair Capital Projects \$400,000

Total Request for FY 2018	\$1,400,000
<u>Total Request for FY 2019</u>	<u>\$1,400,000</u>
Total Request for Section 6 FY 2018 and FY 2019	\$2,800,000