

Journal of the Senate

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2021

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Devotional Exercises

A moment of silence was observed in lieu of devotions.

Message from the House No. 17

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Ms. Alona Tate, its Second Assistant Clerk, as follows:

Madam President:

I am directed to inform the Senate that:

The House has passed a House bill of the following title:

H. 18. An act relating to sexual exploitation of children.

In the passage of which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

The House has adopted House resolution of the following title:

H.R. 7. House resolution disapproving Executive Order 01-21.

The House has considered joint resolutions originating in the Senate of the following titles:

J.R.S. 13. Joint resolution providing for the election of a Sergeant at Arms, an Adjutant and Inspector General, and three Trustees of the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College.

J.R.S. 14. Joint resolution establishing a procedure for the conduct of the election of UVM trustees by plurality vote by the General Assembly in 2021.

And has adopted the same in concurrence.

Bill Introduced

Senate bill of the following title was introduced, read the first time and referred:

S. 75.

By Senators Terenzini, Benning, Brock, Collamore, Cummings, Hooker, Lyons, McCormack, Parent, Pollina and White,

An act relating to screening students for dyslexia.

To the Committee on Education.

Bill Referred

House bill of the following title was read the first time and referred:

H. 18.

An act relating to sexual exploitation of children.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

Proposal of Amendment; Third Reading Ordered

H. 138.

Senator Kitchel, for the Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred House bill entitled:

An act relating to fiscal year 2021 budget adjustments.

Reported recommending that the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 1. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.140 is amended to read:

Sec. B.140 Municipal current use

Grants	<u>16,985,000</u>	<u>17,120,500</u>
Total	<u>16,985,000</u>	<u>17,120,500</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	<u>16,985,000</u>	<u>17,120,500</u>
Total	<u>16,985,000</u>	<u>17,120,500</u>

Sec. 2. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.145 is amended to read:

Sec. B.145 Total general government

Source of funds		
General fund	94,990,855	95,126,355
Transportation fund	3,911,594	3,911,594
Special funds	15,637,864	15,637,864
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	3,774,765	3,774,765
Federal funds	1,153,855	1,153,855
Internal service funds	134,313,374	134,313,374
Interdepartmental transfers	7,858,390	7,858,390
Enterprise funds	6,840	6,840
Pension trust funds	8,271,560	8,271,560
Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,134,819</u>	<u>1,134,819</u>
Total	<u>271,053,916</u>	<u>271,189,416</u>

Sec. 3. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.209 is amended to read:

Sec. B.209 Public safety - state police

Personal services	59,804,906	60,206,906
Operating expenses	11,932,334	11,932,334
Grants	<u>1,693,707</u>	<u>1,693,707</u>
Total	73,430,947	73,832,947
Source of funds		
General fund	28,156,891	28,558,891
Transportation fund	13,350,000	13,350,000
Special funds	3,145,278	3,145,278
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	21,790,000	21,790,000
Federal funds	5,023,746	5,023,746
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,965,032</u>	<u>1,965,032</u>
Total	73,430,947	73,832,947

Sec. 4. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.238 is amended to read:

Sec. B.238 Liquor control - enforcement and licensing

Personal services	1,953,092	1,953,092
Operating expenses	<u>465,104</u>	<u>480,104</u>
Total	2,418,196	2,433,196
Source of funds		
General fund	0	15,000
Federal funds	184,484	184,484
Enterprise funds	<u>2,233,712</u>	<u>2,233,712</u>
Total	2,418,196	2,433,196

Sec. 5. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.240 is amended to read:

Sec. B.240 Total protection to persons and property

Source of funds

General fund	152,022,889	152,439,889
Transportation fund	13,350,000	13,350,000
Special funds	89,170,106	89,170,106
Tobacco fund	561,843	561,843
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	23,451,164	23,451,164
Federal funds	83,776,486	83,776,486
ARRA funds	600,000	600,000
Interdepartmental transfers	15,090,107	15,090,107
Enterprise funds	<u>12,797,151</u>	<u>12,797,151</u>
Total	390,819,746	391,236,746

Sec. 6. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.300 is amended to read:

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

Personal services	11,121,179	16,921,417
Operating expenses	5,183,112	5,183,112
Grants	<u>8,818,674</u>	<u>8,818,674</u>
Total	<u>25,122,965</u>	30,923,203
Source of funds		
General fund	14,043,208	14,847,651
Special funds	135,517	135,517
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	0	3,393,180
Federal funds	9,910,637	11,513,252
Global Commitment fund	453,000	453,000
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>580,603</u>	<u>580,603</u>
Total	<u>25,122,965</u>	30,923,203

Sec. 7. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.301 is amended to read:

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

Grants	<u>1,623,904,822</u>	<u>1,631,591,649</u>
Total	<u>1,623,904,822</u>	<u>1,631,591,649</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	522,372,868	520,682,392
Special funds	32,293,557	32,293,557
Tobacco fund	21,049,373	21,049,373
State health care resources fund	17,078,501	17,078,501
Federal funds	1,020,542,541	1,032,002,623
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>10,567,982</u>	<u>8,485,203</u>
Total	<u>1,623,904,822</u>	<u>1,631,591,649</u>

Sec. 8. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.306 is amended to read:

Sec. B.306 Department of Vermont health access - administration

Personal services	129,834,613	132,665,708
Operating expenses	26,285,655	26,285,655
Grants	<u>5,192,301</u>	<u>5,192,301</u>
Total	161,312,569	164,143,664
Source of funds		
General fund	32,314,433	32,645,528
Special funds	3,378,509	3,378,509
Federal funds	116,496,036	116,496,036
Global Commitment fund	4,330,710	6,830,710
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,792,881</u>	<u>4,792,881</u>
Total	161,312,569	164,143,664

Sec. 9. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.307 is amended to read:

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

Personal services	547,983	547,983
Grants	<u>726,492,200</u>	<u>742,313,519</u>
Total	<u>727,040,183</u>	<u>742,861,502</u>
Source of funds		
Global Commitment fund	<u>727,040,183</u>	<u>742,861,502</u>
Total	<u>727,040,183</u>	<u>742,861,502</u>

Sec. 10. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.309 is amended to read:

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

Grants	<u>51,417,964</u>	<u>37,928,235</u>
Total	<u>51,417,964</u>	<u>37,928,235</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	<u>39,365,706</u>	<u>37,771,688</u>
Global Commitment fund	<u>12,052,258</u>	<u>156,547</u>
Total	<u>51,417,964</u>	<u>37,928,235</u>

Sec. 11. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.310 is amended to read:

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

Grants	<u>33,096,001</u>	<u>33,003,393</u>
Total	<u>33,096,001</u>	<u>33,003,393</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	<u>12,164,088</u>	<u>12,141,484</u>
Federal funds	<u>20,931,913</u>	<u>20,861,909</u>
Total	<u>33,096,001</u>	<u>33,003,393</u>

Sec. 12. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.311 is amended to read:

Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support

Personal services	5,618,392	5,618,392
Operating expenses	6,355,826	7,853,373
Grants	<u>4,040,881</u>	<u>4,040,881</u>
Total	<u>16,015,099</u>	<u>17,512,646</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	<u>2,704,133</u>	<u>4,201,680</u>
Special funds	2,041,597	2,041,597
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	1,000,000	1,000,000

Federal funds	7,493,305	7,493,305
Global Commitment fund	2,681,102	2,681,102
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>94,962</u>	<u>94,962</u>
Total	16,015,099	17,512,646

Sec. 13. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.312 is amended to read:

Sec. B.312 Health - public health

Personal services	46,668,668	46,668,668
Operating expenses	10,183,898	11,635,723
Grants	<u>36,833,198</u>	<u>36,833,198</u>
Total	93,685,764	95,137,589
Source of funds		
General fund	10,325,430	11,777,255
Special funds	18,763,637	18,763,637
Tobacco fund	1,088,918	1,088,918
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	1,650,000	1,650,000
Federal funds	47,328,052	47,328,052
Global Commitment fund	13,264,921	13,264,921
Interdepartmental transfers	1,239,806	1,239,806
Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
Total	93,685,764	95,137,589

Sec. 14. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.313 is amended to read:

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

Personal services	4,999,801	4,999,801
Operating expenses	442,000	596,474
Grants	<u>48,713,374</u>	<u>48,713,374</u>
Total	54,155,175	54,309,649
Source of funds		
General fund	1,234,338	1,388,812
Special funds	1,281,066	1,281,066
Tobacco fund	949,917	949,917
Federal funds	18,491,664	18,491,664
Global Commitment fund	<u>32,198,190</u>	<u>32,198,190</u>
Total	54,155,175	54,309,649

Sec. 15. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.314 is amended to read:

Sec. B.314 Mental health - mental health

Personal services	32,711,706	32,999,191
Operating expenses	4,574,758	4,574,758

Grants	<u>240,423,028</u>	<u>241,673,561</u>
Total	<u>277,709,492</u>	<u>279,247,510</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	8,869,021	9,074,739
Special funds	1,686,673	1,686,673
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	737,104	940,763
Federal funds	11,127,574	11,127,574
Global Commitment fund	253,591,013	254,108,677
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,698,107</u>	<u>2,309,084</u>
Total	<u>277,709,492</u>	<u>279,247,510</u>

Sec. 16. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.316 is amended to read:

Sec. B.316 Department for children and families - administration & support services

Personal services	37,989,806	38,800,363
Operating expenses	16,737,674	17,383,274
Grants	<u>3,739,106</u>	<u>3,819,106</u>
Total	<u>58,466,586</u>	<u>60,002,743</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	32,556,013	33,832,876
Special funds	2,708,800	2,708,990
Federal funds	20,975,521	21,104,561
Global Commitment fund	2,005,816	2,005,816
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>220,436</u>	<u>350,500</u>
Total	<u>58,466,586</u>	<u>60,002,743</u>

Sec. 17. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.317 is amended to read:

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

Personal services	38,776,869	38,741,148
Operating expenses	5,069,385	5,083,785
Grants	<u>78,055,766</u>	<u>79,379,516</u>
Total	<u>121,902,020</u>	<u>123,204,449</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	43,478,598	43,949,508
Special funds	729,587	729,587
Federal funds	32,002,165	32,276,133
Global Commitment fund	45,579,021	46,209,021
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>112,649</u>	<u>40,200</u>
Total	<u>121,902,020</u>	<u>123,204,449</u>

Sec. 18. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.318 is amended to read:

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

Personal services	4,612,052	4,771,627
Operating expenses	862,982	862,982
Grants	<u>82,319,977</u>	<u>77,515,651</u>
Total	<u>87,795,011</u>	<u>83,150,260</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	25,392,931	20,545,726
Special funds	16,820,000	16,820,000
Tobacco fund	2,000,000	2,000,000
Federal funds	33,551,078	33,753,532
Global Commitment fund	10,008,502	10,008,502
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>22,500</u>	<u>22,500</u>
Total	<u>87,795,011</u>	<u>83,150,260</u>

Sec. 19. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.319 is amended to read:

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

Personal services	11,107,221	11,140,898
Operating expenses	<u>3,568,636</u>	<u>3,568,636</u>
Total	<u>14,675,857</u>	<u>14,709,534</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	4,392,533	4,426,210
Special funds	455,719	455,719
Federal funds	9,440,005	9,440,005
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>387,600</u>	<u>387,600</u>
Total	<u>14,675,857</u>	<u>14,709,534</u>

Sec. 20. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.321 is amended to read:

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

Personal services	15,000	15,000
Grants	<u>8,981,574</u>	<u>24,294,694</u>
Total	<u>8,996,574</u>	<u>24,309,694</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	8,599,239	8,849,239
Federal funds	111,320	111,320
Global Commitment fund	286,015	286,015
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>0</u>	<u>15,063,120</u>
Total	<u>8,996,574</u>	<u>24,309,694</u>

Sec. 21. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.323 is amended to read:

Sec. B.323 Department for children and families - reach up

Operating expenses	48,524	48,524
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Grants	<u>39,867,197</u>	<u>35,758,350</u>
Total	<u>39,915,721</u>	<u>35,806,874</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	22,361,264	18,252,417
Special funds	6,133,482	6,133,482
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	5,197,333	5,197,333
Federal funds	3,542,024	3,542,024
Global Commitment fund	<u>2,681,618</u>	<u>2,681,618</u>
Total	<u>39,915,721</u>	<u>35,806,874</u>

Sec. 22. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.325 is amended to read:

Sec. B.325 Department for children and families - office of economic opportunity

Personal services	534,250	545,613
Operating expenses	44,078	44,078
Grants	<u>10,566,655</u>	<u>10,566,655</u>
Total	<u>11,144,983</u>	<u>11,156,346</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	5,307,854	5,319,217
Special funds	57,990	57,990
Federal funds	4,423,154	4,423,154
Global Commitment fund	<u>1,355,985</u>	<u>1,355,985</u>
Total	<u>11,144,983</u>	<u>11,156,346</u>

Sec. 23. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.327 is amended to read:

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

Personal services	3,928,957	3,863,818
Operating expenses	675,455	675,455
Grants	<u>2,000,000</u>	
Total	<u>4,604,412</u>	<u>6,539,273</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	4,507,412	6,412,273
Global Commitment fund	0	30,000
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>97,000</u>	<u>97,000</u>
Total	<u>4,604,412</u>	<u>6,539,273</u>

Sec. 24. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.329 is amended to read:

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

Personal services	33,409,543	33,542,021
Operating expenses	<u>5,883,996</u>	<u>5,883,996</u>
Total	39,293,539	39,426,017
Source of funds		
General fund	17,410,292	17,542,770
Special funds	1,390,457	1,390,457
Federal funds	19,426,506	19,426,506
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,066,284</u>	<u>1,066,284</u>
Total	39,293,539	39,426,017

Sec. 25. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.330 is amended to read:

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

Grants	<u>18,762,373</u>	19,375,620
Total	18,762,373	19,375,620
Source of funds		
General fund	7,441,442	7,454,782
Federal funds	7,148,466	7,748,373
Global Commitment fund	<u>4,172,465</u>	<u>4,172,465</u>
Total	18,762,373	19,375,620

Sec. 26. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.333 is amended to read:

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

Grants	<u>234,832,050</u>	235,177,424
Total	234,832,050	235,177,424
Source of funds		
General fund	155,125	155,125
Special funds	15,463	15,463
Federal funds	359,857	359,857
Global Commitment fund	<u>234,256,605</u>	234,601,979
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>	<u>45,000</u>
Total	234,832,050	235,177,424

Sec. 27. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.334.1 is amended to read:

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

Grants	<u>225,276,530</u>	226,190,987
Total	225,276,530	226,190,987
Source of funds		
General fund	498,579	498,579
Federal funds	2,083,333	2,083,333

Global Commitment fund	<u>222,694,618</u>	<u>223,609,075</u>
Total	<u>225,276,530</u>	<u>226,190,987</u>

Sec. 28. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.338 is amended to read:

Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services

Personal services	<u>120,895,262</u>	<u>115,752,606</u>
Operating expenses	<u>23,059,297</u>	<u>23,059,297</u>
Grants	<u>8,808,427</u>	<u>8,808,427</u>
Total	<u>152,762,986</u>	<u>147,620,330</u>

Source of funds

General fund	<u>140,696,389</u>	<u>135,553,733</u>
Special funds	<u>935,963</u>	<u>935,963</u>
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	<u>4,950,000</u>	<u>4,950,000</u>
Federal funds	<u>473,523</u>	<u>473,523</u>
Global Commitment fund	<u>5,310,796</u>	<u>5,310,796</u>
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>396,315</u>	<u>396,315</u>
Total	<u>152,762,986</u>	<u>147,620,330</u>

Sec. 29. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.342 is amended to read:

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

Personal services	<u>19,575,182</u>	<u>21,088,921</u>
Operating expenses	<u>4,455,065</u>	<u>4,455,065</u>
Total	<u>24,030,247</u>	<u>25,543,986</u>

Source of funds

General fund	<u>2,858,379</u>	<u>2,858,379</u>
Special funds	<u>11,858,292</u>	<u>12,729,031</u>
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	<u>0</u>	<u>643,000</u>
Federal funds	<u>9,313,576</u>	<u>9,313,576</u>
Total	<u>24,030,247</u>	<u>25,543,986</u>

Sec. 30. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.346 is amended to read:

Sec. B.346 Total human services

Source of funds

General fund	<u>986,362,972</u>	<u>977,495,760</u>
Special funds	<u>115,532,594</u>	<u>116,403,523</u>
Tobacco fund	<u>25,088,208</u>	<u>25,088,208</u>
State health care resources fund	<u>17,078,501</u>	<u>17,078,501</u>
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	<u>13,534,437</u>	<u>17,774,276</u>
Federal funds	<u>1,457,654,882</u>	<u>1,471,852,944</u>
Global Commitment fund	<u>1,583,321,128</u>	<u>1,592,184,231</u>
Internal service funds	<u>1,930,685</u>	<u>1,930,685</u>

Interdepartmental transfers	33,220,909	46,869,842
Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
Total	4,233,749,316	4,266,702,970

Sec. 31. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.501 is amended to read:

Sec. B.501 Education - education services

Personal services	12,205,290	12,205,290
Operating expenses	1,073,385	1,073,385
Grants	<u>124,979,229</u>	<u>128,479,229</u>
Total	138,257,904	141,757,904
Source of funds		
General fund	4,593,768	4,593,768
Special funds	2,844,721	2,844,721
Tobacco fund	750,388	750,388
Federal funds	<u>130,069,027</u>	<u>133,569,027</u>
Total	138,257,904	141,757,904

Sec. 32. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.516 is amended to read:

Sec. B.516 Total general education

Source of funds		
General fund	165,324,647	165,324,647
Special funds	21,134,730	21,134,730
Tobacco fund	750,388	750,388
Education fund	1,800,256,714	1,800,256,714
Federal funds	136,967,503	140,467,503
Global Commitment fund	260,000	260,000
Interdepartmental transfers	582,172	582,172
Pension trust funds	<u>5,929,795</u>	<u>5,929,795</u>
Total	2,131,205,949	2,134,705,949

Sec. 33. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.700 is amended to read:

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

Personal services	2,772,491	3,772,491
Operating expenses	<u>1,043,407</u>	<u>1,043,407</u>
Total	3,815,898	4,815,898
Source of funds		
General fund	3,134,594	4,134,594
Special funds	581,393	581,393
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>99,911</u>	<u>99,911</u>
Total	3,815,898	4,815,898

Sec. 34. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.702 is amended to read:

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

Personal services	18,228,943	18,228,943
Operating expenses	7,048,001	7,093,001
Grants	<u>785,636</u>	<u>785,636</u>
Total	26,062,580	26,107,580
Source of funds		
General fund	6,506,744	6,551,744
Special funds	669,737	669,737
Fish and wildlife fund	9,099,448	9,099,448
Federal funds	8,611,533	8,611,533
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,175,118</u>	<u>1,175,118</u>
Total	26,062,580	26,107,580

Sec. 35. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.714 is amended to read:

Sec. B.714 Total natural resources

Source of funds		
General fund	31,157,460	32,202,460
Special funds	66,055,122	66,055,122
Fish and wildlife fund	9,099,448	9,099,448
Federal funds	52,185,233	52,185,233
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>10,440,051</u>	<u>10,440,051</u>
Total	168,937,314	169,982,314

Sec. 36. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.901 is amended to read:

Sec. B.901 Transportation - aviation

Personal services	4,307,908	4,307,908
Operating expenses	5,037,764	5,011,524
Grants	<u>210,000</u>	<u>210,000</u>
Total	9,555,672	9,529,432
Source of funds		
Transportation fund	4,553,828	4,527,588
Federal funds	<u>5,001,844</u>	<u>5,001,844</u>
Total	9,555,672	9,529,432

Sec. 37. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.903 is amended to read:

Sec. B.903 Transportation - program development

Personal services	54,357,099	54,357,099
Operating expenses	241,593,174	243,193,174

Grants	<u>26,825,000</u>	<u>26,825,000</u>
Total	<u>322,775,273</u>	<u>324,375,273</u>
Source of funds		
Transportation fund	42,204,675	42,204,675
TIB fund	8,904,313	8,904,313
Federal funds	271,141,834	272,741,834
Local match	<u>524,451</u>	<u>524,451</u>
Total	<u>322,775,273</u>	<u>324,375,273</u>

Sec. 38. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.907 is amended to read:

Sec. B.907 Transportation - rail

Personal services	5,016,835	5,016,835
Operating expenses	26,447,613	19,897,613
Grants	<u>30,000</u>	<u>30,000</u>
Total	<u>31,494,448</u>	<u>24,944,448</u>
Source of funds		
Transportation fund	14,942,605	11,592,605
TIB fund	760,000	760,000
Federal funds	14,634,998	11,434,998
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,156,845</u>	<u>1,156,845</u>
Total	<u>31,494,448</u>	<u>24,944,448</u>

Sec. 39. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.910 is amended to read:

Sec. B.910 Department of motor vehicles

Personal services	<u>22,480,038</u>	23,062,038
Operating expenses	<u>11,865,495</u>	<u>12,171,495</u>
Total	<u>34,345,533</u>	<u>35,233,533</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	0	138,000
Transportation fund	32,852,324	32,852,324
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	0	750,000
Federal funds	1,345,934	1,345,934
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>147,275</u>	<u>147,275</u>
Total	<u>34,345,533</u>	<u>35,233,533</u>

Sec. 40. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.919 is amended to read:

Sec. B.919 Transportation - municipal mitigation assistance program

Operating expenses	210,000	210,000
Grants	<u>5,845,000</u>	<u>6,495,715</u>
Total	<u>6,055,000</u>	<u>6,705,715</u>
Source of funds		

Transportation fund	650,000	650,000
Special funds	3,977,000	4,627,715
Federal funds	<u>1,428,000</u>	<u>1,428,000</u>
Total	6,055,000	6,705,715

Sec. 41. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.922 is amended to read:

Sec. B.922 Total transportation

Source of funds

General fund	0	138,000
Transportation fund	254,180,308	250,804,068
TIB fund	11,100,770	11,100,770
Special funds	4,027,000	4,677,715
Federal Coronavirus Relief Fund	0	750,000
Federal funds	350,643,331	349,043,331
Internal service funds	20,982,875	20,982,875
Interdepartmental transfers	1,661,970	1,661,970
Local match	<u>913,177</u>	<u>913,177</u>
Total	643,509,431	640,071,906

Sec. 42. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. D.101 is amended to read:

Sec. D.101 FUND TRANSFERS, REVERSIONS AND RESERVES

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

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(4) The following amount shall be transferred from the General Fund to the fund indicated:

<u>21270</u>	<u>Forest Parks Revolving Fund</u>	<u>1,200,000.00</u>
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(c) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2021:

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

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<u>3420010000</u>	<u>Department of Health – Administration</u>	<u>252,948.23</u>
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(f) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2021:

(1) the following amount shall revert to the Clean Water Fund from the account indicated:

<u>6140040000</u>	<u>Environmental Conservation –</u>	
	<u>Office of Water Programs</u>	<u>650,715.00</u>

(g) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2021:

(1) the following amount shall be transferred from the Transportation Fund to the account indicated:

<u>20191</u>	<u>Transportation Infrastructure Bond Fund</u>	<u>200,000.00</u>
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Sec. 43. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. E.301 is amended to read:

Sec. E.301 Secretary's Office – Global Commitment

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(b) In addition to the State funds appropriated in this section, a total estimated sum of ~~\$24,283,719~~ \$24,147,353 is anticipated to be certified as State matching funds under the Global Commitment as follows:

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(2) ~~\$2,816,169~~ \$2,679,803 certified State match available from local designated mental health and developmental services agencies for eligible mental health services provided under Global Commitment.

Sec. 44. PRIORITIZING USE OF NON-CORONAVIRUS RELIEF
FEDERAL FUNDS; LEGISLATIVE INTENT

(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly to use federal funds from sources other than the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF), including federal funds provided to the State in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Pub. L. No. 116-260, instead of using CRF monies whenever possible in order to apply CRF monies to other eligible purposes in light of the extension for using CRF monies from December 30, 2020 to December 31, 2021 in Sec. 1001 of the federal act.

(b) As soon as federal guidance is provided, similar actions taken by other states are known, or recommendations are made from knowledgeable consultants or contractors, the Secretary of Administration, in consultation with the Commissioner of Finance and Management and the Secretaries of Human Services and of Commerce and Community Development, shall report

to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations regarding the application of federal funds from the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Pub. L. No. 116-260, for eligible expenditures previously covered using CRF monies that were appropriated for emergency housing, rental arrearage assistance, utility arrearage assistance, nutrition assistance, and other social or human services purposes identified by the Secretaries and Commissioner.

Sec. 44a. LEGISLATURE: CRF USE THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021

(a) In light of the extension of time to use monies from the Coronavirus Relief Fund pursuant to Sec. 1001 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Pub. L. No. 116-260, the Legislature may continue to use monies remaining from the Coronavirus Relief Fund appropriated to the Legislative Branch during the 2020 session for appropriate expenditures during the remainder of fiscal year 2021.

Sec. 45. CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDS; EMERGENCY RESPONSE;
PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE

(a) The Secretary of Administration may allocate up to a total of \$3,000,000.00 from the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) through May 15, 2021, to the extent those monies available, for emergency response to address one or more issues affecting the public health, safety, or welfare.

(b) If the Secretary identifies a need to expend less than \$100,000.00 for emergency response to address an issue or issues affecting the public health, safety, or welfare, the Secretary may expend the CRF monies and shall notify the Joint Fiscal Committee of the expenditure.

(c)(1) If the Secretary of Administration identifies a need to expend \$100,000.00 or more for emergency response to address an issue or issues affecting the public health, safety, or welfare, the Secretary shall inform the Joint Fiscal Committee of the proposed expenditure.

(2) Any member of the Joint Fiscal Committee may request that the proposed expenditure be held for consideration by the full Committee by directing a request to the Secretary of Administration through the Joint Fiscal Office within 24 hours following receipt of the notice of proposed expenditure. The Office shall also immediately inform the other members of the Joint Fiscal Committee of the request for consideration and shall inform the General Assembly of the Secretary's proposed expenditure.

(3) Upon a Joint Fiscal Committee member's request for a proposed expenditure to be held for consideration, the Joint Fiscal Committee shall meet within three days to consider the proposed expenditure and determine whether to approve it.

(A) If the Joint Fiscal Committee approves the proposed expenditure, the Secretary may proceed to expend the CRF monies as proposed.

(B) If the Joint Fiscal Committee disapproves a proposed expenditure, the Secretary shall not expend the CRF monies as proposed but may submit the proposal to the General Assembly for consideration as an appropriation or may revise and resubmit the proposal to the Joint Fiscal Committee for reconsideration under this section.

(C) If the Joint Fiscal Committee does not meet within the three-day period or does not approve or disapprove the proposed expenditure within three days following receipt of the proposal, the Secretary may proceed to expend the CRF monies as proposed.

(4) If no member of the Joint Fiscal Committee has requested that the expenditure be held for consideration and approval upon expiration of the 24-hour period following receipt of the notice of proposed expenditure, Secretary may proceed to expend the CRF monies as proposed.

Sec. 46. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 137, Sec. 13 is amended to read:

Sec. 13. COVID-RESPONSE ACCELERATED BROADBAND
CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM

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(n) Any unexpended funds under the Program as of December 20, 2020 shall be returned to the State Coronavirus Relief Fund. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Commissioner of Public Service is authorized to continue disbursing funds under the Program for any broadband project contracted for prior to December 20, 2020 and not completed on or before December 30, 2020. The Commissioner shall retain any remaining balance of funds appropriated under this section and shall not disburse them for any other purpose without specific authorization from the General Assembly.

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Sec. 47. COVID-RESPONSE TEMPORARY BROADBAND SUBSIDY
PROGRAM; EXTENSION

(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the COVID-Response Temporary Broadband Lifeline Program established under 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 137, Sec. 13(d) be extended for an additional two months covering the period beginning on January 1, 2021 and ending on February 28, 2021.

(b) To accomplish the purpose of this section and notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the Department of Public Service is authorized to use \$275,000.00 of the unobligated balance remaining from the appropriations for broadband programs under Act 137 and 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154 to extend the COVID-Response Temporary Broadband Lifeline Program to cover the period from January 1, 2021 through February 28, 2021.

Sec. 47a. FISCAL YEAR 2021 SUPPLEMENTAL VERMONT STATE
COLLEGES APPROPRIATION

(a) In fiscal year 2021, in addition to other appropriations, the sum of \$3,600,000.00 is appropriated from the Coronavirus Relief Fund to Vermont State Colleges to assist with expenses related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

(b) In fiscal year 2021 or 2022, to the extent that Coronavirus Relief Funds are identified as available by the Commissioner of Finance, up to \$800,000 is appropriated to Vermont State Colleges to assist with expenses related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sec. 47b. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Sec. A.49(a)(2) is amended to read:

(2) The Vermont State Colleges (VSC): \$22,758,000 is granted to the VSC for costs and business disruption impacts through December 30, ~~2020~~ 31,2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sec. 48. AGENCY OF COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT; EVERYONE EATS

(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly to continue funding the Restaurants and Farmers Feeding the Hungry Program, known as Everyone Eats, through the end of fiscal year 2021 to the extent that sufficient Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funds are made available to meet Program needs.

(b) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall use the excess receipts authority under 32 V.S.A. § 511 to make interdepartmental transfers from the FEMA account to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development for the purpose of funding the Everyone Eats Program through the end of fiscal year 2021.

Sec. 49. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Sec. A.49(a)(9) is amended to read:

(9) Agency of Human Services: ~~\$300,000~~ \$375,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Human Services to be granted to Vermont Legal Aid for increased costs of providing access to justice services in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Up to 50% of this amount shall be used to cover the

cost of per use electronic judicial filing fees though ~~December 30, 2020~~ March 31, 2021 to ensure all court users have timely access to justice as the judicial system resumes operations relying on greater digital remote online processes to ensure public health and safety after closure due to COVID-19.

Sec. 50. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 136, Sec. 7, as amended by 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. B.1121, is further amended to read:

Sec. 7. AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES; HEALTH CARE PROVIDER STABILIZATION GRANT PROGRAM

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(e) Extraordinary relief to long-term care facilities; adult day programs; transfer authorized. Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, the Agency of Human Services may:

(1) disburse funds appropriated by this section to any long-term care facility in urgent need of extraordinary financial relief in the event of a COVID-19 outbreak in the facility;

(2) disburse funds appropriated by this section to any adult day service provider during the remainder of fiscal year 2021 if the Agency determines that the funds are necessary to ensure the provider's sustainability and funds are available for this purpose; and

(3) transfer funds appropriated by this section to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development for distribution to health care providers receiving financial assistance through the Economic Recovery program.

(f) Reports.

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Sec. 50a. DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; VSNIP
FISCAL YEAR 2021 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

\$300,000.00 is appropriated to the Department for Children and Families from the General Fund to ensure the Vermont Spay Neuter Incentive Program is in fiscal balance by the close fiscal year 2021.

Sec. 51. DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; HOUSING
FOR HOUSEHOLDS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS;
CONTINUED USE OF FUNDS IN FISCAL YEAR 2021

In light of the extension of time to use monies from the Coronavirus Relief Fund pursuant to Sec. 1001 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Pub. L. No. 116-260, the Department for Children and Families may continue

to use monies remaining from the Coronavirus Relief Fund appropriation to the Department in 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 137, Sec. 12, for programs and services that support safe, stable housing opportunities for Vermont households experiencing homelessness as a result of the COVID-19 public health emergency and related administrative costs during the remainder of fiscal year 2021.

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Sec. 51a. DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; HOUSING
FOR JUSTICE-INVOLVED JUVENILES

(a) The Department of Buildings and General Services shall review and approve any design documents prior to the State issuing a request for proposal for any project to renovate housing to make it building-secure for justice-involved juveniles.

(b) For the project described in subsection (a) of this section, the State shall secure a warranty bond on the entire cost of the project.

Sec. 52. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 137, Sec. 11(a)(4) is amended to read:

(4) Rental assistance; eviction protection. ~~\$25,000,000.00~~
\$27,800,000.00 to the Department of Housing and Community Development for a grant to the Vermont State Housing Authority, which shall administer the distribution of funds to landlords on behalf of tenants in need of rental arrearage assistance.

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Sec. 53. [DELETED]

Sec. 54. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 136, Sec. 6(f) is amended to read:

(f) Each covered employer that receives a grant shall, not later than 90 days after receiving the grant and in no event later than or by December 15, 2020, whichever is earlier, report to the Agency on a standard form provided by the Secretary the amount of grant funds used to provide hazard pay to eligible employees and the amount of any remaining grant funds that were not spent; provided, however, that the Agency may allow a grace period for reporting, in the Agency's discretion. All unspent grant funds shall be returned to the Agency pursuant to a procedure adopted by the Secretary.

Sec. 55. 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 4(b), as amended by 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. G.103, is further amended to read:

(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~~ \$4,100,000.00 in Transportation Fund monies and \$3,200,00.00 in federal fund monies.

Sec. 56. 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 59, Sec. 34, as amended by 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 14, and 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 154, Sec. G.112, is further amended to read:

Sec. 34. VEHICLE INCENTIVE AND EMISSIONS REPAIR PROGRAMS

(a) Vehicle incentive and emissions repair programs administration.

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(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~~ subdivision (c)(1) of this section in fiscal year 2021 ~~and to ensure that the emissions repair program is operational not later than July 1, 2021.~~

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(c) High fuel efficiency vehicle incentive and emissions repair programs. Used high fuel efficiency vehicle purchase incentive and emissions repair programs for Vermont residents shall structure high fuel efficiency purchase incentive payments and emissions repair vouchers by income to help Vermonters benefit from more efficient driving, including Vermont's most vulnerable. Not less than \$750,000.00 shall be provided in point-of-sale and point-of repair vouchers.

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(2) The emissions repair program, ~~which shall be operational on or before July 1, 2021,~~ shall:

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Sec 57. BODY CAMERA DEPLOYMENT

(a) The Departments of Fish and Wildlife, of Liquor Control, and of Motor Vehicles shall only deploy the use of body cameras after appropriate training of staff and the adoption of policies on use and retention of records by each department. The Secretary of Administration shall provide a report to the Joint Fiscal and the Joint Justice Oversight Committees in September 2021 on the status of use of body cameras in these departments.

Sec. 58. 10 V.S.A. § 591(g) is amended to read:

(g) Members of the Council and members of subcommittees who are not State employees shall be entitled to per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses for each day spent in the performance of their duties, as permitted under 32 V.S.A. § 1010. These payments shall be made from monies appropriated to the Agency of Natural Resources.

Sec. 59. EFFECTIVE DATES

This act shall take effect on passage, except that, notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214:

(1) Sec. 50(e)(1) (extraordinary relief to long-term care facilities) shall take effect retroactively on November 1, 2020;

(2) Secs. 50(e)(2) (adult day programs) and 49 (judicial filing fees) shall take effect retroactively on December 1, 2020;

(3) Sec. 50(e)(3) (transfer authority) shall take effect retroactively on July 1, 2020; and

(4) Secs. 47 (broadband access) and 54 (hazard pay reports) shall take effect retroactively on December 15, 2020.

And that the bill ought to pass in concurrence with such proposal of amendment.

Thereupon, the bill was read the second time by title only pursuant to Rule 43, the proposal of amendment was agreed to, and third reading of the bill was ordered.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Balint, the Senate adjourned until one o'clock in the afternoon on Thursday, February 11, 2021.