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An act relating to making appropriations for the support of government

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

Sec. A.100 SHORT TITLE

(a) This bill may be referred to as the BIG BILL – Fiscal Year 2021

Appropriations Act.

Sec. A.101 PURPOSE

(a) The purpose of this act is to provide appropriations for the operations of State government during fiscal year 2021. It is the express intent of the General Assembly that activities of the various agencies, departments, divisions, boards, and commissions be limited to those that can be supported by funds appropriated in this act or other acts passed prior to June 30, 2020. Agency and department heads are directed to implement staffing and service levels in fiscal year 2021 so as to meet this condition unless otherwise directed by specific language in this act or other acts of the General Assembly.

Sec. A.102 APPROPRIATIONS

(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that this act serves as the primary source and reference for appropriations for fiscal year 2021.

(b) The sums herein stated are appropriated for the purposes specified in the following sections of this act. When no time is expressly stated during which any of the appropriations are to continue, the appropriations are single-year appropriations and only for the purpose indicated and shall be paid from

funds shown as the source of funds. If in this act there is an error in either addition or subtraction, the totals shall be adjusted accordingly. Apparent errors in referring to section numbers of statutory titles within this act may be disregarded by the Commissioner of Finance and Management.

(c) Unless codified or otherwise specified, all narrative portions of this act apply only to the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2021.

Sec. A.102.1 RELATIONSHIP WITH 2020 ACTS AND RESOLVES

NO. 120; REPEALS

(a) In order to respond promptly to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the State of Vermont and its economy, the General Assembly enacted 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120 in July 2020 to support the operations of State government during the first quarter of fiscal year 2021. Since that time, it has become apparent that it is preferable to enact appropriations to support the operations of State government for the entirety of fiscal year 2021, and certain appropriations from 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120 must be repealed as set forth in subsection (b) of this section in order to provide for the full-year appropriations.

(b) The following are repealed on October 1, 2020:

(1) 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Sec. A.3(a) (appropriations for the first quarter of fiscal year 2021);

(2) 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Sec. A.4 (Phase I prorated appropriations fiscal year 2021 first quarter);

(3) the language following 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Sec. A.6 but preceding Sec. A.7 (budgetary specifications and amounts); and

(4) 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Sec. A.54(b) (narrative portions apply only to first quarter of fiscal year 2021).

(c) In the event of a conflict between the provisions of this act and the provisions of 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, the provisions of this act shall control.

Sec. A.103 DEFINITIONS

(a) As used in this act:

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

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

(3) “Operating expenses” means property management; repair and maintenance; rental expenses; insurance; postage; travel; energy and utilities;

office and other supplies; equipment, including motor vehicles, highway materials, and construction; expenditures for the purchase of land and construction of new buildings and permanent improvements; and similar items.

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

Sec. A.104 RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING LAWS

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

Sec. A.105 OFFSETTING APPROPRIATIONS

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

Sec. A.106 FEDERAL FUNDS

(a) In fiscal year 2021, the Governor, with the approval of the General Assembly or the Joint Fiscal Committee if the General Assembly is not in session, may accept federal funds available to the State of Vermont, including block grants in lieu of or in addition to funds herein designated as federal. The Governor, with the approval of the General Assembly or the Joint Fiscal Committee if the General Assembly is not in session, may allocate all or any portion of such federal funds for any purpose consistent with the purposes for which the basic appropriations in this act have been made.

(b) If, during fiscal year 2021, federal funds available to the State of Vermont and designated as federal in this and other acts of the 2020 session of the Vermont General Assembly are converted into block grants or are abolished under their current title in federal law and reestablished under a new title in federal law, the Governor may continue to accept such federal funds for any purpose consistent with the purposes for which the federal funds were appropriated. The Governor may spend such funds for such purposes for not more than 45 days prior to Legislative or Joint Fiscal Committee approval. Notice shall be given to the Joint Fiscal Committee without delay if the Governor intends to use the authority granted by this section, and the Joint Fiscal Committee shall meet in an expedited manner to review the Governor's request for approval.

Sec. A.107 NEW POSITIONS

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the total number of authorized State positions, both classified and exempt, excluding temporary positions as defined in 3 V.S.A. § 311(a)(11), shall not be increased during fiscal year 2021 except for new positions authorized by the 2020 session. Limited service positions approved pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 5 shall not be subject to this restriction.

Sec. A.108 LEGEND

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

<u>B.100–B.199 and E.100–E.199</u>	<u>General Government</u>
<u>B.200–B.299 and E.200–E.299</u>	<u>Protection to Persons and Property</u>
<u>B.300–B.399 and E.300–E.399</u>	<u>Human Services</u>
<u>B.400–B.499 and E.400–E.499</u>	<u>Labor</u>
<u>B.500–B.599 and E.500–E.599</u>	<u>General Education</u>
<u>B.600–B.699 and E.600–E.699</u>	<u>Higher Education</u>
<u>B.700–B.799 and E.700–E.799</u>	<u>Natural Resources</u>
<u>B.800–B.899 and E.800–E.899</u>	<u>Commerce and Community</u>
	<u>Development</u>
<u>B.900–B.999 and E.900–E.999</u>	<u>Transportation</u>
<u>B.1000–B.1099 and E.1000–E.1099</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>
<u>B.1100–B.1199 and E.1100–E.1199</u>	<u>One-time and other appropriation</u>
	<u>actions</u>

(b) The D sections contain fund transfers and reserve allocations for the upcoming budget year, the F section contains legislative intent for Pay Act, and the G section amends the Transportation Bill.

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

Personal services	1,161,363
Operating expenses	<u>222,403</u>
Total	1,383,766

Source of funds

General fund	862,455
Special funds	169,000
Internal service funds	173,452
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>178,859</u>
Total	1,383,766

Sec. B.101 Secretary of administration - finance

Personal services	1,174,127
Operating expenses	<u>138,555</u>
Total	1,312,682

Source of funds

Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,312,682</u>
Total	1,312,682

Sec. B.102 Secretary of administration - workers' compensation insurance

Personal services	592,195
Operating expenses	<u>70,531</u>
Total	662,726

Source of funds

Internal service funds	<u>662,726</u>
Total	662,726

Sec. B.103 Secretary of administration - general liability insurance

Personal services	582,921
Operating expenses	<u>40,556</u>
Total	623,477

Source of funds

Internal service funds	<u>623,477</u>
Total	623,477

Sec. B.104 Secretary of administration - all other insurance

Operating expenses	<u>20,901</u>
Total	20,901

Source of funds

Internal service funds	<u>20,901</u>
Total	20,901

Sec. B.105 Agency of digital services - communications and information
technology

Personal services	54,916,361
Operating expenses	<u>26,310,083</u>
Total	81,226,444

Source of funds

General fund	174,342
Special funds	387,710
Internal service funds	<u>80,664,392</u>
Total	81,226,444

Sec. B.106 Finance and management - budget and management

Personal services	1,566,326
Operating expenses	<u>334,033</u>
Total	1,900,359

Source of funds

General fund	1,284,367
Internal service funds	<u>615,992</u>
Total	1,900,359

Sec. B.107 Finance and management - financial operations

Personal services	2,045,137
Operating expenses	<u>806,670</u>

Total	2,851,807
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>2,851,807</u>
Total	2,851,807
Sec. B.108 Human resources - operations	
Personal services	8,314,246
Operating expenses	<u>1,294,899</u>
Total	9,609,145
Source of funds	
General fund	1,934,763
Special funds	263,589
Internal service funds	6,595,152
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>815,641</u>
Total	9,609,145
Sec. B.108.1 Human resources - VTHR operations	
Personal services	1,881,896
Operating expenses	<u>857,885</u>
Total	2,739,781
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>2,739,781</u>
Total	2,739,781

Sec. B.109 Human resources - employee benefits & wellness

Personal services	956,824
Operating expenses	<u>599,505</u>
Total	1,556,329

Source of funds

Internal service funds	<u>1,556,329</u>
Total	1,556,329

Sec. B.110 Libraries

Personal services	2,034,994
Operating expenses	1,125,460
Grants	<u>207,510</u>
Total	3,367,964

Source of funds

General fund	2,007,822
Special funds	107,828
Federal funds	1,153,855
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>98,459</u>
Total	3,367,964

Sec. B.111 Tax - administration/collection

Personal services	16,057,851
Operating expenses	<u>5,969,247</u>

Total	22,027,098
Source of funds	
General fund	19,989,515
Special funds	1,680,474
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	323,000
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>34,109</u>
Total	22,027,098
Sec. B.112 Buildings and general services - administration	
Personal services	705,098
Operating expenses	<u>113,692</u>
Total	818,790
Source of funds	
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>818,790</u>
Total	818,790
Sec. B.113 Buildings and general services - engineering	
Personal services	2,634,238
Operating expenses	<u>1,481,665</u>
Total	4,115,903
Source of funds	
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,115,903</u>
Total	4,115,903

Sec. B.114 Buildings and general services - information centers

Personal services	3,351,401
Operating expenses	<u>2,024,480</u>
Total	5,375,881

Source of funds

General fund	630,652
Transportation fund	3,911,594
Special funds	473,635
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	<u>360,000</u>
Total	5,375,881

Sec. B.115 Buildings and general services - purchasing

Personal services	1,156,061
Operating expenses	<u>182,508</u>
Total	1,338,569

Source of funds

General fund	1,240,679
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>97,890</u>
Total	1,338,569

Sec. B.116 Buildings and general services - postal services

Personal services	719,120
Operating expenses	<u>205,867</u>

Total	924,987
Source of funds	
General fund	82,511
Internal service funds	<u>842,476</u>
Total	924,987
Sec. B.117 Buildings and general services - copy center	
Personal services	795,615
Operating expenses	<u>141,332</u>
Total	936,947
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>936,947</u>
Total	936,947
Sec. B.118 Buildings and general services - fleet management services	
Personal services	730,622
Operating expenses	<u>205,336</u>
Total	935,958
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>935,958</u>
Total	935,958
Sec. B.119 Buildings and general services - federal surplus property	
Operating expenses	<u>6,840</u>

Total	6,840
Source of funds	
Enterprise funds	<u>6,840</u>
Total	6,840
Sec. B.120 Buildings and general services - state surplus property	
Personal services	307,143
Operating expenses	<u>120,366</u>
Total	427,509
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>427,509</u>
Total	427,509
Sec. B.121 Buildings and general services - property management	
Personal services	1,312,169
Operating expenses	<u>2,044,693</u>
Total	3,356,862
Source of funds	
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	1,583,332
Internal service funds	<u>1,773,530</u>
Total	3,356,862
Sec. B.122 Buildings and general services - fee for space	
Personal services	16,527,274

Operating expenses	<u>14,546,673</u>
Total	31,073,947
Source of funds	
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	1,508,433
Internal service funds	<u>29,565,514</u>
Total	31,073,947
Sec. B.124 Executive office - governor's office	
Personal services	1,416,509
Operating expenses	<u>438,761</u>
Total	1,855,270
Source of funds	
General fund	1,657,770
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>197,500</u>
Total	1,855,270
Sec. B.125 Legislative counsel	
Personal services	2,992,514
Operating expenses	<u>195,019</u>
Total	3,187,533
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>3,187,533</u>
Total	3,187,533

Sec. B.126 Legislature

Personal services	4,920,731
Operating expenses	<u>3,770,358</u>
Total	8,691,089

Source of funds

General fund	<u>8,691,089</u>
Total	8,691,089

Sec. B.126.1 Legislative information technology

Personal services	821,918
Operating expenses	<u>597,901</u>
Total	1,419,819

Source of funds

General fund	<u>1,419,819</u>
Total	1,419,819

Sec. B.127 Joint fiscal committee

Personal services	1,938,162
Operating expenses	<u>155,608</u>
Total	2,093,770

Source of funds

General fund	<u>2,093,770</u>
Total	2,093,770

Sec. B.128 Sergeant at arms

Personal services	844,931
Operating expenses	<u>85,888</u>
Total	930,819

Source of funds

General fund	<u>930,819</u>
Total	930,819

Sec. B.129 Lieutenant governor

Personal services	232,147
Operating expenses	<u>31,744</u>
Total	263,891

Source of funds

General fund	<u>263,891</u>
Total	263,891

Sec. B.130 Auditor of accounts

Personal services	3,450,125
Operating expenses	<u>132,055</u>
Total	3,582,180

Source of funds

General fund	314,921
Special funds	53,145

Internal service funds	<u>3,214,114</u>
Total	3,582,180
Sec. B.131 State treasurer	
Personal services	3,922,112
Operating expenses	<u>215,303</u>
Total	4,137,415
Source of funds	
General fund	975,600
Special funds	3,021,695
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>140,120</u>
Total	4,137,415
Sec. B.132 State treasurer - unclaimed property	
Personal services	722,425
Operating expenses	<u>412,394</u>
Total	1,134,819
Source of funds	
Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,134,819</u>
Total	1,134,819
Sec. B.133 Vermont state retirement system	
Personal services	4,221,259
Operating expenses	<u>1,451,382</u>

Total	5,672,641
Source of funds	
Pension trust funds	<u>5,672,641</u>
Total	5,672,641
Sec. B.134 Municipal employees' retirement system	
Personal services	1,669,165
Operating expenses	<u>929,754</u>
Total	2,598,919
Source of funds	
Pension trust funds	<u>2,598,919</u>
Total	2,598,919
Sec. B.135 State labor relations board	
Personal services	243,590
Operating expenses	<u>52,873</u>
Total	296,463
Source of funds	
General fund	286,887
Special funds	6,788
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,788</u>
Total	296,463

Sec. B.136 VOSHA review board

Personal services	77,400
Operating expenses	<u>13,899</u>
Total	91,299

Source of funds

General fund	45,650
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,649</u>
Total	91,299

Sec. B.136.1 Ethics Commission

Personal services	85,030
Operating expenses	<u>28,287</u>
Total	113,317

Source of funds

Internal service funds	<u>113,317</u>
Total	113,317

Sec. B.137 Homeowner rebate

Grants	<u>17,100,000</u>
Total	17,100,000

Source of funds

General fund	<u>17,100,000</u>
Total	17,100,000

Sec. B.138 Renter rebate

Grants 9,500,000

Total 9,500,000

Source of funds

General fund 9,500,000

Total 9,500,000

Sec. B.139 Tax department - reappraisal and listing payments

Grants 3,310,000

Total 3,310,000

Source of funds

General fund 3,310,000

Total 3,310,000

Sec. B.140 Municipal current use

Grants 16,985,000

Total 16,985,000

Source of funds

General fund 16,985,000

Total 16,985,000

Sec. B.142 Payments in lieu of taxes

Grants 9,250,000

Total 9,250,000

Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>9,250,000</u>
Total	9,250,000
Sec. B.143 Payments in lieu of taxes - Montpelier	
Grants	<u>184,000</u>
Total	184,000
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>184,000</u>
Total	184,000
Sec. B.144 Payments in lieu of taxes - correctional facilities	
Grants	<u>40,000</u>
Total	40,000
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>40,000</u>
Total	40,000
Sec. B.145 Total general government	
Source of funds	
General fund	94,969,855
Transportation fund	3,911,594
Special funds	15,637,864
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	3,774,765

Federal funds	1,153,855
Internal service funds	134,313,374
Interdepartmental transfers	7,858,390
Enterprise funds	6,840
Pension trust funds	8,271,560
Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,134,819</u>
Total	271,032,916

Sec. B.200 Attorney general

Personal services	11,024,159
Operating expenses	1,501,091
Grants	<u>26,500</u>
Total	12,551,750

Source of funds

General fund	5,622,679
Special funds	1,889,888
Tobacco fund	348,000
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	65,000
Federal funds	1,427,372
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>3,198,811</u>
Total	12,551,750

Sec. B.201 Vermont court diversion

Personal services 2,892,018

Total 2,892,018

Source of funds

General fund 2,634,021

Special funds 257,997

Total 2,892,018

Sec. B.202 Defender general - public defense

Personal services 12,270,480

Operating expenses 1,138,697

Total 13,409,177

Source of funds

General fund 12,819,524

Special funds 589,653

Total 13,409,177

Sec. B.203 Defender general - assigned counsel

Personal services 5,624,532

Operating expenses 49,819

Total 5,674,351

Source of funds

General fund 5,674,351

Total	5,674,351
Sec. B.204 Judiciary	
Personal services	42,721,022
Operating expenses	10,250,953
Grants	<u>121,030</u>
Total	53,093,005
Source of funds	
General fund	46,927,245
Special funds	3,182,775
Federal funds	887,586
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,095,399</u>
Total	53,093,005
Sec. B.205 State's attorneys	
Personal services	13,978,831
Operating expenses	<u>1,887,257</u>
Total	15,866,088
Source of funds	
General fund	12,900,933
Special funds	75,502
Federal funds	232,812
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,656,841</u>

Total	15,866,088
Sec. B.206 Special investigative unit	
Personal services	91,700
Grants	<u>2,008,730</u>
Total	2,100,430
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>2,100,430</u>
Total	2,100,430
Sec. B.207 Sheriffs	
Personal services	4,207,301
Operating expenses	<u>427,938</u>
Total	4,635,239
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>4,635,239</u>
Total	4,635,239
Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration	
Personal services	3,814,172
Operating expenses	5,170,877
Grants	<u>200,000</u>
Total	9,185,049
Source of funds	

General fund	5,115,145
Special funds	5,000
Federal funds	567,444
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>3,497,460</u>
Total	9,185,049
Sec. B.209 Public safety - state police	
Personal services	59,279,906
Operating expenses	11,932,334
Grants	<u>1,693,707</u>
Total	72,905,947
Source of funds	
General fund	27,631,891
Transportation fund	13,350,000
Special funds	3,145,278
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	21,790,000
Federal funds	5,023,746
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,965,032</u>
Total	72,905,947
Sec. B.210 Public safety - criminal justice services	
Personal services	4,408,296
Operating expenses	<u>1,736,361</u>

Total	6,144,657
Source of funds	
General fund	1,875,235
Special funds	3,422,917
Federal funds	<u>846,505</u>
Total	6,144,657
Sec. B.211 Public safety - emergency management	
Personal services	3,348,216
Operating expenses	1,058,257
Grants	<u>6,837,088</u>
Total	11,243,561
Source of funds	
General fund	591,482
Special funds	710,000
Federal funds	<u>9,942,079</u>
Total	11,243,561
Sec. B.212 Public safety - fire safety	
Personal services	6,758,594
Operating expenses	2,709,174
Grants	<u>107,000</u>
Total	9,574,768

Source of funds

General fund	471,233
Special funds	8,578,330
Federal funds	480,205
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>
Total	9,574,768

Sec. B.213 Public safety - Forensic Laboratory

Personal services	3,062,738
Operating expenses	<u>1,153,797</u>
Total	4,216,535

Source of funds

General fund	3,230,986
Special funds	77,518
Federal funds	534,594
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>373,437</u>
Total	4,216,535

Sec. B.215 Military - administration

Personal services	824,691
Operating expenses	581,182
Grants	<u>1,362,806</u>
Total	2,768,679

Source of funds	
General fund	2,696,229
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	<u>72,450</u>
Total	2,768,679
Sec. B.216 Military - air service contract	
Personal services	6,685,435
Operating expenses	<u>687,491</u>
Total	7,372,926
Source of funds	
General fund	573,198
Federal funds	<u>6,799,728</u>
Total	7,372,926
Sec. B.217 Military - army service contract	
Personal services	36,209,910
Operating expenses	<u>7,480,579</u>
Total	43,690,489
Source of funds	
Federal funds	<u>43,690,489</u>
Total	43,690,489
Sec. B.218 Military - building maintenance	
Personal services	857,530

Operating expenses	<u>732,049</u>
Total	1,589,579
Source of funds	
General fund	1,527,079
Special funds	<u>62,500</u>
Total	1,589,579
Sec. B.219 Military - veterans' affairs	
Personal services	862,936
Operating expenses	154,087
Grants	<u>51,280</u>
Total	1,068,303
Source of funds	
General fund	817,206
Special funds	151,512
Federal funds	<u>99,585</u>
Total	1,068,303
Sec. B.220 Center for crime victim services	
Personal services	2,167,869
Operating expenses	406,178
Grants	<u>11,185,424</u>
Total	13,759,471

Source of funds	
General fund	1,232,712
Special funds	5,354,316
Federal funds	<u>7,172,443</u>
Total	13,759,471
Sec. B.221 Criminal justice training council	
Personal services	1,564,725
Operating expenses	<u>1,342,981</u>
Total	2,907,706
Source of funds	
General fund	2,609,420
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	13,000
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>285,286</u>
Total	2,907,706
Sec. B.222 Agriculture, food and markets - administration	
Personal services	1,811,267
Operating expenses	424,512
Grants	<u>210,972</u>
Total	2,446,751
Source of funds	
General fund	925,156

Special funds	886,366
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	209,162
Federal funds	<u>426,067</u>
Total	2,446,751

Sec. B.223 Agriculture, food and markets - food safety and consumer
protection

Personal services	4,240,533
Operating expenses	727,159
Grants	<u>2,750,000</u>
Total	7,717,692

Source of funds

General fund	2,859,758
Special funds	3,608,289
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	120,560
Federal funds	1,122,085
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>7,000</u>
Total	7,717,692

Sec. B.224 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural development

Personal services	2,488,190
Operating expenses	1,086,519
Grants	<u>1,394,875</u>

Total	4,969,584
Source of funds	
General fund	1,922,062
Special funds	706,100
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	683,806
Federal funds	<u>1,657,616</u>
Total	4,969,584
Sec. B.225 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural resource management and environmental stewardship	
Personal services	2,795,230
Operating expenses	612,025
Grants	<u>295,334</u>
Total	3,702,589
Source of funds	
General fund	780,733
Special funds	2,027,250
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	122,758
Federal funds	492,242
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>279,606</u>
Total	3,702,589

Sec. B.225.1 Agriculture, food and markets - Vermont Agriculture and
Environmental Lab

Personal services	1,653,896
Operating expenses	<u>976,775</u>
Total	2,630,671

Source of funds

General fund	877,641
Special funds	1,613,587
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	74,414
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>65,029</u>
Total	2,630,671

Sec. B.225.2 Agriculture, Food and Markets - Clean Water

Personal services	3,498,888
Operating expenses	506,209
Grants	<u>3,097,498</u>
Total	7,102,595

Source of funds

General fund	1,212,113
Special funds	4,987,335
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	300,014
Federal funds	131,927

Interdepartmental transfers	<u>471,206</u>
Total	7,102,595
Sec. B.226 Financial regulation - administration	
Personal services	2,076,246
Operating expenses	<u>287,859</u>
Total	2,364,105
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>2,364,105</u>
Total	2,364,105
Sec. B.227 Financial regulation - banking	
Personal services	1,906,394
Operating expenses	<u>437,356</u>
Total	2,343,750
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>2,343,750</u>
Total	2,343,750
Sec. B.228 Financial regulation - insurance	
Personal services	4,138,090
Operating expenses	<u>601,092</u>
Total	4,739,182
Source of funds	

Special funds	<u>4,739,182</u>
Total	4,739,182
Sec. B.229 Financial regulation - captive insurance	
Personal services	4,593,766
Operating expenses	<u>632,506</u>
Total	5,226,272
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>5,226,272</u>
Total	5,226,272
Sec. B.230 Financial regulation - securities	
Personal services	1,072,526
Operating expenses	<u>258,031</u>
Total	1,330,557
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>1,330,557</u>
Total	1,330,557
Sec. B.232 Secretary of state	
Personal services	10,076,918
Operating expenses	<u>3,008,151</u>
Total	13,085,069
Source of funds	

Special funds	11,754,833
Federal funds	<u>1,330,236</u>
Total	13,085,069

Sec. B.233 Public service - regulation and energy

Personal services	10,344,756
Operating expenses	1,140,012
Grants	<u>1,339,181</u>
Total	12,823,949

Source of funds

Special funds	11,366,409
Federal funds	652,800
ARRA funds	600,000
Interdepartmental transfers	150,000
Enterprise funds	<u>54,740</u>
Total	12,823,949

Sec. B.234 Public utility commission

Personal services	3,421,027
Operating expenses	<u>483,432</u>
Total	3,904,459

Source of funds

Special funds	<u>3,904,459</u>
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Total	3,904,459
Sec. B.235 Enhanced 9-1-1 Board	
Personal services	4,290,478
Operating expenses	<u>517,948</u>
Total	4,808,426
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>4,808,426</u>
Total	4,808,426
Sec. B.236 Human rights commission	
Personal services	613,236
Operating expenses	<u>79,278</u>
Total	692,514
Source of funds	
General fund	618,073
Federal funds	<u>74,441</u>
Total	692,514
Sec. B.236.1 Liquor & Lottery Comm. Office	
Personal services	409,198
Operating expenses	<u>8,550</u>
Total	417,748

Source of funds	
Enterprise funds	<u>417,748</u>
Total	417,748
Sec. B.236.2 Lottery Operations	
Personal services	1,953,634
Operating expenses	1,423,556
Grants	<u>250,000</u>
Total	3,627,190
Source of funds	
Enterprise funds	<u>3,627,190</u>
Total	3,627,190
Sec. B.237 Liquor control - administration	
Personal services	3,792,370
Operating expenses	<u>1,267,339</u>
Total	5,059,709
Source of funds	
Tobacco fund	213,843
Enterprise funds	<u>4,845,866</u>
Total	5,059,709
Sec. B.238 Liquor control - enforcement and licensing	
Personal services	1,953,092

Operating expenses	<u>465,104</u>
Total	2,418,196
Source of funds	
Federal funds	184,484
Enterprise funds	<u>2,233,712</u>
Total	2,418,196
Sec. B.239 Liquor control - warehousing and distribution	
Personal services	1,131,461
Operating expenses	<u>486,434</u>
Total	1,617,895
Source of funds	
Enterprise funds	<u>1,617,895</u>
Total	1,617,895
Sec. B.240 Total protection to persons and property	
Source of funds	
General fund	150,881,774
Transportation fund	13,350,000
Special funds	89,170,106
Tobacco fund	561,843
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	23,451,164
Federal funds	83,776,486

ARRA funds	600,000
Interdepartmental transfers	15,090,107
Enterprise funds	<u>12,797,151</u>
Total	389,678,631

Sec. B.300 Human services - agency of human services - secretary's office

Personal services	11,121,179
Operating expenses	5,183,112
Grants	<u>8,818,674</u>
Total	25,122,965

Source of funds

General fund	14,043,208
Special funds	135,517
Federal funds	9,910,637
Global Commitment fund	453,000
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>580,603</u>
Total	25,122,965

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

Grants	<u>1,623,904,822</u>
Total	1,623,904,822

Source of funds

General fund	522,372,868
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Special funds	32,293,557
Tobacco fund	21,049,373
State health care resources fund	17,078,501
Federal funds	1,020,542,541
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>10,567,982</u>
Total	1,623,904,822

Sec. B.303 Developmental disabilities council

Personal services	379,199
Operating expenses	95,146
Grants	<u>191,595</u>
Total	665,940

Source of funds

Special funds	12,000
Federal funds	<u>653,940</u>
Total	665,940

Sec. B.304 Human services board

Personal services	739,318
Operating expenses	<u>89,159</u>
Total	828,477

Source of funds

General fund	474,716
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Federal funds	<u>353,761</u>
Total	828,477
Sec. B.305 AHS - administrative fund	
Personal services	330,000
Operating expenses	<u>10,170,000</u>
Total	10,500,000
Source of funds	
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>10,500,000</u>
Total	10,500,000
Sec. B.306 Department of Vermont health access - administration	
Personal services	129,834,613
Operating expenses	26,285,655
Grants	<u>5,192,301</u>
Total	161,312,569
Source of funds	
General fund	32,314,433
Special funds	3,378,509
Federal funds	116,496,036
Global Commitment fund	4,330,710
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,792,881</u>
Total	161,312,569

Sec. B.307 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - global
commitment

Personal services	547,983
Grants	<u>726,492,200</u>
Total	727,040,183

Source of funds

Global Commitment fund	<u>727,040,183</u>
Total	727,040,183

Sec. B.309 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - state
only

Grants	<u>51,417,964</u>
Total	51,417,964

Source of funds

General fund	39,365,706
Global Commitment fund	<u>12,052,258</u>
Total	51,417,964

Sec. B.310 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid non-waiver
matched

Grants	<u>33,096,001</u>
Total	33,096,001

Source of funds

General fund	12,164,088
Federal funds	<u>20,931,913</u>
Total	33,096,001
Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support	
Personal services	5,618,392
Operating expenses	6,355,826
Grants	<u>4,040,881</u>
Total	16,015,099
Source of funds	
General fund	2,704,133
Special funds	2,041,597
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	1,000,000
Federal funds	7,493,305
Global Commitment fund	2,681,102
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>94,962</u>
Total	16,015,099
Sec. B.312 Health - public health	
Personal services	46,668,668
Operating expenses	10,183,898
Grants	<u>36,833,198</u>
Total	93,685,764

Source of funds	
General fund	10,325,430
Special funds	18,763,637
Tobacco fund	1,088,918
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	1,650,000
Federal funds	47,328,052
Global Commitment fund	13,264,921
Interdepartmental transfers	1,239,806
Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
Total	93,685,764

Sec. B.313 Health - alcohol and drug abuse programs

Personal services	4,999,801
Operating expenses	442,000
Grants	<u>48,713,374</u>
Total	54,155,175

Source of funds	
General fund	1,234,338
Special funds	1,281,066
Tobacco fund	949,917
Federal funds	18,491,664
Global Commitment fund	<u>32,198,190</u>

Total	54,155,175
Sec. B.314 Mental health - mental health	
Personal services	32,711,706
Operating expenses	4,574,758
Grants	<u>240,948,028</u>
Total	278,234,492
Source of funds	
General fund	9,394,021
Special funds	1,686,673
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	737,104
Federal funds	11,127,574
Global Commitment fund	253,591,013
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,698,107</u>
Total	278,234,492
Sec. B.316 Department for children and families - administration & support services	
Personal services	38,135,822
Operating expenses	16,737,674
Grants	<u>3,951,275</u>
Total	58,824,771
Source of funds	

General fund	32,556,013
Special funds	2,708,800
Federal funds	20,975,521
Global Commitment fund	2,005,816
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>220,436</u>
Total	58,466,586

Sec. B.317 Department for children and families - family services

Personal services	38,776,869
Operating expenses	5,069,385
Grants	<u>78,055,766</u>
Total	121,902,020

Source of funds

General fund	43,478,598
Special funds	729,587
Federal funds	32,002,165
Global Commitment fund	45,579,021
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>112,649</u>
Total	121,902,020

Sec. B.318 Department for children and families - child development

Personal services	4,612,052
Operating expenses	862,982

Grants	<u>82,319,977</u>
Total	87,795,011

Source of funds

General fund	25,392,931
Special funds	16,820,000
Tobacco fund	2,000,000
Federal funds	33,551,078
Global Commitment fund	10,008,502
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>22,500</u>
Total	87,795,011

Sec. B.319 Department for children and families - office of child support

Personal services	11,107,221
Operating expenses	<u>3,568,636</u>
Total	14,675,857

Source of funds

General fund	4,392,533
Special funds	455,719
Federal funds	9,440,005
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>387,600</u>
Total	14,675,857

Sec. B.320 Department for children and families - aid to aged, blind and
disabled

Personal services	2,252,206
Grants	<u>10,298,023</u>
Total	12,550,229

Source of funds

General fund	8,649,899
Global Commitment fund	<u>3,900,330</u>
Total	12,550,229

Sec. B.321 Department for children and families - general assistance

Personal services	15,000
Grants	<u>8,981,574</u>
Total	8,996,574

Source of funds

General fund	8,599,239
Federal funds	111,320
Global Commitment fund	<u>286,015</u>
Total	8,996,574

Sec. B.322 Department for children and families - 3SquaresVT

Grants	<u>29,827,906</u>
Total	29,827,906

Source of funds	
Federal funds	<u>29,827,906</u>
Total	29,827,906
Sec. B.323 Department for children and families - reach up	
Operating expenses	48,524
Grants	<u>39,867,197</u>
Total	39,915,721
Source of funds	
General fund	22,361,264
Special funds	6,133,482
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	5,197,333
Federal funds	3,542,024
Global Commitment fund	<u>2,681,618</u>
Total	39,915,721
Sec. B.324 Department for children and families - home heating fuel assistance/LIHEAP	
Grants	<u>16,019,953</u>
Total	16,019,953
Source of funds	
Special funds	1,480,395
Federal funds	<u>14,539,558</u>

Total	16,019,953
Sec. B.325 Department for children and families - office of economic opportunity	
Personal services	534,250
Operating expenses	44,078
Grants	<u>10,566,655</u>
Total	11,144,983
Source of funds	
General fund	5,307,854
Special funds	57,990
Federal funds	4,423,154
Global Commitment fund	<u>1,355,985</u>
Total	11,144,983
Sec. B.326 Department for children and families - OEO - weatherization assistance	
Personal services	335,094
Operating expenses	45,269
Grants	<u>12,038,018</u>
Total	12,418,381
Source of funds	
Special funds	7,601,113

Federal funds	<u>4,817,268</u>
Total	12,418,381

Sec. B.327 Department for children and families - Woodside rehabilitation
center

Personal services	3,928,957
Operating expenses	<u>675,455</u>
Total	4,604,412

Source of funds

General fund	4,507,412
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>97,000</u>
Total	4,604,412

Sec. B.328 Department for children and families - disability determination
services

Personal services	6,817,027
Operating expenses	<u>435,650</u>
Total	7,252,677

Source of funds

General fund	108,854
Federal funds	<u>7,143,823</u>
Total	7,252,677

Sec. B.329 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - administration &
support

Personal services	33,409,543
Operating expenses	<u>5,883,996</u>
Total	39,293,539
Source of funds	
General fund	17,410,292
Special funds	1,390,457
Federal funds	19,426,506
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,066,284</u>
Total	39,293,539

Sec. B.330 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - advocacy and
independent living grants

Grants	<u>18,762,373</u>
Total	18,762,373
Source of funds	
General fund	7,441,442
Federal funds	7,148,466
Global Commitment fund	<u>4,172,465</u>
Total	18,762,373

Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - blind and visually
impaired

Grants	<u>1,661,457</u>
Total	1,661,457
Source of funds	
General fund	389,154
Special funds	223,450
Federal funds	743,853
Global Commitment fund	<u>305,000</u>
Total	1,661,457

Sec. B.332 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - vocational
rehabilitation

Grants	<u>7,024,368</u>
Total	7,024,368
Source of funds	
General fund	1,371,845
Federal funds	4,402,523
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,250,000</u>
Total	7,024,368

Sec. B.333 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - developmental
services

Grants	<u>234,832,050</u>
Total	234,832,050

Source of funds

General fund	155,125
Special funds	15,463
Federal funds	359,857
Global Commitment fund	234,256,605
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>
Total	234,832,050

Sec. B.334 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - TBI home and
community based waiver

Grants	<u>5,152,980</u>
Total	5,152,980

Source of funds

Global Commitment fund	<u>5,152,980</u>
Total	5,152,980

Sec. B.334.1 Disabilities, aging and independent living - Long Term Care

Grants	<u>225,276,530</u>
Total	225,276,530

Source of funds	
General fund	498,579
Federal funds	2,083,333
Global Commitment fund	<u>222,694,618</u>
Total	225,276,530
Sec. B.335 Corrections - administration	
Personal services	3,061,285
Operating expenses	<u>238,644</u>
Total	3,299,929
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>3,299,929</u>
Total	3,299,929
Sec. B.336 Corrections - parole board	
Personal services	356,216
Operating expenses	<u>59,216</u>
Total	415,432
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>415,432</u>
Total	415,432
Sec. B.337 Corrections - correctional education	
Personal services	3,226,930

Operating expenses	<u>244,932</u>
Total	3,471,862
Source of funds	
General fund	3,323,078
Education fund	0
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>148,784</u>
Total	3,471,862
Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services	
Personal services	121,845,262
Operating expenses	23,059,297
Grants	<u>8,808,427</u>
Total	153,712,986
Source of funds	
General fund	141,646,389
Special funds	935,963
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	4,950,000
Federal funds	473,523
Global Commitment fund	5,310,796
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>396,315</u>
Total	153,712,986

Sec. B.339 Corrections - Correctional services-out of state beds

Personal services 5,640,604

Total 5,640,604

Source of funds

General fund 5,640,604

Total 5,640,604

Sec. B.340 Corrections - correctional facilities - recreation

Personal services 426,705

Operating expenses 455,845

Total 882,550

Source of funds

Special funds 882,550

Total 882,550

Sec. B.341 Corrections - Vermont offender work program

Personal services 1,404,901

Operating expenses 525,784

Total 1,930,685

Source of funds

Internal service funds 1,930,685

Total 1,930,685

Sec. B.342 Vermont veterans' home - care and support services

Personal services	19,575,182
Operating expenses	<u>4,455,065</u>
Total	24,030,247

Source of funds

General fund	2,858,379
Special funds	11,858,292
Federal funds	<u>9,313,576</u>
Total	24,030,247

Sec. B.343 Commission on women

Personal services	338,188
Operating expenses	<u>64,568</u>
Total	402,756

Source of funds

General fund	399,187
Special funds	<u>3,569</u>
Total	402,756

Sec. B.344 Retired senior volunteer program

Grants	<u>146,564</u>
Total	146,564

Source of funds

General fund	<u>146,564</u>
Total	146,564
Sec. B.345 Green Mountain Care Board	
Personal services	7,358,493
Operating expenses	<u>379,150</u>
Total	7,737,643
Source of funds	
General fund	3,094,435
Special funds	<u>4,643,208</u>
Total	7,737,643
Sec. B.346 Total human services	
Source of funds	
General fund	987,837,972
Special funds	115,532,594
Tobacco fund	25,088,208
State health care resources fund	17,078,501
Education fund	0
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	13,534,437
Federal funds	1,457,654,882
Global Commitment fund	1,583,321,128
Internal service funds	1,930,685

Interdepartmental transfers	33,220,909
Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
Total	4,235,224,316
Sec. B.400 Labor - programs	
Personal services	31,253,177
Operating expenses	10,214,693
Grants	<u>2,727,000</u>
Total	44,194,870
Source of funds	
General fund	4,898,964
Special funds	6,922,539
Federal funds	31,264,367
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,109,000</u>
Total	44,194,870
Sec. B.401 Total labor	
Source of funds	
General fund	4,898,964
Special funds	6,922,539
Federal funds	31,264,367
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,109,000</u>
Total	44,194,870

Sec. B.500 Education - finance and administration

Personal services	13,270,966
Operating expenses	3,979,764
Grants	<u>16,770,700</u>
Total	34,021,430

Source of funds

General fund	5,381,516
Special funds	18,290,009
Education fund	3,375,307
Federal funds	6,132,426
Global Commitment fund	260,000
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>582,172</u>
Total	34,021,430

Sec. B.501 Education - education services

Personal services	12,205,290
Operating expenses	1,073,385
Grants	<u>124,979,229</u>
Total	138,257,904

Source of funds

General fund	4,593,768
Special funds	2,844,721

Tobacco fund	750,388
Federal funds	<u>130,069,027</u>
Total	138,257,904
Sec. B.502 Education - special education: formula grants	
Grants	<u>223,718,575</u>
Total	223,718,575
Source of funds	
Education fund	<u>223,718,575</u>
Total	223,718,575
Sec. B.503 Education - state-placed students	
Grants	<u>18,000,000</u>
Total	18,000,000
Source of funds	
Education fund	<u>18,000,000</u>
Total	18,000,000
Sec. B.504 Education - adult education and literacy	
Grants	<u>4,262,900</u>
Total	4,262,900
Source of funds	
General fund	3,496,850
Federal funds	<u>766,050</u>

Total	4,262,900
Sec. B.504.1 Education - Flexible Pathways	
Grants	<u>9,225,450</u>
Total	9,225,450
Source of funds	
General fund	962,725
Education fund	<u>8,262,725</u>
Total	9,225,450
Sec. B.505 Education - adjusted education payment	
Grants	<u>1,489,500,000</u>
Total	1,489,500,000
Source of funds	
Education fund	<u>1,489,500,000</u>
Total	1,489,500,000
Sec. B.506 Education - transportation	
Grants	<u>20,459,000</u>
Total	20,459,000
Source of funds	
Education fund	<u>20,459,000</u>
Total	20,459,000

Sec. B.507 Education - small school grants

Grants 8,200,000

Total 8,200,000

Source of funds

Education fund 8,200,000

Total 8,200,000

Sec. B.510 Education - essential early education grant

Grants 7,044,052

Total 7,044,052

Source of funds

Education fund 7,044,052

Total 7,044,052

Sec. B.511 Education - technical education

Grants 14,816,000

Total 14,816,000

Source of funds

Education fund 14,816,000

Total 14,816,000

Sec. B.511.1 State Board of Education

Personal services 38,905

Operating expenses 31,803

Total	70,708
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>70,708</u>
Total	70,708
Sec. B.514 State teachers' retirement system	
Grants	<u>125,894,201</u>
Total	125,894,201
Source of funds	
General fund	119,013,146
Education fund	<u>6,881,055</u>
Total	125,894,201
Sec. B.514.1 State teachers' retirement system administration	
Personal services	4,261,124
Operating expenses	<u>1,668,671</u>
Total	5,929,795
Source of funds	
Pension trust funds	<u>5,929,795</u>
Total	5,929,795
Sec. B.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits	
Grants	<u>31,798,734</u>
Total	31,798,734

Source of funds

General fund	<u>31,798,734</u>
Total	31,798,734

Sec. B.516 Total general education

Source of funds

General fund	165,317,447
Special funds	21,134,730
Tobacco fund	750,388
Education fund	1,800,256,714
Federal funds	136,967,503
Global Commitment fund	260,000
Interdepartmental transfers	582,172
Pension trust funds	<u>5,929,795</u>
Total	2,131,198,749

Sec. B.600 University of Vermont

Grants	<u>42,509,093</u>
Total	42,509,093

Source of funds

General fund	41,840,842
Global Commitment fund	<u>668,251</u>
Total	42,509,093

Sec. B.602 Vermont state colleges

Grants 29,800,464

Total 29,800,464

Source of funds

General fund 29,800,464

Total 29,800,464

Sec. B.602.1 Vermont state colleges - Supplemental Aid

Grants 700,000

Total 700,000

Source of funds

General fund 700,000

Total 700,000

Sec. B.603 Vermont state colleges - allied health

Grants 1,157,775

Total 1,157,775

Source of funds

General fund 748,314

Global Commitment fund 409,461

Total 1,157,775

Sec. B.605 Vermont student assistance corporation

Grants 19,978,588

Total	19,978,588
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>19,978,588</u>
Total	19,978,588
Sec. B.606 New England higher education compact	
Grants	<u>84,000</u>
Total	84,000
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>84,000</u>
Total	84,000
Sec. B.607 University of Vermont - Morgan Horse Farm	
Grants	<u>1</u>
Total	1
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>1</u>
Total	1
Sec. B.608 Total higher education	
Source of funds	
General fund	93,152,209
Global Commitment fund	<u>1,077,712</u>
Total	94,229,921

Sec. B.700 Natural resources - agency of natural resources - administration

Personal services	2,322,491
Operating expenses	<u>1,043,407</u>
Total	3,365,898

Source of funds

General fund	2,684,594
Special funds	581,393
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>99,911</u>
Total	3,365,898

Sec. B.701 Natural resources - state land local property tax assessment

Operating expenses	<u>2,575,277</u>
Total	2,575,277

Source of funds

General fund	2,153,777
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>421,500</u>
Total	2,575,277

Sec. B.702 Fish and wildlife - support and field services

Personal services	18,228,943
Operating expenses	7,048,001
Grants	<u>785,636</u>
Total	26,062,580

Source of funds

General fund	6,506,744
Special funds	669,737
Fish and wildlife fund	9,099,448
Federal funds	8,611,533
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,175,118</u>
Total	26,062,580

Sec. B.703 Forests, parks and recreation - administration

Personal services	994,125
Operating expenses	<u>1,160,549</u>
Total	2,154,674

Source of funds

General fund	<u>2,154,674</u>
Total	2,154,674

Sec. B.704 Forests, parks and recreation - forestry

Personal services	5,877,247
Operating expenses	885,702
Grants	<u>1,209,868</u>
Total	7,972,817

Source of funds

General fund	4,968,305
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Special funds	398,049
Federal funds	2,331,600
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>274,863</u>
Total	7,972,817
General fund	909,203
Special funds	<u>10,819,620</u>
Total	11,728,823

Sec. B.705 Forests, parks and recreation - state parks

Personal services	9,117,501
Operating expenses	<u>2,682,322</u>
Total	11,799,823

Source of funds

General fund	980,203
Special funds	<u>10,819,620</u>
Total	11,799,823

Sec. B.706 Forests, parks and recreation - lands administration and recreation

Personal services	2,122,060
Operating expenses	1,343,187
Grants	<u>2,657,652</u>
Total	6,122,899

Source of funds

General fund	908,531
Special funds	2,020,151
Federal funds	3,071,717
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>122,500</u>
Total	6,122,899

Sec. B.708 Forests, parks and recreation - forest and parks access roads

Personal services	110,000
Operating expenses	<u>69,925</u>
Total	179,925

Source of funds

General fund	<u>179,925</u>
Total	179,925

Sec. B.709 Environmental conservation - management and support services

Personal services	6,613,365
Operating expenses	3,933,249
Grants	<u>125,000</u>
Total	10,671,614

Source of funds

General fund	1,775,480
Special funds	446,131
Federal funds	945,212

Interdepartmental transfers	<u>7,504,791</u>
Total	10,671,614

Sec. B.710 Environmental conservation - air and waste management

Personal services	17,164,499
Operating expenses	10,579,537
Grants	<u>4,292,462</u>
Total	32,036,498

Source of funds

General fund	224,369
Special funds	28,061,132
Federal funds	3,588,192
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>162,805</u>
Total	32,036,498

Sec. B.711 Environmental conservation - office of water programs

Personal services	23,094,172
Operating expenses	7,043,822
Grants	<u>32,125,333</u>
Total	62,263,327

Source of funds

General fund	7,540,060
Special funds	20,407,725

Federal funds	33,636,979
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>678,563</u>
Total	62,263,327
Sec. B.713 Natural resources board	
Personal services	2,781,080
Operating expenses	<u>500,902</u>
Total	3,281,982
Source of funds	
General fund	630,798
Special funds	<u>2,651,184</u>
Total	3,281,982
Sec. B.714 Total natural resources	
Source of funds	
General fund	30,707,460
Special funds	66,055,122
Fish and wildlife fund	9,099,448
Federal funds	52,185,233
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>10,440,051</u>
Total	168,487,314

Sec. B.800 Commerce and community development - agency of commerce
and community development - administration

Personal services	1,964,532
Operating expenses	1,768,188
Grants	<u>579,820</u>
Total	4,312,540

Source of funds

General fund	3,171,540
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	750,000
Federal funds	<u>391,000</u>
Total	4,312,540

Sec. B.801 Economic development

Personal services	4,016,204
Operating expenses	1,153,449
Grants	<u>5,249,719</u>
Total	10,419,372

Source of funds

General fund	4,910,253
Special funds	1,945,350
Federal funds	3,518,769
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>

Total	10,419,372
Sec. B.802 Housing & community development	
Personal services	3,942,367
Operating expenses	755,675
Grants	<u>14,533,277</u>
Total	19,231,319
Source of funds	
General fund	2,791,111
Special funds	5,398,955
Federal funds	8,164,967
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,876,286</u>
Total	19,231,319
Sec. B.806 Tourism and marketing	
Personal services	1,855,399
Operating expenses	1,581,906
Grants	<u>0</u>
Total	3,437,305
Source of funds	
General fund	3,412,718
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>24,587</u>
Total	3,437,305

Sec. B.808 Vermont council on the arts

Grants 702,743

Total 702,743

Source of funds

General fund 702,743

Total 702,743

Sec. B.809 Vermont symphony orchestra

Grants 136,978

Total 136,978

Source of funds

General fund 136,978

Total 136,978

Sec. B.810 Vermont historical society

Grants 965,108

Total 965,108

Source of funds

General fund 965,108

Total 965,108

Sec. B.811 Vermont housing and conservation board

Grants 29,782,673

Total 29,782,673

Source of funds	
Special funds	11,466,417
Federal funds	<u>18,316,256</u>
Total	29,782,673
Sec. B.812 Vermont humanities council	
Grants	<u>211,420</u>
Total	211,420
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>211,420</u>
Total	211,420
Sec. B.813 Total commerce and community development	
Source of funds	
General fund	16,301,863
Special funds	18,810,722
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	750,000
Federal funds	30,390,992
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,945,873</u>
Total	69,199,450
Sec. B.900 Transportation - finance and administration	
Personal services	12,760,887
Operating expenses	3,163,873

Grants	<u>55,000</u>
Total	15,979,760
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	15,108,560
Federal funds	<u>871,200</u>
Total	15,979,760
Sec. B.901 Transportation - aviation	
Personal services	4,307,908
Operating expenses	5,037,764
Grants	<u>210,000</u>
Total	9,555,672
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	4,553,828
Federal funds	<u>5,001,844</u>
Total	9,555,672
Sec. B.902 Transportation - buildings	
Operating expenses	<u>307,000</u>
Total	307,000
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	<u>307,000</u>
Total	307,000

Sec. B.903 Transportation - program development

Personal services	54,357,099
Operating expenses	241,593,174
Grants	<u>26,825,000</u>
Total	322,775,273

Source of funds

Transportation fund	42,204,675
TIB fund	8,904,313
Federal funds	271,141,834
Local match	<u>524,451</u>
Total	322,775,273

Sec. B.904 Transportation - rest areas construction

Personal services	185,000
Operating expenses	<u>825,000</u>
Total	1,010,000

Source of funds

Transportation fund	101,000
Federal funds	<u>909,000</u>
Total	1,010,000

Sec. B.905 Transportation - maintenance state system

Personal services	45,305,185
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Operating expenses	54,291,051
Grants	<u>240,200</u>
Total	99,836,436
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	97,358,649
Federal funds	2,377,787
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>100,000</u>
Total	99,836,436
Sec. B.906 Transportation - policy and planning	
Personal services	4,199,096
Operating expenses	993,259
Grants	<u>6,358,650</u>
Total	11,551,005
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	3,003,905
Federal funds	8,529,250
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>17,850</u>
Total	11,551,005
Sec. B.907 Transportation - rail	
Personal services	5,016,835
Operating expenses	26,447,613

Grants	<u>30,000</u>
Total	31,494,448
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	14,942,605
TIB fund	760,000
Federal funds	14,634,998
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,156,845</u>
Total	31,494,448
Sec. B.908 Transportation - public transit	
Personal services	2,482,733
Operating expenses	184,334
Grants	<u>35,567,753</u>
Total	38,234,820
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	5,708,177
Federal funds	32,486,643
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>40,000</u>
Total	38,234,820
Sec. B.909 Transportation - central garage	
Personal services	4,566,949
Operating expenses	<u>15,815,926</u>

Total	20,382,875
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>20,382,875</u>
Total	20,382,875
Sec. B.910 Department of motor vehicles	
Personal services	22,480,038
Operating expenses	<u>11,865,495</u>
Total	34,345,533
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	32,852,324
Federal funds	1,345,934
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>147,275</u>
Total	34,345,533
Sec. B.911 Transportation - town highway structures	
Grants	<u>4,650,000</u>
Total	4,650,000
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	<u>4,650,000</u>
Total	4,650,000
Sec. B.912 Transportation - town highway local technical assistance program	
Personal services	362,665

Operating expenses	<u>46,300</u>
Total	408,965
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	108,965
Federal funds	<u>300,000</u>
Total	408,965
Sec. B.913 Transportation - town highway class 2 roadway	
Grants	<u>3,250,000</u>
Total	3,250,000
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	<u>3,250,000</u>
Total	3,250,000
Sec. B.914 Transportation - town highway bridges	
Personal services	3,004,608
Operating expenses	9,868,743
Grants	<u>200,000</u>
Total	13,073,351
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	791,327
TIB fund	1,436,457
Federal funds	10,456,841

Local match	<u>388,726</u>
Total	13,073,351

Sec. B.915 Transportation - town highway aid program

Grants	<u>27,105,769</u>
Total	27,105,769

Source of funds

Transportation fund	<u>27,105,769</u>
Total	27,105,769

Sec. B.916 Transportation - town highway class 1 supplemental grants

Grants	<u>128,750</u>
Total	128,750

Source of funds

Transportation fund	<u>128,750</u>
Total	128,750

Sec. B.917 Transportation - town highway: state aid for nonfederal disasters

Grants	<u>1,150,000</u>
Total	1,150,000

Source of funds

Transportation fund	<u>1,150,000</u>
Total	1,150,000

Sec. B.918 Transportation - town highway: state aid for federal disasters

Grants	<u>180,000</u>
Total	180,000
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	20,000
Federal funds	<u>160,000</u>
Total	180,000

Sec. B.919 Transportation - municipal mitigation assistance program

Operating expenses	210,000
Grants	<u>5,845,000</u>
Total	6,055,000
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	650,000
Special funds	3,977,000
Federal funds	<u>1,428,000</u>
Total	6,055,000

Sec. B.920 Transportation - public assistance grant program

Operating expenses	200,000
Grants	<u>1,050,000</u>
Total	1,250,000
Source of funds	

Special funds	50,000
Federal funds	1,000,000
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>200,000</u>
Total	1,250,000
Sec. B.921 Transportation board	
Personal services	152,387
Operating expenses	<u>32,387</u>
Total	184,774
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	<u>184,774</u>
Total	184,774
Sec. B.922 Total transportation	
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	254,180,308
TIB fund	11,100,770
Special funds	4,027,000
Federal funds	350,643,331
Internal service funds	20,382,875
Interdepartmental transfers	1,661,970
Local match	<u>913,177</u>
Total	642,909,431

Sec. B.1000 Debt service

Operating expenses 79,377,264

Total 79,377,264

Source of funds

General fund 75,828,995

Transportation fund 540,918

ARRA funds 504,738

TIB debt service fund 2,502,613

Total 79,377,264

Sec. B.1001 Total debt service

Source of funds

General fund 75,828,995

Transportation fund 540,918

ARRA funds 504,738

TIB debt service fund 2,502,613

Total 79,377,264

Sec. B.1100 FISCAL YEAR 2021 ONE-TIME GENERAL FUND

APPROPRIATIONS

(a) In fiscal year 2021, funds are appropriated from the General Fund as follows:

(1) To the Commission on Women: \$20,000 for a grant to the League of Women Voters of Vermont Education Fund to celebrate of the 19th amendment to the U.S. Constitution, ratified on August 18, 1920, guaranteeing that the right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex.

(2) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development: \$10,000 for the installation of one or more warning sirens that can be heard in the towns of Chittenden, Pittsford, Rutland Town, and Rutland City in the event that there is a breach of the Chittenden Reservoir.

(3) To the Attorney General: \$162,000 to fund diversion programs that have experienced reduced fee revenue as the result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

(4) To the Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs: \$37,500 to augment federal grant funding that is reduced due to Vermont not having a specific statute in place.

(5) To the Department of Public Service: \$250,000 to develop a long-term telecom plan for the State pursuant to 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 79.

(6) To the Department of Public Service: \$1,500,000 to be awarded as grants to communications union districts. These grants shall be used to provide cash equity to secure loans to finance broadband projects, including the 10 percent of project costs required to secure financing through the

Broadband Expansion Loan Program administered by the Vermont Economic Development Authority. A communications union district may not receive more than \$400,000 in awards under this appropriation.

(7) To the Agency of Education: \$15,860 for per diems for the AOE Ethnic and Social Equity Standards Advisory Group per 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 1.

(8) To the Natural Resources Board: \$30,000 for completion of Act 250 applications submitted on the new electronic database and application system, the review of which were delayed due to issues related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

(9) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development: \$100,000 to hire a consultant for a Public Access Television funding study, pursuant to 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 137.

(10) To the Vermont State Colleges: \$23,800,000 additional bridge funding to allow system restructuring to be implemented for the 2021/2022 academic year.

(11) To the Agency of Natural Resources: \$586,000 for the purposes of the establishment of three (3) full-time limited service positions (to be determined), costs associated with providing administrative, technical and legal support, per diems, hiring consultants and experts and other necessary costs and expenses associated with implementation of H.688.

Sec. B.1100.1 FISCAL YEAR 2021 ONE-TIME TRANSPORTATION

FUND APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERS

(a) In fiscal year 2021, funds are appropriated from the transportation fund as follows:

(1) To the Agency of Digital Services: \$900,000 for the Department of Motor Vehicles information technology system modernization.

(2) To the Agency of Transportation: \$11,400,000 allocated for the following uses:

(A) \$7,000,000 to be distributed to municipalities not later than October 31, 2020 in the same apportionments and for the same purposes prescribed under 19 V.S.A. § 306(a)(3), which shall not be included in any subsequent calculations for the annual appropriation for aid to town highways pursuant to 19 V.S.A. § 306(a);

(B) \$500,000 for maintenance and roadside mowing;

(C) \$1,000,000 for the New PEV Incentive Program established in 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 59, Sec. 34, as amended, with up to \$100,000 of that \$1,000,000 available to continue and expand the Agency of Transportation's public-private partnership with Drive Electric Vermont to support the expansion of the plug-in electric vehicle market in the State;

(D) \$500,000.00 to fund initiatives to increase public transit ridership in fiscal year 2021 as authorized under 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 9; and

(E) \$2,400,000 for leveling and paving projects.

(b) In fiscal year 2021, \$600,000.00 is transferred from the Transportation Fund to the Central Garage Fund to increase the appropriation of internal service funds for the purchase of new equipment consistent with 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Secs. 11, 12, and 12a.

Sec. B.1101.2 CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND – ONE-TIME LIST

(a) In fiscal year 2021, funds are appropriated from the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) as follows:

(1) To the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets: \$100,000 for the Farm to School program to address the effects of the pandemic. Funds will support the costs of equipment, materials, and supplies for school nutrition programs and classrooms, including improvements for outdoor learning spaces and equipment for processing, packaging, storing, and serving meals safely.

(2) To the Agency of Administration: \$500,000 for contracted services related to CRF and other COVID-19 federal funding eligibility.

(3) To the Agency of Administration: \$10,000,000 for equitable distribution, determined in consultation with the Association of Vermont Independent Colleges, among the 11 independent colleges. In order to qualify

for funding from this appropriation, colleges must be a Vermont State chartered school. The funds are for the costs associated with technology for remote instruction, PPE, cleaning, and room and board refunds when students were sent home due to COVID-19.

(4) To the University of Vermont: \$10,000,000 to address pandemic funding needs through December 2020.

(5) To the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living: \$2,000,000 for grants to Adult Day service providers to provide financial stability grant funding to the 12 adult day providers statewide to continue to support the facilities, service infrastructure, and necessary operating costs for September 2020 through December 20, 2020 as these programs remained closed due the COVID-19 crisis and prepare to reopen safely for the vulnerable populations they serve at the end of their closure period. Funds shall be distributed on or before October 10, 2020 to each program in accordance with the spreadsheet submitted by the providers to the Department prior to September 30, 2020. Any funds remaining subsequent to October 10, 2020 from this or prior Coronavirus Relief Funds appropriations for Adult Day service provides shall be carried forward until December 20, 2020 and shall remain available the Adult Day programs for their use prior to December 20, 2020.

(6) To the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living: \$565,000 to support the Meals on Wheels program and maintain the reimbursement rates established during the pandemic through December 30, 2020.

(7) To the Agency of Human Services: \$3,000,000 for grants to the designated and specialized services agencies providing mental health and developmental disability services to cover coronavirus-necessitated training, information technology, PPE, and other expenses.

(8) To the Agency of Human Services: \$250,000 for grants to Vermont Legal Aid for information technology costs necessitated by coronavirus, including cybersecurity and case management needs.

(9) To the Department of Health for the Vermont Recovery Network: \$48,000 to be equally divided and granted directly to each of the 12 recovery centers for reimbursement of expenses incurred due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Each center shall be eligible for up to \$4,000 reimbursement after submitting a list of expenses incurred that pertain to cleaning and social distancing efforts at the centers.

(10) To the Department of Health: The sum of \$1,000,000 for health equity and addressing health disparities as a supplement to the monies appropriated in 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 136, Sec. 8(a)(2).

(A) The Department shall use the funds for grants to community organizations selected pursuant to subsection (b) of this section to conduct outreach to isolated individuals at high risk of adverse outcomes from the COVID-19 pandemic based on factors such as race or ethnicity, Native American heritage or tribal affiliation, nationality or immigrant status, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, age, and geographic location. The grantees shall assess and identify the needs of these individuals during the COVID-19 public health emergency, and shall identify and address their difficulties in accessing COVID-19 testing and in safely meeting essential needs, including food, shelter, health care, and emotional support, during the public health emergency, in order to help them protect themselves and others from the disease and to prevent deaths by suicide and other negative effects of social isolation.

(B) The Department shall determine the community organizations best suited to carry out the duties set forth in subsection (a) of this section by soliciting from the entities described in subdivisions (i)–(xix) of this subdivision (B) recommendations of organizations that have members who are part of an affected population group, have prior demonstrated work with an affected population group, and have the ability to rapidly implement programming in response to unmet needs resulting from the COVID-19 public health emergency:

- (i) Racial Justice Alliance;
- (ii) NAACP;
- (iii) Migrant Justice;
- (iv) Outright Vermont;
- (v) Pride Center of Vermont;
- (vi) Vermont Center for Independent Living;
- (vii) Vermont Psychiatric Survivors;
- (viii) NAMI-VT;
- (ix) Green Mountain Self-Advocates;
- (x) Vermont Family Network;
- (xi) AARP;
- (xii) Community of Vermont Elders (COVE);
- (xiii) Vermont Commission on Native American Affairs;
- (xiv) Elnu Abenaki tribe;
- (xv) Nulhegan Band of the Coosuk Abenaki Nation;
- (xvi) Koasek Abenaki of the Koas;
- (xvii) Missisquoi, St. Francis-Sokoki Band;
- (xviii) Vermont Council on Rural Development; and
- (xix) other advocacy- and service-related entities assisting or
comprising individuals at high risk of adverse outcomes from the COVID-19
pandemic based on factors such as race or ethnicity, Native American heritage

or tribal affiliation, nationality or immigrant status, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, age, and geographic location.

(C) The Department, in consultation with the entities listed in subdivision (B) of this subsection, shall identify population groups and geographic regions of the State that were not served by prior federal funding opportunities administered by the Agency of Human Services or its departments for COVID-19 response-related purposes, such as LGBTQ youth, or that were only partially served and are still in need of assistance.

(D) The Department shall award grants to the community organizations it finds, upon recommendation of the entities listed in subdivision (B) of this subsection, as those best suited to provide outreach and assistance to the population groups most in need and to ensure that the services are available to affected populations in all regions of the State.

(11) To the Department of Public Service: \$1,500,000 for grants to Communications Union Districts to support pole data collection surveys and pre-construction work to accelerate the construction of broadband networks.

(12) To the Agency of Transportation: \$1,557,438 for the Transportation Program in Dept ID 8100007000; AOT_COVID-19.

(13) To the Vermont Housing Conservation Board: \$4,000,000 for projects to address homelessness and reduce risk of community spread of the coronavirus.

(14) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development for the Recreation Safety Grants: \$5,000,000 is appropriated for grants to Vermont ski area businesses to make necessary physical improvements to their facilities in order to mitigate public health and safety risks to the public due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

(15) To the Department of Tourism and Marketing for the Restart Vermont Marketing Program: \$4,000,000 for the Restart Vermont Marketing Program to publicize the resumption of activities and steps taken to ensure a safe experience.

(16) To the Vermont State Colleges for Workforce Training: \$3,000,000 to serve Vermonters who have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic through layoffs, furloughs, reduced hours, or due to being employed in an industry that has been severely affected.

(A) The funds awarded pursuant to this subdivision (16) are:

(i) offer courses and workshops to upskill affected Vermonters in their current industry or reskill Vermonters who desire a change in their career path for more economic stability, which may include training for Vermonters to transition to the child care sector and business technical assistance for small businesses; and

(ii) provide for necessary school supplies, wrap-around services, marketing of the program, and support staff.

Sec. B.1102 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 137, Sec. 6 is amended to read:

Sec. 6 COVID-19; ECONOMIC SUPPORT FOR BUSINESSES AND
INDIVIDUALS

(a) Appropriations; grants. The following amounts are appropriated from the Coronavirus Relief Fund to the named recipients to provide grants to businesses that have suffered economic harm due to the COVID-19 public health emergency and economic crisis.

(1) ~~\$82,000,000.00 for additional emergency economic recovery grants pursuant to 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 115 (S.350), Secs. 2-3~~

\$170,000,000.00 for grants to businesses that meet the eligibility criteria in subsection (c) of this section as follows:

(A) ~~\$56,000,000.00~~ \$144,000,000.00 to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development.

(B) \$26,000,000.00 to the Department of Taxes.

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(5) \$5,000,000.00 to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development to grant to the Vermont Arts Council for grants to nonprofit arts and cultural organizations. ~~For purposes of calculating reduction in revenue under this subdivision, "revenue" does not include tax deductible charitable contributions.~~

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(c) Eligibility; grant amount; terms; guidelines.

(1) To be eligible for a grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section, a business must meet the following eligibility criteria and comply with the guidelines adopted pursuant to 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 115 (S.350) unless otherwise provided in this section, except that a business must demonstrate that it suffered a 50 percent or greater reduction in revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency and economic crisis in a monthly or quarterly period from March 1, 2020 to September 1, 2020 as compared to the same period in 2019 subdivision (4) of this subsection:

(A) The business is a private, for-profit or nonprofit organization that is domiciled or has its primary place of business in Vermont.

(B) The business is either open at the time of application or is closed due to the COVID-19 public health emergency but has a good-faith plan for reopening.

(C) The business demonstrates need based on economic loss due to the COVID-19 public health emergency from March 1, 2020 to December 1, 2020.

(2)(A) The Agency shall establish standards for determining the amount of grant awards, provided that a business may not receive more than \$300,000.00 in grant awards pursuant to 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 115 and this act.

(B) Notwithstanding subdivision (2)(A) of this subsection, upon the Agency's request and demonstration of need, the Joint Fiscal Committee may approve additional grant funding to a business in excess of the maximum grant amount.

(3) The Agency shall consider whether and by how much grant awards should be adjusted based on whether an applicant has received financial assistance from other sources.

(4) The Agency shall adopt and publish guidelines governing the implementation of this section and may coordinate with local, regional, and State economic development partners to administer grants pursuant to this section.

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(e) Prohibition on multiple sources of funding.

(1) A business may not receive a grant of Coronavirus Relief Fund monies from more than one source, ~~except that a business in the dairy sector may apply for a grant under subdivision (a)(2)(B) of this section, provided that the award is not~~ for the same purpose covered under other assistance from the Fund.

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(g) Emergency economic recovery grant funds; transfer. If any funds appropriated to Agency of Commerce and Community Development and the

Department of Taxes in 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 115 (S.350) remain both unencumbered and unspent as of August 1, 2020, the Agency and Department shall combine and administer those funds with the amounts made available to them in this section, subject to the standards and criteria established in this section.

Sec. B.1103 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 137, Sec. 1(a) is amended to read:

(a) The purpose of this act is to appropriate ~~\$213,200,000.00~~ monies from the Coronavirus Relief Fund to cover necessary broadband connectivity, information technology, housing, and economic relief expenses incurred due to, or as a result of, the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Sec. B.1104 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 137, Sec. 13, subsection (e) is amended to read:

(e) Up to ~~\$50,000.00~~ \$175,000.00 of funds appropriated under this section may be used to reimburse the Department of Public Service and the Agency of Digital Services for any costs associated with the deployment of Wi-Fi hotspots not covered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Sec. B. 1105 [DELETED]

Sec. B.1106 CAPACITY IDENTIFIED FROM PREVIOUSLY

ALLOCATED OR APPROPRIATED CORONAVIRUS RELIEF
FUND MONIES

(a) Reversion of remaining balance of Administration's CRF allocation.

Of the \$75,000,000 that the Joint Fiscal Committee authorized the Administration to spend for health and safety and other emergency response needs as a condition for acceptance of the federal Coronavirus Relief Fund grant, as amended by the Committee on May 5, 2020, the sum of \$2,565,237 shall revert to the State's Coronavirus Relief Fund for reallocation in accordance with the appropriations made in this act.

(b) Use of reassigned or underexpended funds; report. On or before November 15, 2020, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee regarding uses of the State's Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) monies identified by the Administration pursuant to the \$75,000,000 and \$150,000,000 CRF allocations from the Joint Fiscal Committee that are or may be eligible for reassignment to other funding sources including FEMA, Federal Pandemic Unemployment Assistance, or other federal funds, or have been recognized as having been expended at less than the approved amount. The first \$20,000,000 of reassigned or underexpended CRF monies identified in the report shall revert to the State's Coronavirus Relief Fund for reallocation in accordance with the appropriations made in this act.

Sec. B.1107 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 108, Sec. 2 is amended to read:

Sec. 2. MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY STATEWIDE EDUCATION

PROPERTY TAX BORROWING; ~~APPROPRIATION~~

~~The sum of up to \$2,700,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2020 from the Coronavirus Relief Fund to the Office of the State Treasurer for use in FY 2020 and FY 2021 for the purpose of providing payments under the Municipal Emergency Statewide Education Property Tax Borrowing Program described in Sec. 1 of this act. Any appropriation amount carried forward to FY 2021 under this section shall revert to the Coronavirus Relief Fund after all eligible short term borrowing costs incurred through December 30, 2020 have been expended. In the event that costs are incurred for payment under the Municipal Emergency Statewide Education Property Tax Borrowing Program, the Secretary of Administration shall submit a request to the Joint Fiscal Committee for the Committee's approval to make payments from the State's Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) monies remaining within the allocation subject to Committee approval or from CRF monies available in accordance with Sec. B.1108, B.1109, or B.1110 of this act.~~

Sec. B.1108 CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND; REALLOCATION;

ALLOCATION OF UNOBLIGATED MONIES; JOINT

FISCAL COMMITTEE

(a) Purpose. As set forth in 2020 Acts and Resolves Nos. 120, 136, 137, and 138, unless otherwise authorized by the Commissioner of Finance and Management, any monies appropriated from the State's Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) shall revert to the CRF to the extent they have not been expended by December 20, 2020 to enable reallocation. In addition, CRF monies appropriated during the 2020 legislative session that are no longer necessary because funds have been received for the same or a similar purpose from another source may revert to the CRF for reallocation. The purpose of this section is to establish processes for allocating previously unobligated CRF monies and for reallocating reverted CRF monies and any monies appropriated from the CRF that the Commissioner of Finance and Management identifies between the date of final legislative passage of the fiscal year 2021 budget bill and December 20, 2020 as being unable to be expended for their original purposes by December 30, 2020.

(b) Allocation and reallocation.

(1) The Commissioner of Finance and Management may allocate previously unobligated CRF monies, and reallocate reverted and unexpendable CRF monies, upon approval of the proposed allocation or reallocation by the Joint Fiscal Committee as set forth in this subsection.

(2) If the Commissioner of Finance and Management identifies reverted, unexpendable, or previously unobligated CRF monies, or a combination of

these, that the Commissioner wishes to reallocate for a use other than that for which the CRF monies were originally appropriated, or that the Commissioner wishes to allocate, in the case of previously unobligated CRF monies, the Commissioner shall inform the Joint Fiscal Committee of:

(A) the amount or amounts available for allocation or reallocation;

(B) the proposed use or uses of the monies; and

(C) the manner in which the proposed use or uses comply with the parameters set forth in Sec. 5001 of the CARES Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136 and related guidance.

(3) Criteria and priorities for approval.

(A) Compliance with CRF parameters. In determining whether to approve a proposal submitted by the Commissioner under this section, the Joint Fiscal Committee shall first determine whether each proposed use of CRF monies complies with the parameters set forth in Sec. 5001 of the CARES Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136 and related guidance. If the Committee determines that a proposed use likely does not comply with the parameters, the Committee shall disapprove that proposed use.

(B) Timeliness. If the Committee determines that a proposed use likely does comply with the CRF parameters, it shall next consider whether the proposed use is likely to be achievable by December 30, 2020. If the

Committee determines that the proposed use is unlikely to be achieved by December 30, 2020, the Committee shall disapprove that proposed use.

(C) Priorities.

(i) If the Committee determines that a proposed use likely complies with CRF parameters and is likely achievable by December 30, 2020, then, in light of the uncertainty regarding the continued effects of the COVID-19 public health emergency, the Committee shall evaluate the proposed use in the context of the areas of greatest need at the time of the proposal.

(ii) If the federal government allows the State to use CRF monies for purposes previously not permitted under Sec. 5001 of the CARES Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136 and related guidance, then, in addition to evaluating the proposed use in the context of the areas of greatest need, the Committee shall prioritize proposed uses related to revenue replacement for State government, local government, and the education finance system, and related to the funding of ongoing State financial liabilities.

(iii) If the federal government does not allow the State to use CRF monies for purposes previously not permitted under Sec. 5001 of the CARES Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136 and related guidance, then, in addition to evaluating the proposed use in the context of the areas of greatest need, the Committee may also evaluate the proposed use in the context of the following legislative priorities:

(I) services to vulnerable populations, such as nutrition services, housing security, and child care;

(II) health care;

(III) education;

(IV) economic stimulus for individuals and businesses; and

(V) broadband access.

(4) Joint Fiscal Committee process.

(A) Upon receipt of the information set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection from the Commissioner of Finance and Management, the Joint Fiscal Committee shall inform the General Assembly of the proposal and shall approve or disapprove each proposal within 10 calendar days following receipt.

(B) If the Joint Fiscal Committee disapproves a proposal, the Commissioner may revise and resubmit for further consideration. The Joint Fiscal Committee shall approve or disapprove within five calendar days following receipt of the revised proposal.

(c) Transfer authority. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the authority of the Emergency Board to transfer appropriations pursuant to 32 V.S.A. §§ 133 and 706.

(d) Final allocation and reallocation. On or after December 21, 2020, the Commissioner of Finance and Management may reallocate any unexpended

CRF monies, and allocate any previously unobligated CRF monies, to the Department of Labor for reimbursement of claims expenditures made from the Department of Labor Unemployment Insurance Fund between March 1, 2020 and December 30, 2020.

Sec. B.1109 CONTINGENCY PLANNING FOR INCREASED CRF

FLEXIBILITY

(a) Purpose. The purpose of this section is to establish processes to be followed in the event that the federal government provides increased flexibility in authorized usage of the State's Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) monies following the date of final legislative passage of the fiscal year 2021 budget bill and prior to the convening of the 2021 legislative session.

(b) Expanded uses. If the federal government allows the State to use CRF monies for purposes previously not permitted under Sec. 5001 of the CARES Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136 and related guidance, but does not extend the period during which the monies must be expended, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall inform the Joint Fiscal Committee and may propose additional uses of the CRF, which may include using previously unobligated CRF monies, previously allocated CRF monies that are unable to be expended by December 30, 2020, reverted CRF monies, or a combination of these, for Joint Fiscal Committee approval in accordance with the procedure set forth

in Sec. 1108 of this act, including considering the areas of greatest need and prioritizing the uses described in Sec. B.1108(b)(3)(C)(ii) of this act.

(c) Extension of time. If the federal government allows the State to use CRF monies beyond the December 30, 2020 deadline established in Sec. 5001 of the CARES Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall notify the Joint Fiscal Committee of the extension.

(1) If the Joint Fiscal Committee, in consultation with the Commissioner, determines that the extension would allow for the full General Assembly to consider additional uses of CRF monies as part of the fiscal year 2021 budget adjustment process, the Joint Fiscal Committee shall limit its approval of allocations and reallocations pursuant to Sec. B.1108 of this act to those for which prompt action is required and that cannot wait for the fiscal year 2021 budget adjustment process.

(2) If the Joint Fiscal Committee, in consultation with the Commissioner, determines that the extension would not allow for the full General Assembly to consider additional uses of CRF monies as part of the fiscal year 2021 budget adjustment process, the Joint Fiscal Committee shall consider the Commissioner's proposals in accordance with the procedure set forth in Sec. B.1108 of this act.

(3) In the event of an extension of time to use CRF monies, the final allocation and reallocation to the Department of Labor pursuant to Sec. B.1108 of this act shall not occur without the approval of the Joint Fiscal Committee.

Sec. B.1110 CONTINGENCY PLANNING FOR ADDITIONAL FEDERAL
FUNDING

(a) The purpose of this section is to establish processes to be followed in the event that the federal government provides additional funds to the State of Vermont related to the COVID-19 public health emergency following the date of final legislative passage of the fiscal year 2021 budget bill but prior to the convening of the 2021 legislative session.

(b) If the federal government provides additional Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) grant monies to Vermont following the date of final legislative passage of the fiscal year 2021 budget bill but prior to the convening of the 2021 legislative session, the monies shall be subject to the CRF acceptance conditions adopted by the Joint Fiscal Committee, as may be amended.

(c)(1) If the federal government provides an increase of \$10,000,000.00 or more to an existing federal grant other than the CRF grant following the date of final legislative passage of the fiscal year 2021 budget bill but prior to the convening of the 2021 legislative session, the Secretary of Administration shall notify the Joint Fiscal Committee and the General Assembly of the grant award prior to exercising excess receipts authority.

(2) If the federal government provides an increase of less than \$10,000,000.00 to an existing federal grant other than the CRF grant following the date of final legislative passage of the fiscal year 2021 budget bill but prior to the convening of the 2021 legislative session, the Secretary of Administration may exercise excess receipts authority without notice to the Joint Fiscal Committee or the General Assembly.

(d) Any new federal grants received following the date of final legislative passage of the fiscal year 2021 budget bill but prior to the convening of the 2021 legislative session shall proceed through the usual grant acceptance process in accordance with 32 V.S.A. § 5.

Sec. B.1111 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Sec. A.50 is amended to read:

Sec. A.50. PRE-K–12 EDUCATION PANDEMIC COSTS:

CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND APPROPRIATIONS

(a) Total appropriation. The sum of \$50,000,000 is appropriated in fiscal year 2020, and the sum of \$32,400,000 is appropriated in fiscal year 2021, to the Agency of Education to fund eligible fiscal years 2020 and 2021 expenditures of Vermont prekindergarten–grade 12 public schools and approved independent schools. Eligible expenditures shall conform with the requirements of Sec. 5001 of the CARES Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136, and related guidance, and shall be determined by the Secretary of Education.

(1) This funding is allocated to the categories under subsections (b), (c), and (d) of this section.

(A) If the Agency determines that any allocation to a category is likely not to be fully used by December 20, 2020 or, based on its view of relative priority, should be reallocated to another category, it may reallocate that funding to one or more of the other categories that it believes has or will have eligible CARES Act expenses.

(B) If the Agency expects that during the period from December 20, 2020 to December 30, 2020 a recipient of funding under this section will have eligible CARES Act expenses, then it shall provide funding for those expenses to the extent funding is available, unless the Agency has reprioritized that funding to another category under subdivision (A) of this subdivision (1).

(C) Any reallocation under this subdivision (1) shall be reported to the Joint Fiscal Committee, the Commissioner of Finance and Management, and the Joint Fiscal Office.

(2) Any unused portion of this funding shall carry over into fiscal year 2021.

(b) Efficiency Vermont. The amount of ~~\$6,500,000~~ \$11,500,000 shall be granted to Efficiency Vermont for the air quality improvement program in Sec. A.51 of this act.

(c) Prekindergarten-12 schools.

(1) Public schools. The sum of ~~\$41,000,000~~ \$68,400,000 shall be granted for the purpose of reimbursing COVID-19 costs incurred by school districts. As used in this section, "school district" means a school district, as defined in 16 V.S.A. § 11(11), or a regional career technical center school district, as defined in 16 V.S.A. § 1571.

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Sec. B.1112 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Sec. A.51 is amended to read:

Sec. A.51. SCHOOL INDOOR AIR QUALITY GRANT PROGRAM;
CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND; APPROPRIATION

(a) Appropriation. The sum of ~~\$6,500,000~~ \$11,500,000 appropriated in Sec.A.50(b) of this act from the Coronavirus Relief Fund for Efficiency Vermont in fiscal year 2021 is for purposes of providing grants to Vermont K–12 covered schools to upgrade heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems, and filtration and other methods of air treatment, in response to the COVID-19 emergency.

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Sec. B.1113 SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT FOR MEALS TO CHILDREN

(a) 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Sec. 50, as amended by this act, appropriates \$68,400,000.00 to the Agency of Education for CARES Act expenditures incurred by prekindergarten-12 schools. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 136, Sec. 12, allocated up to \$12,000,000.00 of this funding for the

purpose of reimbursing costs of providing summer meals to children during the months of June, July, and August 2020.

(b) Not all of the allocation for summer meals was used prior to the end of August 2020. Therefore, up to \$4,000,000.00 of the funds remaining from 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 136, Sec. 12 may be distributed by the Agency of Education to School Food Authorities and other Child Nutrition Program sponsors for the purchase of CARES Act eligible supplies and equipment, including vehicles, freezers, and other capital assets, necessary to provide meals to children using the federal child nutrition programs during the COVID-19 state of emergency. These funds are restricted to costs that exceed the federal per-meal reimbursement received for meals provided through these programs.

(c) If the Agency determines that the \$4,000,000.00 allocation under subsection (b) of this section is likely not to be fully used by December 20, 2020, it shall reallocate the unused portion of that funding to eligible CARES Act expenditures incurred by school districts under 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Sec. 50, as amended by this act.

(1) If the Agency expects that during the period from December 20, 2020 to December 30, 2020 a recipient of funding under this section will have eligible supplies and equipment food services CARES Act expenses, then it shall provide funding for those expenses to the extent funding is available,

unless the Agency has reprioritized that funding under 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Sec. 50, as amended by this act.

(2) Any reallocation shall be reported to the Joint Fiscal Committee, the Commissioner of Finance and Management, and the Joint Fiscal Office.

Sec. B.1114 LENGTH OF 2020–2021 SCHOOL YEAR

Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 1071(a), for the 2020–2021 school year, each public school shall be maintained and operated for not less than 170 student attendance days, except as provided in subsection (g) of that section, which allows for waivers of this requirement.

Sec. B.1115 2020–2021 SCHOOL YEAR; AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of 17 V.S.A. § 2680(a) and 16 V.S.A. § 711e that require the voters of a school district to vote to apply the provisions of the Australian ballot system to its annual meeting or special meetings, any school district may apply the Australian ballot system to any or all of its annual meeting and special meetings held in the 2020–2021 school year by vote of its school board.

(b) The Secretary of State may waive statutory deadlines or other statutory provisions, or provisions set forth in a school district’s articles of agreement, related to a municipal election as necessary in order for a municipality to apply the Australian ballot system in accordance with subsection (a) of this section. This waiver authority applies to statutory provisions set forth in a municipal

charter or provisions set forth in a school district's articles of agreement if the waiver is requested by that municipality.

(c) As used in this section, "school district" means a school district, as defined in 16 V.S.A. § 11(11), or a regional career technical center school district, as defined in 16 V.S.A. § 1571.

Sec. B.1116 2020–2021 SCHOOL YEAR; WAIVER OF ONLINE

TEACHING ENDORSEMENT

Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 1694, for the 2020–2021 school year, the Standards Board for Professional Educators (SBPE) shall waive its requirement for a teacher to hold an endorsement for online teaching in order to teach online or implement remote learning.

Sec. B.1117 ELECTIONS; UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

(a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the election of a director on the board of a unified union school district who is to serve on the board after expiration of the term for an initial director shall be held at the unified union school district's annual meeting unless otherwise provided in the district's articles of agreement.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if a vacancy occurs on the board of a unified union school district and the vacancy is in a seat that is allocated to a specific town, the clerk of the unified union school district shall immediately notify the selectboard of the town. Within 30 days

after the receipt of that notice, the unified union school district board, in consultation with the selectboard, shall appoint a person who is otherwise eligible to serve as a member of the unified union school district board to fill the vacancy until an election is held at an annual or special meeting unless otherwise provided in accordance with the unified union school district's articles of agreement.

(c) This section is repealed on July 1, 2022.

Sec. D.100 APPROPRIATIONS; PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX

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

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

(2) The sum of \$10,580,695 is appropriated from the Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board. Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 312, amounts above \$10,580,695 from the property transfer tax and surcharge established by 32 V.S.A. § 9602a that

are deposited into the Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund shall be transferred into the General Fund.

(A) The dedication of \$2,500,000 in revenue from the property transfer tax pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 9610(d) for the debt payments on the affordable housing bond (10 V.S.A. § 314) is to be offset by the reduction of \$1,500,000 in the appropriation to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board and \$1,000,000 from the surcharge established by 32 V.S.A. § 9602a. The FY 2021 appropriation of \$10,580,695 to VHCB reflects the \$1,500,000 reduction and a one-time 3 percent reduction to their base appropriation and the addition of \$100,000 to support the cost of technical assistance for writing grants. The affordable housing bond and related property transfer tax and surcharge provisions are repealed after the life of the bond on July 1, 2039. Once the bond is retired, the \$1,500,000 reduction in the appropriation to VHCB is intended to be restored.

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

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

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

(C) \$378,700 to the Agency of Digital Services for the Vermont Center for Geographic Information.

Sec. D.100.1 CARRY FORWARD AUTHORITY

(a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law and subject to the approval of the Secretary of Administration, General, Transportation, Transportation Infrastructure Bond, Education Fund, Clean Water Fund (Fund 21932), and Agricultural Water Quality Fund (Fund 21933) appropriations remaining unexpended on June 30, 2021 in the Executive Branch of State government shall be carried forward and shall be designated for expenditure.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, General Fund appropriations remaining unexpended on June 30, 2021 in the Legislative and Judicial Branches of State government shall be carried forward and shall be designated for expenditure.

Sec. D.100.2 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 109, Sec. 30 is amended read:

Sec. 30 APPLICATION OF FISCAL YEAR 2020 DEFERRED TAX
PAYMENTS COLLECTED IN FISCAL YEAR 2021

(a) To the extent that tax payments that were due to the State in fiscal year 2020 but were deferred as a result of state and federal emergency action taken in response to the Coronavirus Pandemic are received into the General Fund

through August 15, 2020, funds from such payments shall be transferred or reserved as follows:

(1) First, to the extent any interfund loan was made from the Coronavirus Relief Fund under the provision of Sec. 29(b) of this act, in an amount to repay the balance of the interfund loan.

(2) Second, in the Human Services Caseload Reserve, in an amount to bring this reserve balance up to \$98,236,983.

(3) Third, in the General Fund Budget Stabilization Reserve, in an amount to bring this reserve balance up to ~~\$81,472,791~~ \$80,365,373.

(4) Fourth, in General Fund Balance Reserve (aka Rainy-Day Fund), in an amount to bring this reserve balance up to \$31,553,274.

(5) Finally, any additional amounts received from such payments shall remain available in the General Fund for appropriation in fiscal year 2021.

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

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

(1) From the Clean Water Fund established by 10 V.S.A. § 1388 to the Agricultural Water Quality Special Fund created under 6 V.S.A. § 4803: \$3,408,000.

(2) From the Clean Water Fund established by 10 V.S.A. § 1388 to the Lakes in Crisis Special Fund created under 10 V.S.A. § 1315: \$50,000.

(3) From the Transportation Fund to the Downtown Transportation and Related Capital Improvement Fund established by 24 V.S.A. § 2796 to be used by the Vermont Downtown Development Board for the purposes of the Fund: \$523,966.

(4) From the Transportation Infrastructure Bond Fund established by 19 V.S.A. § 11f to the Transportation Infrastructure Bonds Debt Service Fund established by 32 V.S.A. § 951a for funding fiscal year 2022 transportation infrastructure bonds debt service: \$2,505,863.

(5) From the Tobacco Litigation Settlement fund to the General Fund: \$1,657,844.

(b) Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2021:

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

<u>22005</u>	<u>AHS Central Office earned federal receipts</u>	<u>6,474,593.00</u>
<u>50300</u>	<u>Liquor Control Fund</u>	<u>22,740,000.00</u>
<u>21990</u>	<u>State Health Care Resources Fund</u>	<u>3,000,000.00</u>
<u>62100</u>	<u>Unclaimed Property Fund</u>	<u>2,710,636.00</u>
	<u>Caledonia Fair</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>
	<u>North Country Hospital Loan</u>	<u>24,047.00</u>
<u>21917</u>	<u>Public Funds Investigation Fund</u>	<u>100,000.00</u>

(2) The following estimated amounts, which may be all or a portion of unencumbered fund balances, shall be transferred from the following funds to the General Fund. The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee at its next meeting the final amounts transferred from each fund and certify that such transfers will not impair the agency, office, or department reliant upon each fund from meeting its statutory requirements.

<u>21638</u>	<u>AG-Fees & reimbursement – Court order</u>	<u>2,250,000.00</u>
<u>21928</u>	<u>Secretary of State Services Funds</u>	<u>2,867,898.00</u>

(3) Notwithstanding 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Section E. 228, \$40,368,350 of the unencumbered balances in the Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund (Fund Number 21075), the Captive Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund (Fund Number 21085), the Financial Institution Regulatory and Supervision Fund (Fund Number 21065), and the Securities Regulatory and Supervision Fund (Fund Number 21080) shall be transferred to the General Fund.

(c) Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2021:

(1) The following amounts shall revert to the General Funds from the Accounts indicated:

<u>1100891701</u>	<u>AOA – Security Improvements</u>	<u>597.25</u>
<u>1105500000</u>	<u>Comm & Info Technology</u>	<u>23,186.10</u>
<u>1110003000</u>	<u>Budget & Management</u>	<u>100,000.00</u>
<u>1120020000</u>	<u>Tuition Assistance Program</u>	<u>158,596.48</u>
<u>1130030000</u>	<u>Department of Libraries</u>	<u>83,465.46</u>
<u>1140010000</u>	<u>Tax Operation Costs</u>	<u>147,169.75</u>
<u>1140040000</u>	<u>Homeowner Rebates</u>	<u>970,887.77</u>
<u>1140060000</u>	<u>Reappraisal & Listing Payments</u>	<u>274,918.00</u>
<u>1140070000</u>	<u>Use Tax Reimbursement Program</u>	<u>100,858.00</u>
<u>1150500000</u>	<u>BGS Purchasing</u>	<u>190,861.33</u>
<u>1210002000</u>	<u>Legislature</u>	<u>350,000.00</u>
<u>1220000000</u>	<u>Joint Fiscal Office</u>	<u>25,000.00</u>
<u>1240001000</u>	<u>Lieutenant Governor</u>	<u>4,577.90</u>
<u>1250010000</u>	<u>Auditor of Accounts</u>	<u>98,067.65</u>
<u>1260010000</u>	<u>Treasurer</u>	<u>50,756.00</u>
<u>2100001000</u>	<u>Attorney General</u>	<u>285,007.00</u>
<u>2100891701</u>	<u>Tobacco Master Settlement –</u>	
	<u>Diligent enforcement</u>	<u>68,161.12</u>
<u>2110000100</u>	<u>Public Defense</u>	<u>100,000.00</u>
<u>2110010000</u>	<u>Assigned Counsel</u>	<u>5.93</u>
<u>2120000000</u>	<u>Judiciary</u>	<u>1,415,000.00</u>

<u>213010000</u>	<u>State's Attorneys</u>	<u>386,007.96</u>
<u>213020000</u>	<u>Sheriffs</u>	<u>498,806.86</u>
<u>213040000</u>	<u>Special investigative unit</u>	<u>42,839.13</u>
<u>2140010000</u>	<u>DPS – State Police</u>	<u>209,538.68</u>
<u>2140030000</u>	<u>DPS – Emergency Management</u>	<u>18,698.43</u>
<u>2150010000</u>	<u>Military – administration</u>	<u>986,987.68</u>
<u>2200030000</u>	<u>Ag Development Division</u>	<u>50,000.00</u>
<u>2280001000</u>	<u>Human Rights Commission</u>	<u>32,510.44</u>
<u>3150070000</u>	<u>Mental Health</u>	<u>438,632.00</u>
<u>3150891902</u>	<u>DMH – Critical Access Hospitals</u>	<u>16,802.23</u>
<u>3310000000</u>	<u>Commission on Women</u>	<u>9,315.16</u>
<u>3310891801</u>	<u>VCW – Sexual Harass Public Outreach</u>	<u>20,794.35</u>
<u>3330010000</u>	<u>Green Mountain Care Board</u>	<u>304,288.84</u>
<u>3400001000</u>	<u>Secretary's Office Admin Costs</u>	<u>456,648.67</u>
<u>3400004000</u>	<u>Global Commitment</u>	<u>6,451,752.42</u>
<u>3400010000</u>	<u>Human Services Board</u>	<u>25,000.00</u>
<u>3400891804</u>	<u>AHSCO – Medicaid Financial Require</u>	<u>693,332.98</u>
<u>3400891902</u>	<u>AHSCO – Elec Med/Health Records Syst</u>	<u>36,106.00</u>
<u>3410010000</u>	<u>DVHA – Administration</u>	<u>17,409.43</u>
<u>3410017000</u>	<u>DVHA – Programs - State Only</u>	<u>0.35</u>
<u>3480001000</u>	<u>Department of Corrections – Administration</u>	<u>171,141.94</u>

<u>3420021000</u>	<u>Department of Health – Public Health</u>	<u>611,354.34</u>
<u>3420060000</u>	<u>Department of Health – ADAP</u>	<u>256,286.12</u>
<u>3440010000</u>	<u>Department for Children & Families –</u> <u>Admin & Support Services</u>	<u>2,340,774.40</u>
<u>3440050000</u>	<u>Department for Children & Families –</u> <u>AABD</u>	<u>74,877.24</u>
<u>3440060000</u>	<u>Department for Children & Families –</u> <u>General Assistance</u>	<u>1,005,971.77</u>
<u>3440080000</u>	<u>Department for Children & Families –</u> <u>Reach Up</u>	<u>601,823.99</u>
<u>3440120000</u>	<u>Department for Children & Families –</u> <u>Woodside</u>	<u>435,335.04</u>
<u>3460010000</u>	<u>DAIL – Administration</u>	<u>300,000.14</u>
<u>3480001000</u>	<u>Department of Corrections – Administration</u>	<u>71,141.9</u>
<u>3480002000</u>	<u>Department of Corrections – Parole Board</u>	<u>23,571.32</u>
<u>3480003000</u>	<u>Department of Corrections – Education</u>	<u>58,556.50</u>
<u>3480004000</u>	<u>Department of Corrections –</u> <u>Correctional Services</u>	<u>4,885,587.79</u>
<u>3480006000</u>	<u>Department of Corrections –</u> <u>Out of State Beds</u>	<u>109,339.10</u>
<u>4100500000</u>	<u>Department of Labor</u>	<u>200,000.00</u>

<u>5100010000</u>	<u>Agency of Education – Administration</u>	<u>91,312.39</u>
<u>5100060000</u>	<u>Agency of Education – Adult Basic Education</u>	<u>14,497.00</u>
<u>5100070000</u>	<u>Agency of Education – Education Services</u>	<u>123,118.58</u>
<u>5100210000</u>	<u>Agency of Education – Flexible Pathways</u>	<u>31,539.35</u>
<u>5100400000</u>	<u>Agency of Education –</u> <u>State Board of Education</u>	<u>47,416.83</u>
<u>5100891803</u>	<u>AOE – Advisory Group Compensation</u>	<u>4,533.97</u>
<u>5100892001</u>	<u>AOE – Workgroup Expense Reimbursement</u>	<u>15,090.51</u>
<u>6100010000</u>	<u>Admin., Management & Planning</u>	<u>8,162.47</u>
<u>6100040000</u>	<u>Property Tax Assessment Appropriation</u>	<u>48,650.41</u>
<u>7100000000</u>	<u>ACCD – Administration</u>	<u>196,074.00</u>
<u>7100891902</u>	<u>ACCD – Workforce Development</u>	<u>750,000.00</u>
<u>7120010000</u>	<u>Economic Development</u>	<u>750,000.00</u>

(2) The following amounts shall revert to the Education Fund from the accounts indicated:

<u>5100040000</u>	<u>Special Education</u>	<u>5,770,436.00</u>
<u>5100050000</u>	<u>State placed Students</u>	<u>3,303,708.00</u>
<u>5100090000</u>	<u>Education Grants</u>	<u>1,907,842.00</u>
<u>5100110000</u>	<u>Small Schools</u>	<u>596,191.00</u>
<u>5100190000</u>	<u>Essential Early Education</u>	<u>360,491.00</u>
<u>5100200000</u>	<u>Technical Education</u>	<u>1,713,671.00</u>

<u>5100010000</u>	<u>Administration</u>	<u>115,260.00</u>
<u>5100891804</u>	<u>Education Funding Study</u>	<u>2,401.00</u>
<u>1140060000</u>	<u>Reappraisal & Listing Payments</u>	<u>190,948.00</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>13,960,950</u>

(3) The following amounts shall revert to the Tobacco Fund from the accounts indicated:

<u>3400891802</u>	<u>Invest Substance Use Treat</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>
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(d) In fiscal year 2021, the following General Fund reserves shall be made:

(1) Pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 308 and Section D.100.2 of this Act,

\$541,962 shall be reserved in the General Fund Budget Stabilization Reserve.

Sec. D.102 CONTRIBUTION TO THE 27/53 RESERVE

(a) \$1,850,000 general fund shall be reserved in the 27/53 reserve in fiscal year 2021. This action is the fiscal year 2021 contribution to the reserve for the 53rd week of Medicaid as required by 32 V.S.A. §308e.

Sec. D.103 2007 Acts and Resolves No. 65, Sec. 282, as amended by 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 63, Sec. C.103, as amended by 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 1, Sec. 65, as amended by 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 95, Sec. 62, as amended by 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 47, as amended by 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11 Sec. E.111.1, as amended by 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 6, Sec.102 is further amended to read:

Sec. 282 TAX COMPUTER SYSTEM MODERNIZATION FUND

(a) Creation of fund.

(1) There is established the Tax Computer System Modernization Special Fund to consist of:

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~~(C) Thirty percent of the incremental tax receipts received as a direct result of the implementation of the integrated tax system beginning in calendar year 2014, including any additional data warehouse modules. The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall approve baseline tax receipts in order to measure the increment from the new integrated tax system. An amount not to exceed two percent of the total revenue collected from billed and offset liabilities made by the Department of Taxes.~~

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Sec. D.104 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 72, Sec. C.115 is amended to read:

Sec. C.115 SPECIAL FUND APPROPRIATION FOR TAX COMPUTER
SYSTEMS

(a) In fiscal year 2019, \$10,000,000 is appropriated to the Department of Taxes from the Tax Computer System Modernization Special Fund established pursuant to 2007 Acts and Resolves No. 65, Sec. 282, as amended by 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 63, Sec. C.103, as amended by 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 1, Sec. 65, as amended by 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 95, Sec. 62, as amended by 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 47, as amended by

2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. E.111.1, and as further amended by 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 6, Sec. 102. This appropriation shall carryforward through fiscal year ~~2022~~ 2025.

* * * GENERAL GOVERNMENT * * *

Sec. E.100 EXECUTIVE BRANCH POSITIONS

(a) The establishment of the following permanent classified positions is authorized in fiscal year 2021 and shall be transferred and converted from existing vacant positions in the Executive Branch and shall not increase the total number of authorized State positions, as defined in Section A.107 of this Act:

(1) In the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets' Clean Water Division – Two (2) positions as follows,

(A) Two (2) Water Quality Specialist II positions.

Sec. E.100.1 10 V.S.A. § 1389b(a) is amended to read:

§ 1389b CLEAN WATER FUND AUDIT TIMELINE

(a) On or before January 15, ~~2024~~ 2023, the Secretary of Administration shall submit to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, the Senate Committee on Finance, the House Committee on Ways and Means, the Senate Committee on Agriculture, the House Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Energy, and the

House Committee on Natural Resources, Fish, and Wildlife a program audit of the Clean Water Fund. The audit shall include:

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Sec. E.100.2 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. E.100.1, amended by 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. E.100.1 and by 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Sec. A.7 is further amended to read:

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

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(7) This Pilot shall sunset on ~~September 30, 2020~~ July 1, 2021, unless extended or modified by the General Assembly.

Sec. E.111 Tax – administration/collection

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

Sec. E.125 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL RESTRUCTURING

(a) To implement the provisions of 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 144, An act relating to restructuring and reorganizing General Assembly staff offices, the Department of Finance and Management shall work with the Legislative Branch to establish a new business unit for the Office of Legislative Counsel and for the Office of Legislative Information Technology. The establishment of these new business units, as well as associated changes to internal service billing and/or other budget-related matters shall be accomplished in time for fiscal year 2022 budget development.

Sec. E.126 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Sec. A.49(a)(1) is amended to read:

(1) Legislature: \$2,000,000 is appropriated to the Legislature for costs incurred ~~for an estimated six week extension of the~~ during the 2020 session ~~in fiscal year 2021 (August and September 2020)~~ due to the response to the Coronavirus pandemic. ~~This extension to legislative work may be conducted in a remote or partially remote manner.~~ Funds may be transferred to appropriation units within the General Assembly as necessary to reimburse eligible fiscal year 2020 and 2021 expenditures. Any transfers shall be reviewed and approved through traditional transfer approval processes by the Secretary of Administration and shall be reported by the Joint Fiscal Office to

the Joint Legislative Management Committee and the Commissioner of Finance and Management.

Sec. E.126.1 GENERAL ASSEMBLY; ALTERNATIVE LOCATION AND MANNER OF CONVENING, ORGANIZING, AND HOLDING SESSIONS OF THE 2021–22 LEGISLATIVE BIENNIUM

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of 2 V.S.A. § 1 (place of holding sessions) that require the sessions of the General Assembly to be held in the State House in Montpelier, for the 2021–22 legislative biennium:

(1) The House shall convene and organize and may thereafter hold sessions at the Barre Auditorium or remotely, or both.

(2) The Senate shall convene and organize and may thereafter hold sessions in a location or manner that it determines.

(3) In addition, after convening and organizing, the chambers may hold sessions as they may by rule, joint rule, or resolution provide.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, if a majority of a chamber's members of the Joint Legislative Management Committee subsequently determines that the alternate means of convening and organizing the chamber described in subdivision (a)(1) or (2) will jeopardize the public health, safety, or welfare, a majority of that chamber's members of the Joint Legislative Management Committee may vote to require that chamber

of the 2021–22 biennium to instead convene and organize in a substitute location or manner, and if that substitute location or manner is thereafter approved by the Joint Legislative Management Committee, that chamber of the 2021–22 biennium shall instead convene and organize in that substitute location or manner. In this case, the Joint Legislative Management Committee shall notify as soon as practicable the Secretary of State, Lieutenant Governor, and members-elect.

Sec. E.126.2 USE OF SPACE; FINDINGS; PURPOSE

(a) The General Assembly currently finds that it is necessary for the Legislative Branch to use space in addition to the State House in Montpelier during the 2021–22 biennium to meet social distancing requirements and mitigate the public health impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

(b) The purpose of Sec. E.126.3 of this act is to provide an alternate location during the 2021–22 biennium of the General Assembly for the Legislative Branch to use in order to protect the public health, safety, and welfare during the COVID-19 pandemic while also maintaining the ability of the Legislative Branch to perform its constitutional legislative duties.

Sec. E.126.3 GENERAL ASSEMBLY; STATE BUILDINGS; USE OF
SPACE; AUTHORITY OF SERGEANT AT ARMS; 2021–22
LEGISLATIVE BIENNIUM

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of 29 V.S.A. § 165 and any other provision of law to the contrary, the Legislative Branch is authorized to use space in State buildings during the 2021–22 legislative biennium, including the following:

(1) 133 State Street:

(A) Basement: stock room and rooms 012, 016, 015, 021, and 022.

(B) First Floor: rooms 121, 122, and 126.

(C) Fourth Floor: board room.

(D) Fifth Floor: entire floor.

(2) 109 State Street:

(A) Basement: rooms B07 and B015 and surrounding space;

(B) Second floor: rooms 264, 267, 268, and 270.

(C) Fourth floor: conference room.

(3) 111 State Street: library stacks room on the second floor.

(b) The authority of the Sergeant at Arms set forth in 2 V.S.A. chapter 62 shall apply in any rooms or spaces occupied by the Legislative Branch.

Sec. E.127 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 109, Sec. 36(a)(1) is amended to read:

(1) Joint Fiscal Committee: \$600,000 is appropriated to the Legislative Joint Fiscal Committee for use or transfer to appropriation units within the General Assembly as necessary to reimburse eligible fiscal year 2020 and 2021 expenditures. The transfers shall be reviewed and approved through traditional

transfer approval processes by the Secretary of Administration. The Joint Fiscal Office shall provide a list of the COVID-19 expenditures funded by this appropriation and related documentation and transfers to other legislative departments to the Joint Legislative Management Committee, the Joint Fiscal Committee, and the Commissioner of Finance and Management ~~on or before~~ July 30, 2020.

Sec. E.130 32 V.S.A. § 168 is amended to read:

§ 168. SINGLE AUDIT REVOLVING FUND

(a)(1) The Single Audit Revolving Fund is established within the State Treasury, to be administered by the Auditor of Accounts, from which payments may be made for the costs of audits performed pursuant to ~~subdivision~~ subdivisions 163(1) and (2) of this subchapter and 24 V.S.A. § 290b.

(2) All monies received from charges made for audit services under the provisions of subsection (b) of this section and sums that may be appropriated to the Fund shall be deposited in the Fund.

(3) Any balance remaining in the Fund at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward and remain a part of the Fund.

(b)(1) The Auditor of Accounts shall charge the State department, agency, commission, instrumentality, political subdivision, or State-created authority audited for the direct and indirect costs of an audit performed pursuant to

~~subdivision~~ subdivisions 163(1) and (2) of this subchapter and 24 V.S.A.

§ 290b.

(2) Costs shall be determined by the Auditor of Accounts and costs associated with subdivisions 163(1) and (2) of this subchapter shall be approved by the Secretary of Administration.

Sec. E.130.1 24 V.S.A. § 290b is amended to read:

§ 290b. AUDITS

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(c) The Auditor of Accounts and his or her designee may at any time examine the records, accounts, books, papers, contracts, reports, and other materials of the county sheriff departments as they pertain to the financial transactions, obligations, assets, and receipts of that department. The Auditor, or his or her designee, shall conduct an audit of the accounts for a sheriff's department whenever the incumbent sheriff leaves office, and the auditor shall charge for the costs of the report pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 168(b).

(d) Annually, each sheriff shall furnish the Auditor of Accounts on forms provided by the Auditor a financial report reflecting the financial transactions and condition of the sheriff's department. The sheriff shall submit a copy of this report to the assistant judges of the county. The assistant judges shall prepare a report reflecting funds disbursed by the county in support of the sheriff's department and forward a copy of their report to the Auditor of

Accounts. The Auditor of Accounts shall compile the reports and submit one report to the House and Senate Committees on Judiciary. The provisions of 2 V.S.A. § 20(d) (expiration of required reports) shall not apply to the required report to be made under this subsection.

(e) Biennially, according to a schedule established by the Auditor of Accounts, ~~each sheriff~~ the Auditor shall retain a public accountant ~~selected by the sheriff and the assistant judges~~ to conduct an audit of the financial systems, controls, and procedures within ~~the~~ each department. The public accountant shall prepare a written report detailing the review of the department. A copy of this report shall be forwarded to the sheriff, assistant judges, and the Auditor of Accounts. ~~The cost of this report Auditor shall be paid by the Secretary of Administration, Auditor of Accounts, and the sheriff's department, in equal amounts~~ charge for the costs of the report pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 168(b).

Sec. E.131 CAPITAL DEBT AFFORDABILITY ADVISORY

COMMITTEE; CALENDAR YEAR 2020 ANNUAL REPORT

(a) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. §§ 1001 and 1001a, or any other provisions of law, in calendar year 2020, the Capital Debt Affordability Advisory Committee shall submit to the Governor and the General Assembly the Committee's estimate of net State tax-supported debt that prudently may be authorized for the next fiscal year, together with a report exploring the basis for the estimate on or before October 30, 2020.

Sec. E.133 Vermont state retirement system

(a) Notwithstanding 3 V.S.A. § 473(d), in fiscal year 2021, investment fees shall be paid from the corpus of the Fund.

Sec. E.139 GRAND LIST LITIGATION ASSISTANCE

(a) Of the appropriation in Sec. B.139 of this act, \$9,000 shall be transferred to the Attorney General and \$70,000 shall be transferred to the Department of Taxes, Division of Property Valuation and Review and reserved and used with any remaining funds from the amount previously transferred for final payment of expenses incurred by the Department or towns in defense of grand list appeals regarding the reappraisals of the hydroelectric plants and other property owned by TransCanada Hydro Northeast, Inc. and its successor Great River Hydro, LLC in the State of Vermont. Expenditures for this purpose shall be considered qualified expenditures under 16 V.S.A. § 4025(c).

Sec. E.142 Payments in lieu of taxes

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

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

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

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

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

* * * PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY * * *

Sec. E.200 Attorney general

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

(b) Of the revenue available to the Attorney General under 9 V.S.A. § 2458(b)(4), \$1,390,500 is appropriated in Sec. B.200 of this act.

Sec. E.200.1 3 V.S.A. § 167 is amended to read:

§ 167. ~~PUBLIC FUNDS INVESTIGATION SPECIAL FUND~~

~~There is established a Public Funds Investigation Special Fund, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5. At the end of each fiscal year, revenue~~

~~available to the Attorney General under 9 V.S.A. § 2458(b)(4) may be used to bring the unencumbered Fund balance up to \$100,000.00. Monies in the Fund shall be available for expenditure by the Attorney General and State's Attorneys to pay expenses, as the Attorney General and the State Auditor shall agree, for independent contractors, including accountants, necessary for investigation and prosecution of embezzlement or other financial crimes in which public funds are alleged to have been misused. [Repealed.]~~

Sec. E.200.2 9 V.S.A. § 2458(b) is amended to read:

(b) In addition to the foregoing, the Attorney General or a State's Attorney may request, and the court is authorized to render any other temporary or permanent relief, or both, as may be in the public interest including:

(1) the imposition of a civil penalty of not more than \$10,000.00 for each unfair or deceptive act or practice in commerce, and of not more than \$100,000.00 for an individual or \$1,000,000.00 for any other person for each unfair method of competition in commerce;

(2) an order for restitution of cash or goods on behalf of a consumer or a class of consumers similarly situated;

(3) an order requiring reimbursement to the State of Vermont for the reasonable value of its services and its expenses in investigating and prosecuting the action;

(4) amounts other than consumer restitution recovered by the Attorney General or Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs under this chapter, but not to exceed amounts annually appropriated, or authorized pursuant to ~~3 V.S.A. § 167~~ or 32 V.S.A. § 511, shall be deposited into special funds which shall be available to the Attorney General or Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs, respectively to offset the costs of providing legal services.

Sec. E.209 Public safety – state police

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

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

Sec. E.209.1 20 V.S.A. § 1818 is added to read:

§ 1818. EQUIPMENT OF OFFICERS WITH VIDEO RECORDING

DEVICES

The Department shall ensure that all members assigned to the Vermont State Police Field Force Division who routinely engage with members of the public related to the enforcement of laws are equipped with a body camera or other video recording device on his or her person.

Sec. E.209.2 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 147, Sec. 8 is amended to read:

Sec. 8. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; VIDEO RECORDING

DEVICES; ONGOING COSTS

The Department of Public Safety shall immediately initiate the acquisition and deployment of video recording devices to comply with the requirements of 20 V.S.A. § 1818. The ongoing costs of the devices that cannot be accommodated within the Department's budget shall be included in the Department's FY21 budget proposal to the General Assembly in August of 2020. The Department shall complete the deployment of video recording devices in accordance with the requirements of 20 V.S.A. § 1818 on or before March 31, 2021.

Sec. E.209.3 VIDEO RECORDING DEVICE: REPEAL

(a) 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 147, Sec. 7 (equipment of officers with video recording devices) is repealed.

Sec. E.212 Public safety – fire safety

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

Sec. E.215 Military – Administration

(a) The amount of \$953,906 shall be disbursed to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for the National Guard Educational Assistance program established in 16 V.S.A. § 2856 and the National Guard Tuition Benefit Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 2857.

(b) Subsection (a) of this section supersedes the disbursement referenced in 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Sec. A.23.

Sec. E.215.1 VERMONT NATIONAL GUARD TUITION BENEFIT
PROGRAM; COVID-19

(a) Findings and purpose.

(1) An eligible member of the Vermont National Guard is entitled to certain tuition benefits for courses taken at Vermont postsecondary educational institutions under the Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Program (16 V.S.A. § 2857).

(2) One of the eligibility requirements to participate in this Program is that the member must have successfully completed basic training.

(3) Due to safety measures implemented to address the COVID-19 pandemic, the number of available basic training slots has been reduced, making it impossible for members who are new enlistees to complete basic training prior to the fall college semester.

(4) The purpose of this section is to allow these new enlistees to gain the benefits of the Program if they would otherwise qualify to participate in the Program.

(b) Interim Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Program. The Interim Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Program (Interim Program) is created solely for new enlistees who have not completed basic training due solely to the reduced number of available basic training slots as a result of safety measures implemented to address the COVID-19 pandemic. The structure, administration, and terms and conditions of this Interim Program shall be identical to the Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Program under 16 V.S.A. § 2857, except that the Interim Program shall not require that a member has successfully completed basic training. Eligible members under the Interim Program shall be entitled to this tuition benefit for courses offered by participating postsecondary educational institutions only during the fall 2020 semester.

(c) Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Program waiver. For new enlistees who want to use the tuition benefit under the Vermont National

Guard Tuition Benefit Program established under 16 V.S.A. § 2857 for the spring 2021 semester and thereafter but have not completed basic training due solely to the reduced number of available basic training slots as a result of safety measures implemented to address the COVID-19 pandemic, the requirement to have successfully completed basic training (16 V.S.A. § 2857(c)(2)) is waived.

(d) Verification of future basic training. Before funds are allocated to a member under subsection (b) or (c) of this section, the Adjutant General shall provide verification to VSAC that the member has a reservation for a future basic training class.

(e) Service commitment. Academic attendance under the Interim Program shall count toward the member's service commitment under the Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Program, 16 V.S.A. § 2857(d).

(f) Other Program waivers authorized as necessary. In order to accommodate the Program changes described in subsections (b) and (c) of this section, where prompted by COVID-19 pandemic conditions the Adjutant General, on the recommendation of VSAC, may waive or partially suspend certain administrative and documentation requirements of the Program.

(g) Repeal. This section is repealed on the date that the Adjutant General certifies to the House Committee on General, Housing, and Military Affairs and the Senate Committee on Government Operations that all members who

had not completed basic training due solely to the reduced number of available basic training slots as a result of safety measures implemented to address the COVID-19 pandemic have successfully completed, or are currently attending, basic training. A copy of this certification shall be sent at the same time to the Office of Legislative Counsel.

Sec. E.219 Military – Veterans’ Affairs

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

Sec. E.220 Center for crime victim services

(a) Notwithstanding 20 V.S.A. § 2365(c), the Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services shall transfer \$52,699.60 from the Domestic and Sexual Violence Special Fund established in 13 V.S.A. § 5360 to the Criminal Justice Training Council for the purpose of funding one-half the costs of the Domestic Violence Trainer position. The other half of the position will be funded with an appropriation to the Criminal Justice Training Council.

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

(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.224 of this act, the amount of \$594,000 in general funds is appropriated for expenditure by the Working Lands Enterprise Board established in 6 V.S.A. § 4606 for investments in food and forest system businesses and services providers pursuant to 6 V.S.A. § 4607 and consistent with the funding priorities in 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 142, Sec. 5, as amended by 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.224.1.

* * * HUMAN SERVICES * * *

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

(a) Deposit of Master Tobacco Settlement receipts and appropriations of Tobacco Settlement funds in fiscal year 2021 are made, notwithstanding 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec. D.104.

Sec. E.300.1 FUNDING FOR THE OFFICE OF THE HEALTH CARE
ADVOCATE

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

Sec. E.300.2 FUNDING FOR SPRINGFIELD BANKRUPTCY
SETTLEMENT

(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.300 of this act, \$6,000,000 shall be used for the purposes of making a payment to Springfield Hospital and Springfield Medical Care System as a result of a bankruptcy proceeding.

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

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

(b) In addition to the State funds appropriated in this section, a total estimated sum of \$24,283,719 is anticipated to be certified as State matching funds under the Global Commitment as follows:

(1) \$21,467,550 certified State match available from local education agencies for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services under the Global Commitment. This amount, combined with \$29,032,450 of federal funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act, equals a total estimated expenditure of \$50,500,000. An amount equal to the amount of the federal matching funds for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services under Global Commitment shall be transferred from the Global Commitment Fund to the Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund created in 16 V.S.A. § 2959a.

(2) \$2,816,169 certified State match available from local designated mental health and developmental services agencies for eligible mental health services provided under Global Commitment.

Sec. E.301.1 Secretary's office – Global Commitment

(c) Up to \$10,600,000 is transferred from the AHS Federal Receipts Holding Account to the Interdepartmental Transfer Fund consistent with the amount appropriated in Sec. B.301 – Secretary's Office – Global Commitment of this act.

Sec. E.301.2 GLOBAL COMMITMENT APPROPRIATIONS; TRANSFER;

REPORT

(a) In order to facilitate the end-of-year closeout for fiscal year 2021, the Secretary of Human Services, with approval from the Secretary of Administration, may make transfers among the appropriations authorized for Medicaid and Medicaid-waiver program expenses, including Global Commitment appropriations outside the Agency of Human Services. At least three business days prior to any transfer, the Agency shall submit to the Joint Fiscal Office a proposal of transfers to be made pursuant to this section. A final report on all transfers made under this section shall be made to the Joint Fiscal Committee for review at the September 2021 meeting. The purpose of this section is to provide the Agency with limited authority to modify the appropriations to comply with the terms and conditions of the Global

Commitment for Health waiver approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under Section 1115 of the Social Security Act.

Sec. E.301.3 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120 (First Quarter Budget of Fiscal Year 2021) is amended by striking out Sec. A.24a in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. A.24a. to read as follows:

Sec. A24.a GLOBAL COMMITMENT WAIVER AMENDMENT

(a) The Secretary of Human Services is authorized to seek a no-change extension of Vermont's Global Commitment to Health Section 1115 Demonstration for the period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023 from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. If a true no-change extension is not permitted by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the Secretary is authorized to seek an extension of Vermont's Global Commitment to Health Section 1115 Demonstration for the period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2026, or an earlier date.

Sec. E.301.4 GLOBAL COMMITMENT MATCHING FUNDS FOR
NEWBORN HOME VISITING

(a) \$154,679 of the general funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act shall be used as matching funds for Global Commitment expenditures for newborn home visiting.

Sec. E.306 VERMONT HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE RULES

(a) The Agency of Human Services may adopt rules pursuant to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 to conform Vermont's rules regarding health care eligibility and enrollment and the operation of the Vermont Health Benefit Exchange to state and federal law and guidance. The Agency may use the emergency rules process pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 844 prior to June 30, 2021, but only in the event that new state or federal law or guidance require Vermont to amend or adopt its rules in a time frame that cannot be accomplished under the traditional rulemaking process. An emergency rule adopted under these exigent circumstances shall be deemed to meet the standard for the adoption of emergency rules required pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 844(a).

Sec. E.307 33 V.S.A. § 1999 is amended to read:

§ 1999. CONSUMER PROTECTION RULES; PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

(a)(1) The Pharmacy Best Practices and Cost Control Program shall authorize pharmacy benefit coverage when a patient's health care provider prescribes a prescription drug not on the preferred drug list, or a prescription drug ~~which~~ that is not the list's preferred choice, if ~~either~~ any of the circumstances set forth in subdivision (2) or (3) of this subsection applies.

(2)(A) The Program shall authorize coverage under the same terms as coverage for preferred choice drugs if the prescriber determines, after consultation with the pharmacist, or with the participating health benefit plan if

required by the terms of the plan, that one or more of the following circumstances apply:

(i) ~~the~~ The preferred choice has or choices have not been effective, or with reasonable certainty ~~is~~ are not expected to be effective, in treating the patient's condition;~~or.~~

(ii) ~~the~~ The preferred choice causes or choices cause or ~~is~~ are reasonably expected to cause adverse or harmful reactions in the patient.

(iii)(I) The patient is new to the Program and has been stabilized on a prescription drug that is not on the preferred drug list or is not one of the list's preferred choices, or a current patient has been stabilized on a prescription drug that has been removed from preferred drug list or is no longer one of the list's preferred choices, and it is clinically indicated that the patient should remain stabilized on the drug in order to avoid an adverse clinical impact or outcome.

(II) The Drug Utilization Review Board and the Department of Vermont Health Access shall clinically evaluate newly introduced medications and therapeutic classes to determine their clinical appropriateness for continuation of coverage as set forth in subdivision (I) of this subdivision (iii).

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~~(c) For HIV and AIDS-related medications used by individuals with HIV or AIDS, the preferred drug list and any utilization review procedures shall not~~

~~be more restrictive than the drug list and the application of the list used for the State of Vermont AIDS Medication Assistance Program. [Repealed.]~~

~~(d) The Agency may include prescription drugs prescribed for the treatment of severe and persistent mental illness, including schizophrenia, major depression, or bipolar disorder, in the prior authorization process after the Health Care Oversight Committee has reviewed the report as provided for in 2005 Acts and Resolves No. 71, Sec. 305(a)(2)(A). [Repealed.]~~

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Sec. E.312 Health – public health

(a) AIDS/HIV funding:

(1) In fiscal year 2021 and as provided in this section, the Department of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$475,000 in AIDS Medication Rebates special funds to the Vermont AIDS service and peer-support organizations for client-based support services. The Department of Health AIDS Program shall meet at least quarterly with the Community Advisory Group (CAG) with current information and data relating to service initiatives. The funds shall be allocated according to an RFP process.

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

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

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

(4) In fiscal year 2021, the Department of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$100,000 in general funds to Vermont AIDS service organizations and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers for community-based HIV prevention programs and services. These funds shall be used for HIV/AIDS prevention purposes, including syringe exchange programs; improving the availability of confidential and anonymous HIV testing; prevention work with at-risk groups such as women, intravenous drug users, and people of color; and anti-stigma campaigns. Not more than 15 percent of the funds may be used for the administration of such services by

the recipients of these funds. The method by which these prevention funds are distributed shall be determined by mutual agreement of the Department of Health and the Vermont AIDS service organizations and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers.

(5) In fiscal year 2021, the Department of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$150,000 in general funds to Vermont AIDS service organizations and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers for syringe exchange programs. The method by which these prevention funds are distributed shall be determined by mutual agreement of the Department of Health, the Vermont AIDS service organizations, and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers. The performance period for these grants will be State fiscal year 2021. Grant reporting shall include outcomes and results.

Sec. E.314 INTEGRATED MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET; BUDGET

TRANSFER FROM DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO
DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT HEALTH ACCESS

(a) The legislative budget process is an essential structural component of ensuring that the State is supporting the principle of fully integrating mental health into the health care system. The separation of Medicaid mental health expenditures between the Department of Vermont Health Access's and the Department of Mental Health's proposed budgets is an obstacle to achieving the General Assembly's mental health reform principle of "ensuring equal

access to appropriate mental health care in a manner equivalent to other aspects of health care as part of an integrated, holistic system of care,” as codified in 18 V.S.A. § 7251(4).

(b) The Agency of Human Services and the Departments of Mental Health and of Vermont Health Access shall integrate public funding for inpatient mental health care services to the extent feasible with the funding for other health care services within the Department of Vermont Health Access budget. Federal funding requirements shall be adhered to and the Departments shall establish oversight, utilization review, care management, and data collection responsibilities based on statutory and legal custodial obligations and responsibilities. This integrated funding shall begin in fiscal year 2023, with a plan for integrated funding provided to the General Assembly on or before April 15, 2021.

Sec. E.314.1 MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET PRESENTATION; FISCAL
YEAR 2022

(a) In anticipation of the fiscal year 2023 budget realignment, the Departments of Mental Health and of Vermont Health Access shall provide a report on caseload, expenditures, and utilization as part of their fiscal year 2022 budget presentation, identifying the budget categories incorporated into each Department’s budget for inpatient services by the following funding

categories, including any subdivision between persons served by the community rehabilitation and treatment program:

- (1) the State-run inpatient hospital;
- (2) Level 1 inpatient psychiatric services delivered in private hospitals;
- (3) other involuntary inpatient psychiatric services; and
- (4) voluntary inpatient psychiatric services.

(b) The Departments' fiscal year 2022 budget presentations shall also include any implementation recommendations to achieve integrated funding in accordance with Sec. E.314(b) of this act.

Sec. E.314.2 MENTAL HEALTH OUTREACH; STATEWIDE SCALE;

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH; DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC SAFETY

(a)(1) The sum of \$525,000.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Mental Health in fiscal year 2021 for collaboration with the Department of Public Safety and other stakeholders, including individuals with lived experience of a mental health condition or psychiatric disability and those whose identities cause them to experience additional marginalization, in expanding regional models that strengthen partnerships between law enforcement, mental health, and social services through clinical staff positions that address crisis response to mental health emergencies. The purpose of the program is to enhance the ability statewide to provide safe, appropriate crisis

responses that reduce involvement of law enforcement when those supports are not necessary for public safety, and that ensure strong coordination when those supports are necessary, and to improve access to services and supports for individuals with mental health needs in the community.

(2) To the extent possible, in hiring individuals to carry out the purposes of this section, the designated and specialized service agencies providing the services shall give priority to qualified individuals with lived experience of mental illness.

(b) On or before November 15, 2020, the Departments of Mental Health and of Public Safety shall provide a status report to the Health Reform Oversight Committee and the Joint Legislative Justice Oversight Committee on the plans for implementing the program set forth in subsection (a) of this section, including:

(1) the memoranda of understanding with designated and specialized service agencies;

(2) the partners and stakeholders involved in planning the program;

(3) the geographic locations identified for new clinical staff resource coverage; and

(4) the physical location for planned staffing.

(c)(1) The Department of Mental Health shall coordinate further development of a cohesive, statewide approach to mental health emergencies

and emergency calls, under the leadership of impacted communities and in collaboration with the Department of Public Safety, designated and specialized service agencies, and the Department of Mental Health's standing committees for adult and children's mental health. The approach shall be consistent with the Department's 10-Year Vision.

(2) On or before March 15, 2021, the Department shall report its progress in developing a cohesive, statewide approach to mental health emergencies to the House Committee on Health Care and to the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare.

Sec. E.318 CHILD CARE PROVIDER STABILIZATION GRANTS

(a) Of the funds provided in fiscal year 2021 in Sec. B.318, \$800,000 is allocated for the purpose of expanding infant and toddler child care capacity.

(b) The Division shall award grants to eligible applicants. An eligible applicant shall:

(1) be a new or existing regulated, privately owned center-based child care program or family child care home in good regulatory standings;

(2) participate in CCFAP;

(3) provide year-round, full-day child care and early learning services;

(4) provide child care and early learning services for infants and toddlers; and

(5) participate in the Step Ahead Recognition System (STARS).

(c) Center-based child care programs or family child care homes receiving a grant pursuant to this section shall remain in compliance with the Division's rules, continue participation in STARS, and maintain enrollment of children supported by CCFAP.

Sec. E.318.1 CHILD CARE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

(a) Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A § 4025(b):

(1) The Department for Children and Families shall align Child Care Financial Assistance Program (CCFAP) eligibility with the current federal poverty guidelines.

(2) The Department for Children and Families shall align rates of reimbursement for preschool and school age children participating in the CCFAP in fiscal year 2021 with the market rates reported on the 2015 Vermont Market Rate Survey and maintain rates of reimbursement for infants and toddlers participating in CCFAP in fiscal year 2021 aligned with the market rates reported on the 2017 Vermont Market Rate Survey.

Sec. E.318.2 EDUCATIONAL AND EXPERIENTIAL VARIANCE

(a) For individuals operating or employed in a registered family child care home or as a director or teacher associate in a center-based program for 10 or more years prior to September 1, 2016, the Commissioner for Children and Families or designee may issue a variance to the Child Development Division's rule regarding educational and experiential requirements to allow an

individual to maintain employment in that same role regardless of whether the family child care provider, family child care assistant, director, or teacher associate intends to attain the otherwise necessary educational requirements. To be eligible for a variance, the family childcare provider, family childcare assistant, director, or teacher associate shall:

(1) work continuously in a regulated program with a full license in good standing; and

(2) meet the Division's educational and experiential requirements in place prior to the adoption of the new rule, which was effective beginning on September 1, 2016.

(b) The Commissioner or designee shall review any violation occurring in a regulated program where a family childcare provider, family childcare assistant, director, or teacher associate is under variance and may revoke the variance granted by this section depending upon the seriousness and circumstances of the violation.

(c) Any variance granted under this section shall be terminated on July 1, 2024, and extensions shall not be granted beyond that date.

Sec. E.321 GENERAL ASSISTANCE HOUSING

(a) Funds appropriated to the Agency of Human Services in the General Assistance program in fiscal year 2021 may be used for temporary housing in catastrophic situations and for vulnerable populations, as defined in rules

adopted by the Agency. The Commissioner for Children and Families may, by policy, provide temporary housing for a limited duration in adverse weather conditions when appropriate shelter space is not available.

Sec. E.321.1 HOUSING ASSISTANCE BENEFITS; FLEXIBILITY
PROGRAM; COMMUNITY-BASED ALTERNATIVES
TO GENERAL ASSISTANCE TEMPORARY HOUSING

(a) For fiscal year 2021, the Agency of Human Services may continue to fund housing assistance programs within the General Assistance program to create flexibility to provide General Assistance benefits, as well as grants to support the establishment of community-based alternatives for temporary housing as part of the effort to reduce the number of individuals temporarily housed by the General Assistance program. The purpose of these housing assistance programs and community-based alternatives is to mitigate poverty and serve applicants more effectively than they are currently being served with General Assistance funds. Eligible activities shall include, among other things, the provision of shelter, overflow shelter, case management, transitional housing, deposits, down payments, rental assistance, upstream prevention, and related services that ensure that all Vermonters have access to shelter, housing, and the services they need to become safely housed. The Agency may award grants to homeless and housing service providers for eligible activities. Where such housing assistance programs and grants are provided,

and community-based programs are established, the General Assistance rules shall not apply. The assistance provided under this section is not an entitlement and may be discontinued when the appropriation has been fully spent.

(b) The housing assistance and community-based programs may operate in up to 12 districts designated by the Secretary of Human Services. The Agency shall establish goals and procedures for evaluating the program overall, including performance measures that demonstrate program results, and for each district in which the Agency operates the program, it shall establish procedures for evaluating the district program and its effects.

(c) The Agency shall continue to engage interested parties, including both statewide organizations and local agencies, in the design, implementation, and evaluation of housing assistance programs and community-based alternatives to General Assistance temporary housing.

Sec. E.323 16 V.S.A. § 2878a is amended to read:

§ 2878a. PARTICIPATION AGREEMENTS FOR INVESTMENT PLAN;
~~INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS~~
VERMONT MATCHED SAVINGS AND FINANCIAL
CAPABILITIES PROGRAM

The Corporation may participate in the ~~Individual Development Investment Program~~ Vermont Matched Savings and Financial Capabilities Program

established under 33 V.S.A. § 1123, in accordance with the rules of the Agency of Human Services adopted thereunder, in connection with an individual or family who, at the time of depositing funds into an account created pursuant to a Vermont Higher Education Investment Plan, receives public assistance or is otherwise an eligible saver under 33 V.S.A. § 1123.

Sec. E.323.1 33 V.S.A. § 1123 is amended to read:

§ 1123. ~~INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT SAVINGS~~ VERMONT

MATCHED SAVINGS AND FINANCIAL CAPABILITIES

PROGRAM

(a) As used in this section:

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(9) “Fund” means the ~~Individual Development Matching~~ Vermont Matched Savings and Financial Capabilities Grant Special Fund established by this section.

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(11) “Program” means the ~~Individual Development Savings~~ Vermont Matched Savings and Financial Capabilities Program established by this section.

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(b) The Agency shall establish by rule standards and procedures to implement and administer the ~~Individual Development Savings~~ Vermont

Matched Savings and Financial Capabilities Program. The Program may include a program with eligibility criteria that satisfy federal funding requirements or the requirements of other funding sources that are more restrictive than those established in subsection (a) of this section, and a program funded by State appropriations and other revenue. Such standards and procedures shall include the following:

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(8) The Agency shall establish by rule any other standards and procedures necessary or desirable to implement the ~~Individual Development Savings~~ Vermont Matched Savings and Financial Capabilities Program, including minimum requirements for approval of savings plans, criteria for training and counseling, reporting requirements for participating financial institutions, and matching fund allocation standards.

(c)(1) The ~~Individual Development Matching~~ Vermont Matched Savings and Financial Capabilities Grant Special Fund is established in the State Treasury and shall be administered in accordance with the provisions of 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5, except that interest earned on the Fund shall be retained in the Fund. Into the Fund shall be deposited proceeds from grants, donations, contributions, appropriations, and other revenue authorized by law. The Fund shall be used only for the purpose of providing matching funds for the ~~Individual Development Savings~~ Vermont Matched Savings and Financial

Capabilities Program as established in this section, and to provide grants to service providers for administrative expenses of administering the Program.

(2) The Agency may make grants from the ~~Individual Development Matching~~ Vermont Matched Savings and Financial Capabilities Grant Special Fund to service providers to provide the match for approved savings plans with enrolled savers. The amount and number of grants shall be calculated quarterly by the Agency based on the number of savers and the amounts included in their approved plans administered by each service provider so that payment of the maximum match is ensured for all savers for the period for the approved savings plans without exceeding the balance in the Fund. The Agency may award grants from the Fund to service providers to cover their expenses of training and counseling savers, and to implement and administer the ~~Individual Development Savings~~ Vermont Matched Savings and Financial Capabilities Program. The Agency may approve the use of interest earnings on grant funds as a portion of approved administrative costs.

(3) The Agency and service providers, separately or cooperatively, may solicit grants and private contributions for the ~~Individual Development Matching~~ Vermont Matched Savings and Financial Capabilities Grant Special Fund.

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Sec. E.324 EXPEDITED CRISIS FUEL ASSISTANCE

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

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

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

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

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

Sec. E.327 15 V.S.A. § 663 is amended to read:

§ 663. SUPPORT ORDERS; REQUIRED CONTENTS

(a) Every order for child support made or modified under this chapter shall be issued in a standardized format and sent to the Registry in the Office of Child Support. The order shall include:

(1) The name, address, e-mail address, Social Security number, and employer of both parents.

(b) Child care costs shall be specifically stated in the order for the purpose of providing information on the amount of child care costs used to compute the total support obligation.

(c) Every order for child support made or modified under this chapter on or after July 1, 1990, shall:

(1) include an order for immediate wage withholding or, if not subject to immediate wage withholding, include a statement that wage withholding will take effect under the expedited procedure set forth in section 782 of this title;

(2) require payments to be made to the Registry in the Office of Child Support unless subject to an exception under 33 V.S.A. § 4103;

(3) require that every party to the order must notify the Registry in writing of their current mailing address, current e-mail address, and current residence address and of any change in ~~either~~ any address within seven

business days of the change, until all obligations to pay support or support arrearages or to provide for visitation are satisfied;

(4) include in bold letters notification of remedies available under section 798 of this title;

(5) include in bold letters notification that the parent may seek a modification of his or her support obligation if there has been a showing of a real, substantial and unanticipated change of circumstances.

Sec. E.335 CORRECTIONS APPROPRIATIONS; TRANSFER; REPORT

(a) In fiscal year 2021, the Secretary of Administration may, upon recommendation of the Secretary of Human Services, transfer unexpended funds between the respective appropriations for correctional services and for correctional services out-of-state beds. At least three days prior to any such transfer being made, the Secretary of Administration shall report the intended transfer to the Joint Fiscal Office and shall report any completed transfers to the Joint Fiscal Committee at its next scheduled meeting.

Sec. E.338 Corrections - correctional services

(a) The special funds appropriation of \$152,000 for the supplemental facility payments to Newport and Springfield shall be paid from the PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.

* * * K-12 EDUCATION * * *

Sec. E.500 Education – finance and administration

(a) The Global Commitment funds appropriated in this section will be used for physician claims for determining medical necessity of Individualized Education Programs (IEPs). These services are intended to increase access to quality health care for uninsured persons, underinsured persons, and Medicaid beneficiaries.

Sec. E.501 Education – special education: formula grants

(a) Of the appropriation authorized in this section, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, an amount not to exceed \$3,864,249 shall be used by the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2021 as funding for 16 V.S.A. § 2967(b)(2)–(6). In distributing such funds, the Secretary shall not be limited by the restrictions contained within 16 V.S.A. § 2969(c) and (d).

Sec. E.504 Education – flexible pathways

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

(1) \$921,500 is available for dual enrollment programs, notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 944(f)(2), and the amount of \$41,225 is available for use pursuant to Sec. E.605.2(a) of this act;

(2) \$100,000 is available to support the Vermont Virtual Learning Cooperative at the River Valley Technical Center School District;

(3) \$200,000 is available for secondary school reform grants; and

(4) \$500,000 is available for the Vermont Academy of Science and Technology and \$2,500,000 for Early College pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 946.

(b) Of this appropriation, \$921,500 from the General Fund is available for dual enrollment programs, and \$41,225 from the General Fund is available for need-based stipends pursuant to Sec. E.605.2(a) of this act.

Sec. E.514 State teachers' retirement system

(a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(g)(2), the annual contribution to the State Teachers' Retirement System (STRS) shall be \$132,141,701 of which \$125,894,201 shall be the State's contribution and \$6,247,500 shall be contributed from local school systems or educational entities pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944c.

(b) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(c)(2), of the annual contribution, \$7,213,271 is the "normal contribution," and \$124,928,430 is the "accrued liability contribution."

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

(a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944b(b)(2), \$31,798,734 will be contributed to the Retired Teachers' Health and Medical Benefits plan.

Sec. E.515.1 PREFUNDING OF THE TEACHERS' HEALTH CARE AND
MEDICAL BENEFITS FUND

(a) Of the amount appropriated in Sec. B.515 of this act, \$2,400,000 is intended to pre-fund Retired Teachers' Health Care and Medical Benefits at the earliest possible date.

* * * HIGHER EDUCATION * * *

Sec. E.600 University of Vermont

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

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

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

(d) The University of Vermont will use the Global Commitment funds appropriated in this section to support Vermont physician training. The University of Vermont prepares students, both Vermonters and out-of-state, and awards approximately 100 medical degrees annually. Graduates of this

program, currently representing a significant number of physicians practicing in Vermont, deliver high-quality health care services to Medicaid beneficiaries and to uninsured or underinsured persons, or both, in Vermont and across the nation.

Sec. E.602 Vermont state colleges

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

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

Sec. E.603 Vermont state colleges – allied health

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

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

Sec. E.605 Vermont student assistance corporation

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

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

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

Sec. E.605.2 NEED-BASED STIPEND FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT AND
EARLY COLLEGE STUDENTS

(a) The sum of \$82,450 shall be transferred to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation (VSAC) from Sec. E.504(a)(1) and (b) (flexible pathways funds appropriated for dual enrollment and need-based stipend purposes) to fund a flat-rate, need-based stipend or voucher program for financially needy students enrolled in a dual enrollment course pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 944 or in early college pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 946 to be used for the purchase of books, cost of transportation, and payment of fees. VSAC shall establish the criteria for program eligibility. Funds shall be granted to eligible students on a first-come, first-served basis until funds are depleted.

(b) VSAC shall report on the program to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Commerce and Economic Development and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs on or before January 15, 2021.

* * * NATURAL RESOURCES * * *

Sec. E.701 32 V.S.A. § 3708(d) is amended to read:

(d) Beginning in fiscal year ~~2022~~ 2023, and thereafter in periods of ~~no~~ not less than three years and ~~no~~ not greater than five years, the Secretary of Natural Resources shall recommend an adjustment to update the base payments established under subsection (c) of this section consistent with the statewide municipal tax rate or other appropriate indicators. For years that the Secretary of Natural Resources recommends an adjustment under this subsection, a request for funding the adjustment shall be included as part of the budget report required under section 306 of this title.

Sec. E.702 FISH AND WILDLIFE; SUPPORT AND FIELD SERVICES

(a) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall work with the Commissioner of Public Safety and the Commissioner of Fish and Wildlife to determine the appropriate funding levels for boating safety activities. Consideration shall include the distribution of federal U.S. Coast Guard Boat Safety grant funds, and the associated state match, to determine if the formula for distribution should be changed to include boat safety related enforcement

activities within the Department of Fish and Wildlife. Recommendations resulting from this review shall be included in a memorandum submitted on or before April 1, 2021 to the House and Senate Committees on Government Operations, the House Committee on Natural Resources, Fish, and Wildlife, the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Energy, and the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

Sec. E.706 23 V.S.A. § 3513 is amended to read:

§ 3513. LIABILITY INSURANCE; AUTHORITY TO CONTRACT FOR
LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES

(a) The amount of 90 percent of the fees and penalties collected under chapter, except interest, is allocated to the Agency of Natural Resources for use by the Vermont ATV Sportsman's Association (VASA) for development and maintenance of a Statewide ATV Trail Program, for trail liability insurance, and to contract for law enforcement services with any constable, sheriff's department, municipal police department, the Department of Public Safety, and the Department of Fish and Wildlife for purposes of trail compliance pursuant to this chapter. The Departments of Public Safety and of Fish and Wildlife are authorized to contract with VASA to provide these law enforcement services. The Agency of Natural Resources shall retain for its use up to \$7,000.00 during each fiscal year to be used for administration of the State grant that supports this program.

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Sec. E.711 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 76, Sec. 8(a) is amended to read:

(a) Until ~~November 1, 2021~~ July 1, 2022, the Secretary shall implement the existing ecosystem restoration funding delivery program and shall not make substantial modifications to the manner in which that program has been implemented. The Secretary may give increased priority to meeting legal obligations pursuant to a total maximum daily load when implementing that funding delivery program.

* * * COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT * * *

Sec. E.811 Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

(a) Included in this base appropriation is \$100,000 to support the cost of technical assistance with writing grants associated with the Rural Economic Development Initiative pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 325m.

* * * TRANSPORTATION * * *

Sec. E.900 TRANSPORTATION FUND APPROPRIATION REDUCTIONS

(a) The Secretary of Transportation, with the approval of the Secretary of Administration, is authorized to reduce fiscal year 2021 Transportation Fund appropriations by the amount of Coronavirus Relief Funds or Federal Emergency Management Administration Funds received towards Transportation Fund expenditures in each appropriation.

(b) In July 2021, the Secretary of Administration shall report all appropriations reductions made under the authority of this section to the Joint Fiscal Office, the Joint Fiscal Committee, and the Joint Transportation Oversight Committee.

Sec. E.900.1 EXEMPTIONS FROM TRANSPORTATION FUND BUDGET
STABILIZATION RESERVES

(a) Transportation Fund amounts totaling \$44,596,927.34, reverted under the Secretary of Administration's carry-forward authority in 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 88, Sec. 48(a), are exempt from the fiscal year 2020 Transportation Fund appropriation total used to calculate the five percent budget stabilization requirement for fiscal year 2021 in 32 V.S.A. § 308a.

Sec. E.909 Transportation – central garage

(a) This appropriation is authorized notwithstanding the provisions of 19 V.S.A. § 13(c)(2).

Sec. E.911 Transportation – town highway structures

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

Sec. E.913 Transportation – town highway class 2 roadway

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

* * * PAY ACT; LEGISLATIVE INTENT * * *

Sec. F.100 PAY ACT; FISCAL YEAR 2022 FUNDING; CONFIRMATION
OF LEGISLATIVE INTENT

(a) In accordance with the Pay Act set forth in 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Secs. B.1–B.5, particularly Sec. B.1(c) of that act (“Fiscal year 2022. The General Assembly will consider any compensation increases for fiscal year 2022 at a later date.”), this section confirms that the legislative intent of the Pay Act was to fully fund the first year of the collective bargaining agreements and to make a funding decision regarding the second year of those agreements at a later date and that accordingly, the Pay Act does not require the State, the Department of State’s Attorneys and Sheriffs, the Judiciary Department, and the bargaining units covered by the Pay Act to renegotiate any terms of their collective bargaining agreements that apply during the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 (fiscal year 2022) unless and until, in accordance with 3 V.S.A. §§ 982(c) and 1036(c), the General Assembly appropriates a different amount of funds for that period than the amount required for sufficient funding of that period.

* * * ADJUSTMENTS TO THE TRANSPORTATION BILL,

2020 ACTS AND RESOLVES NO. 121 * * *

Sec. G.100 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 1(d)(3) is amended to read:

(3) “Federal COVID-19 legislation” includes any federal infrastructure bills or other federal legislation that ~~provide~~ provides the State with additional federal funding for transportation-related projects in fiscal year 2021 or was enacted as a result of COVID-19, including an extension of the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act, Pub. L. No. 114-94 (FAST Act) that provides additional federal funding or flexibility with how federal funding can be used, such as eliminating state match requirements, or any transportation-related infrastructure stimulus bill.

Sec. G.101 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 1a is amended to read:

Sec. 1a. FISCAL YEAR 2021 TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS
INTENDED TO REDUCE TRANSPORTATION-RELATED
GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS, REDUCE FOSSIL FUEL
USE, AND SAVE VERMONT HOUSEHOLDS MONEY

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(2) Bike and Pedestrian Facilities Program. This act, in concert with the Capital Construction Act, provides for a fiscal year expenditure of ~~\$18,030,970.00~~ \$17,930,970.00, which will fund 39 bike and pedestrian construction projects, and 12 bike and pedestrian design, right-of-way, or design and right-of way projects for construction in fiscal year 2021. The construction projects include the creation, improvement, or rehabilitation of walkways, sidewalks, shared use paths, bike paths, and cycling lanes. Projects

are funded in Arlington, Bennington, Burlington, Chester, Colchester-Essex, Dover, East Montpelier, Enosburg Falls, Fairfield, Hardwick, Hartford, Hinesburg, Jericho, Johnson, Lake Champlain causeway, Middlebury, Milton, Montpelier-Berlin, Moretown, Pittsford, Plainfield, Proctor, Richford, Rochester, Rutland City, Shelburne, South Burlington, Springfield, St. Albans City, St. George, St. Johnsbury, Swanton, Underhill, Waitsfield, Waterbury, West Rutland, Williston, and Wilmington.

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(4) Public Transit Program. This act authorizes ~~\$37,852,845.00~~ \$38,734,820.00 in funding for public transit uses throughout the State, which is a ~~30.4~~ 33.5 percent increase over fiscal year 2019 levels. An additional \$3,000,000.00 flows through the State directly to the Green Mountain Transportation Authority. Included in the authorization are:

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(5) Rail Program. This act authorizes ~~\$30,815,640.00~~ \$31,494,448.00 for intercity passenger rail service and rail infrastructure throughout the State, including modifications to the Burlington Vermont Rail Systems railyard to accommodate overnight servicing to facilitate New York City-Burlington rail service.

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(8) Vehicle incentive programs. Sec. 14 of this act authorizes an additional \$50,000.00 to support administrative costs associated with MileageSmart, which is the State's used high fuel efficiency vehicle incentive program, and to ensure that the State's emissions repair program is operational not later than July 1, 2021 and the fiscal year 2021 budget appropriates and authorizes the expenditure of \$1,000,000.00 in one-time Transportation Fund monies for additional new plug-in electric vehicle incentives and program development costs under the New PEV Incentive Program. ~~Secs. 3 and 5~~ Sec. 3 of this act also ~~authorize~~ authorizes the Secretary of Transportation to expend additional monies on the New PEV Incentive Program and MileageSmart if such funding becomes available.

Sec. G.102 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 3 is amended to read:

Sec. 3 AGENCY SPENDING; AUTHORITY TO REDIRECT; REPORT

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~~(e) The Secretary of Administration shall, on or before July 31, 2020, file a written report listing all expenditures made during fiscal year 2020 under the authority of subsections (a) and (b) of this section to the House and Senate Committees on Transportation, Joint Fiscal Office, Joint Fiscal Committee, and Joint Transportation Oversight Committee~~ If additional funding becomes available pursuant to this section, an additional \$1,600,000.00 for leveling and paving projects shall be the top priority. The Agency shall have discretion,

within the guidelines established pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) of this section, if there is more than \$1,600,000.00 available for reallocation.

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(g) The ~~reports~~ report required pursuant to ~~subsections (e) and subsection (f)~~ subsection (f) of this section shall be in addition to the report required pursuant to 19 V.S.A. § 10g(e).

Sec. G.103. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 4 is amended to read:

Sec. 4 ADDITION OF BURLINGTON RAIL YARD REALIGNMENT
FOR AMTRAK PROJECT; RAIL PROGRAM

(a) The following project is added to the development and evaluation list of Rail within the Agency's Fiscal Year 2020 Transportation Program, as adopted pursuant to 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 59, Sec. 1, and the ~~development and evaluation~~ construction list of Rail within the Agency's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program, with a spending authorization of \$1,450,000.00 in Transportation Fund monies for construction: Burlington – Railyard Realignment for Amtrak.

(b) Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Rail, authorized spending for Statewide – Amtrak Contract is reduced by \$750,000.00 in Transportation Fund monies.

(c) Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Rail, authorized spending for Statewide – Rail

Section Administration is reduced by \$21,192.00 in Transportation Fund monies.

Sec. G.104 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 5(a) is amended to read:

(a)(1) Within the Agency of Transportation’s Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Maintenance, authorized spending is amended as follows:

<u>FY21</u>	<u>As Proposed</u>	<u>As Amended</u>	<u>Change</u>
Personal	45,757,089	45,757,089	0
Services		<u>45,305,185</u>	<u>-451,904</u>
Operating	52,896,134	52,296,134	-600,000
Expenses		<u>54,291,051</u>	<u>1,394,917</u>
Grants	240,200	240,200	0
Total	98,893,423	98,293,423	-600,000
		<u>99,836,436</u>	<u>943,013</u>

Sources of funds

State	96,415,636	95,815,636	600,000
		<u>97,358,649</u>	<u>943,013</u>
Federal	2,377,787	2,377,787	0
Interdepart.	100,000	100,000	0
Transfer			
Total	98,893,423	98,293,423	600,000

99,836,436

943,013

(2) The \$3,511,051.27 that the Highway Maintenance Bureau owes to the Central Garage Fund for withheld payment of billed invoices at fiscal year 2020 year-end is included in the operating expenses for Maintenance and this money shall be used to pay all past due invoices to the Highway Maintenance Bureau from the Central Garage Fund and fully restore the negative fund balance in the Central Garage Fund that resulted from the withholding of payment of billed invoices in fiscal year 2020.

Sec. G.105 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 5a is amended to read:

Sec. 5a. ~~CLARENDON SRE BUILDING~~ AVIATION

(a) Clarendon SRE building. Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Aviation, authorized spending for Clarendon AV-FY20-001 is amended as follows:

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(b) Morristown fuel farm. Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Aviation, authorized spending for Morristown AV-FY21-015 is amended by increasing spending authority for construction by \$230,000.00 in Transportation Fund monies.

(c) Coventry runway 5/23. Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Aviation, the sources

of funds for Coventry AV-FY20-002 is amended by reducing Transportation Fund monies by \$8,000.00 and increasing federal fund monies by \$8,000.00.

(d) Paving. Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Aviation, the sources of funds for Statewide AV-FY19-013 is amended by reducing Transportation Fund monies by \$14,420.00 and increasing federal fund monies by \$14,420.00; and the sources of funds for Statewide AV-FY21-003 is amended by reducing Transportation Fund monies by \$4,000.00 and increasing federal fund monies by \$4,000.00.

(e) Administrative support. Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Aviation, authorized spending for Statewide – Aviation Admin. Support is reduced by \$17,846.00 in Transportation Fund monies.

Sec. G.106 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 6 is amended to read:

Sec. 6 PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT; ROADWAY

(a) Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Program Development—Roadway, authorized spending for Burlington MEGC M 5000(1) is amended as follows:

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(b) Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Program Development—Roadway, the sources of

funds for Pittsford NH 019-3(491) is amended by reducing TIB funds by \$946,000.00 and increasing federal fund monies by \$946,000.00.

Sec. G.107 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Secs. 7b and 7c and their corresponding reader assistance headings are added to read:

* * * Paving * * *

Sec. 7b. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT; PAVING

(a) Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Program Development—Paving, authorized spending for construction in Statewide Federal Paving is increased by \$1,150,000.00 in Transportation Fund monies and \$4,600,000.00 in federal fund monies.

(b) Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Program Development—Paving, the sources of funds for Sharon–Bethel IM 089-1(66) is amended by increasing Transportation Fund monies by \$124,947.00 and federal fund monies by 167,500.00 and reducing TIB funds by \$292,447.00.

* * * State Highway Bridges * * *

Sec. 7c. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT; STATE HIGHWAY BRIDGES

(a) Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Program Development—State Highway Bridges, the sources of funds for North Hero–Grand Isle BHF 028-1(26) is amended by

reducing TIB funds by \$2,910,000.00 and increasing federal fund monies by \$2,910,000.00.

(b) Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Program Development—State Highway Bridges, the sources of funds for Middlebury WCRS(23) is amended by reducing Transportation Fund monies by \$850,000.00 and increasing federal fund monies by \$850,000.00.

Sec. G.108 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 9a is added to read:

Sec. 9a. PUBLIC TRANSIT; ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

(a)(1) Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Public Transit, authorized spending for State Public Transportation is amended as follows:

<u>FY21</u>	<u>As Proposed</u>	<u>As Amended</u>	<u>Change</u>
Other	6,241,403	7,128,955	887,552
Total	6,241,403	7,128,955	887,552
<u>Sources of funds</u>			
State	6,241,403	3,190,600	-3,050,803
Federal	0	3,938,355	3,938,355
Total	6,241,403	7,128,955	887,552

(2) These amendments reflect a swap of federal fund monies for Transportation Fund monies in the amount of \$3,100,000.00, which is possible

because of monies that are available for public transit under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136 (CARES Act), an increase in federal funds in the amount of \$838,355.00, which is the result of a Federal Transit Administration grant award for the replacement of buses, and an increase in Transportation Fund monies in an amount of \$49,197.00, which is the required match for the federal grant award for the replacement of buses.

(b) Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Public Transit, authorized spending authority for Administrative Support – Public Transit Admin Support is reduced by \$5,577.00 in Transportation Fund monies.

Sec. G.109. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Secs. 11 and 12 are amended to read:

Sec. 11. TRANSFER TO CENTRAL GARAGE FUND

Notwithstanding 19 V.S.A. § 13(c)(1), in fiscal year 2021, the amount of ~~\$1,605,358.00~~ \$1,005,358.00 is transferred from the Transportation Fund to the Central Garage Fund created in 19 V.S.A. § 13, and \$600,000.00 of this transfer shall be from one-time Transportation Fund monies appropriated and authorized for expenditure pursuant to the fiscal year 2021 budget.

Sec. 12. CENTRAL GARAGE EQUIPMENT

In fiscal year 2021, the amount of ~~\$8,668,094.00~~ \$8,068,094.00 is authorized for replacement equipment pursuant to 19 V.S.A. § 13(b) and, of this amount, a minimum of \$250,000.00 shall be dedicated for the replacement of Department of Motor Vehicles enforcement fleet vehicles.

Sec. G.110 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 12a–12e and their corresponding reader assistance headings are added to read:

Sec. 12a. CENTRAL GARAGE FUNDING

Within the Agency of Transportation’s Proposed Fiscal Year 2021

Transportation Program for Central Garage, authorized spending is amended as follows:

<u>FY21</u>	<u>As Proposed</u>	<u>As Amended</u>	<u>Change</u>
Personal	4,612,051	4,566,949	–45,102
Services			
Operating	17,027,708	16,415,926	–611,782
Expenses			
Total	21,639,759	20,982,875	–656,884
<u>Sources of funds</u>			
Internal	21,639,759	20,982,875	–656,884
Service Fund			
Total	21,639,759	20,982,875	–656,884

* * * Town Highways * * *

Sec. 12b. BRATTLEBORO-HINSDALE, NH

Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021

Transportation Program for Town Highway Bridge, authorized spending for

Brattleboro-Hinsdale, NH is amended as follows:

<u>FY21</u>	<u>As Proposed</u>	<u>As Amended</u>	<u>Change</u>
Other	750,000	750,000	0
PE	0	200,000	200,000
ROW	2,875,973	4,675,973	1,800,000
Construction	1,000,000	1,000,000	0
Total	4,625,973	6,625,973	2,000,000

Sources of funds

TIB	925,195	1,325,000	400,000
Federal	3,700,778	5,100,778	1,600,000
Total	4,625,973	6,625,973	2,000,000

Sec. 12c. MONIES FOR TOWN HIGHWAYS

(a) Town Highway Structures. Notwithstanding 19 V.S.A. § 306(e)(2), the Agency shall not issue any new grants under the Town Highway Structures Program in fiscal year 2021 and authorized spending for grants in fiscal year 2021 is reduced by \$1,683,500.00 in Transportation Fund monies to a total of \$4,650,000.00 in Transportation Fund monies.

(b) Town Highway Class 2 Roadway. Notwithstanding 19 V.S.A. § 306(h), the Agency shall not issue any new grants under the Class 2 Town Highway Roadway Program in fiscal year 2021 and authorized spending for grants in fiscal year 2021 is reduced by \$4,398,750.00 in Transportation Fund monies to a total of \$3,250,000.00 in Transportation Fund monies.

(c) Town Highway Aid. Notwithstanding 19 V.S.A. § 306(a), the fiscal year 2021 budget increases the annual appropriation for aid to town highways by \$7,000,000.00 in one-time Transportation Fund monies to a total of \$34,105,769.00 in Transportation Fund monies.

* * * Department of Motor Vehicles * * *

Sec. 12d. DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES; SAVINGS AND
INCREASE OF LIMITED SERVICE STAFF

Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for the Department of Motor Vehicles, authorized spending is increased by \$48,368.00 for personal services and reduced by \$96,059.00 for operating expenses with a corresponding reduction of \$47,691.00 in Transportation Fund monies as the source of funds.

* * * Vacancy Savings; Statewide Allocated Cost Reductions * * *

Sec. 12e. VACANCY SAVINGS AND STATEWIDE ALLOCATED
COST REDUCTIONS

(a) Finance and Administration. Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Finance and Administration, authorized spending is reduced by \$107,890.00 for personal services and \$28,189.00 for operating expenses with a corresponding reduction of \$136,079.00 in Transportation Fund monies as the source of funds.

(b) Policy and Planning. Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Policy and Planning, authorized spending is reduced by \$28,299.00 for personal services and \$7,392.00 for operating expenses with a corresponding reduction of \$35,691.00 in Transportation Fund monies as the source of funds.

(c) Transportation Board. Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Transportation Board, authorized spending is reduced by \$195.00 for personal services and \$781.00 for operating expenses with a corresponding reduction of \$976.00 in Transportation Fund monies as the source of funds.

(d) Program Development. Within the Agency of Transportation's Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Program Development—Administration, authorized spending is reduced by \$253,808.00 for personal services and \$66,304.00 for operating expenses with a corresponding reduction of \$320,112.00 in Transportation Fund monies as the source of funds.

Sec. G.111 REPEALS

2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Secs. 5(b) (contingent funding for the vehicle incentive programs) and 5b (Morristown fuel farm) are repealed.

* * * AMENDMENTS TO VEHICLE INCENTIVE PROGRAMS * * *

Sec. G.112 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 59, Sec. 34(a) as amended by 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 14 is further amended to read:

(a) Vehicle incentive and emissions repair programs administration.

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(2) The Agency is authorized to spend \$2,000,000.00 as appropriated in the fiscal year 2020 budget, \$50,000.00 in Transportation Fund monies, and any additional monies as appropriated ~~in the fiscal year 2021 budget~~ for the programs described in subsection (b) and (c) of this section or Transportation Fund monies authorized to be expended by the Secretary of Transportation ~~pursuant to Secs. 3 and 5 of this act, or both,~~ on the programs described in subsections (b) and (c) of this section. Notwithstanding any other provision of law and subject to the approval of the Secretary of Administration, appropriations for the programs described in subsections (b) and (c) of this section remaining unexpended on June 30, 2021 shall be carried forward and designated for expenditure on these programs in the subsequent fiscal year.

(3) Subject to State procurement requirements, the Agency may retain a contractor or contractors to assist with marketing, program development, and

administration of the programs. Up to \$150,000.00 of program funding may be set aside for this purpose for the programs described in subsection (c) of this section in fiscal year 2020 and \$50,000.00 of program funding shall be set aside for this purpose for the programs described in subsection (c) of this section in fiscal year 2021 and to ensure that the emissions repair program is operational not later than July 1, 2021. ~~In fiscal year 2021, the Agency is authorized to spend up to \$200,000.00 in program funding to continue and expand the Agency's public-private partnership with Drive Electric Vermont to support the expansion of the PEV market in the State through technical and consumer assistance; auto-dealer education; outreach and incentive program management, including marketing, consumer support, record-keeping and reporting, program development and modification, and general program administration for the program described in subsection (b) of this section; and PEV promotional efforts. The Agency shall develop, in consultation with the Departments of Environmental Conservation and of Public Service, a scope of work for funding the Agency's grants to Drive Electric Vermont pursuant to this section.~~

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* * * AMENDMENTS TO ATV LAWS * * *

Sec. G.113 23 V.S.A. § 3502 is amended to read:

§ 3502. REGISTRATION AND TRAIL ACCESS DECAL (TAD)

REQUIRED; EXCEPTIONS

(a)(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, an individual shall not operate an ATV on the VASA Trail System, on State land designated by the Secretary pursuant to subdivision 3506(b)(4) of this title, or along any highway that is not adjacent to the property of the operator unless the ATV:

(A) is registered pursuant to this title or in accordance with subsection (e) of this section; and

(B) displays a valid VASA Trail Access Decal (TAD).

(2) Notwithstanding subdivision (1) of this subsection, neither registration nor display of a TAD is required to operate an ATV:

(A) ~~on~~ On the property of the owner of the ATV;

(B) ~~in~~ In a ski area, off the highway, for the purpose of grooming snow, maintenance, or in rescue operations;

(C) ~~for~~ For official use by a federal, State, or municipal agency if the ATV is identified with the name or seal of the agency in a manner approved by the Commissioner;

(D) ~~on~~ On privately owned land when the operator is specifically invited to do so by the owner of the property and carries the written consent of the owner.

(E) On frozen bodies of water as designated by the Agency of Natural Resources under the provisions of 10 V.S.A. § 2607. Notwithstanding

subdivision 3506(b)(16) of this title, protective headgear is not required when an ATV is operated on a frozen body of water pursuant to this subdivision.

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* * * EFFECTIVE DATES * * *

Sec. H.100 EFFECTIVE DATES

(a) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, Sec. E.215.1 (Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Program, COVID-19) shall take effect on passage and shall apply retroactively to August 17, 2020.

(b) All remaining sections shall take effect on October 1, 2020.