

1 H.883

2 Introduced by Committee on Appropriations

3 Date:

4 Subject: Appropriations; Big Bill; fiscal year 2025 budget

5 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to make
6 appropriations in support of government for the fiscal year 2025

7 An act relating to making appropriations for the support of government

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

9 ~~*** Purpose, Definitions, Legend ***~~

10 Sec. A.100 SHORT TITLE

11 (a) This bill may be referred to as the BIG BILL – Fiscal Year 2025

12 Appropriations Act.

13 Sec. A.101 PURPOSE

14 (a) The purpose of this act is to provide appropriations for the operations of

15 State government and for capital appropriations not funded with bond

16 proceeds during fiscal year 2025. It is the express intent of the General

17 Assembly that activities of the various agencies, departments, divisions,

18 boards, and commissions be limited to those that can be supported by funds

19 appropriated in this act or other acts passed prior to June 30, 2024. Agency

1 ~~and department heads are directed to implement staffing and service levels at~~
2 ~~the beginning of fiscal year 2025 so as to meet this condition unless otherwise~~
3 ~~directed by specific language in this act or other acts of the General Assembly.~~

4 Sec. A.102 APPROPRIATIONS

5 (a) ~~It is the intent of the General Assembly that this act serves as the~~
6 ~~primary source and reference for appropriations for the operations of State~~
7 ~~government and for capital appropriations not funded with bond proceeds for~~
8 ~~fiscal year 2025.~~

9 (b) ~~The sums herein stated are appropriated for the purposes specified in~~
10 ~~the following sections of this act. When no time is expressly stated during~~
11 ~~which any of the appropriations are to continue, the appropriations are single-~~
12 ~~year appropriations and only for the purpose indicated and shall be paid from~~
13 ~~funds shown as the source of funds. If in this act there is an error in either~~
14 ~~addition or subtraction, the totals shall be adjusted accordingly. Apparent~~
15 ~~errors in referring to section numbers of statutory titles within this act may be~~
16 ~~disregarded by the Commissioner of Finance and Management.~~

17 (c) ~~Unless codified or otherwise specified, all narrative portions of this act~~
18 ~~apply only to the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2025.~~

19 Sec. A.103 DEFINITIONS

20 (a) ~~As used in this act.~~

1 ~~(1) “Capital appropriation” means an appropriation for tangible capital~~
2 ~~investments or expenses that are eligible to be funded from general obligation~~
3 ~~debt financing and are allowed under federal laws governing the use of State~~
4 ~~bond proceeds as described in 32 V.S.A. § 309.~~

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

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

13 ~~(4) “Operating expenses” means property management; repair and~~
14 ~~maintenance; rental expenses; insurance; postage; travel; energy and utilities;~~
15 ~~office and other supplies; equipment, including motor vehicles, highway~~
16 ~~materials, and construction; expenditures for the purchase of land and~~
17 ~~construction of new buildings and permanent improvements; and similar items.~~

18 ~~(5) “Personal services” means wages and salaries, fringe benefits, per~~
19 ~~diems, and contracted third-party services, and similar items.~~

20 ~~SEC. A.104 RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING LAWS~~

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

3 Sec. A.105 OFFSETTING APPROPRIATIONS

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

7 Sec. A.106 FEDERAL FUNDS

8 (a) In fiscal year 2025, the Governor, with the approval of the General
9 Assembly or the Joint Fiscal Committee if the General Assembly is not in
10 session, may accept federal funds available to the State of Vermont, including
11 block grants in lieu of, or in addition to, funds herein designated as federal.
12 The Governor, with the approval of the General Assembly or the Joint Fiscal
13 Committee if the General Assembly is not in session, may allocate all or any
14 portion of such federal funds for any purpose consistent with the purposes for
15 which the basic appropriations in this act have been made.

16 (b) If, during fiscal year 2025, federal funds available to the State of
17 Vermont and designated as federal in this and other acts of the 2024 session of
18 the Vermont General Assembly are converted into block grants or are
19 abolished under their current title in federal law and reestablished under a new
20 title in federal law, the Governor may continue to accept such federal funds for
21 any purpose consistent with the purposes for which the federal funds were

1 ~~appropriated. The Governor may spend such funds for such purposes for not~~
2 more than 45 days prior to General Assembly or Joint Fiscal Committee
3 approval. Notice shall be given to the Joint Fiscal Committee without delay if
4 the Governor intends to use the authority granted by this section, and the Joint
5 Fiscal Committee shall meet in an expedited manner to review the Governor's
6 request for approval.

7 Sec. A.107 NEW POSITIONS

8 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the total number of
9 authorized State positions, both classified and exempt, excluding temporary
10 positions as defined in 3 V.S.A. § 3-11(a)(11), shall not be increased during
11 fiscal year 2025 except for new positions authorized by the 2024 session.
12 Limited service positions approved pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 5 shall not be
13 subject to this restriction.

14 Sec. A.108 LEGEND

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

20 B.100–B.199 and E.100–E.199 General Government

21 ~~B.200–B.299 and E.200–E.299 Protection to Persons and~~

1	Property	
2	B.300–B.399 and E.300–E.399	Human Services
3	B.400–B.499 and E.400–E.499	Labor
4	B.500–B.599 and E.500–E.599	General Education
5	B.600–B.699 and E.600–E.699	Higher Education
6	B.700–B.799 and E.700–E.799	Natural Resources
7	B.800–B.899 and E.800–E.899	Commerce and Community
8		Development
9	B.900–B.999 and E.900–E.999	Transportation
10	B.1000–B.1099 and E.1000–E.1099	Debt Service
11	B.1100–B.1199 and E.1100–E.1199	One-time and other
12		appropriation actions
13	<u>(b) The C sections contain any amendments to the current fiscal year and</u>	
14	<u>the D sections contain fund transfers and reserve allocations for the upcoming</u>	
15	<u>budget year. The F section includes effective dates.</u>	
16	* * * Fiscal Year 2025 Base Appropriations * * *	
17	Sec. B.100 Secretary of administration - secretary's office	
18	Personal services	3,624,952
19	Operating expenses	185,657
20	Grants	<u>25,000</u>
21	<u>Total</u>	<u>3,835,609</u>

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	2,449,890
3	Special funds	25,000
4	Internal service funds	437,265
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>923,454</u>
6	Total	3,835,609
7	Sec. B.101 Secretary of administration - finance	
8	Personal services	1,414,180
9	Operating expenses	<u>160,916</u>
10	Total	1,575,096
11	Source of funds	
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,575,096</u>
13	Total	1,575,096
14	Sec. B.102 Secretary of administration - workers' compensation insurance	
15	Personal services	894,261
16	Operating expenses	<u>90,822</u>
17	Total	985,083
18	Source of funds	
19	Internal service funds	<u>985,083</u>
20	Total	985,083
21	Sec. B.103 Secretary of administration - general liability insurance	

1	Personal services	<u>567,817</u>
2	Operating expenses	<u>59,472</u>
3	Total	627,289
4	Source of funds	
5	Internal service funds	<u>627,289</u>
6	Total	627,289
7	Sec. B.104 Secretary of administration - all other insurance	
8	Personal services	275,025
9	Operating expenses	<u>48,667</u>
10	Total	323,692
11	Source of funds	
12	Internal service funds	<u>323,692</u>
13	Total	323,692
14	Sec. B.104.1 Retired State Employees Pension Plan Funding	
15	Grants	<u>12,000,000</u>
16	Total	12,000,000
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	<u>12,000,000</u>
19	Total	12,000,000
20	Sec. B.105 Agency of digital services - communications and information	
21	technology	

1	Personal services	<u>83,082,218</u>
2	Operating expenses	<u>62,547,212</u>
3	Total	145,629,430
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	209,808
6	Special funds	511,723
7	Internal service funds	<u>144,907,899</u>
8	Total	145,629,430
9	Sec. B.106 Finance and management - budget and management	
10	Personal services	1,526,943
11	Operating expenses	<u>332,906</u>
12	Total	1,859,849
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	1,183,688
15	Internal service funds	666,328
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>9,833</u>
17	Total	1,859,849
18	Sec. B.107 Finance and management - financial operations	
19	Personal services	2,753,093
20	Operating expenses	<u>887,167</u>
21	Total	<u>3,640,260</u>

1	Source of funds	
2	Internal service funds	3,499,357
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>140,903</u>
4	Total	3,640,260
5	Sec. B.108 Human resources - operations	
6	Personal services	11,174,144
7	Operating expenses	<u>1,533,893</u>
8	Total	12,708,037
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	1,835,968
11	Special funds	242,235
12	Internal service funds	10,105,741
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>524,093</u>
14	Total	12,708,037
15	Sec. B.108.1 Human resources - VTHR operations	
16	Personal services	2,001,756
17	Operating expenses	<u>897,472</u>
18	Total	2,899,228
19	Source of funds	
20	Internal service funds	<u>2,899,228</u>
21	Total	2,899,228

1	Sec. B.100 Human resources - employee benefits & wellness	
2	Personal services	1,219,976
3	Operating expenses	<u>656,818</u>
4	Total	1,876,794
5	Source of funds	
6	Internal service funds	<u>1,876,794</u>
7	Total	1,876,794
8	Sec. B.110 Libraries	
9	Personal services	2,608,231
10	Operating expenses	987,312
11	Grants	<u>272,701</u>
12	Total	3,868,244
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	2,151,812
15	Special funds	130,971
16	Federal funds	1,467,374
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>118,087</u>
18	Total	3,868,244
19	Sec. B.111 Tax - administration/collection	
20	Personal services	28,305,391
21	 Operating expenses	<u>6,868,137</u>

1	Total	35,173,728
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	23,248,019
4	Special funds	11,880,709
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>
6	Total	35,173,728
7	Sec. B.112 Buildings and general services - administration	
8	Personal services	1,070,354
9	Operating expenses	<u>229,587</u>
10	Total	1,299,941
11	Source of funds	
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,299,941</u>
13	Total	1,299,941
14	Sec. B.113 Buildings and general services - engineering	
15	Personal services	18,881
16	Operating expenses	<u>1,271,574</u>
17	Total	1,290,455
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	<u>1,290,455</u>
20	Total	1,290,455
21	Sec. B.113.1 Buildings and General Services Engineering - Capital Projects	

1	Personal services	<u>2,973,306</u>
2	Operating expenses	<u>500,000</u>
3	Total	3,473,306
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	2,973,306
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>500,000</u>
7	Total	3,473,306
8	Sec. B.114 Buildings and general services - information centers	
9	Personal services	3,585,324
10	Operating expenses	<u>1,919,853</u>
11	Total	5,505,177
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	688,453
14	Transportation fund	4,292,149
15	Special funds	<u>524,575</u>
16	Total	5,505,177
17	Sec. B.115 Buildings and general services - purchasing	
18	Personal services	2,462,542
19	Operating expenses	<u>245,613</u>
20	Total	2,708,155
21	Source of funds	

1	General fund	1,568,464
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,139,691</u>
3	Total	2,708,155
4	Sec. B.116 Buildings and general services - postal services	
5	Personal services	826,840
6	Operating expenses	<u>177,446</u>
7	Total	1,004,286
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	90,941
10	Internal service funds	<u>913,345</u>
11	Total	1,004,286
12	Sec. B.117 Buildings and general services - copy center	
13	Personal services	902,844
14	Operating expenses	<u>237,416</u>
15	Total	1,140,260
16	Source of funds	
17	Internal service funds	<u>1,140,260</u>
18	Total	1,140,260
19	Sec. B.118 Buildings and general services - fleet management services	
20	Personal services	915,232
21	Operating expenses	<u>251,755</u>

1	Total	1,166,987
2	Source of funds	
3	Internal service funds	<u>1,166,987</u>
4	Total	1,166,987
5	Sec. B.119 Buildings and general services - federal surplus property	
6	Operating expenses	<u>4,298</u>
7	Total	4,298
8	Source of funds	
9	Enterprise funds	<u>4,298</u>
10	Total	4,298
11	Sec. B.120 Buildings and general services - state surplus property	
12	Personal services	375,218
13	Operating expenses	<u>149,871</u>
14	Total	525,089
15	Source of funds	
16	Internal service funds	<u>525,089</u>
17	Total	525,089
18	Sec. B.121 Buildings and general services - property management	
19	Personal services	1,471,106
20	Operating expenses	<u>652,847</u>
21	Total	2,123,953

1	Source of funds	
2	Internal service funds	<u>2,123,953</u>
3	Total	2,123,953
4	Sec. B.122 Buildings and general services - fee for space	
5	Personal services	20,361,714
6	Operating expenses	<u>17,940,900</u>
7	Total	38,302,614
8	Source of funds	
9	Internal service funds	38,214,088
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>88,526</u>
11	Total	38,302,614
12	Sec. B.124 Executive office - governor's office	
13	Personal services	1,621,889
14	Operating expenses	<u>529,815</u>
15	Total	2,151,704
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	1,896,299
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>255,405</u>
19	Total	2,151,704
20	Sec. B.125 Legislative counsel	
21	Personal services	<u>3,856,667</u>

1	Operating expenses	<u>201,300</u>
2	Total	4,148,066
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	<u>4,148,066</u>
5	Total	4,148,066
6	Sec. B.126 Legislature	
7	Personal services	6,531,132
8	Operating expenses	<u>4,934,310</u>
9	Total	11,465,442
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	<u>11,465,442</u>
12	Total	11,465,442
13	Sec. B.126.1 Legislative information technology	
14	Personal services	1,433,677
15	Operating expenses	<u>807,537</u>
16	Total	2,241,214
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	<u>2,241,214</u>
19	Total	2,241,214
20	Sec. B.127 Joint fiscal committee	
21	Personal services	<u>2,611,816</u>

1	Operating expenses	<u>107,363</u>
2	Total	2,809,179
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	<u>2,809,179</u>
5	Total	2,809,179
6	Sec. B.128 Sergeant at arms	
7	Personal services	1,501,807
8	Operating expenses	<u>161,697</u>
9	Total	1,663,504
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	<u>1,663,504</u>
12	Total	1,663,504
13	Sec. B.129 Lieutenant governor	
14	Personal services	273,359
15	Operating expenses	<u>48,050</u>
16	Total	321,409
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	<u>321,409</u>
19	Total	321,409
20	Sec. B.130 Auditor of accounts	
21	Personal services	<u>4,597,652</u>

1	Operating expenses	<u>140,540</u>
2	Total	4,538,192
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	383,992
5	Special funds	53,145
6	Internal service funds	<u>4,101,055</u>
7	Total	4,538,192
8	Sec. B.131 State treasurer	
9	Personal services	6,021,504
10	Operating expenses	<u>305,404</u>
11	Total	6,326,908
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	2,233,091
14	Special funds	3,750,239
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>343,578</u>
16	Total	6,326,908
17	Sec. B.132 State treasurer - unclaimed property	
18	Personal services	814,215
19	Operating expenses	<u>514,390</u>
20	Total	1,329,205

1	Source of funds	
2	Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,329,205</u>
3	Total	1,329,205
4	Sec. B.133 Vermont state retirement system	
5	Personal services	213,238
6	Operating expenses	<u>2,849,942</u>
7	Total	3,063,180
8	Source of funds	
9	Pension trust funds	<u>3,063,180</u>
10	Total	3,063,180
11	Sec. B.134 Municipal employees' retirement system	
12	Personal services	237,966
13	Operating expenses	<u>1,499,159</u>
14	Total	1,737,125
15	Source of funds	
16	Pension trust funds	<u>1,737,125</u>
17	Total	1,737,125
18	Sec. B.134.1 Vermont Pension Investment Commission	
19	Personal services	2,154,707
20	Operating expenses	<u>294,507</u>
21	Total	<u>2,449,214</u>

1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	<u>2,449,214</u>
3	Total	2,449,214
4	Sec. B.135 State labor relations board	
5	Personal services	290,593
6	Operating expenses	<u>48,629</u>
7	Total	339,222
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	329,646
10	Special funds	6,788
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,788</u>
12	Total	339,222
13	Sec. B.136 VOSHA review board	
14	Personal services	98,853
15	Operating expenses	<u>25,115</u>
16	Total	123,968
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	72,964
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>51,004</u>
20	Total	123,968

1	Sec. B.136 Ethics Commission	
2	Personal services	171,374
3	Operating expenses	<u>38,979</u>
4	Total	210,353
5	Source of funds	
6	Internal service funds	<u>210,353</u>
7	Total	210,353
8	Sec. B.137 Homeowner rebate	
9	Grants	<u>19,100,000</u>
10	Total	19,100,000
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	<u>19,100,000</u>
13	Total	19,100,000
14	Sec. B.138 Renter rebate	
15	Grants	<u>9,500,000</u>
16	Total	9,500,000
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	<u>9,500,000</u>
19	Total	9,500,000
20	Sec. B.139 Tax department - reappraisal and listing payments	
21	Grants	<u>3,400,000</u>

1	Total	<u>3,400,000</u>
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	<u>3,400,000</u>
4	Total	3,400,000
5	Sec. B.140 Municipal current use	
6	Grants	<u>20,050,000</u>
7	Total	20,050,000
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	<u>20,050,000</u>
10	Total	20,050,000
11	Sec. B.142 Payments in lieu of taxes	
12	Grants	<u>12,050,000</u>
13	Total	12,050,000
14	Source of funds	
15	Special funds	<u>12,050,000</u>
16	Total	12,050,000
17	Sec. B.143 Payments in lieu of taxes - Montpelier	
18	Grants	<u>184,000</u>
19	Total	184,000
20	Source of funds	
21	Special funds	<u>184,000</u>

1	Total	184,000
2	Sec. B.144 Payments in lieu of taxes - correctional facilities	
3	Grants	<u>40,000</u>
4	Total	40,000
5	Source of funds	
6	Special funds	<u>40,000</u>
7	Total	40,000
8	Sec. B.145 Total general government	
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	129,305,610
11	Transportation fund	4,292,149
12	Special funds	31,848,599
13	Federal funds	1,467,374
14	Internal service funds	214,723,806
15	Interdepartmental transfers	7,017,399
16	Enterprise funds	4,298
17	Pension trust funds	4,800,305
18	Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,329,205</u>
19	Total	394,788,745
20	Sec. B.200 Attorney general	
21	Personal services	14,426,517

1	Operating expenses	<u>2,015,028</u>
2	Grants	<u>20,000</u>
3	Total	16,461,545
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	7,391,661
6	Special funds	2,355,424
7	Tobacco fund	422,000
8	Federal funds	1,743,215
9	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,549,245</u>
10	Total	16,461,545
11	Sec. B.201 Vermont court diversion	
12	Personal services	1,250
13	Grants	<u>3,229,558</u>
14	Total	3,230,808
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	2,972,811
17	Special funds	<u>257,997</u>
18	Total	3,230,808
19	Sec. B.202 Defender general - public defense	
20	Personal services	16,174,012
21	Operating expenses	<u>1,593,800</u>

1	Total	17,568,478
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	16,828,825
4	Special funds	589,653
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>150,000</u>
6	Total	17,568,478
7	Sec. B.203 Defender general - assigned counsel	
8	Personal services	7,213,974
9	Operating expenses	<u>49,500</u>
10	Total	7,263,474
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	<u>7,263,474</u>
13	Total	7,263,474
14	Sec. B.204 Judiciary	
15	Personal services	56,200,260
16	Operating expenses	12,479,384
17	Grants	<u>121,030</u>
18	Total	68,800,674
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	61,175,863
21	Special funds	<u>4,503,401</u>

1	Federal funds	<u>952,928</u>
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,167,482</u>
3	Total	68,800,674
4	Sec. B.205 State's attorneys	
5	Personal services	15,286,679
6	Operating expenses	<u>2,034,016</u>
7	Total	17,320,695
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	16,711,634
10	Federal funds	31,000
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>578,061</u>
12	Total	17,320,695
13	Sec. B.206 Special investigative unit	
14	Personal services	66,237
15	Operating expenses	24,295
16	Grants	<u>2,140,047</u>
17	Total	2,230,579
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	<u>2,230,579</u>
20	Total	2,230,579

1	Sec. B.206.1 Crime Victims Advocates	
2	Personal services	2,894,156
3	Operating expenses	<u>104,396</u>
4	Total	2,998,552
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>2,998,552</u>
7	Total	2,998,552
8	Sec. B.207 Sheriffs	
9	Personal services	5,067,726
10	Operating expenses	<u>405,868</u>
11	Total	5,473,594
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	<u>5,473,594</u>
14	Total	5,473,594
15	Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration	
16	Personal services	4,620,756
17	Operating expenses	<u>6,022,923</u>
18	Total	10,643,679
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	6,179,193
21	Special funds	<u>4,165</u>

1	Federal funds	<u>206,362</u>
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,064,019</u>
3	Total	10,643,679
4	Sec. B.209 Public safety - state police	
5	Personal services	74,521,468
6	Operating expenses	15,992,094
7	Grants	<u>1,137,841</u>
8	Total	91,651,403
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	57,657,409
11	Transportation fund	20,250,000
12	Special funds	3,170,328
13	Federal funds	8,967,252
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,606,414</u>
15	Total	91,651,403
16	Sec. B.210 Public safety - criminal justice services	
17	Personal services	5,387,100
18	Operating expenses	<u>2,152,467</u>
19	Total	7,539,567
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	<u>1,829,099</u>

1	Special funds	<u>4,975,847</u>
2	Federal funds	<u>734,621</u>
3	Total	7,539,567
4	Sec. B.211 Public safety - emergency management	
5	Personal services	5,220,245
6	Operating expenses	1,326,624
7	Grants	<u>41,392,759</u>
8	Total	47,939,628
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	740,339
11	Special funds	710,000
12	Federal funds	46,427,309
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>61,980</u>
14	Total	47,939,628
15	Sec. B.212 Public safety - fire safety	
16	Personal services	9,384,147
17	Operating expenses	3,412,948
18	Grants	<u>107,000</u>
19	Total	12,904,095
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	<u>1,586,884</u>

1	Special funds	10,003,736
2	Federal funds	1,178,475
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>
4	Total	12,904,095
5	Sec. B.213 Public safety - Forensic Laboratory	
6	Personal services	3,842,354
7	Operating expenses	<u>1,095,166</u>
8	Total	4,937,520
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	3,768,566
11	Special funds	75,572
12	Federal funds	557,339
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>536,043</u>
14	Total	4,937,520
15	Sec. B.215 Military - administration	
16	Personal services	1,056,147
17	Operating expenses	776,352
18	Grants	<u>1,319,834</u>
19	Total	3,152,333
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	<u>3,152,333</u>

1	Total	3,152,333
2	Sec. B.216 Military - air service contract	
3	Personal services	10,499,846
4	Operating expenses	<u>1,504,451</u>
5	Total	12,004,297
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	775,259
8	Federal funds	<u>11,229,038</u>
9	Total	12,004,297
10	Sec. B.217 Military - army service contract	
11	Personal services	45,473,792
12	Operating expenses	<u>8,181,836</u>
13	Total	53,655,628
14	Source of funds	
15	Federal funds	<u>53,655,628</u>
16	Total	53,655,628
17	Sec. B.218 Military - building maintenance	
18	Personal services	827,320
19	Operating expenses	<u>1,008,123</u>
20	Total	1,835,443
21	Source of funds	

1	General fund	1,772,943
2	Special funds	<u>62,500</u>
3	Total	1,835,443
4	Sec. B.219 Military - veterans' affairs	
5	Personal services	1,211,819
6	Operating expenses	176,383
7	Grants	<u>28,500</u>
8	Total	1,416,702
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	1,096,505
11	Special funds	209,092
12	Federal funds	<u>111,105</u>
13	Total	1,416,702
14	Sec. B.220 Center for crime victim services	
15	Personal services	1,976,117
16	Operating expenses	391,491
17	Grants	<u>9,908,464</u>
18	Total	12,276,072
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	1,516,854
21	Special funds	<u>4,015,490</u>

1	Federal funds	<u>6,743,728</u>
2	Total	12,276,072
3	Sec. B.221 Criminal justice council	
4	Personal services	2,356,811
5	Operating expenses	<u>1,821,496</u>
6	Total	4,178,307
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	3,835,126
9	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>343,181</u>
10	Total	4,178,307
11	Sec. B.222 Agriculture, food and markets - administration	
12	Personal services	3,057,449
13	Operating expenses	<u>346,294</u>
14	Total	3,403,743
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	1,393,366
17	Special funds	1,132,323
18	Federal funds	<u>578,054</u>
19	Total	3,403,743

1	Sec. B.223 Agriculture, food and markets - food safety and consumer	
2	 protection	
3	 Personal services	5,235,644
4	 Operating expenses	1,113,830
5	 Grants	<u>2,780,000</u>
6	 Total	9,129,474
7	Source of funds	
8	 General fund	3,400,278
9	 Special funds	4,020,618
10	 Federal funds	1,696,578
11	 Interdepartmental transfers	<u>12,000</u>
12	 Total	9,129,474
13	Sec. B.224 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural development	
14	Personal services	4,265,067
15	Operating expenses	734,947
16	Grants	<u>15,357,498</u>
17	Total	20,307,512
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	3,077,928
20	Special funds	644,563
21	 Federal funds	<u>16,585,221</u>

1	Total	20,307,512
2	Sec. B.225 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural resource management	
3	and environmental stewardship	
4	Personal services	2,712,147
5	Operating expenses	839,493
6	Grants	<u>212,000</u>
7	Total	3,763,640
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	824,794
10	Special funds	2,242,158
11	Federal funds	343,452
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>353,236</u>
13	Total	3,763,640
14	Sec. B.225.1 Agriculture, food and markets - Vermont Agriculture and	
15	Environmental Lab	
16	Personal services	1,822,983
17	Operating expenses	<u>1,438,533</u>
18	Total	3,261,516
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	1,602,065
21	Special funds	<u>1,591,189</u>

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>67,662</u>
2	Total	3,261,516
3	Sec. B.225.2 Agriculture, Food and Markets - Clean Water	
4	Personal services	3,815,695
5	Operating expenses	745,519
6	Grants	<u>11,035,000</u>
7	Total	15,596,214
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	1,705,135
10	Special funds	10,528,782
11	Federal funds	2,169,174
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,193,123</u>
13	Total	15,596,214
14	Sec. B.226 Financial regulation - administration	
15	Personal services	2,726,198
16	Operating expenses	159,635
17	Grants	<u>100,000</u>
18	Total	2,985,833
19	Source of funds	
20	Special funds	<u>2,985,833</u>
21	Total	2,985,833

1	Sec. B.227 Financial regulation - banking	
2	Personal services	2,400,645
3	Operating expenses	<u>473,873</u>
4	Total	2,874,518
5	Source of funds	
6	Special funds	<u>2,874,518</u>
7	Total	2,874,518
8	Sec. B.228 Financial regulation - insurance	
9	Personal services	5,028,218
10	Operating expenses	<u>556,622</u>
11	Total	5,584,840
12	Source of funds	
13	Special funds	<u>5,584,840</u>
14	Total	5,584,840
15	Sec. B.229 Financial regulation - captive insurance	
16	Personal services	5,723,322
17	Operating expenses	<u>652,707</u>
18	Total	6,376,029
19	Source of funds	
20	Special funds	<u>6,376,029</u>
21	Total	6,376,029

1	Sec. B.230 Financial regulation - securities	
2	Personal services	1,269,574
3	Operating expenses	<u>241,157</u>
4	Total	1,510,731
5	Source of funds	
6	Special funds	<u>1,510,731</u>
7	Total	1,510,731
8	Sec. B.232 Secretary of state	
9	Personal services	22,592,899
10	Operating expenses	<u>4,345,999</u>
11	Total	26,938,898
12	Source of funds	
13	Special funds	19,922,486
14	Federal funds	<u>7,016,412</u>
15	Total	26,938,898
16	Sec. B.233 Public service - regulation and energy	
17	Personal services	10,861,325
18	Operating expenses	1,405,907
19	Grants	<u>28,000</u>
20	Total	<u>12,295,232</u>

1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	11,060,542
3	Federal funds	992,781
4	Interdepartmental transfers	225,423
5	Enterprise funds	<u>16,786</u>
6	Total	12,295,532
7	Sec. B.233.1 VT Community Broadband Board	
8	Personal services	1,609,379
9	Operating expenses	269,690
10	Grants	<u>150,000</u>
11	Total	2,029,069
12	Source of funds	
13	Special funds	1,269,289
14	Federal funds	<u>759,780</u>
15	Total	2,029,069
16	Sec. B.234 Public utility commission	
17	Personal services	5,052,403
18	Operating expenses	<u>617,149</u>
19	Total	5,669,552
20	Source of funds	
21	Special funds	<u>5,669,552</u>

1	Total	5,660,552
2	Sec. B.235 Enhanced 9-1-1 Board	
3	Personal services	4,429,219
4	Operating expenses	<u>471,441</u>
5	Total	4,900,660
6	Source of funds	
7	Special funds	<u>4,900,660</u>
8	Total	4,900,660
9	Sec. B.236 Human rights commission	
10	Personal services	927,697
11	Operating expenses	<u>115,103</u>
12	Total	1,042,800
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	953,800
15	Federal funds	<u>89,000</u>
16	Total	1,042,800
17	Sec. B.236.1 Liquor & Lottery Comm. Office	
18	Personal services	9,831,453
19	Operating expenses	<u>5,667,447</u>
20	Total	15,498,900

1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	125,000
3	Tobacco fund	250,579
4	Interdepartmental transfers	70,000
5	Enterprise funds	<u>15,053,321</u>
6	Total	15,498,900
7	Sec. B.240 Cannabis Control Board	
8	Personal services	4,242,224
9	Operating expenses	<u>1,819,990</u>
10	Total	6,062,214
11	Source of funds	
12	Special funds	<u>6,062,214</u>
13	Total	6,062,214
14	Sec. B.241 Total protection to persons and property	
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	219,665,469
17	Transportation fund	20,250,000
18	Special funds	<u>119,824,272</u>
19	Tobacco fund	672,579
20	Federal funds	162,959,452
21	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>16,022,869</u>

1	Enterprise funds	<u>15,070,107</u>
2	Total	554,464,748
3	Sec. B.300 Human services - agency of human services - secretary's office	
4	Personal services	16,066,746
5	Operating expenses	7,220,486
6	Grants	<u>2,895,202</u>
7	Total	26,182,434
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	11,860,202
10	Special funds	135,517
11	Federal funds	13,565,080
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>621,635</u>
13	Total	26,182,434
14	Sec. B.301 Secretary's office - global commitment	
15	Grants	<u>2,019,998,406</u>
16	Total	2,019,998,406
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	650,158,311
19	Special funds	32,047,905
20	Tobacco fund	21,049,573
21	State health care resources fund	<u>28,053,557</u>

1	Federal funds	<u>1,274,202,050</u>
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,487,210</u>
3	Total	2,019,998,406
4	Sec. B.303 Developmental disabilities council	
5	Personal services	479,072
6	Operating expenses	95,765
7	Grants	<u>191,595</u>
8	Total	766,432
9	Source of funds	
10	Special funds	12,000
11	Federal funds	<u>754,432</u>
12	Total	766,432
13	Sec. B.304 Human services board	
14	Personal services	703,548
15	Operating expenses	<u>90,191</u>
16	Total	793,739
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	486,165
19	Federal funds	<u>307,574</u>
20	Total	793,739

1	Sec. B.305 AHS - administrative fund	
2	Personal services	330,000
3	Operating expenses	<u>13,170,000</u>
4	Total	13,500,000
5	Source of funds	
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>13,500,000</u>
7	Total	13,500,000
8	Sec. B.306 Department of Vermont health access - administration	
9	Personal services	134,929,148
10	Operating expenses	44,171,193
11	Grants	<u>3,112,301</u>
12	Total	182,212,642
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	39,872,315
15	Special funds	4,733,015
16	Federal funds	128,790,580
17	Global Commitment fund	4,308,574
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,508,158</u>
19	Total	182,212,642

1	Sec. B.307 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - global	
2	commitment	
3	Personal services	547,983
4	Grants	<u>897,047,478</u>
5	Total	897,595,461
6	Source of funds	
7	Global Commitment fund	<u>897,595,461</u>
8	Total	897,595,461
9	Sec. B.309 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - state	
10	only	
11	Grants	<u>63,033,948</u>
12	Total	63,033,948
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	62,151,546
15	Global Commitment fund	<u>882,402</u>
16	Total	63,033,948
17	Sec. B.310 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid non-waiver	
18	matched	
19	Grants	<u>34,994,888</u>
20	Total	<u>34,994,888</u>

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	12,511,405
3	Federal funds	<u>22,483,483</u>
4	Total	34,994,888
5	Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support	
6	Personal services	8,373,168
7	Operating expenses	7,519,722
8	Grants	<u>7,985,727</u>
9	Total	23,878,617
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	3,189,843
12	Special funds	2,308,186
13	Federal funds	11,040,433
14	Global Commitment fund	7,173,924
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>166,231</u>
16	Total	23,878,617
17	Sec. B.312 Health - public health	
18	Personal services	67,812,371
19	Operating expenses	11,025,497
20	Grants	<u>46,816,832</u>
21	Total	125,654,700

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	12,908,892
3	Special funds	24,956,804
4	Tobacco fund	1,088,918
5	Federal funds	64,038,301
6	Global Commitment fund	17,036,150
7	Interdepartmental transfers	5,600,635
8	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
9	Total	125,654,700
10	Sec. B.313 Health - substance use programs	
11	Personal services	6,467,467
12	Operating expenses	511,500
13	Grants	<u>57,616,599</u>
14	Total	64,595,566
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	6,643,150
17	Special funds	2,008,678
18	Tobacco fund	949,917
19	Federal funds	15,456,754
20	Global Commitment fund	<u>39,537,067</u>
21	Total	64,595,566

1	Sec. B.314 Mental health - mental health	
2	Personal services	50,191,086
3	Operating expenses	5,517,999
4	Grants	<u>266,820,307</u>
5	Total	322,529,392
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	25,507,128
8	Special funds	1,718,092
9	Federal funds	11,436,913
10	Global Commitment fund	283,853,119
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>14,140</u>
12	Total	322,529,392
13	Sec. B.316 Department for children and families - administration & support	
14	services	
15	Personal services	46,644,080
16	Operating expenses	17,560,755
17	Grants	<u>5,627,175</u>
18	Total	69,832,010
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	39,722,724
21	Special funds	<u>2,781,912</u>

1	Federal funds	<u>24,448,223</u>
2	Global Commitment fund	2,417,024
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>462,127</u>
4	Total	69,832,010
5	Sec. B.317 Department for children and families - family services	
6	Personal services	45,286,553
7	Operating expenses	5,315,309
8	Grants	<u>97,944,827</u>
9	Total	148,546,689
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	58,477,357
12	Special funds	729,587
13	Federal funds	34,871,380
14	Global Commitment fund	54,453,365
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>15,000</u>
16	Total	148,546,689
17	Sec. B.318 Department for children and families - child development	
18	Personal services	5,908,038
19	Operating expenses	813,321
20	Grants	<u>231,124,386</u>
21	Total	<u>237,845,945</u>

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	84,518,768
3	Special funds	96,312,000
4	Federal funds	43,511,414
5	Global Commitment fund	<u>13,503,763</u>
6	Total	237,845,945
7	Sec. B.319 Department for children and families - office of child support	
8	Personal services	13,157,660
9	Operating expenses	<u>3,759,992</u>
10	Total	16,917,652
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	5,200,064
13	Special funds	455,719
14	Federal funds	10,874,269
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>387,600</u>
16	Total	16,917,652
17	Sec. B.320 Department for children and families - aid to aged, blind and	
18	disabled	
19	Personal services	2,252,206
20	Grants	<u>10,717,444</u>
21	Total	12,969,650

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	7,376,133
3	Global Commitment fund	<u>5,593,517</u>
4	Total	12,969,650
5	Sec. B.321 Department for children and families - general assistance	
6	Personal services	15,000
7	Grants	<u>11,054,252</u>
8	Total	11,069,252
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	10,811,345
11	Federal funds	11,320
12	Global Commitment fund	<u>246,587</u>
13	Total	11,069,252
14	Sec. B.322 Department for children and families - 3SquaresVT	
15	Grants	<u>44,377,812</u>
16	Total	44,377,812
17	Source of funds	
18	Federal funds	<u>44,377,812</u>
19	Total	44,377,812
20	Sec. B.323 Department for children and families - reach up	
21	Operating expenses	<u>23,821</u>

1	Grants	<u>37,230,488</u>
2	Total	37,254,309
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	24,733,042
5	Special funds	5,970,229
6	Federal funds	2,806,330
7	Global Commitment fund	<u>3,744,708</u>
8	Total	37,254,309
9	Sec. B.324 Department for children and families - home heating fuel	
10	assistance/LIHEAP	
11	Grants	<u>16,019,953</u>
12	Total	16,019,953
13	Source of funds	
14	Special funds	1,480,395
15	Federal funds	<u>14,539,558</u>
16	Total	16,019,953
17	Sec. B.325 Department for children and families - office of economic	
18	opportunity	
19	Personal services	817,029
20	Operating expenses	100,407
21	Grants	<u>35,466,285</u>

1	Total	36,383,719
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	28,178,010
4	Special funds	83,135
5	Federal funds	4,935,273
6	Global Commitment fund	<u>3,187,301</u>
7	Total	36,383,719
8	Sec. B.326 Department for children and families - OEO - weatherization	
9	assistance	
10	Personal services	465,709
11	Operating expenses	248,905
12	Grants	<u>15,147,885</u>
13	Total	15,862,499
14	Source of funds	
15	Special funds	7,697,546
16	Federal funds	<u>8,164,953</u>
17	Total	15,862,499
18	Sec. B.327 Department for Children and Families - Secure Residential	
19	Treatment	
20	Personal services	258,100
21	Operating expenses	<u>42,225</u>

1	Grants	<u>3,476,862</u>
2	Total	3,777,187
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	3,747,187
5	Global Commitment fund	<u>30,000</u>
6	Total	3,777,187
7	Sec. B.328 Department for children and families - disability determination	
8	services	
9	Personal services	7,860,410
10	Operating expenses	<u>488,354</u>
11	Total	8,348,764
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	124,172
14	Federal funds	<u>8,224,592</u>
15	Total	8,348,764
16	Sec. B.329 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - administration &	
17	support	
18	Personal services	45,217,977
19	Operating expenses	<u>6,472,358</u>
20	Total	51,690,335

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	22,916,281
3	Special funds	1,390,457
4	Federal funds	26,063,097
5	Global Commitment fund	35,000
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,285,700</u>
7	Total	51,690,535
8	Sec. B.330 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - advocacy and	
9	independent living grants	
10	Grants	<u>24,303,452</u>
11	Total	24,303,452
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	8,220,695
14	Federal funds	7,321,114
15	Global Commitment fund	<u>8,761,643</u>
16	Total	24,303,452
17	Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - blind and visually	
18	impaired	
19	Grants	<u>1,907,004</u>
20	Total	1,907,004

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	489,154
3	Special funds	223,450
4	Federal funds	890,000
5	Global Commitment fund	<u>305,000</u>
6	Total	1,907,604
7	Sec. B.332 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - vocational	
8	rehabilitation	
9	Grants	<u>10,179,845</u>
10	Total	10,179,845
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	1,371,845
13	Federal funds	7,558,000
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,250,000</u>
15	Total	10,179,845
16	Sec. B.333 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - developmental	
17	services	
18	Grants	<u>319,849,344</u>
19	Total	319,849,344
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	<u>132,732</u>

1	Special funds	<u>15,463</u>
2	Federal funds	403,573
3	Global Commitment fund	319,247,576
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>50,000</u>
5	Total	319,849,344
6	Sec. B.334 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - TBI home and	
7	community based waiver	
8	Grants	<u>6,639,205</u>
9	Total	6,639,205
10	Source of funds	
11	Global Commitment fund	<u>6,639,205</u>
12	Total	6,639,205
13	Sec. B.334.1 Disabilities, aging and independent living - Long Term Care	
14	Grants	<u>290,411,445</u>
15	Total	290,411,445
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	498,579
18	Federal funds	2,450,000
19	Global Commitment fund	<u>287,462,866</u>
20	Total	290,411,445

1	Sec. B.335 Corrections - administration	
2	Personal services	5,025,978
3	Operating expenses	<u>266,783</u>
4	Total	5,292,761
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>5,292,761</u>
7	Total	5,292,761
8	Sec. B.336 Corrections - parole board	
9	Personal services	475,099
10	Operating expenses	<u>59,692</u>
11	Total	534,791
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	<u>534,791</u>
14	Total	534,791
15	Sec. B.337 Corrections - correctional education	
16	Personal services	3,979,310
17	Operating expenses	<u>252,649</u>
18	Total	4,231,959
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	4,082,899
21	Federal funds	270

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>148,784</u>
2	Total	4,231,959
3	Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services	
4	Personal services	146,811,338
5	Operating expenses	<u>24,914,205</u>
6	Total	171,725,543
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	162,147,122
9	Special funds	935,963
10	ARPA State Fiscal	5,000,000
11	Federal funds	499,888
12	Global Commitment fund	2,746,255
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>396,315</u>
14	Total	171,725,543
15	Sec. B.338.1 Corrections - Justice Reinvestment II	
16	Grants	<u>10,659,519</u>
17	Total	10,659,519
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	8,081,831
20	Federal funds	13,147
21	Global Commitment fund	<u>2,564,541</u>

1	Total	<u>10,650,510</u>
2	Sec. B.339 Corrections - Correctional services-out of state beds	
3	Personal services	<u>4,130,378</u>
4	Total	4,130,378
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>4,130,378</u>
7	Total	4,130,378
8	Sec. B.340 Corrections - correctional facilities - recreation	
9	Personal services	634,972
10	Operating expenses	<u>456,715</u>
11	Total	1,091,687
12	Source of funds	
13	Special funds	<u>1,091,687</u>
14	Total	1,091,687
15	Sec. B.341 Corrections - Vermont offender work program	
16	Personal services	324,103
17	Operating expenses	<u>166,750</u>
18	Total	490,853
19	Source of funds	
20	Internal service funds	<u>490,853</u>
21	Total	490,853

1	Sec. B.342 Vermont veterans' home care and support services	
2	Personal services	17,631,222
3	Operating expenses	<u>5,013,462</u>
4	Total	22,644,684
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	4,320,687
7	Special funds	10,051,903
8	Federal funds	<u>8,272,094</u>
9	Total	22,644,684
10	Sec. B.343 Commission on women	
11	Personal services	398,669
12	Operating expenses	<u>93,837</u>
13	Total	492,506
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	487,998
16	Special funds	<u>4,508</u>
17	Total	492,506
18	Sec. B.344 Retired senior volunteer program	
19	Grants	<u>160,155</u>
20	Total	160,155

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	<u>160,155</u>
3	Total	160,155
4	Sec. B.345 Green Mountain Care Board	
5	Personal services	8,396,809
6	Operating expenses	<u>398,601</u>
7	Total	8,795,410
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	3,494,109
10	Special funds	<u>5,301,301</u>
11	Total	8,795,410
12	Sec. B.346 Office of the Child, Youth, and Family Advocate	
13	Personal services	342,966
14	Operating expenses	<u>88,820</u>
15	Total	431,786
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	<u>431,786</u>
18	Total	431,786
19	Sec. B.347 Total human services	
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	<u>1,325,002,762</u>

1	Special funds	202,445,452
2	Tobacco fund	23,088,208
3	State health care resources fund	28,053,557
4	ARPA State Fiscal	5,000,000
5	Federal funds	1,792,353,764
6	Global Commitment fund	1,961,398,099
7	Internal service funds	490,853
8	Interdepartmental transfers	32,893,535
9	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
10	Total	5,370,751,230
11	Sec. B.400 Labor - programs	
12	Personal services	39,963,839
13	Operating expenses	5,708,836
14	Grants	<u>9,199,639</u>
15	Total	54,872,314
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	10,916,365
18	Special funds	9,407,107
19	Federal funds	34,261,616
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>287,226</u>
21	Total	54,872,314

1	Sec. B.401 Total labor	
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	10,916,365
4	Special funds	9,407,107
5	Federal funds	34,261,616
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>287,226</u>
7	Total	54,872,314
8	Sec. B.500 Education - finance and administration	
9	Personal services	21,961,664
10	Operating expenses	4,484,934
11	Grants	<u>14,770,700</u>
12	Total	41,217,298
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	7,192,085
15	Special funds	16,618,543
16	Education fund	3,486,988
17	Federal funds	13,154,385
18	Global Commitment fund	260,000
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>505,297</u>
20	Total	41,217,298

1	Sec. B.501 Education - education services	
2	Personal services	27,987,700
3	Operating expenses	1,134,912
4	Grants	<u>322,345,763</u>
5	Total	351,468,375
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	6,137,955
8	Special funds	3,033,144
9	Tobacco fund	750,388
10	Federal funds	340,584,414
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>962,474</u>
12	Total	351,468,375
13	Sec. B.502 Education - special education: formula grants	
14	Grants	<u>264,649,859</u>
15	Total	264,649,859
16	Source of funds	
17	Education fund	<u>264,649,859</u>
18	Total	264,649,859
19	Sec. B.503 Education - state-placed students	
20	Grants	<u>20,000,000</u>
21	Total	20,000,000

1	Source of funds	
2	Education fund	<u>20,000,000</u>
3	Total	20,000,000
4	Sec. B.504 Education - adult education and literacy	
5	Grants	<u>4,694,183</u>
6	Total	4,694,183
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	3,778,133
9	Federal funds	<u>916,050</u>
10	Total	4,694,183
11	Sec. B.504.1 Education - Flexible Pathways	
12	Grants	<u>10,361,755</u>
13	Total	10,361,755
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	921,500
16	Education fund	<u>9,440,255</u>
17	Total	10,361,755
18	Sec. B.505 Education - adjusted education payment	
19	Grants	<u>1,918,951,000</u>
20	Total	1,918,951,000

1	Source of funds	
2	Education fund	<u>1,918,951,000</u>
3	Total	1,918,951,000
4	Sec. B.506 Education - transportation	
5	Grants	<u>25,306,000</u>
6	Total	25,306,000
7	Source of funds	
8	Education fund	<u>25,306,000</u>
9	Total	25,306,000
10	Sec. B.507 Education – Merger Support Grants	
11	Grants	<u>3,000,000</u>
12	Total	3,000,000
13	Source of funds	
14	Education fund	<u>3,000,000</u>
15	Total	3,000,000
16	Sec. B.508 Education - nutrition	
17	Grants	<u>24,000,000</u>
18	Total	24,000,000
19	Source of funds	
20	Education fund	<u>24,000,000</u>
21	Total	24,000,000

1	Sec. B.500 Education - Afterschool Grant Program	
2	Personal services	500,000
3	Grants	<u>3,500,000</u>
4	Total	4,000,000
5	Source of funds	
6	Special funds	<u>4,000,000</u>
7	Total	4,000,000
8	Sec. B.510 Education - essential early education grant	
9	Grants	<u>8,725,587</u>
10	Total	8,725,587
11	Source of funds	
12	Education fund	<u>8,725,587</u>
13	Total	8,725,587
14	Sec. B.511 Education - technical education	
15	Grants	<u>17,881,950</u>
16	Total	17,881,950
17	Source of funds	
18	Education fund	<u>17,881,950</u>
19	Total	17,881,950
20	Sec. B.511.1 State Board of Education	
21	 Personal services	54,208

1	Operating expenses	<u>16,500</u>
2	Total	70,708
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	<u>70,708</u>
5	Total	70,708
6	Sec. B.513 Retired Teachers Pension Plus Funding	
7	Grants	<u>12,000,000</u>
8	Total	12,000,000
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	<u>12,000,000</u>
11	Total	12,000,000
12	Sec. B.514 State teachers' retirement system	
13	Grants	<u>191,382,703</u>
14	Total	191,382,703
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	155,384,035
17	Education fund	<u>35,998,668</u>
18	Total	191,382,703
19	Sec. B.514.1 State teachers' retirement system administration	
20	Personal services	349,579
21	Operating expenses	<u>3,222,801</u>

1	Total	<u>3,572,780</u>
2	Source of funds	
3	Pension trust funds	<u>3,572,780</u>
4	Total	3,572,780
5	Sec. B.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits	
6	Grants	<u>62,107,644</u>
7	Total	62,107,644
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	43,031,103
10	Education fund	<u>19,076,541</u>
11	Total	62,107,644
12	Sec. B.516 Total general education	
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	228,515,519
15	Special funds	23,651,687
16	Tobacco fund	750,388
17	Education fund	2,350,516,848
18	Federal funds	354,654,849
19	Global Commitment fund	260,000
20	Interdepartmental transfers	1,467,771
21	Pension trust funds	<u>3,572,780</u>

1	Total	<u>2,063,380,812</u>
2	Sec. B.600 University of Vermont	
3	Grants	<u>55,706,897</u>
4	Total	55,706,897
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>55,706,897</u>
7	Total	55,706,897
8	Sec. B.602 Vermont state colleges	
9	Grants	<u>49,440,478</u>
10	Total	49,440,478
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	<u>49,440,478</u>
13	Total	49,440,478
14	Sec. B.603 Vermont state colleges - allied health	
15	Grants	<u>1,788,434</u>
16	Total	1,788,434
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	288,434
19	Global Commitment fund	<u>1,500,000</u>
20	Total	<u>1,788,434</u>

1	Sec. B.605 Vermont student assistance corporation	
2	 Grants	<u>26,139,946</u>
3	 Total	26,139,946
4	 Source of funds	
5	 General fund	<u>26,139,946</u>
6	 Total	26,139,946
7	Sec. B.605.1 VSAC - Flexible Pathways Stipend	
8	 Grants	<u>82,450</u>
9	 Total	82,450
10	 Source of funds	
11	 General fund	41,225
12	 Education fund	<u>41,225</u>
13	 Total	82,450
14	Sec. B.606 New England higher education compact	
15	 Grants	<u>86,520</u>
16	 Total	86,520
17	 Source of funds	
18	 General fund	<u>86,520</u>
19	 Total	86,520
20	Sec. B.607 University of Vermont - Morgan Horse Farm	
21	 Grants	<u>1</u>

1	Total	1
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	<u>1</u>
4	Total	1
5	Sec. B.608 Total higher education	
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	131,703,501
8	Education fund	41,225
9	Global Commitment fund	<u>1,500,000</u>
10	Total	133,244,726
11	Sec. B.700 Natural resources - agency of natural resources - administration	
12	Personal services	6,006,412
13	Operating expenses	<u>1,475,166</u>
14	Total	7,481,578
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	5,129,356
17	Special funds	775,079
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,577,143</u>
19	Total	7,481,578
20	Sec. B.701 Natural resources - state land local property tax assessment	
21	Operating expenses	<u>2,689,176</u>

1	Total	2,689,176
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	2,267,676
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>421,500</u>
5	Total	2,689,176
6	Sec. B.702 Fish and wildlife - support and field services	
7	Personal services	22,597,844
8	Operating expenses	6,843,095
9	Grants	<u>853,066</u>
10	Total	30,294,005
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	8,267,967
13	Special funds	365,427
14	Fish and wildlife fund	10,418,331
15	Federal funds	9,751,683
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,490,597</u>
17	Total	30,294,005
18	Sec. B.703 Forests, parks and recreation - administration	
19	Personal services	1,347,215
20	Operating expenses	<u>1,658,062</u>
21	Total	3,005,877

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	2,867,366
3	Special funds	<u>138,511</u>
4	Total	3,005,877
5	Sec. B.704 Forests, parks and recreation - forestry	
6	Personal services	7,880,566
7	Operating expenses	1,005,046
8	Grants	<u>1,712,423</u>
9	Total	10,598,035
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	6,299,512
12	Special funds	547,215
13	Federal funds	3,394,931
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>356,377</u>
15	Total	10,598,035
16	Sec. B.705 Forests, parks and recreation - state parks	
17	Personal services	13,141,062
18	Operating expenses	5,355,506
19	Grants	<u>50,000</u>
20	Total	18,746,568

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	961,122
3	Special funds	<u>17,785,446</u>
4	Total	18,746,568
5	Sec. B.706 Forests, parks and recreation - lands administration and recreation	
6	Personal services	3,209,865
7	Operating expenses	7,721,058
8	Grants	<u>3,729,759</u>
9	Total	14,660,682
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	1,179,068
12	Special funds	2,283,759
13	Federal funds	10,802,370
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>395,485</u>
15	Total	14,660,682
16	Sec. B.708 Forests, parks and recreation - forest and parks access roads	
17	Personal services	130,000
18	Operating expenses	<u>99,925</u>
19	Total	229,925
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	<u>229,925</u>

1	Total	220,925
2	Sec. B.709 Environmental conservation - management and support services	
3	Personal services	9,077,579
4	Operating expenses	4,811,255
5	Grants	<u>122,735</u>
6	Total	14,011,569
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	2,118,575
9	Special funds	794,867
10	Federal funds	2,164,711
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>8,933,416</u>
12	Total	14,011,569
13	Sec. B.710 Environmental conservation - air and waste management	
14	Personal services	27,995,328
15	Operating expenses	10,788,954
16	Grants	<u>4,943,000</u>
17	Total	43,727,282
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	199,372
20	Special funds	24,643,380
21	Federal funds	<u>18,880,004</u>

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>84,266</u>
2	Total	43,727,282
3	Sec. B.711 Environmental conservation - office of water programs	
4	Personal services	48,528,806
5	Operating expenses	8,362,915
6	Grants	<u>92,365,140</u>
7	Total	149,256,861
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	10,262,629
10	Special funds	30,967,150
11	Federal funds	107,154,542
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>872,540</u>
13	Total	149,256,861
14	Sec. B.713 Natural resources board	
15	Personal services	3,313,829
16	Operating expenses	<u>421,198</u>
17	Total	3,735,027
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	760,232
20	Special funds	<u>2,974,795</u>
21	Total	3,735,027

1	Sec. B.714 Total natural resources	
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	40,542,800
4	Special funds	81,275,829
5	Fish and wildlife fund	10,418,331
6	Federal funds	152,068,301
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>14,131,324</u>
8	Total	298,436,585
9	Sec. B.800 Commerce and community development - agency of commerce	
10	and community development - administration	
11	Personal services	2,368,443
12	Operating expenses	839,383
13	Grants	<u>389,320</u>
14	Total	3,597,146
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	<u>3,597,146</u>
17	Total	3,597,146
18	Sec. B.801 Economic development	
19	Personal services	4,612,442
20	Operating expenses	1,215,003
21	Grants	<u>6,539,044</u>

1	Total	12,367,089
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	5,701,138
4	Special funds	820,850
5	Federal funds	4,021,428
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,823,673</u>
7	Total	12,367,089
8	Sec. B.802 Housing and community development	
9	Personal services	7,645,042
10	Operating expenses	910,983
11	Grants	<u>23,978,656</u>
12	Total	32,534,681
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	5,365,841
15	Special funds	8,702,439
16	Federal funds	14,615,349
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>3,851,052</u>
18	Total	32,534,681
19	Sec. B.806 Tourism and marketing	
20	Personal services	5,332,723
21	Operating expenses	<u>6,090,577</u>

1	Grants	<u>3,920,000</u>
2	Total	15,343,300
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	4,785,247
5	Federal funds	10,483,053
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>75,000</u>
7	Total	15,343,300
8	Sec. B.808 Vermont council on the arts	
9	Grants	<u>973,848</u>
10	Total	973,848
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	<u>973,848</u>
13	Total	973,848
14	Sec. B.809 Vermont symphony orchestra	
15	Grants	<u>149,680</u>
16	Total	149,680
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	<u>149,680</u>
19	Total	149,680
20	Sec. B.810 Vermont historical society	
21	Grants	<u>1,155,040</u>

1	Total	<u>1,135,640</u>
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	<u>1,135,640</u>
4	Total	1,135,640
5	Sec. B.811 Vermont housing and conservation board	
6	Grants	<u>82,283,351</u>
7	Total	82,283,351
8	Source of funds	
9	Special funds	25,607,155
10	Federal funds	<u>56,676,196</u>
11	Total	82,283,351
12	Sec. B.812 Vermont humanities council	
13	Grants	<u>309,000</u>
14	Total	309,000
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	<u>309,000</u>
17	Total	309,000
18	Sec. B.813 Total commerce and community development	
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	22,017,340
21	Special funds	<u>35,130,444</u>

1	Federal funds	85,706,026
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>5,749,725</u>
3	Total	148,693,735
4	Sec. B.900 Transportation - finance and administration	
5	Personal services	18,099,986
6	Operating expenses	6,108,609
7	Grants	<u>350,000</u>
8	Total	24,558,595
9	Source of funds	
10	Transportation fund	23,202,105
11	Federal funds	<u>1,356,490</u>
12	Total	24,558,595
13	Sec. B.901 Transportation - aviation	
14	Personal services	3,907,105
15	Operating expenses	17,194,905
16	Grants	<u>737,501</u>
17	Total	21,839,511
18	Source of funds	
19	Transportation fund	5,766,122
20	Federal funds	<u>16,073,389</u>
21	Total	21,839,511

1	Sec. B.902 Transportation - buildings	
2	Personal services	1,025,000
3	Operating expenses	<u>1,800,000</u>
4	Total	2,825,000
5	Source of funds	
6	Transportation fund	<u>2,825,000</u>
7	Total	2,825,000
8	Sec. B.903 Transportation - program development	
9	Personal services	82,232,854
10	Operating expenses	307,766,179
11	Grants	<u>30,605,814</u>
12	Total	420,604,847
13	Source of funds	
14	Transportation fund	65,845,147
15	TIB fund	14,726,719
16	Federal funds	334,397,149
17	Interdepartmental transfers	1,411,518
18	Local match	<u>4,224,314</u>
19	Total	420,604,847
20	Sec. B.904 Transportation - rest areas construction	
21	 Personal services	300,000

1	Operating expenses	<u>1,185,601</u>
2	Total	1,485,601
3	Source of funds	
4	Transportation fund	148,560
5	Federal funds	<u>1,337,041</u>
6	Total	1,485,601
7	Sec. B.905 Transportation - maintenance state system	
8	Personal services	42,757,951
9	Operating expenses	<u>63,840,546</u>
10	Total	106,598,497
11	Source of funds	
12	Transportation fund	105,566,483
13	Federal funds	932,014
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>100,000</u>
15	Total	106,598,497
16	Sec. B.906 Transportation - policy and planning	
17	Personal services	4,108,918
18	Operating expenses	942,444
19	Grants	<u>9,000,491</u>
20	Total	14,051,853

1	Source of funds	
2	Transportation fund	3,137,901
3	Federal funds	10,797,449
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>116,503</u>
5	Total	14,051,853
6	Sec. B.906.1 Transportation - Environmental Policy and Sustainability	
7	Personal services	6,953,362
8	Operating expenses	1,776,411
9	Grants	<u>1,480,000</u>
10	Total	10,209,773
11	Source of funds	
12	Transportation fund	531,909
13	Federal funds	8,500,327
14	Local match	<u>1,177,537</u>
15	Total	10,209,773
16	Sec. B.907 Transportation - rail	
17	Personal services	5,734,768
18	Operating expenses	<u>13,012,063</u>
19	Total	48,746,831
20	Source of funds	
21	Transportation fund	15,690,849

1	Federal funds	<u>30,641,237</u>
2	Interdepartmental transfers	2,196,000
3	Local match	<u>218,745</u>
4	Total	48,746,831
5	Sec. B.908 Transportation - public transit	
6	Personal services	4,612,631
7	Operating expenses	119,894
8	Grants	<u>50,207,700</u>
9	Total	54,940,225
10	Source of funds	
11	Transportation fund	9,807,525
12	Federal funds	44,992,700
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>140,000</u>
14	Total	54,940,225
15	Sec. B.909 Transportation - central garage	
16	Personal services	5,480,920
17	Operating expenses	<u>17,470,315</u>
18	Total	22,951,235
19	Source of funds	
20	Internal service funds	<u>22,951,235</u>
21	Total	22,951,235

1	Sec. B.910 Department of motor vehicles	
2	Personal services	33,713,124
3	Operating expenses	<u>13,549,772</u>
4	Total	47,262,896
5	Source of funds	
6	Transportation fund	44,454,119
7	Federal funds	2,687,081
8	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>121,696</u>
9	Total	47,262,896
10	Sec. B.911 Transportation - town highway structures	
11	Grants	<u>8,416,000</u>
12	Total	8,416,000
13	Source of funds	
14	Transportation fund	<u>8,416,000</u>
15	Total	8,416,000
16	Sec. B.912 Transportation - town highway local technical assistance program	
17	Personal services	449,763
18	Operating expenses	<u>31,689</u>
19	Total	481,452
20	Source of funds	
21	Transportation fund	<u>121,452</u>

1	Federal funds	<u>360,000</u>
2	Total	481,452
3	Sec. B.913 Transportation - town highway class 2 roadway	
4	Grants	<u>8,858,000</u>
5	Total	8,858,000
6	Source of funds	
7	Transportation fund	<u>8,858,000</u>
8	Total	8,858,000
9	Sec. B.914 Transportation - town highway bridges	
10	Personal services	12,185,000
11	Operating expenses	<u>33,149,278</u>
12	Total	45,334,278
13	Source of funds	
14	TIB fund	3,973,281
15	Federal funds	39,264,097
16	Local match	<u>2,096,900</u>
17	Total	45,334,278
18	Sec. B.915 Transportation - town highway aid program	
19	Grants	<u>29,532,753</u>
20	Total	29,532,753

1	Source of funds	
2	Transportation fund	<u>29,532,753</u>
3	Total	29,532,753
4	Sec. B.916 Transportation - town highway class 1 supplemental grants	
5	Grants	<u>128,750</u>
6	Total	128,750
7	Source of funds	
8	Transportation fund	<u>128,750</u>
9	Total	128,750
10	Sec. B.917 Transportation - town highway: state aid for nonfederal disasters	
11	Grants	<u>1,150,000</u>
12	Total	1,150,000
13	Source of funds	
14	Transportation fund	<u>1,150,000</u>
15	Total	1,150,000
16	Sec. B.918 Transportation - town highway: state aid for federal disasters	
17	Personal services	25,000
18	Grants	<u>155,000</u>
19	Total	180,000
20	Source of funds	
21	Transportation fund	<u>20,000</u>

1	Federal funds	<u>160,000</u>
2	Total	180,000
3	Sec. B.919 Transportation - municipal mitigation assistance program	
4	Personal services	125,000
5	Operating expenses	280,000
6	Grants	<u>6,738,000</u>
7	Total	7,143,000
8	Source of funds	
9	Transportation funds	715,000
10	Special funds	5,000,000
11	Federal funds	<u>1,428,000</u>
12	Total	7,143,000
13	Sec. B.920 Transportation - public assistance grant program	
14	Operating expenses	200,000
15	Grants	<u>1,050,000</u>
16	Total	1,250,000
17	Source of funds	
18	Special funds	50,000
19	Federal funds	1,000,000
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>200,000</u>
21	Total	1,250,000

1	Sec. B.921 Transportation board	
2	Personal services	176,315
3	Operating expenses	<u>23,782</u>
4	Total	200,097
5	Source of funds	
6	Transportation fund	<u>200,097</u>
7	Total	200,097
8	Sec. B.922 Total transportation	
9	Source of funds	
10	Transportation fund	326,117,772
11	TIB fund	18,700,000
12	Special funds	5,050,000
13	Federal funds	486,626,974
14	Internal service funds	22,951,235
15	Interdepartmental transfers	4,285,717
16	Local match	<u>7,717,496</u>
17	Total	871,449,194
18	Sec. B.1000 Debt service	
19	Operating expenses	<u>675,000</u>
20	Total	<u>675,000</u>

1 ~~(1) \$1,000,000 General Fund for start-up costs related to the psychiatric~~
2 ~~youth inpatient facility funded by 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec.~~

3 ~~B.1105(b)(4); and~~

4 ~~(2) \$482,789 Global Commitment to support mental health urgent care~~
5 ~~centers.~~

6 ~~(A) On or before January 15, 2025, the Department of Mental Health~~
7 ~~shall report to the House Committees on Health Care and on Appropriations~~
8 ~~and the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and on Appropriations with~~
9 ~~data regarding each independent urgent care center and the Department's~~
10 ~~recommendations regarding continued funding needs.~~

11 ~~(d) Vermont Department of Health. In fiscal year 2025, funds are~~
12 ~~appropriated for the following:~~

13 ~~(1) \$1,060,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund for a program~~
14 ~~administered by Vermont's 13 recovery centers in collaboration with the~~
15 ~~Department of Corrections to provide recovery support to those in correctional~~
16 ~~facilities, post-incarceration, and involved in probation and parole;~~

17 ~~(2) \$1,000,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund for grants to providers~~
18 ~~to establish community-based stabilization beds for individuals transitioning~~
19 ~~between substance use disorder residential treatment and the recovery system;~~

20 ~~(3) \$800,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund for grants to providers for~~
21 ~~ongoing support for contingency management,~~

- 1 ~~(4) \$795,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund for prevention coalitions;~~
- 2 ~~(5) \$714,481 Opioid Abatement Special Fund to expand Student~~
- 3 ~~Assistance Professional and school-based services;~~
- 4 ~~(6) \$325,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund for recovery housing~~
- 5 ~~supports;~~
- 6 ~~(7) \$300,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund for a grant to Johnson~~
- 7 ~~Health Center and Vermonters for Criminal Justice Reform to establish a~~
- 8 ~~managed medical response partnership for individuals with substance use~~
- 9 ~~disorder;~~
- 10 ~~(8) \$835,073 General Fund for the Bridges to Health program; and~~
- 11 ~~(9) \$400,000 General Fund for the Vermont Household Health~~
- 12 ~~Insurance Survey.~~
- 13 ~~(e) Department for Children and Families. In fiscal year 2025, funds are~~
- 14 ~~appropriated for the following:~~
- 15 ~~(1) \$16,500,000 General Fund for the General Assistance Emergency~~
- 16 ~~Housing program;~~
- 17 ~~(2) \$3,000,000 General Fund for the Family Service Division~~
- 18 ~~Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System;~~
- 19 ~~(3) \$1,034,065 General Fund to extend 10 Economic Services Division~~
- 20 ~~limited service positions, including associated operating costs, in support of~~
- 21 ~~the General Assistance Emergency Housing program, and~~

1 (4) \$222,000 General Fund for a 2-1-1 service line contract

2 (f) Vermont State University. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated
3 for the following:

4 (1) \$10,000,000 General Fund for deficit reduction and systems
5 transformation bridge funding; and

6 (2) \$1,000,000 General Fund for the Community College of Vermont
7 Tuition Advantage Program.

8 (g) Department of Environmental Conservation. In fiscal year 2025, funds
9 are appropriated for the following:

10 (1) \$500,000 General Fund to be used as State match for the federal
11 Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) Winooski Study; and

12 (2) \$2,000,000 General Fund to continue the Healthy Homes Initiative.

13 (h) Department of Economic Development. In fiscal year 2025, funds are
14 appropriated for the following:

15 (1) \$150,000 General Fund for continued funding of the International
16 Business Office previously funded by 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec.

17 G.300(b)(1).

18 (i) Department of Housing and Community Development. In fiscal year
19 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

20 (1) \$1,000,000 General Fund for the Manufactured Home Improvement
21 and Repair Program.

1 ~~(j) Agency of Transportation. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated~~
2 ~~for the following:~~

3 ~~(1) \$1,700,000 Transportation Fund for the purpose of providing grants~~
4 ~~to increase access to level 1 and 2 electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE)~~
5 ~~charging ports at workplaces and multiunit dwelling places; and~~

6 ~~(2) \$140,000 Transportation Fund for the purpose of providing grants as~~
7 ~~part of the eBike Incentive Program.~~

8 ~~(k) Secretary of State. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the~~
9 ~~following:~~

10 ~~(1) \$1,000,000 General Fund to support the Vermont Access Network;~~

11 ~~(2) \$300,000 General Fund to support the costs of elections in calendar~~
12 ~~year 2024; and~~

13 ~~(3) \$67,000 General Fund to the Office of Professional Regulation to~~
14 ~~support the administrative work necessary to implement newly joined~~
15 ~~interstate compacts.~~

16 ~~(l) Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation. In fiscal year 2025, funds~~
17 ~~are appropriated for the following:~~

18 ~~(1) \$1,000,000 General Fund for the pilot expansion of the Water~~
19 ~~Quality Assistance Program to provide financial assistance to logging~~
20 ~~contractors.~~

1 ~~(m) Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets. In fiscal year 2025, funds~~
2 ~~are appropriated for the following:~~

3 ~~(1) \$450,000 General Fund for a grant to the Northeast Organic~~
4 ~~Farming Association of Vermont for the Crop Cash, Crop Cash Plus, and Farm~~
5 ~~Share programs.~~

6 ~~(n) Agency of Human Services. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated~~
7 ~~for the following:~~

8 ~~(1) \$206,199 General Fund and \$276,590 federal funds for Global~~
9 ~~Commitment match to support mental health urgent care centers.~~

10 Sec. B.1101 FISCAL YEAR 2024 VACANCY SAVINGS

11 ~~(a) In fiscal year 2025, the Secretary of Administration shall reduce~~
12 ~~appropriations for labor savings due to unfilled vacant positions within the~~
13 ~~Executive Branch. The Secretary of Administration shall provide status~~
14 ~~reports to the Joint Fiscal Committee on achievement of this base reduction at~~
15 ~~meetings in July, September, and November of 2024. The Commissioner of~~
16 ~~Finance and Management is authorized to transfer other funds saved as a result~~
17 ~~of these initiatives to the General Fund in fiscal year 2025:~~

18 ~~General Fund~~ ~~\$5,000,000~~

19 Sec. B.1101.1 TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMISSION

20 ~~(a) In fiscal year 2025, \$1,100,000 General Fund is appropriated to the~~
21 ~~Truth and Reconciliation Commission.~~

1 ~~Sec. B.1102 UNOBLIGATED GENERAL FUND CONTINGENT~~

2 APPROPRIATIONS

(a) ~~After satisfying the requirements of 32 V.S.A. § 308, but prior to satisfying the requirements of 32 V.S.A. § 308c, the remaining unobligated and unexpended balance of the General Fund at the close of fiscal year 2024 shall *carry forward and* be appropriated in fiscal year 2025 as follows:~~

3 (1) ~~\$20,000,000 to the Department for Children and Families for the~~
4 ~~General Assistance Emergency Housing program; and~~

5 (2) ~~\$3,500,000 to the Department of Public Safety Flood Resilient~~
6 ~~Communities Fund that shall be used for grants to residential or commercial~~
7 ~~structure elevation projects.~~

8 Sec. B.1103 CASH FUND FOR CAPITAL AND ESSENTIAL

9 INVESTMENTS – FISCAL YEAR 2025 ONE-TIME

10 APPROPRIATIONS

11 (a) ~~In fiscal year 2025, \$9,550,000 is appropriated from the Capital~~
12 ~~Infrastructure sub account in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential~~
13 ~~Investments for the following projects:~~

14 (1) ~~\$250,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and~~
15 ~~General Services for planning, reuse, and contingency;~~

16 (2) ~~\$2,300,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and~~
17 ~~General Services for parking garage repairs at 32 Cherry Street in Burlington,~~

1 ~~(3) \$1,500,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and~~
2 ~~General Services for the renovation of the interior HVAC steam lines at 120~~
3 ~~State Street in Montpelier;~~

4 ~~(4) \$850,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and~~
5 ~~General Services for the Judiciary for design, renovations, and land acquisition~~
6 ~~at the Washington County Superior Courthouse in Barre;~~

7 ~~(5) \$850,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and~~
8 ~~General Services for the Department of Public Safety for the planning and~~
9 ~~design of the Special Teams Facility and Storage;~~

10 ~~(6) \$850,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and~~
11 ~~General Services for the Department of Public Safety for the planning and~~
12 ~~design of the Rutland Field Station;~~

13 ~~(7) \$1,500,000 is appropriated to the Vermont Veterans' Home for the~~
14 ~~design and renovation of the Brandon and Cardinal units;~~

15 ~~(8) \$250,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and~~
16 ~~General Services for planning for the 133-109 State Street tunnel~~
17 ~~waterproofing and Aiken Avenue reconstruction;~~

18 ~~(9) \$200,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and~~
19 ~~General Services for the renovation of the stack area, HVAC upgrades, and the~~
20 ~~elevator replacement at 111 State Street, and~~

1 ~~(10) \$1,000,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and~~
2 General Services for roof replacement and brick façade repairs at the
3 McFarland State Office Building in Barre.

4 * * * Fiscal Year 2024 Adjustments, Appropriations, and Amendments * * *

5 Sec. C.100 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.318 is amended to read:

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

7 Personal services 5,670,999

8 Operating expenses 810,497

9 Grants 95,860,842 85,860,842

10 Total 102,342,338 92,342,338

11 Source of funds

12 General fund 35,016,309 25,016,309

13 Special funds 16,745,000

14 Federal funds 37,419,258

15 Global Commitment fund 13,161,771

16 Total 102,342,338 92,342,338

17 Sec. C.101 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.1100 is amended to read:

18 Sec. B.1100 MISCELLANEOUS FISCAL YEAR 2024 ONE-TIME

19 APPROPRIATIONS

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1 ~~(c) Department for Children and Families. In fiscal year 2024, funds are~~
2 appropriated for the following:

3 * * *

4 (13) \$500,000 General Fund and \$500,000 federal funds for information
5 technology implementation to support the Summer EBT nutritional benefit
6 program.

7 * * *

8 Sec. C.102 GLOBAL COMMITMENT WAIVER AMENDMENT

9 (a) The Secretary of Human Services is authorized to request to amend
10 Vermont's Global Commitment to Health Section 1115 Demonstration Waiver
11 to make changes necessary to comply with federal Home and Community-
12 Based Services Conflict of Interest requirements, as well as to seek approval of
13 Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) federal funds for certain room
14 and board payments and rental assistance not currently eligible for FMAP.

15 Sec. C.103 GLOBAL COMMITMENT INVESTMENT; HOME-

16 DELIVERED MEALS

17 (a) The Secretary of Human Services shall request approval from the
18 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for home-delivered meals that are
19 part of a participant's service plan of care and meet Vermont's area agencies
20 on aging's nutrition requirements in accordance with the Older Americans Act,
21 42 U.S.C. §§ 3001–3058ff to be a Global Commitment Investment.

1 ~~Sec. C.104.3 V.S.A. § 3091 is amended to read:~~

2 § 3091. HEARINGS

3 (a) An applicant for or a recipient of assistance, benefits, or social services
4 from the Department for Children and Families, of Vermont Health Access, of
5 Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living, ~~or of Mental Health, or of the~~
6 Department of Health's Women, Infant, and Children program, or an applicant
7 for a license from one of those departments, except for the Department of
8 Health, or a licensee may file a request for a fair hearing with the Human
9 Services Board. An opportunity for a fair hearing will be granted to any
10 individual requesting a hearing because ~~his or her~~ the individual's claim for
11 assistance, benefits, or services is denied, or is not acted upon with reasonable
12 promptness; or because the individual is aggrieved by any other Agency action
13 affecting ~~his or her~~ the individual's receipt of assistance, benefits, or services,
14 or license or license application; or because the individual is aggrieved by
15 Agency policy as it affects ~~his or her~~ the individual's situation.

16 * * *

17 Sec. C.105 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. E.104.1 is amended to read:

18 Sec. E.104.1 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT;

19 PENSION PLUS APPROPRIATION DIRECTIVE

20 (a) In fiscal year 2024, and in each applicable year thereafter, funds
21 appropriated to the Department of Finance and Management and the Agency

1 ~~of Administration in Sec. B.104.1 of this act to fund additional payments to~~
2 the Vermont State Retirement System made pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 473(c)(8)
3 shall be directly deposited in the Vermont State Retirement System.

4 * * *

5 Sec. C.106 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. E.107(d) is amended to read:

6 (d) Contributions of State. As provided by law, the Retirement Board shall
7 certify to the Governor or Governor-Elect a statement of the percentage of the
8 payroll of all members sufficient to pay for all operating expenses of the
9 Vermont State Retirement System and all contributions of the State that will
10 become due and payable during the next biennium. The contributions of the
11 State to pay the annual actuarially determined employer contribution ~~and any~~
12 ~~additional amounts pursuant to section (e)(c) of this section~~ shall be charged to
13 the departmental appropriation from which members' salaries are paid and
14 shall be included in each departmental budgetary request. Annually, on or
15 before January 15, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall
16 provide to the General Assembly a breakdown of the components of the
17 payroll charge applied to each department's budget in the current fiscal year
18 and anticipated to apply in the upcoming fiscal year. This report shall itemize
19 the percentages of payroll assessments to fund:

20 (1) the actuarially determined employer contribution to the Vermont

21 ~~State Retirement System, and~~

1 ~~(2) any additional payments made pursuant to subdivision (e)(2) of this~~
2 ~~section to the Vermont State Retirement System; and the employer~~
3 ~~contribution to the State Employees' Postemployment Benefits Trust Fund~~
4 ~~made pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 479a(e)(3).~~

5 ~~(3) the employer contribution to the State Employees' Postemployment~~
6 ~~Benefits Trust Fund made pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 479a (e)(3).~~

7 Sec. C.107 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. E.900 is amended to read:

8 Sec. E.900 TRANSPORTATION FUND RESERVE – REVERSIONS

9 EXCLUDED

10 (a) ~~To calculate~~ For the purpose of calculating the fiscal year 2024
11 Transportation Fund Stabilization Reserve requirement of five percent of prior
12 year appropriations, Transportation Fund reversions of \$20,727,012 are
13 excluded from the fiscal year 2023 total appropriations amount.

14 Sec. C.108 CENTRAL GARAGE FUND

15 (a) Notwithstanding 19 V.S.A. § 13(c), the Transportation Fund transfer to
16 the Central Garage fund in fiscal year 2024 shall be \$0.

17 Sec. C.109 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec B.1102 is amended to read:

18 Sec. B.1102 AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT – FISCAL

19 YEAR 2024 ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS

20 (a) In fiscal year 2024, the amount of \$10,000,000 General Fund is
21 appropriated to the Department of Housing and Community Development for

1 ~~the Vermont Rental Housing Improvement Program established in 10 V.S.A.~~

2 § 699. The Department may use up to five percent for administrative costs to
3 allow for the support of the grant program and technical assistance.

4 * * *

5 Sec. C.110 EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;
6 REVERSION AND REALLOCATION

7 (a) The Secretary of Administration is authorized to reallocate up to
8 \$5,000,000 of federal funds appropriated through the Emergency Rental
9 Assistance Program, as approved by the Joint Fiscal Committee pursuant to
10 Grant Request #3034, to existing State programs that meet the eligibility
11 criteria established by U.S. Treasury.

12 (b) To the extent the reallocations in subsection (a) of this section may
13 offset General Fund expenditures already incurred, the Commissioner of
14 Finance and Management is authorized to reallocate an equivalent amount of
15 General Fund spending authority to support programs established through
16 Grant Request #3034 and subsequent Emergency Rental Assistance Program
17 grant approvals by the Joint Fiscal Committee.

18 Sec. C.111 SUPPLEMENTAL NONEMERGENCY MEDICAID

19 ~~TRANSPORTATION FUNDING, REVERSION~~

1 ~~(a) Of the funds appropriated to the Agency of Human Services in 2023~~
2 ~~Act and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.1100(1)(3), the sum of \$560,000 is reverted~~
3 ~~to the General Fund and shall be appropriated in fiscal year 2024 as follows:~~

4 ~~(1) \$1,311,168 in Global Commitment Fund dollars is appropriated to~~
5 ~~the Department of Vermont Health Access in fiscal year 2024 as supplemental~~
6 ~~funding for nonemergency medical transportation services to address the~~
7 ~~urgent financial needs of the Department's contracted nonemergency medical~~
8 ~~transportation service providers.~~

9 ~~(A) The sum of \$560,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to~~
10 ~~the Agency of Human Services, Global Commitment appropriation in fiscal~~
11 ~~year 2024 for the State match for the supplemental nonemergency medical~~
12 ~~transportation funding.~~

13 ~~(B) The sum of \$751,168 in federal funds is appropriated to the~~
14 ~~Agency of Human Services, Global Commitment appropriation in fiscal year~~
15 ~~2024 for the supplemental nonemergency medical transportation funding.~~

16 ~~(2) The Department of Vermont Health Access shall report on its new~~
17 ~~payment methodology for nonemergency medical transportation and the~~
18 ~~estimated costs of providing nonemergency medical transportation to Medicaid~~
19 ~~beneficiaries in fiscal year 2026 under that methodology as part of the~~
20 ~~Department's fiscal year 2025 budget adjustment presentation.~~

1 ~~Sec. C.112, 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec. 4(b) is amended to read:~~

2 ~~(b) Appropriation. The sum of \$500,000.00 is appropriated from the~~
3 ~~General Fund to the Secretary of State in fiscal year 2024 for the purpose of~~
4 ~~offsetting election costs incurred by school districts pursuant to this section or~~
5 ~~the provisions of 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 1. To the extent to which these~~
6 ~~funds remain unobligated and unexpended at the end of fiscal year 2024, they~~
7 ~~shall carry forward and be used for election costs in fiscal year 2025.~~

8 ~~Sec. C.113, 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 22, Sec. 14 is amended to read:~~

9 ~~Sec. 14. APPROPRIATION, OPIOID ABATEMENT SPECIAL FUND~~

10 ~~In fiscal year 2023, the following monies shall be appropriated from the~~
11 ~~Opioid Abatement Special Fund pursuant to 18 V.S.A. § 4774:~~

12 ~~(1) \$1,980,000.00 for the expansion of naloxone distribution efforts,~~
13 ~~including establishing harm reduction vending machines, home delivery and~~
14 ~~mail-order options, and expanding the harm reduction pack and leave behind~~
15 ~~kit programs;~~

16 ~~(2)(A) ~~\$2,000,000.00~~ \$1,500,000 divided equally between four opioid~~
17 ~~treatment programs to cover costs associated with partnering with other health~~
18 ~~care providers to expand satellite locations for the dosing of medications,~~
19 ~~including costs associated with the satellite locations' physical facilities, staff~~
20 ~~time at the satellite locations, and staff time at opioid treatment programs to~~
21 ~~prepare medications and coordinate with satellite locations,~~

1 ~~(B) the satellite locations established pursuant to this subdivision~~

2 ~~(2)(1) shall be located in Addison County, eastern or southern Vermont,~~
3 ~~Chittenden County, and in a facility operated by the Department of~~
4 ~~Corrections.~~

5 ~~(2) \$500,000 to expand the hours and operations of the Howard Center's~~
6 ~~Chittenden Clinic Addiction Treatment Center;~~

7 * * *

8 Sec. C.114 APPROPRIATION; EVIDENCE BASED EDUCATION AND
9 ADVERTISING FUND

10 ~~(a) \$1,980,000 is appropriated from the Evidence-Based Education and~~
11 ~~Advertising Fund for the expansion of buprenorphine distribution efforts, including~~
12 ~~establishing harm reduction vending machines, home delivery and mail order~~
13 ~~options, and expanding the harm reduction pack and leave behind kit~~
14 ~~programs.~~

15 Sec. C.115 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.1105 is amended to read:

16 Sec. B.1105 CASH FUND FOR CAPITAL AND ESSENTIAL
17 INVESTMENTS – FISCAL YEAR 2024 ONE-TIME
18 APPROPRIATIONS

19 (a) In fiscal year 2024, ~~\$17,685,000~~ \$15,435,000 is appropriated from the
20 Capital Infrastructure sub account in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential
21 ~~Investments for the following projects.~~

1
2 (7) \$600,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and
3 General Services for planning for the boiler replacement at the Northern State
4 Correctional Facility in Newport; [Repealed.]

5 * * *

6 (9) \$600,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and
7 General Services for the Agency of Human Services for the planning and
8 design of the booking expansion at the Northwest State Correctional Facility;
9 [Repealed.]

10 (10) \$1,000,000 \$750,000 is appropriated to the Department of
11 Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for the
12 planning and design of the Department for Children and Families' short-term
13 stabilization facility;

14 (11) \$750,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and
15 General Services for the Judiciary for design, renovations, and land acquisition
16 at the Washington County Superior Courthouse in Barre;

17 * * *

18 (16) \$4,000,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Natural Resources for
19 the Department of Environmental Conservation for the Municipal Pollution
20 Control Grants for pollution control projects and planning advances for
21 feasibility studies, and

1 ~~(17) \$3,000,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Natural Resources for~~
2 the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for the maintenance facilities
3 at the Gifford Woods State Park and Groton State Forest; and

4 ~~(18) \$800,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Natural Resources for~~
5 the Department of Fish and Wildlife for infrastructure maintenance and
6 improvements of the Department's buildings, including conservation camps.

7 (b) In fiscal year 2024, ~~\$31,025,000~~ \$30,025,000 is appropriated from the
8 Other Infrastructure, Essential Investments, and Reserves subaccount in the
9 Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments for the following projects.
10 This funding is provided by the General Fund transfer in Sec. D.101 of this
11 act.

12 * * *

13 (3) ~~\$7,500,000~~ \$6,500,000 is appropriated to the Vermont State
14 Colleges for construction, renovation, and major maintenance at any facility
15 owned or operated in the State by the Vermont State Colleges; infrastructure
16 transformation planning; and the planning, design, and construction of Green
17 Hall and Vail Hall; and

18 * * *

19 * * * Fiscal Year 2025 Fund Transfers and Reserve Allocations * * *

20 ~~SEC. D.100 ALLOCATIONS, PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX~~

1 ~~(a) This act contains the following amounts allocated to special funds that~~
2 receive revenue from the property transfer tax. These allocations shall not
3 exceed available revenues.

4 (1) The sum of \$575,662 is allocated from the Current Use
5 Administration Special Fund to the Department of Taxes for administration of
6 the Use Tax Reimbursement Program. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 9610(c),
7 amounts in excess of \$575,662 from the property transfer tax deposited into
8 the Current Use Administration Special Fund shall be transferred into the
9 General Fund.

10 (2) Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 312, amounts in excess of \$22,106,740
11 from the property transfer tax and surcharge established by 32 V.S.A.
12 § 9602a deposited into the Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund
13 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)~~ pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 314 shall 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 fiscal year 2025 appropriation of
\$22,106,740 to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board reflects the
\$1,500,000 reduction. 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 the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board shall be
restored.

1 (3) Notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a), amounts in excess of
2 \$7,772,373 from the property transfer tax deposited into the Municipal and
3 Regional Planning Fund shall be transferred into the General Fund. The
4 \$7,772,373 shall be allocated as follows:

5 (A) \$6,404,540 for disbursement to regional planning commissions
6 in a manner consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b);

7 (B) \$931,773 for disbursement to municipalities in a manner
8 consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b); and

9 (C) \$436,060 to the Agency of Digital Services for the Vermont
10 Center for Geographic Information.

11 Sec. D.101 FUND TRANSFERS

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

14 (1) From the General Fund to the:

15 (A) General Obligation Bonds Debt Service Fund (#35100):

16 \$75,212,880

1 ~~(B) Capital Infrastructure Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital~~
2 ~~and Essential Investments Fund (#21952): \$6,688,747.63~~

3 ~~(C) Tax Computer System Modernization Fund (#21909):~~
4 ~~\$1,800,000~~

5 ~~(D) Fire Prevention/Building Inspection Special Fund (#21901):~~
6 ~~\$1,400,000~~

7 ~~(E) Enhanced 9-1-1 Board Fund (#21711): \$1,300,000~~

8 ~~(F) Unsafe Dam Revolving Loan Fund (#21960): \$1,000,000~~

9 ~~(G) Military – Sale of Burlington Armory & Other (#21661):~~
10 ~~\$890,000~~

11 ~~(H) Act 250 Permit Fund (#21260): \$600,000~~

12 ~~(I) Criminal History Records Check Fund (#21130): \$107,277~~

13 ~~(2) From the Transportation Fund to the:~~

14 ~~(A) Vermont Recreational Trails Fund (#21455): \$370,000~~

15 ~~(B) Downtown Transportation and Related Capital Improvements~~
16 ~~Fund (#21575): \$523,966~~

17 ~~(C) General Obligation Bonds Debt Service Fund (#35100):~~
18 ~~\$316,745~~

19 ~~(D) Notwithstanding 19 V.S.A. § 13(c), the Transportation Fund~~
20 ~~transfer to the Central Garage fund in fiscal year 2025 shall be \$0~~

21 ~~(S) From the Education Fund to the:~~

1 ~~(A) Tax Computer System Modernization Fund (#21909):~~
2 ~~\$1,400,000~~
3 ~~(4) From the Clean Water Fund to the:~~
4 ~~(A) Agricultural Water Quality Special Fund (#21933): \$9,010,000~~
5 ~~(B) Lake in Crisis Response Program Special Fund (#21938):~~
6 ~~\$120,000~~
7 ~~(5) From the Other Infrastructure, Essential Investments and Reserves~~
8 ~~Subaccount in the Cash for Capital and Essential Investments Fund to the:~~
9 ~~(A) Transportation Fund (#20105): \$25,000,000~~
10 ~~(B) General Fund: \$5,000,000~~
11 ~~(6) From the Tax-Local Option Process Fees Fund (#21591),~~
12 ~~notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 138(c)(1), to the:~~
13 ~~(A) Tax Computer System Modernization Fund (#21909):~~
14 ~~\$2,000,000~~
15 ~~(7) From the Central Garage Fund established by 19 V.S.A. § 13 to:~~
16 ~~(A) the Transportation Fund: \$1,700,000~~
17 ~~(b) Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, in fiscal year~~
18 ~~2025:~~
19 ~~(1) The following amounts shall be transferred to the General Fund~~
20 ~~from the funds indicated:~~
21 ~~(A) Cannabis Regulation Fund (#21998): \$12,000,000~~

1 ~~(B) AHS Central Office Earned Federal Receipts (#22005):~~

2 ~~\$4,641,960~~

3 ~~(C) Sports Wagering Enterprise Fund (#50250): \$7,000,000~~

4 ~~(D) Liquor Control Fund (#50300): \$21,100,000~~

5 ~~(E) Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund (#2120891802): \$3,000,000~~

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

13 ~~(A) AG-Fees & Reimbursements-Court Order Fund (#21638):~~

14 ~~\$2,000,000~~

15 ~~(B) Unclaimed Property Fund (#62100): \$6,500,000~~

16 ~~(3) Notwithstanding 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. E. 228,~~
17 ~~\$58,100,000 of the net unencumbered fund balances in the Insurance~~
18 ~~Regulatory and Supervision Fund (21075), the Captive Insurance Regulatory~~
19 ~~and Supervision Fund (21085), the Financial Institutions Supervision Fund~~
20 ~~(21065), and the Securities Regulatory and Supervision Fund (21080) shall be~~
21 ~~transferred to the General Fund.~~

1 ~~Sec. D. 102. REVERSIONS~~

2 ~~(a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year~~
3 ~~2025, the following amounts shall revert to the General Fund from the~~
4 ~~accounts indicated:~~

5 ~~1210002000 Legislature \$211,576.00~~

6 ~~1215001000 Legislative Counsel \$301,089.00~~

7 ~~1220000000 Joint Fiscal Committee/Office \$301,010.46~~

8 ~~1220890501 Budget System/Transfer to Tax Dept \$39.54~~

9 ~~1220891802 Decarbonization Mech. Study \$39.00~~

10 ~~3150070000 Department of Mental Health \$350,000.00~~

11 ~~1100892201 Agency of Administration – 27.53 Reserve \$8,064,362.69~~

12 ~~1100892302 Agency of Administration – Trans. Retirement \$3,935,637.31~~

13 ~~34008924023 AHS – COVID Contingency \$1,041,272.00~~

14 ~~(b) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year~~

15 ~~2024, the following amounts shall revert to the American Rescue Plan Act~~

16 ~~(ARPA) – Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund from the accounts~~

17 ~~indicated:~~

18 ~~5440892306 DCF – GEO – Home Weatherization Assistance \$5,000,000.00~~

1 Sec. D.103. RESERVES

2 (a) Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
3 2025, the following reserve transactions shall be implemented for the funds
4 provided:

5 (1) General Fund.

6 (A) Pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 308, an estimated amount of
7 ~~\$14,800,138.75~~ ~~\$15,195,975~~ shall be added to the General Fund Budget
8 Stabilization Reserve.

9 (B) \$5,480,000 shall be added to the 27/53 reserve in fiscal year
10 2025. This action is the fiscal year 2025 contribution to the reserve for the
11 53rd week of Medicaid as required by 32 V.S.A. § 308e and the 27th payroll
12 reserve as required by 32 V.S.A. § 308e.

13 (2) Other Infrastructure, Essential Investments and Reserves Subaccount
14 in the Cash for Capital and Essential Investments Fund

15 (A) \$25,000,000 is unreserved to be used by the Agency of
16 Transportation in accordance with provisions for which the funds were
17 originally reserved in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. C.108(a).

(B) \$5,000,000 of the \$14,500,000 reserved in 2023 Acts and
Resolves No. 78, Sec. C.108(b) is unreserved.

(3) Transportation Fund.

1 ~~(A) For the purpose of calculating the fiscal year 2025~~

2 ~~Transportation Fund stabilization requirement of five percent of prior year~~
3 ~~appropriations, Transportation Fund reversions are excluded from the fiscal~~
4 ~~year 2024 total appropriations amount.~~

5 ~~*** General Government ***~~

6 Sec. E.100 EXECUTIVE BRANCH POSITIONS

7 (a) ~~The establishment of 14 permanent positions is authorized in fiscal year~~
8 ~~2025 for the following:~~

9 (1) ~~Permanent classified positions:~~

10 (A) ~~Department of Public Safety:~~

11 (i) ~~one Criminal History Record Specialist I; and~~

12 (ii) ~~one Regional Emergency Management Program Coordinator.~~

13 (B) ~~Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation:~~

14 (i) ~~four Field Park Manager IV.~~

15 (C) ~~Office of the Treasurer:~~

16 (i) ~~one Internal Auditor.~~

17 (D) ~~Office of the Secretary of State:~~

18 (i) ~~one Administrative Services Coordinator IV; and~~

19 (ii) ~~one Information Technology Specialist III.~~

20 (E) ~~Department of Health:~~

21 (i) ~~one Grants Administrator.~~

1 ~~(2) Permanent exempt positions:~~

2 ~~(A) Agency of Administration – Secretary’s Office:~~

3 ~~(i) one Chief Performance Officer.~~

4 ~~(B) Judiciary:~~

5 ~~(i) three Superior Court Judges.~~

6 ~~(b) The conversion of 12 limited service positions to classified permanent~~

7 ~~status is authorized in fiscal year 2025 as follows:~~

8 ~~(1) Department of Environmental Conservation:~~

9 ~~(A) one Environmental Engineer V;~~

10 ~~(B) one Environmental Engineer III; and~~

11 ~~(C) one Environmental Scientist IV.~~

12 ~~(2) Department of Labor:~~

13 ~~(A) one Re-Employment Services and Eligibility Assessment~~

14 ~~Program Program Coordinator; and~~

15 ~~(B) eight Re-Employment Services and Eligibility Assessment~~

16 ~~Program Facilitators.~~

17 ~~Sec. E.100.1 3 V.S.A. § 2310 is added to read:~~

18 ~~§ 2310. CHIEF PERFORMANCE OFFICER~~

19 ~~(a) There is created the permanent, exempt position of Chief Performance~~

20 ~~Officer within the Agency of Administration for the purpose of better~~

1 ~~developing a culture of performance accountability and continuous~~
2 improvement across State government. The Chief Performance Officer shall:

3 (1) provide advice, recommendations, and consultation to the Executive
4 and Legislative branches of State government about performance improvement
5 and management;

6 (2) lead the creation and implementation of a performance improvement
7 and management strategy for State government to ensure effective and
8 efficient government operations;

9 (3) assist agencies and departments as necessary in developing,
10 monitoring, managing, and improving performance measures as well as
11 developing strategies that maximize results and return on investment;

12 (4) develop and offer trainings, professional development opportunities,
13 and resources for agencies and departments regarding performance
14 improvement and management; and

15 (5) provide consultation on the design and implementation of systems
16 that use data and metrics to measure and report performance.

17 Sec. E.100.2 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 95 is amended to read:

18 Sec. 95. MUNICIPAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO ACCESS STATE
19 AND FEDERAL FUNDING

20 (a) Expanding municipal access to State and federal funding. The Agency
21 of Administration, consistent with the provisions of this section, shall design

1 ~~and implement a process to provide expanded technical and administrative~~

2 assistance to municipalities with high need that may be eligible for State or
3 federal funding for the following activities:

4 (1) Community needs assessment. Conducting a review of community
5 assets and needs, strategic planning, and identifying potential eligible projects,
6 including in the following categories:

7 (A) water supply and wastewater infrastructure;

8 (B) housing;

9 (C) community recovery, workforce development, and business
10 support;

11 (D) climate change mitigation and resilience;

12 (E) a municipal project that is capital in nature, or an activity that is a
13 precursor or requirement to taking on a capital project; and

14 ~~(E)~~(F) other community economic development projects identified
15 by a municipality and approved by the Agency of Administration.

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17 Sec. E.100.3 CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND

18 LIMITED SERVICE POSITIONS; REVERSION

19 (a) To the extent to which limited service positions funded with American
20 Rescue Plan Act dollars remain vacant after June 30, 2024, the positions shall

1 ~~be abolished, and monies shall be reverted to the American Rescue Plan Act~~

2 Fund.

3 Sec. E.106 CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND

4 APPROPRIATIONS; REVERSION AND REALLOCATION

5 (a) The Agency of Administration shall structure any existing Coronavirus
6 State Fiscal Recovery (SFR) program in accordance with the requirements of
7 31 C.F.R. Part 35 and in a manner designed to achieve the intent of the
8 General Assembly and may reallocate unspent funds across governmental units
9 in an overall net-neutral manner.

10 (b) The Commissioner of Finance and Management is authorized to revert
11 all unobligated SFR monies prior to December 31, 2024. The total amount of
12 SFR monies reverted in accordance with this subsection shall be allocated
13 pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 511 to the following purposes:

14 (1) \$36,000,000 to the Department of Public Safety Division of
15 Emergency Management for FEMA match and municipal support for hazard
16 mitigation.

17 (2) \$4,000,000 to the Agency of Administration for Administration
18 costs, including for anticipated audit response per 2021 Acts and Resolves No.
19 74, Sec. G.801(a) and 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. G.801(A).

20 (3) \$30,000,000 to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board
21 (VHCB) to provide support and enhance capacity for the production and

1 ~~preservation of affordable mixed-income rental housing and homeownership~~
2 units, including improvements to manufactured homes and communities,
3 permanent homes for those experiencing homelessness, recovery residences,
4 and housing available to farm workers and refugees.

5 (4) \$25,000,000 to the Department of Housing and Community
6 Development for a grant to the Vermont Housing Finance Agency for the
7 Middle-Income Homeownership Development Program and the Vermont
8 Rental Revolving Loan Fund.

9 (5) Any remaining funds shall be reallocated, with the express
10 authorization of the Joint Fiscal Committee, to existing SFR programs
11 established by the General Assembly.

12 (c) If previously obligated SFR monies become unobligated after
13 December 31, 2024, the Commissioner of Finance and Management may, with
14 the approval of the Joint Fiscal Committee, revert the unobligated SFR monies
15 and allocate the monies for expenditure pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 511 to any
16 existing SFR programs in accordance with the requirements of 31 C.F.R. Part
17 35.

18 Sec. E.125 OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL; NEW POSITION

19 (a) The abolishment of two session-only Law Clerk positions and the
20 establishment of one new permanent exempt Law Clerk position in the Office
21 of Legislative Counsel is authorized in fiscal year 2025.

1 ~~Sec. E.126.1 OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION~~

2 ~~TECHNOLOGY; NEW POSITIONS~~

3 ~~(a) The establishment of one new permanent exempt Audio Visual~~
4 ~~Specialist position in the Office of Legislative Information Technology is~~
5 ~~authorized in fiscal year 2025.~~

6 Sec. E.133 VERMONT STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

7 AND VERMONT PENSION INVESTMENT COMMISSION;

8 OPERATING BUDGET, SOURCE OF FUNDS

9 ~~(a) Of the \$3,063,180 appropriated in Sec. B.133 of this act, \$2,047,989~~
10 ~~constitutes the Vermont State Employees' Retirement System operating~~
11 ~~budget, and \$1,015,191 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension~~
12 ~~Investment Commission's budget attributable to the Vermont State Employees'~~
13 ~~Retirement System.~~

14 Sec. E.134 VERMONT MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT

15 SYSTEM AND VERMONT PENSION INVESTMENT

16 COMMISSION; OPERATING BUDGET; SOURCE OF FUNDS

17 ~~(a) Of the \$1,737,125 appropriated in Sec. B.134 of this act, \$1,359,845~~
18 ~~constitutes the Vermont Municipal Employees' Retirement System operating~~
19 ~~budget, and \$377,280 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension~~
20 ~~Investment Commission's budget attributable to the Vermont State Employees'~~
21 ~~Retirement System.~~

1 ~~Sec. E.139. GRAND LIST LITIGATION ASSISTANCE~~

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

11 Sec. E.142. PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES

12 (a) This appropriation is for State payments in lieu of property taxes under
13 32 V.S.A. chapter 123, subchapter 4, and the payments shall be calculated in
14 addition to and without regard to the appropriations for PILOT for Montpelier
15 and for correctional facilities elsewhere in this act. Payments in lieu of taxes
16 under this section shall be paid from the PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A.
17 § 3709.

18 (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, the payments under this
19 section shall be adjusted so that the total payments made under this section and
20 Sec. E.143, and E.144 of this act do not exceed 100 percent of the assessed
21 value of State buildings as defined by 32 V.S.A. § 3701(2).

~~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.

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), \$1,749,700 is appropriated in Sec. B.200 of this act.

Sec. E.204 JUDICIARY; SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE POSITION

(a) Of the three Superior Court Judge positions established in Sec.

~~E.100(a)(2)(B)(i) of this act, one shall be funded with the Tobacco Litigation~~

1 ~~Settlement Fund dollars appropriated to the Judiciary in 2018 Acts and~~

2 ~~Resolves No. 11, Sec. C.106(a).~~

3 ~~Sec. E.204.1 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. C.106, is~~
4 ~~amended to read:~~

5 ~~Sec. C.106 CHINS CASES SYSTEM-WIDE REFORM~~

6 ~~(a) The sum of ~~\$7,000,000~~ \$4,000,000 is appropriated from the Tobacco~~
7 ~~Litigation Settlement Fund to the Judiciary in fiscal year 2018 and shall carry~~
8 ~~forward for the uses and based on the allocations set forth in subsections (b)~~
9 ~~and (c) of this section. The purpose of the funds is to make strategic~~
10 ~~investments to transform the adjudication of CHINS cases in Vermont.~~

11 ~~(b) The sum appropriated from the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund in~~
12 ~~subsection (a) of this section shall be allocated as follows:~~

13 ~~(1) \$1,250,000 for fiscal year 2019, which shall not be distributed until~~
14 ~~the group defined in subsection (c) of this section provides proposed~~
15 ~~expenditures as part of its fiscal year 2019 budget adjustment request;~~

16 ~~(2) \$2,500,000 for fiscal year 2020, for which the group shall provide~~
17 ~~proposed expenditures as part of its fiscal year 2020 budget request or budget~~
18 ~~adjustment request, or both;~~

19 ~~(3) ~~\$2,500,000~~ \$250,000 for fiscal year 2021, for which the group shall~~
20 ~~provide proposed expenditures as part of its fiscal year 2021 budget request or~~
21 ~~budget adjustment request, or both, and~~

1 ~~(1) \$750,000 in fiscal year 2022 or after as needed~~

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3 Sec. E.208 PUBLIC SAFETY – ADMINISTRATION

4 (a) The Commissioner of Public Safety is authorized to enter into a
5 performance-based contract with the Essex County Sheriff’s Department to
6 provide law enforcement service activities agreed upon by both the
7 Commissioner of Public Safety and the Sheriff.

8 Sec. E.208.1 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; EMBEDDED

9 MENTAL HEALTH WORKERS; REPORT

10 (a) The General Assembly supports the development and maintenance of a
11 comprehensive, coordinated, and equitable system of care that promotes
12 community safety and public health by delivering high-quality, evidence-
13 based, data-driven, and person-centered responses to emergencies. To the
14 extent that funds are appropriated for embedded mental health workers in the
15 Department of Public Safety, they should be used to improve integration,
16 continuity, and consistency of care between every part of the system, including
17 regional dispatch, homes, schools, clinics, and the streets in order to meet
18 people where they are with responses that most appropriately and effectively
19 address their needs when they ask for help.

20 (b) On or before January 15, 2025, the Department of Public Safety shall
21 report to the House Committee on Health Care and the Senate Committee on

1 ~~Health and Welfare with measurable outcomes on the results of the~~
2 Department's embedded mental health worker program to date, by barrack,
3 and on the Department's collaboration with the Department of Mental Health
4 to achieve a coordinated and integrated system of care, including how this
5 program works with 988, with the statewide Mobile Crisis Response program,
6 and with the designated and specialized service agencies.

7 Sec. E.209 PUBLIC SAFETY – STATE POLICE

8 (a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.209 of this act, \$35,000
9 shall be available to the Southern Vermont Wilderness Search and Rescue
10 Team, which comprises State Police, the Department of Fish and Wildlife,
11 county sheriffs, and local law enforcement personnel in Bennington,
12 Windham, and Windsor Counties, for snowmobile enforcement.

13 (b) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.209 of this act, \$405,000
14 is allocated for grants in support of the Drug Task Force. Of this amount,
15 \$190,000 shall be used by the Vermont Drug Task Force to fund three town
16 task force officers. These town task force officers shall be dedicated to
17 enforcement efforts with respect to both regulated drugs as defined in 18
18 V.S.A. § 4201(29) and the diversion of legal prescription drugs. Any
19 unobligated funds may be allocated by the Commissioner to fund the work of
20 the Drug Task Force or carried forward.

~~Sec. E.212 PUBLIC SAFETY - FIRE SAFETY~~

~~(a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.212 of this act, \$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 \$1,319,834 shall be disbursed to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for the National Guard Tuition Benefit Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 2857.~~

Sec. E.219 MILITARY – VETERANS’ AFFAIRS

~~(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.219 of this act, \$1,000 shall be used for continuation of the Vermont Medal Program, \$2,000 shall be used for the expenses of the Governor’s Veterans’ Advisory Council, \$7,500 shall be used for the Veterans’ Day parade, and \$10,000 shall be granted to the American Legion for the Boys’ State and Girls’ State programs.~~

~~Sec. E.224 20 V.S.A. § 248a(d) is amended to read:~~

~~(d) Electric and natural gas facilities. This subsection sets fees for applications under section 248 of this title.~~

~~(1) There shall be a registration fee of \$100.00 for each electric generation facility less than or equal to 50 kW in plant capacity, or for a rooftop project, or for a hydroelectric project filing a net metering registration, or for an application filed under subsection 248(n) of this title, or for an energy~~

1 ~~storage facility less than or equal to 1 MW in nameplate capacity that is~~
2 required to obtain a certificate of public good under section 248 of this title
3 and is proposed to be located inside an existing building and that would not
4 require any ground disturbance work or upgrades to the distribution system.

5 (2) There shall be a fee of \$25.00 for modifications for each electric
6 generation facility less than or equal to 50 kW in plant capacity, or for a
7 rooftop project, or for a hydroelectric project filing a net metering registration,
8 or for an application filed under subsection 248(n) of this title, ~~or for an energy~~
9 storage facility less than or equal to 1 MW in nameplate capacity that is
10 required to obtain a certificate of public good under section 248 of this title
11 and is proposed to be located inside an existing building and that would not
12 require any ground disturbance work or upgrades to the distribution system.

13 (3) There shall be a fee for electric generation facilities and energy
14 storage facilities that are required to obtain a certificate of public good under
15 section 248 of this title and that do not qualify for the lower fees in
16 subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, calculated as follows:

- 17 (A) \$5.00 per kW; and
18 (B) \$100.00 for modifications.

19 (4) For applications that include both a proposed electric generation
20 facility and a proposed energy storage facility, the fee shall be the larger of

1 ~~either the fee for the electric generation facility or the energy storage facility as~~
2 ~~set out in subdivisions (1) and (3) of this subsection.~~

3 ~~(3) For applications that propose to add an energy storage facility to a~~
4 ~~location that already has a certificate of public good for an electric generation~~
5 ~~facility, the fee shall be that for a proposed new energy storage facility as set~~
6 ~~out in subdivisions (1) and (3) of this subsection.~~

7 ~~(6) For applications that propose to add an electric generation facility to~~
8 ~~a location that already has a certificate of public good for an energy storage~~
9 ~~facility, the fee shall be that for a proposed new electric generation facility as~~
10 ~~set out in subdivisions (1) and (3) of this subsection.~~

Sec. E.234 [Deleted.]

11 Sec. E.300 FUNDING FOR THE OFFICE OF THE HEALTH CARE

12 ADVOCATE, VERMONT LEGAL AID

13 (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.300 of this act:

14 (1) \$1,847,406 shall be used for the contract with the Office of the
15 Health Care Advocate;

16 (2) \$1,717,994 for Vermont Legal Aid services, including the Poverty
17 Law Project and mental health services; and

18 (3) \$650,000 is for the purposes of maintaining current Vermont Legal
19 Aid program capacity and addressing increased requests for services, including
20 eviction prevention and protection from foreclosure and consumer debt.

1 ~~Sec. E.300.1, 18 V.S.A., § 8015 is added to read:~~

2 § 8015. PROVISION FOR AGREEMENTS WITH CASE MANAGEMENT

3 ENTITIES

4 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the
5 Commissioner of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living may enter into
6 agreements with case management entities to support local communities. The
7 Commissioner may develop rules setting forth the standards and procedures
8 for the case management entities it contracts with.

9 Sec. E.300.2 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 83, Sec. 72a, as amended by 2022
10 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. C.105 and 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78,
11 Sec. E.301.2, is further amended to read:

12 Sec. 72a. MEDICAID HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES

13 (HCBS) PLAN

14 * * *

15 (f) The Global Commitment Fund appropriated in subsection (e) of this
16 section obligated in fiscal year years 2023 and fiscal year, 2024, and 2025 for
17 the purposes of bringing HCBS plan spending authority forward into fiscal
18 year 2024 and fiscal year 2025, respectively. The funds appropriated in
19 subsections (b), (c), and (e) of this section may be transferred on a net-neutral
20 basis in fiscal year years 2023 and fiscal year, 2024, and 2025 in the same
21 manner as the Global Commitment appropriations in 2022 Acts and Resolves

1 ~~No. 185, Sec. E.301. The Agency shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee in~~
2 ~~September 2023 and, September 2024, and September 2025, respectively, on~~
3 ~~transfers of appropriations made and final amounts expended by each~~
4 ~~department in fiscal year years 2023 and fiscal year, 2024, and 2025,~~
5 ~~respectively, and any obligated funds carried forward to be expended in fiscal~~
6 ~~year 2024 and fiscal year 2025, respectively.~~

7 Sec. E.300.3 FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET PRESENTATIONS;

8 RESIDENTIAL BEDS FOR YOUTH

9 (a) As part of their fiscal year 2026 budget presentations to the General
10 Assembly, the Agency of Human Services and departments within the Agency
11 of Human Services shall provide coordinated information regarding:

12 (1) the basis for the projected number of beds per facility to create 41
13 new beds for youth in high-end facilities under the Departments for Children
14 and Families, of Mental Health, and of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent
15 Living for inpatient, psychiatric residential, stabilization, and treatment
16 services, including projected reductions in out-of-state placements.

17 (2) the status of capacity at lower level residential and crisis facilities
18 and their capabilities in preventing higher level needs if investments would
19 enable full capacity use, and

1 ~~(2) a projected five year operating budget across the Agency and~~
2 departments for full utilization of the new high-end system components as
3 currently planned, including:

4 (A) costs to the Department of Vermont Health Access' budget; and

5 (B) how these costs will impact the overall budgets for lower-level,
6 community-based, prevention, and other services needed to prevent escalation
7 to higher levels of care.

8 Sec. E.300.4 PLANNING FOR HIGH END SYSTEM OF CARE YOUTH;

9 STAKEHOLDER INPUT

10 (a) The stakeholder working group for the development of a long-term plan
11 for the high-end system of care and for the temporary stabilization facility for
12 youth established pursuant to 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. E.316 shall
13 be consulted by the Agency of Human Services and departments within the
14 Agency prior to each substantive decision regarding facility locations, facility
15 capacity, facility design, treatment planning, policy planning, staffing, and
16 implementation.

17 Sec. E.300.5 AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES; FISCAL YEAR 2024

18 CLOSEOUT; COMPREHENSIVE CHILD WELFARE

19 INFORMATION SYSTEM

20 (a) To the extent to which General Fund dollars appropriated to the Agency
21 of Human Services in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.500 remain

1 ~~unexpended at the end of fiscal year 2024, \$3,000,000 shall be carried forward~~
2 and appropriated to the Department for Children and Families' Family Service
3 Division for the Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System in fiscal
4 year 2025.

5 Sec. E.301 SECRETARY'S OFFICE – GLOBAL COMMITMENT

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

13 (b) In addition to the State funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act, a
14 total estimated sum of \$24,301,185 is anticipated to be certified as State
15 matching funds under the Global Commitment as follows:

16 (1) \$21,295,850 certified State match available from local education
17 agencies for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services under
18 Global Commitment. This amount, combined with \$29,204,150 of federal
19 funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act, equals a total estimated
20 expenditure of \$50,500,000. An amount equal to the amount of the federal
21 matching funds for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services

1 ~~under Global Commitment shall be transferred from the Global Commitment~~
2 Fund to the Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund created in 16 V.S.A.
3 § 2959a.

4 (2) \$3,005,335 certified State match available from local designated
5 mental health and developmental services agencies for eligible mental health
6 services provided under Global Commitment.

7 (c) Up to \$4,487,210 is transferred from the AHS Federal Receipts
8 Holding Account to the Interdepartmental Transfer Fund consistent with the
9 amount appropriated in Sec. B.201 Secretary's Office – Global Commitment
10 of this act.

11 Sec. E.301.1 GLOBAL COMMITMENT APPROPRIATIONS; TRANSFER;
12 REPORT

13 (a) To facilitate the end-of-year closeout for fiscal year 2025, the Secretary
14 of Human Services, with approval from the Secretary of Administration, may
15 make transfers among the appropriations authorized for Medicaid and
16 Medicaid-waiver program expenses, including Global Commitment
17 appropriations outside the Agency of Human Services. At least three business
18 days prior to any transfer, the Agency of Human Services shall submit to the
19 Joint Fiscal Office a proposal of transfers to be made pursuant to this section.
20 A final report on all transfers made under this section shall be made to the
21 Joint Fiscal Committee for review at the Committee's September 2025

1 ~~meeting. The purpose of this section is to provide the Agency of Human~~
2 Services with limited authority to modify the appropriations to comply with
3 the terms and conditions of the Global Commitment for Health Section 1115
4 demonstration waiver approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid
5 Services under Section 1115 of the Social Security Act.

6 Sec. E.306 VERMONT HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE RULES

7 (a) The Agency of Human Services may adopt rules pursuant to 3 V.S.A.
8 chapter 25 to conform Vermont's rules regarding health care eligibility and
9 enrollment and the operation of the Vermont Health Benefit Exchange to State
10 and federal law and guidance. The Agency may use the emergency rules
11 process pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 844 prior to June 30, 2025, but only if new
12 State or federal law or guidance requires Vermont to amend or adopt its rules
13 in a time frame that cannot be accomplished under the traditional rulemaking
14 process. An emergency rule adopted under these exigent circumstances shall
15 be deemed to meet the standard for the adoption of emergency rules required
16 pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 844(a).

17 Sec. E.306.1 HOME HEALTH AGENCY RATE COMPARISON

18 METHODOLOGIES; REPORT

19 (a) On or before August 31, 2024, the Department of Vermont Health
20 Access shall provide the following to the Health Reform Oversight Committee
21 and the Joint Fiscal Committee.

1 (1) a methodology for comparing Medicaid rates for home health
2 agency services to rates under the Medicare home health prospective payment
3 system model; and

4 (2) a methodology for comparing Medicaid pediatric palliative care
5 rates to rates under the Medicare home health prospective payment system
6 model or to Medicare hospice rates, or both.

7 Sec. E.306.2 PROPOSED METHODOLOGY FOR 2025 MEDICAID
8 RESOURCE-BASED RELATIVE VALUE SCALE
9 PROFESSIONAL FEE SCHEDULE

10 (a) On or before July 1 and October 1, 2024, the Department of Vermont
11 Health Access shall meet with interested stakeholders to develop a proposed
12 methodology for the Medicaid Resource-Based Relative Value Scale
13 professional fee schedule for calendar year 2025. In developing the proposed
14 methodology, the Department shall consider:

15 (1) maintaining alignment with relative value units used by Medicare
16 but implementing a mandatory minimum on the conversion factors used in
17 Vermont Medicaid, so that Vermont Medicaid's conversion factors do not
18 decrease in the event that Medicare decreases its conversion factor;

19 (2) whether to benchmark one or more conversion factors in Vermont
20 Medicaid to the Medicare conversion factor from a specific year, and

1 ~~(2) whether Vermont Medicaid should continue to use two separate~~
2 ~~conversion factors, one for primary care services and one standard conversion~~
3 ~~factor, or transition to a single conversion factor in combination with other~~
4 ~~methods of providing enhanced support for primary care services, such as~~
5 ~~implementing payment of Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System add-~~
6 ~~on code G2211 for primary care services, and the potential implications that~~
7 ~~any proposed approach may have on Vermont's participation in the States~~
8 ~~Advancing All-Payer Health Equity Approaches and Development (AHEAD)~~
9 ~~Model, as applicable.~~

10 (b) On or before November 1, 2024, the Department of Vermont Health
11 Access shall provide its proposed methodology to the House Committees on
12 Health Care and on Appropriations, the Senate Committees on Health and
13 Welfare and on Appropriations, and the Health Reform Oversight Committee.

14 (c) On or before December 15, 2024, the Department of Vermont Health
15 Access shall report to the House Committees on Health Care and on
16 Appropriations, the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and on
17 Appropriations, and the Health Reform Oversight Committee on the fiscal
18 impact of implementing its proposed methodology for calendar year 2025 and,
19 if the new methodology would not result in an increase to provider rates that
20 are greater than or equal to the Medicare Economic Index, the costs of

1 ~~increasing provider rates in an amount equal to the Medicare Economic Index~~
2 ~~increase as part of the Department's fiscal year 2026 budget.~~

Sec. E.306.3 PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY;

LICENSURE

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no funds appropriated to the Department of Vermont Health Access in this act shall be expended for operation of a psychiatric residential treatment facility until the facility has been licensed by the State; provided, however, that the Department may expend funds on goods and services, such as purchasing supplies and hiring and training staff, that are necessary to prepare the facility to be operational upon licensure.

3 Sec. E.307.1 14 V.S.A. § 931 is amended to read:

4 § 931. LIMITATIONS ON CLAIMS OF CREDITORS

5 All claims against the decedent's estate that arose before the death of the
6 decedent, including claims of the State and any subdivision thereof except
7 claims filed by the State on behalf of Vermont Medicaid, absolute or
8 contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, founded on contract, tort or other legal
9 basis, if not barred earlier by other statute of limitations, are barred against the
10 estate, the legal representative of the estate, and the heirs and devisees of the
11 decedent, unless presented within one year after the decedent's death. Nothing
12 ~~in this section affects or prevents any proceeding to enforce any mortgage,~~

1 ~~pledge, or other lien upon the property of the estate. Claims filed by the State~~
2 ~~on behalf of Vermont Medicaid must be filed in accordance with~~
3 ~~subsection 1203(d) of this title.~~

4 Sec. E.307.2, 14 V.S.A. § 1203 is amended to read:

5 § 1203. LIMITATIONS ON PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS

6 (a) All claims against a decedent's estate that arose before the death of the
7 decedent, including claims of the State and any subdivision thereof except
8 claims filed by the State on behalf of Vermont Medicaid, whether due or to
9 become due, absolute or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, founded on
10 contract, tort, or other legal basis, except claims for the possession of or title to
11 real estate and claims for injury to the person and damage to property suffered
12 by the act or default of the deceased, if not barred earlier by other statute of
13 limitations, are barred against the estate, the executor or administrator, and the
14 heirs and devisees of the decedent, unless presented as follows:

15 (1) within four months after the date of the first publication of notice to
16 creditors if notice is given in compliance with the Rules of Probate Procedure;
17 provided, however, that claims barred by the nonclaim statute of the
18 decedent's domicile before the first publication for claims in the State are also
19 ~~barred in this State,~~

1 ~~(2) within one year after the decedent's death, if notice to creditors has~~
2 not been published or otherwise given as provided by the Rules of Probate
3 Procedure.

4 * * *

5 (d) Claims Filed by the State on behalf of Vermont Medicaid must be
6 presented within four months after the date of the first publication of notice to
7 creditors if notice is given in compliance with the Rules of Probate Procedure,
8 regardless of when a decedent's executor or administrator opens the estate.

9 ~~Sec. E.311. 18 V.S.A. § 5017 is amended to read:~~

10 § 5017. FEES FOR COPIES

11 (a) For a certified copy of a vital event certificate, the fee shall be \$10.00.

12 (b) The State Registrar shall waive the fee for certified copies of vital event
13 certificates issued to a person experiencing homelessness or to any individual
14 24 years of age or younger who was placed in a foster home or residential
15 child care facility by a child-placing agency.

Sec. E.311 [Deleted.]

16 Sec. E.311.1 18 V.S.A. chapter 1, subchapter 2 is amended to read:

17 Subchapter 2. Health Care Professions; Educational Assistance

18 * * *

19 § 33. UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT COLLEGE OF MEDICINE;

20 ~~MEDICAL~~

STUDENT INCENTIVE SCHOLARSHIP

* * *

(f) Forgivable loans shall be awarded on a rolling basis, provided funds are available, and any funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall roll over and shall be available to the Department of Health and the Corporation in the following fiscal year to award additional forgivable loans as set forth in this section.

§ 34. VERMONT NURSING FORGIVABLE LOAN INCENTIVE
PROGRAM

(a) As used in this section:

* * *

(4) "Forgivable loan" means a loan awarded under this section covering tuition, which may also ~~include~~ cover room, board, and the cost of required books and supplies for up to full-time attendance at an eligible school.

* * *

(d) To be eligible for a forgivable loan under the Program, an individual, whether a resident or nonresident, shall satisfy all of the following requirements:

* * *

(5) have completed the Program's application form, ~~the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), and the Vermont grant~~

1 ~~application each academic year of enrollment and such financial aid forms as~~
2 the Corporation deems necessary, in accordance with a schedule determined by
3 the Corporation; and

4 * * *

5 § 35. VERMONT HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL LOAN REPAYMENT
6 PROGRAM

7 * * *

8 (b) The Vermont Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program is
9 created and shall be administered by the Department of Health in collaboration
10 with AHEC. The Program provides loan repayment on behalf of individuals
11 who live and work in this State as a nurse, physician assistant, medical
12 ~~technician~~ technologist or clinical laboratory scientist, child psychiatrist, or
13 primary care provider and who meet the eligibility requirements in subsection
14 (d) of this section.

15 (c) The loan repayment benefits provided under the Program shall be paid
16 on behalf of the eligible individual by AHEC, subject to the appropriation of
17 funds by the General Assembly for this purpose.

18 (d) To be eligible for loan repayment under the Program, an individual
19 shall satisfy all of the following requirements:

20 (1) have graduated from an eligible school where the individual was
21 ~~awarded a degree in nursing, physician assistant studies, medicine, osteopathic~~

1 ~~medicine, or naturopathic medicine, or a two- or four-year degree that qualifies~~
2 the individual to be a medical ~~technician~~ technologist or clinical laboratory
3 scientist;

4 (2) work in this State as a nurse, physician assistant, medical ~~technician~~
5 technologist or clinical laboratory scientist, child psychiatrist, or primary care
6 provider; and

7 (3) be a resident of Vermont.

8 (e)(1) An eligible individual shall be entitled to an amount of loan
9 cancellation and repayment under this section equal to one year of loans for
10 each year of service as a nurse, physician assistant, medical ~~technician~~
11 technologist or clinical laboratory scientist, child psychiatrist, or primary care
12 provider in this State. Employment as a traveling nurse shall not be construed
13 to satisfy the service commitment required for loan repayment under this
14 section.

15 (2) AHEC shall award loan repayments in amounts that are sufficient to
16 attract high-quality candidates while also making a meaningful increase in
17 Vermont's health care professional workforce.

18 § 36. NURSE FACULTY FORGIVABLE LOAN INCENTIVE PROGRAM

19

1 ~~(d) To be eligible for a forgivable loan under the Program, an individual,~~
2 whether a resident or nonresident, shall satisfy all of the following
3 requirements:

4 * * *

5 (5) have completed the Program's application form and ~~the Free~~
6 Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) such financial aid forms as the
7 Corporation deems necessary, in accordance with a schedule determined by the
8 Corporation; and

9 * * *

10 (g) Forgivable loans shall be awarded on a rolling basis, provided funds are
11 available, and any funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall roll over
12 and shall be available to the Department of Health and the Corporation in the
13 following fiscal year to award additional forgivable loans as set forth in this
14 section.

15 * * *

16 § 38. VERMONT MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL FORGIVABLE
17 LOAN INCENTIVE PROGRAM

18 * * *

19 (d) To be eligible for a forgivable loan under the Program, an individual,
20 whether a resident or nonresident, shall satisfy all of the following
21 requirements.

1
2 (5) have completed the Program's application form and the Free
3 Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) such financial aid forms as the
4 Corporation deems necessary, in accordance with a schedule determined by the
5 Corporation; and

6 * * *

7 (h) Forgivable loans shall be awarded on a rolling basis, provided funds are
8 available, and any funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall roll over
9 and shall be available to the Department of Health and the Corporation in the
10 following fiscal year to award additional forgivable loans as set forth in this
11 section.

12 § 39. VERMONT PSYCHIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH NURSE

13 PRACTITIONER FORGIVABLE LOAN INCENTIVE PROGRAM

14 * * *

15 (d) To be eligible for a forgivable loan under the Program, an individual,
16 whether a resident or nonresident, shall satisfy all of the following
17 requirements:

18 * * *

19 (4) have executed a credit agreement or promissory note that will reduce
20 the individual's forgivable loan benefit, in whole or in part, pursuant to

1 ~~subsection (f)(e) of this section, if the individual fails to complete the period of~~
2 service required in subdivision (3) of this subsection;

3 (3) have completed the Program's application form and the Free
4 Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) such financial aid forms as the
5 Corporation deems necessary, in accordance with a schedule determined by the
6 Corporation; and

7 * * *

8 (g) Forgivable loans shall be awarded on a rolling basis, provided funds are
9 available, and any funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall roll over
10 and shall be available to the Department of Health and the Corporation in the
11 following fiscal year to award additional forgivable loans as set forth in this
12 section.

13 § 40. VERMONT DENTAL HYGIENIST FORGIVABLE LOAN
14 INCENTIVE PROGRAM

15 * * *

16 (d) To be eligible for a forgivable loan under the Program, an individual,
17 whether a resident or nonresident, shall satisfy all of the following
18 requirements:

19 * * *

20 (4) have executed a credit agreement or promissory note that will reduce
21 ~~the individual's forgivable loan benefit, in whole or in part, pursuant to~~

1 ~~subsection (g)(e) of this section, if the individual fails to complete the period~~

2 of service required in this subsection;

3 (D) have completed the Program's application form, the Free
4 Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), and the Vermont grant
5 application each academic year of enrollment and such financial aid forms as
6 the Corporation deems necessary, in accordance with a schedule determined by
7 the Corporation; and

8 * * *

9 Sec. E.312 HEALTH – PUBLIC HEALTH

10 (a) AIDS/HIV funding:

11 (1) In fiscal year 2025 and as provided in this section, the Department
12 of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$475,000 in AIDS Medication
13 Rebates special funds to the Vermont AIDS service and peer-support
14 organizations for client-based support services. The Department of Health
15 AIDS Program shall meet at least quarterly with the Community Advisory
16 Group (CAG) with current information and data relating to service initiatives.
17 The funds shall be allocated according to an RFP process.

18 (2) In fiscal year 2025 and as provided in this section, the Department
19 of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$295,000 for HIV and Harm
20 Reduction Services to the following organizations:

21 ~~(A) Vermont CARES = \$140,000,~~

1 ~~(B) AIDS Project of Southern Vermont – \$100,000; and~~

2 ~~(C) HIV/HCV Resource Center – \$55,000.~~

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

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

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

~~(4) In fiscal year 2025, the Department of Health shall provide grants in~~
~~the amount of ~~\$100,000~~ \$400,000 General Fund and \$1,100,000 Opioid~~
~~Settlement Fund to syringe service programs for HIV and Harm Reduction~~

~~Services no later than September 1, 2024. 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.

1 (5) In fiscal year 2025, the Department of Health shall not reduce any
2 grants to the Vermont AIDS service and peer-support organizations or syringe
3 service programs from funds appropriated for AIDS/HIV services to levels
4 below those in fiscal year 2024 without receiving prior approval from the Joint
5 Fiscal Committee.

6 Sec. E.312.1 18 V.S.A. § 32 is amended to read:

7 § 32. LOAN REPAYMENT FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND
8 HEALTH CARE EDUCATIONAL LOAN REPAYMENT FUND

9 (a) ~~There is hereby established a special fund to be known as the Vermont~~
10 ~~Health Care Educational Loan Repayment Fund, that shall be used for the~~
11 ~~purpose of ensuring a stable and adequate supply of health care providers and~~
12 ~~health care educators to meet the health care needs of Vermonters, with a focus~~
13 ~~on recruiting and retaining providers and health care educators in underserved~~
14 ~~geographic and specialty areas. [Repealed.]~~

15 (b) ~~The fund shall be established and held separate and apart from any~~
16 ~~other funds or monies of the State and shall be used and administered~~

17 ~~exclusively for the purpose of this section. The money in the Fund shall be~~

1 ~~invested in the same manner as permitted for investment of funds belonging to~~
2 ~~the State or held in the Treasury. The Fund shall consist of the following:~~

3 ~~(1) such sums as may be appropriated or transferred from time to time~~
4 ~~by the General Assembly, the state Emergency Board, or the Joint Fiscal~~
5 ~~Committee during such times as the General Assembly is not in session;~~

6 ~~(2) interest earned from the investment of fund balances;~~

7 ~~(3) any other money from any other source accepted for the benefit of~~
8 ~~the Fund. [Repealed.]~~

9 ~~(c) The Fund shall be administered by the Department of Health, which~~
10 ~~shall make funds available to the University of Vermont College of Medicine~~
11 ~~area health education centers (AHEC) program for loan repayment awards.~~
12 ~~The Commissioner may require certification of compliance with this section~~
13 ~~prior to the making of an award.~~

14 * * *

15 Sec. E.312.2 18 V.S.A. § 4772 is amended to read:

16 § 4772. OPIOID SETTLEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

17 * * *

18 (e) Presentation. Annually, the Advisory Committee shall vote on its
19 recommendations. If the recommendations are supported by a majority
20 affirmative vote, the Advisory Committee shall present its recommendation
21 for expenditures from the Opioid Abatement Special Fund established pursuant

1 ~~to this subchapter to the Department of Health and concurrently submit its~~

2 recommendations in writing to the House Committees on Appropriations and
3 on Human Services and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on
4 Health and Welfare.

5 ~~Sec. 5.313. APPROPRIATION; SUBSTANCE MISUSE PREVENTION~~

6 (a) In fiscal year 2025, an additional \$795,000 shall be appropriated from
7 the Opioid Settlement Special Fund to the Department of Health's Division of
8 Substance Use Programs for substance misuse prevention. The total
9 \$2,205,000 appropriation shall be granted to Vermont Prevention Lead
10 Organizations to implement evidence-based and trauma-informed substance
11 misuse prevention strategies statewide. The Division shall require that, as part
12 of the grant agreement with the Vermont Prevention Lead Organizations, that
13 information on the use of the funds, including the specific activities supported
14 by the funds; a description of the number of people served; and information on
15 the outcomes achieved by this investment be provided to the Division in an
16 agreed upon time frame. The Division shall report annually, on or before
17 January 10, to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, the House
18 Committee on Human Services, and the Senate Committee on Health and
19 welfare.

~~Sec. E.313. APPROPRIATION; SUBSTANCE MISUSE PREVENTION~~

~~(a) In fiscal year 2025, the \$795,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund and \$1,410,000 General Fund appropriated to the Department of Health in Secs. B.1100(d)(4) and B.313 of this act shall be for substance misuse prevention. The total \$2,205,000 appropriation shall be granted to Vermont Prevention Lead Organizations to implement evidence-based and trauma-informed substance misuse prevention strategies statewide. The Department shall require, as part of the grant agreement with the Vermont Prevention Lead Organizations, that information on the use of the funds, including the specific activities supported by the funds, a description of the number of people served, and information on the outcomes achieved by this investment, be provided to the Department in an agreed-upon time frame. The Department shall report this information annually, on or before January 10, to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, the House Committee on Human Services, and the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare.~~

1 Sec. E.316 SUMMER EBT BENEFIT

2 (a) An amount not to exceed \$40,000 of the General Fund appropriated in
3 Sec. B.316 of this act shall be used to provide benefits for noncitizen students
4 who would otherwise be eligible for nutritional benefit programs funded by
5 federal grants.

6 ~~Sec. E.316.1 33 V.S.A. § 3551 is amended to read.~~

1 ~~§ 2521. CHILD CARE - BUILDING BRIGHT SPACES FOR BRIGHT~~

2 ~~FUTURES FUNDS FUND~~

3 ~~(a) ~~child care facilities~~ An early childhood services financing program is~~
4 ~~established to facilitate the development and expansion of ~~child care facilities~~~~
5 ~~early childhood service programs in the State. ~~The Program~~ This financing~~
6 ~~program shall be administered by the Department for Children and Families.~~

7 ~~(b) ~~The Program shall be supported from a special fund, to be known as the~~~~
8 ~~“Building Bright Spaces for ~~Bright~~ Futures Fund,” referred to in this section as~~
9 ~~“the ~~Bright~~ Futures Fund,” is hereby created for this purpose to be~~
10 ~~administered by the Commissioner for Children and Families. Subject to~~
11 ~~approvals required by 32 V.S.A. § 5, the Fund may accept gifts and donations~~
12 ~~from any source, and the Commissioner may take appropriate actions to~~
13 ~~encourage contributions and designations to the ~~account~~ Fund, including~~
14 ~~publicizing explanations of the purposes of the Fund and the uses to which the~~
15 ~~~~Bright~~ Futures Fund has been or will be applied.~~

16 ~~(c) ~~Funds appropriated for this Program shall be used by the~~ The~~
17 ~~Commissioner to award grants to eligible applicants for the development and~~
18 ~~expansion of ~~child care options and community programs targeted for youths~~~~
19 ~~14 through 18 years of age. ~~These options may include recreational programs~~~~
20 ~~and related equipment or facilities, development or expansion of child care~~
21 ~~facilities, and community-based programs that address specific child care and~~

1 ~~youth program needs of the applicant region. The Commissioner shall~~
2 ~~establish by rule, criteria, conditions, and procedures for awarding such grants~~
3 ~~and administering this Program shall disburse the proceeds of this fund in~~
4 ~~accordance with the plan developed by the Building Bright Futures Council~~
5 ~~per 33 V.S.A. § 4603(3).~~

6 Sec. E.316.2 33 V.S.A. § 4601 is amended to read:

7 § 4601. DEFINITIONS

8 As used in this chapter:

9 (1) “Early care, health, and education” means all services provided to
10 families expecting a child and to children up to ~~the age of six~~ eight years of
11 age, including child care, family support, early education, mental and physical
12 health services, nutrition services, and disability services.

13 (2) “Regional council” means a regional entity linked to the State
14 Building Bright Futures Council to support the creation of an integrated
15 system of early care, health, and education at the local level.

16 Sec. E.317 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT; COMPREHENSIVE CHILD

17 WELFARE INFORMATION SYSTEM

18 (a) In developing and implementing a comprehensive child welfare
19 information system, the Department for Children and Families’ Division of
20 Family Services shall solicit input and leverage expertise from youth, foster

1 ~~parents, kinship care providers, Division staff, and the employees of the Office~~
2 of Racial Equity's Division of Racial Justice Statistics.

3 Sec. E.317.1 ADOPTION; POST PERMANENCY SERVICES

4 (a) Any unused funds designated for the purposes described in 2023 Acts
5 and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.317, not to exceed \$270,234, shall be used in
6 fiscal year 2025 for post-permanency adoption services provided by Lund,
7 Easterseals Vermont, and the Northeastern Family Institute of Vermont.

8 (b) Any unused funds designated for the purposes described in 2023 Acts
9 and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.317, not to exceed \$446,253, shall be used in
10 fiscal year 2025 for services provided to the youth homeless shelter in Saint
11 Albans by Spectrum Youth and Family Services.

12 Sec. E.317.2 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 101 is amended to read:

13 Sec. 101. [Repealed.]

14 Sec. E.318 CONSENSUS ESTIMATE; CHILD CARE FINANCIAL
15 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

16 (a) On or before December 1, 2024, 2025, and 2026, the Department for
17 Children and Families and the Joint Fiscal Office shall jointly determine and
18 submit a consensus estimate for costs related to the Child Care Financial
19 Assistance Program for the coming fiscal year to the House Committee on
20 Appropriations and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on
21 Appropriations and on Health and Welfare. This consensus estimate shall

1 ~~serve as a baseline for the Department for Children and Families' Child Care~~

2 Financial Assistance Program budget.

3 Sec. E.318.1 33 V.S.A. § 3517 is amended to read:

4 § 3517. CHILD CARE TUITION RATES

5 A child care provider shall ensure that its tuition rates are available to the
6 public. ~~A regulated child care provider shall not impose an increase on annual~~
7 ~~child care tuition that exceeds 1.5 times the most recent annual increase in the~~
8 ~~NAICS code 611, Educational Services. This amount shall be posted on the~~
9 ~~Department's website annually.~~

10 Sec. E.318.2 33 V.S.A. § 3517 is amended to read:

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13 public. A regulated child care provider shall not impose an increase on annual
14 child care tuition that exceeds 1.5 times the most recent annual increase in the
15 NAICS code 611, Educational Services. This amount shall be posted on the
16 Department's website annually.

17 Sec. E.321 TEMPORARY EMERGENCY HOUSING

18 (a) To the extent emergency housing is available and within the funds
19 appropriated, the Commissioner for Children and Families shall ensure that
20 temporary emergency housing is provided in fiscal year 2025 to households

1 ~~that attest to lack of a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence and~~

2 have a member who:

3 (1) is 60 years of age or older;

4 (2) has a disability that can be documented by:

5 (A) written verification of the disability from a professional licensed
6 by the State to diagnose and treat the disability and certification that the
7 disability is expected to be long-continuing or of indefinite duration and
8 substantially impedes the individual's ability to live independently;

9 (B) written verification from the Social Security Administration;

10 (C) receipt of a disability check;

11 (D) intake staff-recorded observation of a disability that, not later
12 than 45 days after the application for assistance, is confirmed and accompanied
13 by evidence of this; or

14 (E) other documentation approved by either the Department or the
15 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development;

16 (3) is experiencing a serious short-term medical condition or has been
17 discharged from a health care facility where the individual was being treated
18 for a serious short-term medical condition within the last 30 days;

19 (4) is a child under 19 years of age;

20 (5) is in the third trimester of pregnancy or is experiencing an at-risk
21 pregnancy,

1 ~~(6) has experienced the death of a spouse or domestic partner within the~~
2 ~~last 30 days;~~

3 ~~(7) has experienced a natural disaster, such as a flood, fire, or hurricane~~
4 ~~within the last 30 days;~~

5 ~~(8) is under a court-ordered eviction or constructive eviction due to~~
6 ~~circumstances over which the household has no control; or~~

7 ~~(9) is experiencing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault,~~
8 ~~stalking, human trafficking, hate violence, or other dangerous or life-~~
9 ~~threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a~~
10 ~~household member.~~

11 ~~(b) The maximum number of days that a household receives shelter in a~~
12 ~~hotel or motel under this section, per 12-month period, shall be determined by~~
13 ~~the statewide vacancy rate. If the statewide vacancy rate is:~~

14 ~~(1) less than five percent at the household's time of application, the~~
15 ~~household shall receive a maximum of 90 sheltered days under this section per~~
16 ~~12-month period; or~~

17 ~~(2) is equal to or greater than five percent at the household's time of~~
18 ~~application, the household shall receive a maximum of 45 sheltered days under~~
19 ~~this section per 12-month period.~~

20 ~~(c) To the extent funding and capacity exists, and notwithstanding~~
21 ~~subsection (a) of this section, the Department shall provide shelter to~~

1 ~~households lacking a fixed, regular, adequate, nighttime residence between~~
2 November 15, 2024 and April 15, 2025. If there is inadequate community-
3 based shelter space available within the Agency of Human Services district in
4 which the household presents itself, the household shall be provided shelter in
5 a hotel or motel within the district, if available, until adequate community-
6 based shelter space becomes available in the district. Shelter in a hotel or
7 motel provided pursuant to this section shall not count toward the maximum
8 days of eligibility per 12-month period provided in subsection (b) of this
9 section.

10 (d) Temporary emergency housing required pursuant to this section may be
11 provided through approved community based shelters, new unit generation,
12 open units, licensed hotels or motels, or other appropriate shelter space. The
13 Department shall, when available, prioritize temporary emergency housing at
14 housing or shelter placements other than hotels or motels.

15 (e) On July 1, 2024, the Commissioner for Children and Families shall:

16 (1) adopt emergency rules pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 844 for the
17 administration for the temporary emergency housing policy established in this
18 section, which shall be deemed to have met the emergency rulemaking
19 standard in 3 V.S.A. § 844(a); and

20 (2) begin to transition eligible households to the policy established in
21 this section on a rolling basis through September 30, 2024.

1 ~~(f) On or before the last day of each month from July 2024 through June~~
2 ~~2025, the Department for Children and Families, or other relevant agency or~~
3 ~~department, shall continue submitting a substantially similar report to that due~~
4 ~~pursuant to 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 81, Sec. 6(b) to the Joint Fiscal~~
5 ~~Committee, House Committee on Human Services, and Senate Committee on~~
6 ~~Health and Welfare.~~

7 ~~(g) For temporary emergency housing provided in a hotel or motel~~
8 ~~beginning on July 1, 2024, and thereafter, the Department for Children and~~
9 ~~Families shall not pay a hotel or motel establishment more than the lowest~~
10 ~~advertised room rate and not more than \$80 a day per room to shelter a~~
11 ~~household experiencing homelessness. The Department for Children and~~
12 ~~Families may shelter a household in more than one hotel or motel room~~
13 ~~depending on the household's size and composition.~~

14 ~~(h) The Department for Children and Families shall apply the following~~
15 ~~rules to participating hotels and motels:~~

16 ~~(1) Section 2650.1 of the Department for Children and Families,~~
17 ~~General Assistance (CVR 13-170-260);~~

18 ~~(2) Department of Health, Licensed Lodging Establishment Rule (CVR~~
19 ~~13-140-023); and~~

20 ~~(3) Department of Public Safety, Vermont Fire and Building Safety~~
21 ~~Code (CVR 28-070-001).~~

1 ~~(i)(1) The Department for Children and Families may work with either a~~
2 shelter provider or a community housing agency to enter into a full or partial
3 facility lease or sales agreement with a hotel or motel provider. Any facility
4 conversion under this section shall comply with the Office of Economic
5 Opportunity's shelter standards.

6 (2) If the Department for Children and Families determines that a
7 contractual agreement with a licensed hotel or motel operator to secure
8 temporary emergency housing capacity is beneficial to improve the quality,
9 cleanliness, or access to services for those households temporarily housed in
10 the facility, the Department shall be authorized to enter into such an agreement
11 in accordance with the per-room rate identified in subsection (g) of this
12 section; provided, however, that in no event shall such an agreement cause a
13 household to become unhoused. The Department for Children and Families
14 may include provisions to address access to services or related needs within the
15 contractual agreement.

16 (j) Of the amount appropriated to implement this section, not more than
17 \$839,000 shall be used for security costs.

18 (k) As used in this section:

19 (1) "Community-based shelter" means a shelter that meets the Vermont
20 Housing Opportunity Grant Program's Standards of Provision of Assistance.

1 ~~(2) "Household" means an individual and any dependents for whom the~~
2 ~~individual is legally responsible and who live in Vermont. "Household"~~
3 ~~includes individuals who reside together as one economic unit, including those~~
4 ~~who are married, parties to a civil union, or unmarried.~~

5 (3) "State wide vacancy rate" means the Vermont-specific rental vacancy
6 rate as reported by the U.S. Census Bureau.

7 Sec. E.322 REPORT; 3SQUARESVT; MINIMUM BENEFIT

8 CALCULATION

9 (a) On or before January 1, 2025, the Department for Children and
10 Families shall submit a transition plan to the House Committees on
11 Appropriations and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on
12 Appropriations and on Health and Welfare detailing the process and resources
13 necessary to calculate the minimum benefit for 3SquaresVT participants at 30
14 percent of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's moderate-cost food plan,
15 including:

16 (1) the nature, cost, and timeline of any information technology changes
17 needed to implement the new benefit calculation;

18 (2) the annual cost of implementing the increased 3SquaresVT benefit;

19 (3) the number and type of additional staff positions necessary to

20 implement the new benefit calculation, and

1 ~~(4) any statutory changes or federal approvals necessary to implement~~
2 ~~the new benefit calculation.~~

3 Sec. E.323 RECALCULATION; REACH UP; RATABLE REDUCTION
4 REPORT

5 (a) On or before October 1, 2024, the Department for Children and
6 Families shall submit an amended report to the House Committees on
7 Appropriations and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on
8 Appropriations and on Health, Welfare recalculating the amount needed to
9 remove the ratable reduction in the Reach Up program using current housing
10 costs.

11 Sec. E.324 EXPEDITED CRISIS FUEL ASSISTANCE

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

19 Sec. E.325 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES – OFFICE
20 OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

1 ~~(a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.325 of this act,~~
2 ~~\$25,747,402 shall be used by the Department for Children and Families'~~
3 ~~Office of Economic Opportunity to issue grants to community agencies~~
4 ~~assisting individuals experiencing homelessness by preserving existing~~
5 ~~services, increasing services, or increasing resources available statewide.~~
6 ~~These funds may be granted alone or in conjunction with federal Emergency~~
7 ~~Solutions Grants funds. Grant decisions and the administration of funds shall~~
8 ~~be done in consultation with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban~~
9 ~~Development recognized Continuum of Care Program.~~

10 Sec. E.326 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES – OFFICE
11 OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY – WEATHERIZATION
12 ASSISTANCE

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

15 Sec. E.326.1 33 V.S.A. § 2502 is amended to read:

16 § 2502. HOME WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

17 * * *

18 (a) In addition, the Director shall supplement or supplant any federal
19 program with the State Home Weatherization Assistance Program.

20 (1) The State ~~program~~ Program shall provide an enhanced
21 ~~weatherization assistance amount exceeding the federal per-unit limit allowing~~

1 ~~amounts up to an average of \$8,500.00 \$15,300.00 per unit allocated on a cost~~
2 effective basis. The allowable average per unit may be adjusted to account for
3 the lower cost per unit of multifamily buildings will be \$4,500.00. In units
4 where costs exceed the allowable average by more than 25 percent, prior
5 approval of the Director of the State Economic Opportunity Office shall be
6 required before work commences. This amount shall be adjusted annually to
7 account for inflation of materials and labor.

8 * * *

9 (b) ~~The Secretary of Human Services~~ Director shall by rule establish
10 require landlords that are not income eligible to enter into a rent stabilization
11 agreements and provisions to recapture amounts expended for weatherization
12 of a rental unit that exceed the amount of agreement that takes into account the
13 energy cost reductions projected to be obtained by eligible tenants of the unit.
14 The time periods established for rent stabilization and recapture shall be set
15 taking into account the size of benefits received by tenants and landlords as
16 well as the effect on Program participation. ~~Funds recaptured under this~~
17 ~~section shall be deposited into the Home Weatherization Assistance Fund~~
18 ~~established under section 2501 of this title.~~

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20 ~~Sec. E.558 CORRECTIONS – CORRECTIONAL SERVICES~~

1 ~~(e) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 3700(e), the special funds appropriation~~
2 ~~of \$152,000 for the supplemental facility payments to Newport and~~
3 ~~Springfield shall be paid from the PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A.~~
4 ~~§ 3709.~~

5 Sec. E.345 18 V.S.A. § 9374(h) is amended to read:

6 (h)(1) ~~The Board may assess and collect from each regulated entity the~~
7 ~~actual costs incurred by the Board, including staff time and contracts for~~
8 ~~professional services, in carrying out its regulatory duties for health insurance~~
9 ~~rate review under 8 V.S.A. § 4062; hospital budget review under chapter 221,~~
10 ~~subchapter 7 of this title; and accountable care organization certification and~~
11 ~~budget review under section 9382 of this title. The Board may also assess and~~
12 ~~collect from general hospitals licensed under chapter 43 of this title expenses~~
13 ~~incurred by the Commissioner of Health in administering hospital community~~
14 ~~reports under section 9405b of this title.~~

15 (2)(A) ~~In addition to the assessment and collection of actual costs~~
16 ~~pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection and except Except as otherwise~~
17 ~~provided in subdivisions (2)(C) and (3) (1)(C) and (2) of this subsection, all~~
18 ~~other the expenses of the Board shall be borne as follows:~~

19 (i) 40.0 percent by the State from State monies;

20 ~~(ii) 36.28 percent by the hospitals,~~

1 ~~(iii) 24.23.2 percent by nonprofit hospital and medical service~~
2 corporations licensed under 8 V.S.A. chapter 123 or 125, health insurance
3 companies licensed under 8 V.S.A. chapter 101, and health maintenance
4 organizations licensed under 8 V.S.A. chapter 139; and

5 ~~(iv) six 8.0 percent by accountable care organizations certified~~
6 ~~under section 9382 of this title.~~

7 (B) Expenses under subdivision (A)(iii) of this subdivision ~~(2)(1)~~
8 shall be allocated to persons licensed under Title 8 based on premiums paid for
9 health care coverage, which for the purposes of this subdivision ~~(2)(1)~~ shall
10 include major medical, comprehensive medical, hospital or surgical coverage,
11 and comprehensive health care services plans, but shall not include long-term
12 care, limited benefits, disability, credit or stop loss, or excess loss insurance
13 coverage.

14 (C) Expenses incurred by the Board for regulatory duties associated
15 with certificates of need shall be assessed pursuant to the provisions of section
16 9441 of this title ~~and not~~ shall not be assessed in accordance with the formula
17 set forth in subdivision (A) of this subdivision ~~(2)(1)~~.

18 ~~(3)(2)~~ The Board may determine the scope of the incurred expenses to
19 be allocated pursuant to the formula set forth in subdivision ~~(2)(1)~~ of this
20 subsection if, in the Board's discretion, the expenses to be allocated are in the
21 ~~best interests of the regulated entities and of the State.~~

1 ~~(1)(3) If the amount of the proportional assessment to any entity~~
2 calculated in accordance with the formula set forth in subdivision ~~(2)(A)(1)(A)~~
3 of this subsection would be less than \$150.00, the Board shall assess the entity
4 a minimum fee of \$150.00. The Board shall apply the amounts collected
5 based on the difference between each applicable entity's proportional
6 assessment amount and \$150.00 to reduce the total amount assessed to the
7 regulated entities pursuant to subdivisions ~~(2)(A)(ii)-(iv)~~ ~~(1)(A)(ii)-(iv)~~ of this
8 subsection.

9 ~~(5)(4)(A)~~ Annually on or before September 15, the Board shall report to
10 the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations the total amount of all
11 expenses eligible for allocation pursuant to this subsection (h) during the
12 preceding State fiscal year and the total amount actually billed back to the
13 regulated entities during the same period. The provisions of 2 V.S.A. § 20(d)
14 (expiration of required reports) shall not apply to the report to be made under
15 this subdivision.

16 (B) The Board ~~and the Department~~ shall also present the information
17 required by this subsection (h) to the Joint Fiscal Committee annually at its
18 September meeting.

19 Sec. E.400 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR; OFFICE OF WORKFORCE

20 ~~EXPANSION AND DEVELOPMENT~~

1 ~~(a) The two staff positions within the Office of Workforce Expansion and~~
2 Development shall be existing positions within the Department of Labor and
3 funded through the appropriation made in Sec. B.400 of this act.

4 Sec. E.500 EDUCATION – FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

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

10 Sec. E.502 EDUCATION – SPECIAL EDUCATION: FORMULA GRANTS

11 (a) Of the appropriation authorized in Sec. B.502 of this act, and
12 notwithstanding any other provision of law, an amount not to exceed
13 \$4,329,959 shall be used by the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2025 as
14 funding for 16 V.S.A. § 2967(b)(2)–(6). In distributing such funds, the
15 Secretary shall not be limited by the restrictions contained within 16 V.S.A.
16 § 2969(c) and (d).

17 (b) Of the appropriation authorized in Sec. B.502 of this act, and
18 notwithstanding any other provision of law, an amount not to exceed \$500,000
19 shall be used by the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2025 as funding for 16
20 V.S.A. § 2975. In distributing such funds, the Secretary shall not be limited by
21 the restrictions contained within 16 V.S.A. § 2969(c) and (d).

1 ~~Sec. E.503 EDUCATION – STATE PLACED STUDENTS~~

2 ~~(a) The Independence Place Program of the Lund Family Center shall be~~
3 ~~considered a 24-hour residential program for the purposes of reimbursement of~~
4 ~~education costs.~~

5 Sec. E.504 ADULT EDUCATION AND LITERACY

6 ~~(a) Of the appropriation in Sec. B.504 of this act, \$3,778,133 General Fund~~
7 ~~shall be allocated to the Agency of Education for distribution to adult~~
8 ~~education and literacy providers, pursuant to the program established in 16~~
9 ~~V.S.A. § 945.~~

10 Sec. E.504.1 EDUCATION – FLEXIBLE PATHWAYS

11 ~~(a) Notwithstanding any provision of 16 V.S.A. § 4025 to the contrary, of~~
12 ~~the appropriation in Sec. B.504.1 of this act, \$2,518,755 Education Fund~~
13 ~~dollars shall be allocated to the Agency of Education for distribution to adult~~
14 ~~education and literacy providers pursuant to the program established in 16~~
15 ~~V.S.A. § 945.~~

16 ~~(b) Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 4025, of this Education Fund~~
17 ~~appropriation, the amount of:~~

18 ~~(1) \$921,500 is available for dual enrollment programs notwithstanding~~
19 ~~16 V.S.A. § 944(f)(2);~~

20 ~~(2) \$2,000,000 is available to support the Vermont Virtual High School;~~

21 ~~(3) \$400,000 is available for secondary school reform grants, and~~

1 ~~(4) \$3,600,000 is available for Early College pursuant to 16 V.S.A. §~~
2 ~~4011(e).~~

3 ~~(c) Of the appropriation in Sec. B.504 of this act, \$921,500 from the~~
4 ~~General Fund is available for dual enrollment programs.~~

5 Sec. E.514 STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

6 ~~(a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(g)(2), the annual contribution to~~
7 ~~the State Teachers' Retirement System (STRS) shall be \$201,182,703, of~~
8 ~~which \$191,382,703 shall be the State's contribution and \$9,800,000 shall be~~
9 ~~contributed from local school systems or educational entities pursuant to 16~~
10 ~~V.S.A. § 1944c.~~

11 ~~(b) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(c)(2), of the annual contribution,~~
12 ~~\$37,842,027 is the "normal contribution," and \$163,340,676 is the "accrued~~
13 ~~liability contribution."~~

14 Sec. E.514.1 VERMONT STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
15 AND VERMONT PENSION INVESTMENT COMMISSION;
16 OPERATING BUDGET, SOURCE OF FUNDS

17 ~~(a) Of the \$3,572,780 appropriated in Sec. B.514.1 of this act, \$2,516,037~~
18 ~~constitutes the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System operating budget,~~
19 ~~and \$1,056,743 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension Investment~~
20 ~~Commission's budget attributable to the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement~~
21 ~~System.~~

1 ~~Sec. E.515 RETIRED TEACHERS' HEALTH CARE AND MEDICAL~~

2 BENEFITS

3 (a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944b(b)(2) and (h)(1), the annual
4 contribution to the Retired Teachers' Health and Medical Benefits plan shall be
5 \$70,482,644, of which \$62,107,644 shall be the State's contribution and
6 \$8,375,000 shall be from the annual charge for teacher health care contributed
7 by employers pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944d. Of the annual contribution,
8 \$21,648,946 is the "normal contribution," and \$48,833,698 is the "accrued
9 liability contribution."

10 Sec. E.600 UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

11 (a) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall issue warrants to
12 pay 1/12 of the appropriation in Sec. B.600 of this act to the University of
13 Vermont on or about the 15th day of each calendar month of the year.

14 (b) Of this appropriation, \$380,362 shall be transferred to the Experimental
15 Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) to comply with State
16 matching fund requirements necessary for the receipt of available federal or
17 private funds, or both.

18 Sec. E.602 VERMONT STATE COLLEGES

19 (a) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall issue warrants to
20 pay 1/12 of the appropriation in Sec. B.602 of this act to the Vermont State
21 Colleges on or about the 15th day of each calendar month of the year.

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

5 Sec. E.603 VERMONT STATE COLLEGES – ALLIED HEALTH

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

9 ~~(b) The Vermont State Colleges shall use the Global Commitment funds~~
10 ~~appropriated in Sec. B.603 of this act to support the dental hygiene, respiratory~~
11 ~~therapy, and nursing programs that graduate approximately 315 health care~~
12 ~~providers annually. These graduates deliver direct, high-quality health care~~
13 ~~services to Medicaid beneficiaries or uninsured or underinsured persons.~~

14 ~~Sec. E.605 VERMONT STUDENT ASSISTANCE CORPORATION~~

15 ~~(a) Of the appropriation in Sec. B.605 of this act, \$25,000 is appropriated~~
16 ~~from the General Fund to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation~~
17 ~~(VSAC) to be deposited into the Trust Fund established in 16 V.S.A. § 2845.~~

18 ~~(b) Of this appropriation, not more than \$300,000 may be used by the~~
19 ~~Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for a student aspirational initiative to~~
20 ~~serve one or more high schools.~~

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

4 ~~(d) Up to seven percent of the funds appropriated to the Vermont Student~~
5 ~~Assistance Corporation in this act or otherwise currently or previously~~
6 ~~appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation or provided to the~~
7 ~~Vermont Student Assistance Corporation by an agency or department of the~~
8 ~~State for the administration of a program or initiative may be used by the~~
9 ~~Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for its costs of administration. The~~
10 ~~Vermont Student Assistance Corporation may recoup its reasonable costs of~~
11 ~~collecting the forgivable loans in repayment. Funds shall not be used for~~
12 ~~indirect costs. To the extent these are federal funds, allocation for expenses~~
13 ~~associated with administering the funds shall be consistent with federal grant~~
14 ~~requirements.~~

15 ~~(e) \$1,000,000 of the General Fund appropriated amount remaining after~~
16 ~~accounting for subsections (a) and (b) of this section, not less than~~
17 ~~appropriation in Sec. B.605 of this act shall be used to continue the Vermont~~
18 ~~Trades Scholarship Program in accordance with 2022 Act and Resolves No.~~
19 ~~183, Sec. 14.~~

~~Sec. E.605 VERMONT STUDENT ASSISTANCE CORPORATION~~

~~(a) Of the funds appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation in Sec. B.605 of this act:~~

~~(1) \$25,000 shall be deposited into the Trust Fund established in 16 V.S.A. § 2845;~~

~~(2) not more than \$300,000 may be used by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for a student aspirational initiative to serve one or more high schools; and~~

~~(3) not less than \$1,000,000 shall be used to continue the Vermont Trades Scholarship Program established in 2022 Act and Resolves No. 183, Sec. 14.~~

~~(b) Of the funds appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation in Sec. B.605 of this act that are remaining after accounting for the expenditures set forth in subsection (a) of this section, not less than 93 percent shall be used for direct student aid.~~

~~(c) After accounting for the expenditures set forth in subsection (a) of this section, up to seven percent of the funds appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation in Sec. B.605 of this act or otherwise currently or previously appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation or provided to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation by an agency or department of the State for the administration of a program or initiative, may be used by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for its costs of~~

~~administration. The Vermont Student Assistance Corporation may recoup its reasonable costs of collecting the forgivable loans in repayment. Funds shall not be used for indirect costs. To the extent that any of these funds are federal funds, allocation for expenses associated with administering the funds shall be consistent with federal grant requirements.~~

1 Sec. E.605.1 NEED BASED STIPEND FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT AND
2 EARLY COLLEGE STUDENTS

3 (a) Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 4025(b), the sum of \$41,225 in education
4 and \$41,225 in general funds is appropriated to the Vermont Student
5 Assistance Corporation (VSAC) for dual enrollment and need-based stipend
6 purposes to fund a flat-rate, need-based stipend or voucher program for
7 financially disadvantaged students enrolled in a dual enrollment course
8 pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 944 or in early college pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 946 to
9 be used for the purchase of books, cost of transportation, and payment of fees.
10 The Vermont Student Assistance Corporation shall establish the criteria for
11 program eligibility. Funds shall be granted to eligible students on a first-come,
12 first-served basis until funds are depleted.

13 (b) On or before January 15, 2025, the Vermont Student Assistance
14 Corporation shall report on the program to the House Committees on
15 Appropriations and on Commerce and Economic Development and to the

1 ~~Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Economic Development,~~

2 ~~Housing and General Affairs.~~

3 Sec. E.704 DEPARTMENT OF FORESTS, PARKS AND RECREATION;

4 WATER QUALITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM EXPANSION;

5 PILOT

6 (a) Using the funds appropriated in Sec. B.1100(l)(1) of this act, the
7 Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation shall as a pilot expand the Water
8 Quality Assistance Program established by 10 V.S.A. § 2622a, to enable the
9 Program to provide financial assistance to logging contractors to ensure
10 implementation of proactive and preventative water quality protection and
11 climate adaptation practices on harvest sites. The Program shall provide
12 financial assistance to logging contractors for the following:

13 (1) implementation of accepted management practices (AMPs) and
14 other best practices defined by the Department on harvest sites to enhance
15 water quality protection and climate adaptation measures before forest
16 operations take place;

17 (2) purchase by logging contractors of materials or practices that can be
18 used for forest access road construction, landing preparation, bridge
19 construction or installation, culvert protection or installation, and sediment
20 control in advance of harvest implementation in order to comply with the
21 AMPs and other potentially applicable water quality requirements, and

1 ~~(2) financial assistance or cost share for a logging contractor to be~~

2 Master Logger Certified by third-party entities, such as the Northeast Master
3 Logger Certification Program of the Trust to Conserve Northeast Forestlands.

4 (b) The Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation may establish criteria
5 for eligibility under the Water Quality Assistance Program, including priority
6 of assistance and application requirements.

7 (c) The Water Quality Assistance Program shall operate as a pilot program
8 in fiscal year 2025.

9 (d) On or before July 15, 2025, the Commissioner of Forests, Parks and
10 Recreation shall report to the House Committee on Agriculture, Food
11 Resiliency, and Forestry and the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and
12 Energy the results of the pilot Water Quality Assistance Program.

13 Sec. E.910 23 V.S.A. § 304c is amended to read:

14 § 304c. MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION PLATES: BUILDING
15 BRIGHT SPACES FOR BRIGHT FUTURES FUND

16 (a) The Commissioner shall, upon application, issue “Building Bright
17 Spaces for Bright Futures Fund,” referred to as “the Bright Futures Fund,”
18 registration plates for use only on vehicles registered at the pleasure car rate,
19 on trucks registered for less than 26,001 pounds, on vehicles registered to State
20 agencies under section 376 of this title, and excluding vehicles registered
21 ~~under the International Registration Plan. Plates so acquired shall be mounted~~

1 ~~on the front and rear of the vehicle. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles~~
2 shall utilize the graphic design recommended by the Commissioner for
3 Children and Families for the special plates to enhance the public awareness of
4 the State's interest in supporting children's early childhood services.

5 Applicants shall apply on forms prescribed by the Commissioner of Motor
6 Vehicles and shall pay an initial fee of \$29.00 in addition to the annual fee for
7 registration. In following years, in addition to the annual registration fee, the
8 holder of a ~~Bright Futures Fund~~ plate shall pay a renewal fee of \$29.00. The
9 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall adopt rules under 3 V.S.A. chapter 25
10 to implement the provisions of this subsection.

11 (b) Fees collected under subsection (a) of this section shall be ~~allocated~~
12 deposited as follows:

13 (1) 29 percent ~~to~~ in the Transportation Fund.

14 (2) 71 percent ~~to the Department for Children and Families for deposit~~
15 in the Building Bright Futures Fund created in 33 V.S.A. § 3531.

16 (c) Renewal fees collected under subsection (a) of this section shall be
17 ~~allocated~~ deposited as follows:

18 (1) 79 percent ~~to the Department for Children and Families for deposit~~
19 in the Building Bright Futures Fund created in 33 V.S.A. § 3531.

20 ~~(2) 21 percent to in the Transportation Fund.~~

1 ~~(d) The Department of Motor Vehicles shall be charged by the Department~~
2 of Corrections for the production of the Building Bright Futures Fund license
3 plates.

4 Sec. E.915 TRANSPORTATION – TOWN HIGHWAY AID PROGRAM

5 (a) The total appropriation in Sec. B.915 of this act is authorized,
6 notwithstanding the provisions of 19 V.S.A. § 306(a).

7 * * * Effective Dates * * *

8 ~~Sec. E.100. EFFECTIVE DATES~~

9 (a) This section and Secs. C.100, C.101, C.103, C.104, C.105, C.106,
10 C.107, C.111, C.112, C.113, C.114, and C.115 shall take effect on passage.

11 (b) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, Sec. C.102 shall take effect
12 retroactively on March 1, 2024.

13 (c) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, Secs. C.108, C.109, and C.110 shall
14 take effect retroactively on July 1, 2023.

15 (d) Sec. E.325.2 shall take effect on July 1, 2025.

16 (e) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, Sec. E.910 shall take effect
17 retroactively on January 1, 2024.

18 ~~(f) All remaining sections shall take effect on July 1, 2024.~~

~~Sec. E.100. EFFECTIVE DATES~~

~~(a) This section and Secs. C.100, C.101, C.103, C.104, C.105, C.106, C.107, C.111, C.112, C.113, C.114, C.115, and B.1102 shall take effect on passage.~~

~~(b) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214:~~

~~(1) Sec. C.102 shall take effect retroactively on March 1, 2024;~~

~~(2) Secs. C.108, C.109, and C.110 shall take effect retroactively on July 1, 2023; and~~

~~(3) Sec. E.910 shall take effect retroactively on January 1, 2024.~~

~~(c) Sec. E.318.2 shall take effect on July 1, 2025.~~

~~(d) All remaining sections shall take effect on July 1, 2024.~~

~~*** Purpose, Definitions, Legend ***~~

~~Sec. A.100 SHORT TITLE~~

~~(a) This bill may be referred to as the “BIG BILL – Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriations Act.”~~

~~Sec. A.101 PURPOSE~~

~~(a) The purpose of this act is to provide appropriations for the operations of State government and for capital appropriations not funded with bond proceeds during fiscal year 2025. 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, 2024. Agency and department heads are directed to implement staffing and service levels at the beginning of fiscal year 2025 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 the operations of State government and for capital appropriations not funded with bond proceeds for fiscal year 2025.

(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, 2025.

Sec. A.103 DEFINITIONS

(a) As used in this act:

(1) “Capital appropriation” means an appropriation for tangible capital investments or expenses that are eligible to be funded from general obligation debt financing and are allowed under federal laws governing the use of State bond proceeds as described in 32 V.S.A. § 309.

(2) “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.

(3) “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.

(4) “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.

(5) “Personal services” means wages and salaries, fringe benefits, per diems, and 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 2025, 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 2025, federal funds available to the State of Vermont and designated as federal in this and other acts of the 2024 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 General Assembly 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 2025 except for new positions authorized by the 2024 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:

B.100–B.199 and E.100–E.199

General Government

B.200–B.299 and E.200–E.299

Protection to Persons and

	<u>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</u>
	<u>appropriation actions</u>

(b) The C sections contain any amendments to the current fiscal year; the D sections contain fund transfers and reserve allocations for the upcoming budget year; the F sections contain adjustments to financial regulation fees, and the G sections contain the Pay Act. The H section includes effective dates.

**** Fiscal Year 2025 Base Appropriations ****

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,624,952</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>185,657</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>25,000</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>3,835,609</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,449,890</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>25,000</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>437,265</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>923,454</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,835,609</i>
<i>Sec. B.101 Secretary of administration - finance</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,414,180</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>160,916</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,575,096</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,575,096</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,575,096</i>
<i>Sec. B.102 Secretary of administration - workers' compensation insurance</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>894,261</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>90,822</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>985,083</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>985,083</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>985,083</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>567,817</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>59,472</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>627,289</i>

Source of funds

<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>627,289</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>627,289</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>275,025</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>48,667</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>323,692</i>

Source of funds

<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>323,692</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>323,692</i>

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

technology

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>82,994,362</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>62,547,212</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>145,541,574</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>209,808</i>
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<i>Special funds</i>	<i>511,723</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>144,820,043</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>145,541,574</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,526,943</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>332,906</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,859,849</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,183,688</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>666,328</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>9,833</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,859,849</i>

Sec. B.107 Finance and management - financial operations

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,753,093</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>887,167</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,640,260</i>

Source of funds

<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>3,499,357</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>140,903</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,640,260</i>

Sec. B.108 Human resources - operations

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>11,174,144</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,533,893</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,708,037</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,835,968</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>242,235</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>10,105,741</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>524,093</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,708,037</i>

Sec. B.108.1 Human resources - VTHR operations

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,001,756</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>897,472</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,899,228</i>

Source of funds

<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>2,899,228</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,899,228</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,219,976</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>656,818</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,876,794</i>

Source of funds

Internal service funds 1,876,794

Total 1,876,794

Sec. B.110 Libraries

Personal services 2,608,231

Operating expenses 987,312

Grants 272,701

Total 3,868,244

Source of funds

General fund 2,151,812

Special funds 130,971

Federal funds 1,467,374

Interdepartmental transfers 118,087

Total 3,868,244

Sec. B.111 Tax - administration/collection

Personal services 28,375,591

Operating expenses 6,868,137

Total 35,243,728

Source of funds

General fund 23,248,019

Special funds 11,880,709

Interdepartmental transfers 115,000

<i>Total</i>	<i>35,243,728</i>
<i>Sec. B.112 Buildings and general services - administration</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,070,354</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>229,587</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,299,941</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,299,941</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,299,941</i>
<i>Sec. B.113 Buildings and general services - engineering</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>18,881</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,271,574</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,290,455</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>1,290,455</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,290,455</i>
<i>Sec. B.113.1 Buildings and General Services Engineering - Capital Projects</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,973,306</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>500,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,473,306</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,973,306</i>

Interdepartmental transfers 500,000

Total 3,473,306

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

Personal services 3,585,324

Operating expenses 1,919,853

Total 5,505,177

Source of funds

General fund 688,453

Transportation fund 4,292,149

Special funds 524,575

Total 5,505,177

Sec. B.115 Buildings and general services - purchasing

Personal services 2,462,542

Operating expenses 245,613

Total 2,708,155

Source of funds

General fund 1,568,464

Interdepartmental transfers 1,139,691

Total 2,708,155

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

Personal services 826,840

Operating expenses 177,446

Total 1,004,286

Source of funds

General fund 90,941

Internal service funds 913,345

Total 1,004,286

Sec. B.117 Buildings and general services - copy center

Personal services 902,844

Operating expenses 237,416

Total 1,140,260

Source of funds

Internal service funds 1,140,260

Total 1,140,260

Sec. B.118 Buildings and general services - fleet management services

Personal services 915,232

Operating expenses 251,755

Total 1,166,987

Source of funds

Internal service funds 1,166,987

Total 1,166,987

Sec. B.119 Buildings and general services - federal surplus property

<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>4,298</u>
<i>Total</i>	4,298
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<u>4,298</u>
<i>Total</i>	4,298
<i>Sec. B.120 Buildings and general services - state surplus property</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	375,218
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>149,871</u>
<i>Total</i>	525,089
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<u>525,089</u>
<i>Total</i>	525,089
<i>Sec. B.121 Buildings and general services - property management</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	1,471,106
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>652,847</u>
<i>Total</i>	2,123,953
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<u>2,123,953</u>
<i>Total</i>	2,123,953
<i>Sec. B.122 Buildings and general services - fee for space</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	20,361,714

Operating expenses 17,940,900

Total 38,302,614

Source of funds

Internal service funds 38,214,088

Interdepartmental transfers 88,526

Total 38,302,614

Sec. B.124 Executive office - governor's office

Personal services 1,621,889

Operating expenses 529,815

Total 2,151,704

Source of funds

General fund 1,896,299

Interdepartmental transfers 255,405

Total 2,151,704

Sec. B.125 Legislative counsel

Personal services 3,906,667

Operating expenses 291,399

Total 4,198,066

Source of funds

General fund 4,198,066

Total 4,198,066

Sec. B.126 Legislature

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>6,531,132</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>4,934,310</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,465,442</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>11,465,442</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,465,442</i>

Sec. B.126.1 Legislative information technology

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,433,677</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>807,537</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,241,214</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>2,241,214</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,241,214</i>

Sec. B.127 Joint fiscal committee

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,661,816</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>197,363</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,859,179</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>2,859,179</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,859,179</i>

Sec. B.128 Sergeant at arms

Personal services 1,501,807

Operating expenses 161,697

Total 1,663,504

Source of funds

General fund 1,663,504

Total 1,663,504

Sec. B.129 Lieutenant governor

Personal services 273,359

Operating expenses 48,050

Total 321,409

Source of funds

General fund 321,409

Total 321,409

Sec. B.130 Auditor of accounts

Personal services 4,397,652

Operating expenses 140,540

Total 4,538,192

Source of funds

General fund 383,992

Special funds 53,145

<i>Internal service funds</i>	<u>4,101,055</u>
<i>Total</i>	4,538,192
<i>Sec. B.131 State treasurer</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	6,021,504
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>305,404</u>
<i>Total</i>	6,326,908
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	2,233,091
<i>Special funds</i>	3,783,849
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>309,968</u>
<i>Total</i>	6,326,908
<i>Sec. B.132 State treasurer - unclaimed property</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	814,215
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>514,990</u>
<i>Total</i>	1,329,205
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Private purpose trust funds</i>	<u>1,329,205</u>
<i>Total</i>	1,329,205
<i>Sec. B.133 Vermont state retirement system</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	213,238
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>2,849,942</u>

<i>Total</i>	<i>3,063,180</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Pension trust funds</i>	<u><i>3,063,180</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,063,180</i>
<i>Sec. B.134 Municipal employees' retirement system</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>237,966</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u><i>1,499,159</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,737,125</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Pension trust funds</i>	<u><i>1,737,125</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,737,125</i>
<i>Sec. B.134.1 Vermont Pension Investment Commission</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,154,707</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u><i>294,507</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,449,214</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Special funds</i>	<u><i>2,449,214</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,449,214</i>
<i>Sec. B.135 State labor relations board</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>290,593</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u><i>48,629</i></u>

<i>Total</i>	<i>339,222</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>329,646</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>6,788</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>2,788</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>339,222</i>
<i>Sec. B.136 VOSHA review board</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>98,853</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>25,115</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>123,968</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>72,964</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>51,004</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>123,968</i>
<i>Sec. B.136.1 Ethics Commission</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>171,374</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>38,979</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>210,353</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>210,353</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>210,353</i>

Sec. B.137 Homeowner rebate

Grants 19,100,000

Total 19,100,000

Source of funds

General fund 19,100,000

Total 19,100,000

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 3,400,000

Total 3,400,000

Source of funds

General fund 3,400,000

Total 3,400,000

Sec. B.140 Municipal current use

Grants 20,050,000

Total 20,050,000

Source of funds

General fund 20,050,000

Total 20,050,000

Sec. B.142 Payments in lieu of taxes

Grants 12,050,000

Total 12,050,000

Source of funds

Special funds 12,050,000

Total 12,050,000

Sec. B.143 Payments in lieu of taxes - Montpelier

Grants 184,000

Total 184,000

Source of funds

Special funds 184,000

Total 184,000

Sec. B.144 Payments in lieu of taxes - correctional facilities

Grants 40,000

Total 40,000

Source of funds

Special funds 40,000

Total 40,000

Sec. B.145 Total general government

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>117,405,610</i>
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>4,292,149</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>31,882,209</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,467,374</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>214,635,950</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>7,053,789</i>
<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<i>4,298</i>
<i>Pension trust funds</i>	<i>4,800,305</i>
<i>Private purpose trust funds</i>	<i><u>1,329,205</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>382,870,889</i>

Sec. B.200 Attorney general

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>14,435,517</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>2,015,028</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>20,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>16,470,545</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>7,391,661</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>2,355,424</i>
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>422,000</i>

<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,743,215</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>4,558,245</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>16,470,545</i>

Sec. B.201 Vermont court diversion

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,250</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>3,526,258</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,527,508</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,269,511</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>257,997</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,527,508</i>

Sec. B.202 Defender general - public defense

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>17,745,612</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,393,866</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>19,139,478</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>18,399,825</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>589,653</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>150,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>19,139,478</i>

Sec. B.203 Defender general - assigned counsel

<i>Personal services</i>	7,654,274
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>49,500</u>
<i>Total</i>	7,703,774

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<u>7,703,774</u>
<i>Total</i>	7,703,774

Sec. B.204 Judiciary

<i>Personal services</i>	58,439,095
<i>Operating expenses</i>	12,479,384
<i>Grants</i>	<u>121,030</u>
<i>Total</i>	71,039,509

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	63,414,698
<i>Special funds</i>	4,503,401
<i>Federal funds</i>	953,928
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>2,167,482</u>
<i>Total</i>	71,039,509

Sec. B.205 State's attorneys

<i>Personal services</i>	17,309,679
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>2,034,016</u>
<i>Total</i>	19,343,695

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>18,734,634</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>31,000</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>578,061</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>19,343,695</i>

Sec. B.206 Special investigative unit

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>66,237</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>24,295</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>2,140,047</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,230,579</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>2,230,579</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,230,579</i>

Sec. B.206.1 Crime Victims Advocates

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,016,156</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>104,396</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,120,552</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>3,120,552</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,120,552</i>

Sec. B.207 Sheriffs

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,067,726</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>405,868</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,473,594</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>5,473,594</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,473,594</i>

Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>4,620,756</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>6,022,923</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>10,643,679</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>6,179,193</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>4,105</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>396,362</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>4,064,019</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>10,643,679</i>

Sec. B.209 Public safety - state police

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>74,755,468</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>15,992,094</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,137,841</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>91,885,403</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>57,891,409</i>
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>20,250,000</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>3,170,328</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>8,967,252</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,606,414</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>91,885,403</i>

Sec. B.210 Public safety - criminal justice services

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,387,100</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>2,152,467</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>7,539,567</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,829,099</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>4,975,847</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>734,621</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>7,539,567</i>

Sec. B.211 Public safety - emergency management

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,420,245</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,326,624</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>41,392,759</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>48,139,628</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>940,339</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>710,000</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>46,427,309</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>61,980</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>48,139,628</i>

Sec. B.212 Public safety - fire safety

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>9,384,147</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>3,412,948</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>107,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,904,095</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,586,884</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>10,093,736</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,178,475</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>45,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,904,095</i>

Sec. B.213 Public safety - Forensic Laboratory

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,842,354</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,095,166</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,937,520</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,768,566</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>75,572</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>557,339</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>536,043</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,937,520</i>

Sec. B.215 Military - administration

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,056,147</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>776,352</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,319,834</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,152,333</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>3,152,333</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,152,333</i>

Sec. B.216 Military - air service contract

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>10,499,846</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,504,451</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,004,297</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>775,259</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>11,229,038</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>12,004,297</i>
<i>Sec. B.217 Military - army service contract</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>45,473,792</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>8,181,836</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>53,655,628</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>53,655,628</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>53,655,628</i>
<i>Sec. B.218 Military - building maintenance</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>827,320</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,008,123</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,835,443</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,772,943</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>62,500</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,835,443</i>
<i>Sec. B.219 Military - veterans' affairs</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,211,819</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>176,383</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>28,500</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,416,702</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,096,505</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>209,092</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>111,105</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,416,702</i>

Sec. B.220 Center for crime victim services

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,061,261</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>391,491</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>9,908,464</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,361,216</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,601,998</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>4,015,490</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>6,743,728</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,361,216</i>

Sec. B.221 Criminal justice council

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,356,811</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,821,496</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,178,307</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,835,126</i>
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Interdepartmental transfers 343,181

Total 4,178,307

Sec. B.222 Agriculture, food and markets - administration

Personal services 3,057,449

Operating expenses 346,294

Total 3,403,743

Source of funds

General fund 1,393,366

Special funds 1,432,323

Federal funds 578,054

Total 3,403,743

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

protection

Personal services 5,235,644

Operating expenses 1,113,830

Grants 2,780,000

Total 9,129,474

Source of funds

General fund 3,400,278

Special funds 4,020,618

Federal funds 1,696,578

Interdepartmental transfers 12,000

Total 9,129,474

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

Personal services 4,265,067

Operating expenses 734,947

Grants 15,307,498

Total 20,307,512

Source of funds

General fund 3,077,928

Special funds 644,363

Federal funds 16,585,221

Total 20,307,512

*Sec. B.225 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural resource management
and environmental stewardship*

Personal services 2,712,147

Operating expenses 839,493

Grants 212,000

Total 3,763,640

Source of funds

General fund 824,794

Special funds 2,242,158

<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>343,452</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>353,236</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,763,640</i>

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

Environmental Lab

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,822,983</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,438,533</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,261,516</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,602,665</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>1,591,189</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>67,662</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,261,516</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,815,695</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>745,519</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>11,147,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>15,708,214</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,817,135</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>10,528,782</i>

<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>2,169,174</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,193,123</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>15,708,214</i>

Sec. B.226 Financial regulation - administration

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,726,198</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>159,635</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>100,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,985,833</i>

Source of funds

<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>2,985,833</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,985,833</i>

Sec. B.227 Financial regulation - banking

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,400,645</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>473,873</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,874,518</i>

Source of funds

<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>2,874,518</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,874,518</i>

Sec. B.228 Financial regulation - insurance

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,028,218</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>556,622</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>5,584,840</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Special funds</i>	<u><i>5,584,840</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,584,840</i>
<i>Sec. B.229 Financial regulation - captive insurance</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,723,322</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u><i>652,707</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,376,029</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Special funds</i>	<u><i>6,376,029</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,376,029</i>
<i>Sec. B.230 Financial regulation - securities</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,269,574</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u><i>241,157</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,510,731</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Special funds</i>	<u><i>1,510,731</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,510,731</i>
<i>Sec. B.232 Secretary of state</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>22,592,899</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>4,345,999</i>

<i>Grants</i>	<u>1,000,000</u>
<i>Total</i>	27,938,898

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	1,000,000
<i>Special funds</i>	19,922,486
<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>7,016,412</u>
<i>Total</i>	27,938,898

Sec. B.233 Public service - regulation and energy

<i>Personal services</i>	10,861,325
<i>Operating expenses</i>	1,405,907
<i>Grants</i>	<u>28,300</u>
<i>Total</i>	12,295,532

Source of funds

<i>Special funds</i>	11,060,542
<i>Federal funds</i>	992,781
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	225,423
<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<u>16,786</u>
<i>Total</i>	12,295,532

Sec. B.233.1 VT Community Broadband Board

<i>Personal services</i>	1,609,379
<i>Operating expenses</i>	269,690

Grants 150,000

Total 2,029,069

Source of funds

Special funds 1,269,289

Federal funds 759,780

Total 2,029,069

Sec. B.234 Public utility commission

Personal services 5,052,403

Operating expenses 617,149

Total 5,669,552

Source of funds

Special funds 5,669,552

Total 5,669,552

Sec. B.235 Enhanced 9-1-1 Board

Personal services 4,429,219

Operating expenses 471,441

Total 4,900,660

Source of funds

Special funds 4,900,660

Total 4,900,660

Sec. B.236 Human rights commission

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>927,697</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>115,103</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,042,800</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>953,800</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>89,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,042,800</i>

Sec. B.236.1 Liquor & Lottery Comm. Office

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>9,831,453</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>5,667,447</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>15,498,900</i>

Source of funds

<i>Special funds</i>	<i>125,000</i>
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>250,579</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>70,000</i>
<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<i><u>15,053,321</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>15,498,900</i>

Sec. B.240 Cannabis Control Board

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>4,242,224</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,819,990</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,062,214</i>

Source of funds

<i>Special funds</i>	<u>6,062,214</u>
<i>Total</i>	6,062,214

Sec. B.241 Total protection to persons and property

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	228,238,448
<i>Transportation fund</i>	20,250,000
<i>Special funds</i>	119,824,272
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	672,579
<i>Federal funds</i>	162,959,452
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	16,031,869
<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<u>15,070,107</u>
<i>Total</i>	563,046,727

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

<i>Personal services</i>	16,219,746
<i>Operating expenses</i>	7,220,486
<i>Grants</i>	<u>3,795,202</u>
<i>Total</i>	27,235,434

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	12,913,202
<i>Special funds</i>	135,517

<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>13,565,080</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>621,635</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>27,235,434</i>

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

<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>2,039,512,911</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,039,512,911</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>668,380,623</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>32,047,905</i>
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>21,049,373</i>
<i>State health care resources fund</i>	<i>28,053,557</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,285,494,243</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>4,487,210</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,039,512,911</i>

Sec. B.303 Developmental disabilities council

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>479,072</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>95,765</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>191,595</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>766,432</i>

Source of funds

<i>Special funds</i>	<i>12,000</i>
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Federal funds 754,432

Total 766,432

Sec. B.304 Human services board

Personal services 703,548

Operating expenses 90,191

Total 793,739

Source of funds

General fund 486,165

Federal funds 307,574

Total 793,739

Sec. B.305 AHS - administrative fund

Personal services 330,000

Operating expenses 13,170,000

Total 13,500,000

Source of funds

Interdepartmental transfers 13,500,000

Total 13,500,000

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

Personal services 134,929,148

Operating expenses 44,171,193

Grants 3,112,301

<i>Total</i>	<i>182,212,642</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>39,872,315</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>4,733,015</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>128,790,580</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>4,308,574</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>4,508,158</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>182,212,642</i>
<i>Sec. B.307 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - global commitment</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>547,983</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>899,550,794</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>900,098,777</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>900,098,777</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>900,098,777</i>
<i>Sec. B.309 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - state only</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>63,033,948</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>63,033,948</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	

<i>General fund</i>	<i>62,151,546</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>882,402</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>63,033,948</i>

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

matched

<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>34,994,888</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>34,994,888</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>12,511,405</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>22,483,483</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>34,994,888</i>

Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>8,373,168</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>7,519,722</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>7,985,727</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>23,878,617</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,189,843</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>2,308,186</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>11,040,433</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>7,173,924</i>

<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>166,231</u>
<i>Total</i>	23,878,617
<i>Sec. B.312 Health - public health</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	67,812,371
<i>Operating expenses</i>	11,025,497
<i>Grants</i>	<u>46,766,832</u>
<i>Total</i>	125,604,700
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	12,908,892
<i>Special funds</i>	24,906,804
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	1,088,918
<i>Federal funds</i>	64,038,301
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	17,036,150
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	5,600,635
<i>Permanent trust funds</i>	<u>25,000</u>
<i>Total</i>	125,604,700
<i>Sec. B.313 Health - substance use programs</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	6,570,967
<i>Operating expenses</i>	511,500
<i>Grants</i>	<u>58,215,510</u>
<i>Total</i>	65,297,977

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>6,672,061</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>2,413,678</i>
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>949,917</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>15,456,754</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>39,805,567</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>65,297,977</i>

Sec. B.314 Mental health - mental health

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>50,191,086</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>5,517,999</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>270,625,138</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>326,334,223</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>25,555,311</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>1,718,092</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>11,436,913</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>287,609,767</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>14,140</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>326,334,223</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>46,644,080</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>17,560,755</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>5,627,175</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>69,832,010</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>39,722,724</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>2,781,912</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>24,448,223</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>2,417,024</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>462,127</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>69,832,010</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>45,197,694</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>5,315,309</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>98,251,027</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>148,764,030</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>58,838,741</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>729,587</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>34,666,196</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>54,514,506</i>

Interdepartmental transfers 15,000

Total 148,764,030

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

Personal services 5,908,038

Operating expenses 813,321

Grants 223,329,336

Total 230,050,695

Source of funds

General fund 76,723,518

Special funds 96,312,000

Federal funds 43,511,414

Global Commitment fund 13,503,763

Total 230,050,695

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

Personal services 13,157,660

Operating expenses 3,759,992

Total 16,917,652

Source of funds

General fund 5,200,064

Special funds 455,719

Federal funds 10,874,269

Interdepartmental transfers 387,600

Total 16,917,652

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

Personal services 2,252,206

Grants 10,717,444

Total 12,969,650

Source of funds

General fund 7,376,133

Global Commitment fund 5,593,517

Total 12,969,650

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

Personal services 15,000

Grants 11,054,252

Total 11,069,252

Source of funds

General fund 10,811,345

Federal funds 11,320

Global Commitment fund 246,587

Total 11,069,252

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

Grants 44,377,812

Total 44,377,812

Source of funds

Federal funds 44,377,812

Total 44,377,812

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

Operating expenses 23,821

Grants 37,230,488

Total 37,254,309

Source of funds

General fund 24,733,042

Special funds 5,970,229

Federal funds 2,806,330

Global Commitment fund 3,744,708

Total 37,254,309

Sec. B.324 Department for children and families - home heating fuel

assistance/LIHEAP

Grants 16,019,953

Total 16,019,953

Source of funds

Special funds 1,480,395

<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>14,539,558</u>
<i>Total</i>	16,019,953

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

<i>Personal services</i>	817,029
<i>Operating expenses</i>	100,407
<i>Grants</i>	<u>35,466,283</u>
<i>Total</i>	36,383,719

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	28,178,010
<i>Special funds</i>	83,135
<i>Federal funds</i>	4,935,273
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<u>3,187,301</u>
<i>Total</i>	36,383,719

Sec. B.326 Department for children and families - OEO - weatherization

assistance

<i>Personal services</i>	465,709
<i>Operating expenses</i>	248,905
<i>Grants</i>	<u>15,147,885</u>
<i>Total</i>	15,862,499

Source of funds

<i>Special funds</i>	<i>7,697,546</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>8,164,953</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>15,862,499</i>

Sec. B.327 Department for Children and Families - Secure Residential

<i>Treatment</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>258,100</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>42,225</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>3,476,862</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,777,187</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,747,187</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>30,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,777,187</i>

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

services

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>7,860,410</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>488,354</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>8,348,764</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>124,172</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>8,224,592</u></i>

Total 8,348,764

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

Personal services 45,217,977

Operating expenses 6,472,558

Total 51,690,535

Source of funds

General fund 22,916,281

Special funds 1,390,457

Federal funds 26,063,097

Global Commitment fund 35,000

Interdepartmental transfers 1,285,700

Total 51,690,535

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

Grants 24,571,060

Total 24,571,060

Source of funds

General fund 8,392,303

Federal funds 7,321,114

Global Commitment fund 8,857,643

<i>Total</i>	<i>24,571,060</i>
<i>Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - blind and visually impaired</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,907,604</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,907,604</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>489,154</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>223,450</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>890,000</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>305,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,907,604</i>
<i>Sec. B.332 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - vocational rehabilitation</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>10,179,845</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>10,179,845</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,371,845</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>7,558,000</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,250,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>10,179,845</i>
<i>Sec. B.333 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - developmental services</i>	

<i>Grants</i>	<u>329,299,344</u>
<i>Total</i>	329,299,344

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	132,732
<i>Special funds</i>	15,463
<i>Federal funds</i>	403,573
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	328,697,576
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>50,000</u>
<i>Total</i>	329,299,344

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

<i>Grants</i>	<u>6,845,005</u>
<i>Total</i>	6,845,005

Source of funds

<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<u>6,845,005</u>
<i>Total</i>	6,845,005

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

<i>Grants</i>	<u>293,584,545</u>
<i>Total</i>	293,584,545

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	498,579
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<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>2,450,000</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>290,635,966</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>293,584,545</i>

Sec. B.335 Corrections - administration

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,025,978</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>266,783</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,292,761</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>5,292,761</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,292,761</i>

Sec. B.336 Corrections - parole board

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>475,099</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>59,692</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>534,791</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>534,791</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>534,791</i>

Sec. B.337 Corrections - correctional education

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,979,310</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>252,649</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,231,959</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>4,082,899</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>276</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>148,784</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,231,959</i>

Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>147,472,104</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>24,914,205</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>172,386,309</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>162,807,888</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>935,963</i>
<i>ARPA State Fiscal</i>	<i>5,000,000</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>499,888</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>2,746,255</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>396,315</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>172,386,309</i>

Sec. B.338.1 Corrections - Justice Reinvestment II

<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>11,055,849</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,055,849</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>8,478,161</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>13,147</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>2,564,541</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,055,849</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i><u>4,130,378</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,130,378</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>4,130,378</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,130,378</i>

Sec. B.340 Corrections - correctional facilities - recreation

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>634,972</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>456,715</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,091,687</i>

Source of funds

<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>1,091,687</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,091,687</i>

Sec. B.341 Corrections - Vermont offender work program

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>324,103</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>166,750</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>490,853</i>

Source of funds

Internal service funds 490,853

Total 490,853

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

Personal services 17,631,222

Operating expenses 5,013,462

Total 22,644,684

Source of funds

General fund 4,320,687

Special funds 10,051,903

Federal funds 8,272,094

Total 22,644,684

Sec. B.343 Commission on women

Personal services 398,669

Operating expenses 93,837

Total 492,506

Source of funds

General fund 487,998

Special funds 4,508

Total 492,506

Sec. B.344 Retired senior volunteer program

Grants 160,155

Total 160,155

Source of funds

General fund 160,155

Total 160,155

Sec. B.345 Green Mountain Care Board

Personal services 8,396,809

Operating expenses 398,601

Total 8,795,410

Source of funds

General fund 3,494,109

Special funds 5,301,301

Total 8,795,410

Sec. B.346 Office of the Child, Youth, and Family Advocate

Personal services 342,966

Operating expenses 88,820

Total 431,786

Source of funds

General fund 431,786

Total 431,786

Sec. B.347 Total human services

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,328,118,806</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>202,800,452</i>
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>23,088,208</i>
<i>State health care resources fund</i>	<i>28,053,557</i>
<i>ARPA State Fiscal</i>	<i>5,000,000</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,803,398,922</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>1,980,839,553</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>490,853</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>32,893,535</i>
<i>Permanent trust funds</i>	<i><u>25,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,404,708,886</i>

Sec. B.400 Labor - programs

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>39,963,839</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>5,708,836</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>9,199,639</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>54,872,314</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>10,916,365</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>9,407,107</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>34,261,616</i>

Interdepartmental transfers 287,226

Total 54,872,314

Sec. B.401 Total labor

Source of funds

General fund 10,916,365

Special funds 9,407,107

Federal funds 34,261,616

Interdepartmental transfers 287,226

Total 54,872,314

Sec. B.500 Education - finance and administration

Personal services 22,086,664

Operating expenses 4,484,934

Grants 14,770,700

Total 41,342,298

Source of funds

General fund 7,317,085

Special funds 16,618,543

Education fund 3,486,988

Federal funds 13,154,385

Global Commitment fund 260,000

Interdepartmental transfers 505,297

<i>Total</i>	<i>41,342,298</i>
<i>Sec. B.501 Education - education services</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>28,237,700</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,134,912</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<u><i>322,345,763</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>351,718,375</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>6,387,955</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>3,033,144</i>
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>750,388</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>340,584,414</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u><i>962,474</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>351,718,375</i>
<i>Sec. B.502 Education - special education: formula grants</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<u><i>264,649,859</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>264,649,859</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Education fund</i>	<u><i>264,649,859</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>264,649,859</i>
<i>Sec. B.503 Education - state-placed students</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<u><i>20,000,000</i></u>

<i>Total</i>	<i>20,000,000</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>20,000,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>20,000,000</i>
<i>Sec. B.504 Education - adult education and literacy</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>4,694,183</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,694,183</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,778,133</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>916,050</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,694,183</i>
<i>Sec. B.504.1 Education - Flexible Pathways</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>11,361,755</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,361,755</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>921,500</i>
<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>10,440,255</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,361,755</i>
<i>Sec. B.505 Education - adjusted education payment</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,893,267,394</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,893,267,394</i>

Source of funds

Education fund 1,893,267,394

Total 1,893,267,394

Sec. B.506 Education - transportation

Grants 25,306,000

Total 25,306,000

Source of funds

Education fund 25,306,000

Total 25,306,000

Sec. B.507 Education - Merger Support Grants

Grants 1,800,000

Total 1,800,000

Source of funds

Education fund 1,800,000

Total 1,800,000

Sec. B.507.1 Education - EL Categorical Aid

Grants 2,250,000

Total 2,250,000

Source of funds

Education fund 2,250,000

Total 2,250,000

Sec. B.508 Education - nutrition

Grants 20,400,000

Total 20,400,000

Source of funds

Education fund 20,400,000

Total 20,400,000

Sec. B.509 Education - Afterschool Grant Program

Personal services 500,000

Grants 3,500,000

Total 4,000,000

Source of funds

Special funds 4,000,000

Total 4,000,000

Sec. B.510 Education - essential early education grant

Grants 8,725,587

Total 8,725,587

Source of funds

Education fund 8,725,587

Total 8,725,587

Sec. B.511 Education - technical education

Grants 17,881,950

<i>Total</i>	<i>17,881,950</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>17,881,950</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>17,881,950</i>
<i>Sec. B.511.1 State Board of Education</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>54,208</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>16,500</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>70,708</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>70,708</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>70,708</i>
<i>Sec. B.513 Retired Teachers Pension Plus Funding</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>12,000,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,000,000</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>12,000,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,000,000</i>
<i>Sec. B.514 State teachers' retirement system</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>191,382,703</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>191,382,703</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	

<i>General fund</i>	<i>155,384,035</i>
<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>35,998,668</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>191,382,703</i>

Sec. B.514.1 State teachers' retirement system administration

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>349,979</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>3,222,801</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,572,780</i>

Source of funds

<i>Pension trust funds</i>	<i><u>3,572,780</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,572,780</i>

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

<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>62,107,644</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>62,107,644</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>43,031,103</i>
<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>19,076,541</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>62,107,644</i>

Sec. B.516 Total general education

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>228,890,519</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>23,651,687</i>

<i>Tobacco fund</i>	750,388
<i>Education fund</i>	2,323,283,242
<i>Federal funds</i>	354,654,849
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	260,000
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	1,467,771
<i>Pension trust funds</i>	<u>3,572,780</u>
<i>Total</i>	2,936,531,236

Sec. B.600 University of Vermont

<i>Grants</i>	<u>55,706,897</u>
<i>Total</i>	55,706,897

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<u>55,706,897</u>
<i>Total</i>	55,706,897

Sec. B.602 Vermont state colleges

<i>Grants</i>	<u>50,940,478</u>
<i>Total</i>	50,940,478

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<u>50,940,478</u>
<i>Total</i>	50,940,478

Sec. B.603 Vermont state colleges - allied health

<i>Grants</i>	<u>1,788,434</u>
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<i>Total</i>	<i>1,788,434</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>288,434</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>1,500,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,788,434</i>
<i>Sec. B.605 Vermont student assistance corporation</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>26,139,946</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>26,139,946</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>26,139,946</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>26,139,946</i>
<i>Sec. B.605.1 VSAC - Flexible Pathways Stipend</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>82,450</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>82,450</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>41,225</i>
<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>41,225</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>82,450</i>
<i>Sec. B.606 New England higher education compact</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>86,520</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>86,520</i>

Source of funds

General fund 86,520

Total 86,520

Sec. B.607 University of Vermont - Morgan Horse Farm

Grants 1

Total 1

Source of funds

General fund 1

Total 1

Sec. B.608 Total higher education

Source of funds

General fund 133,203,501

Education fund 41,225

Global Commitment fund 1,500,000

Total 134,744,726

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

Personal services 6,006,412

Operating expenses 1,475,166

Total 7,481,578

Source of funds

General fund 5,129,356

<i>Special funds</i>	775,079
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>1,577,143</u>
<i>Total</i>	7,481,578

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

<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>2,689,176</u>
<i>Total</i>	2,689,176

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	2,267,676
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>421,500</u>
<i>Total</i>	2,689,176

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

<i>Personal services</i>	22,597,844
<i>Operating expenses</i>	6,843,095
<i>Grants</i>	<u>853,066</u>
<i>Total</i>	30,294,005

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	8,267,967
<i>Special funds</i>	365,427
<i>Fish and wildlife fund</i>	10,418,331
<i>Federal funds</i>	9,751,683
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>1,490,597</u>

<i>Total</i>	<i>30,294,005</i>
<i>Sec. B.703 Forests, parks and recreation - administration</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,347,215</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,658,662</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,005,877</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,867,366</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>138,511</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,005,877</i>
<i>Sec. B.704 Forests, parks and recreation - forestry</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>7,880,566</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,005,046</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,712,423</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>10,598,035</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>6,299,512</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>547,215</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>3,394,931</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>356,377</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>10,598,035</i>
<i>Sec. B.705 Forests, parks and recreation - state parks</i>	

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>13,641,062</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>5,555,506</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>50,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>19,246,568</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,461,122</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>17,785,446</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>19,246,568</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,209,865</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>7,721,058</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>3,729,759</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>14,660,682</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,179,068</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>2,283,759</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>10,802,370</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>395,485</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>14,660,682</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>130,000</i>
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Operating expenses 99,925

Total 229,925

Source of funds

General fund 229,925

Total 229,925

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

Personal services 9,202,579

Operating expenses 4,811,255

Grants 122,735

Total 14,136,569

Source of funds

General fund 2,243,575

Special funds 794,867

Federal funds 2,164,711

Interdepartmental transfers 8,933,416

Total 14,136,569

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

Personal services 27,995,328

Operating expenses 10,788,954

Grants 4,943,000

Total 43,727,282

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>199,372</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>24,643,580</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>18,800,064</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>84,266</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>43,727,282</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>50,153,806</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>8,362,915</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>92,365,140</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>150,881,861</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>11,887,629</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>30,967,150</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>107,154,542</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>872,540</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>150,881,861</i>

Sec. B.713 Natural resources board

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,313,829</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>421,198</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,735,027</i>

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	760,232
<i>Special funds</i>	<u>2,974,795</u>
<i>Total</i>	3,735,027

Sec. B.714 Total natural resources

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	42,792,800
<i>Special funds</i>	81,275,829
<i>Fish and wildlife fund</i>	10,418,331
<i>Federal funds</i>	152,068,301
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>14,131,324</u>
<i>Total</i>	300,686,585

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

<i>Personal services</i>	2,368,443
<i>Operating expenses</i>	839,383
<i>Grants</i>	<u>389,320</u>
<i>Total</i>	3,597,146

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<u>3,597,146</u>
<i>Total</i>	3,597,146

Sec. B.801 Economic development

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>4,612,442</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,215,603</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>6,539,044</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,367,089</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>5,701,138</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>820,850</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>4,021,428</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,823,673</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,367,089</i>

Sec. B.802 Housing and community development

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>7,645,042</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>910,983</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>23,978,656</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>32,534,681</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>5,365,841</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>8,702,439</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>14,615,349</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>3,851,052</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>32,534,681</i>
<i>Sec. B.806 Tourism and marketing</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,332,723</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>6,090,577</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>3,920,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>15,343,300</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>4,785,247</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>10,483,053</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>75,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>15,343,300</i>
<i>Sec. B.808 Vermont council on the arts</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>973,848</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>973,848</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>973,848</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>973,848</i>
<i>Sec. B.809 Vermont symphony orchestra</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>149,680</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>149,680</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	

<i>General fund</i>	<u>149,680</u>
<i>Total</i>	149,680
<i>Sec. B.810 Vermont historical society</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<u>1,135,640</u>
<i>Total</i>	1,135,640
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<u>1,135,640</u>
<i>Total</i>	1,135,640
<i>Sec. B.811 Vermont housing and conservation board</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<u>82,283,351</u>
<i>Total</i>	82,283,351
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Special funds</i>	25,607,155
<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>56,676,196</u>
<i>Total</i>	82,283,351
<i>Sec. B.812 Vermont humanities council</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<u>309,000</u>
<i>Total</i>	309,000
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<u>309,000</u>
<i>Total</i>	309,000

Sec. B.813 Total commerce and community development

Source of funds

<i>General fund</i>	<i>22,017,540</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>35,130,444</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>85,796,026</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>5,749,725</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>148,693,735</i>

Sec. B.900 Transportation - finance and administration

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>18,099,986</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>6,108,609</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>350,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>24,558,595</i>

Source of funds

<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>23,202,105</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>1,356,490</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>24,558,595</i>

Sec. B.901 Transportation - aviation

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,907,105</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>17,194,905</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>737,501</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>21,839,511</i>

Source of funds

<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>5,766,122</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>16,073,389</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>21,839,511</i>

Sec. B.902 Transportation - buildings

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,025,000</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,800,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,825,000</i>

Source of funds

<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i><u>2,825,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,825,000</i>

Sec. B.903 Transportation - program development

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>82,232,854</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>307,766,179</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>30,605,814</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>420,604,847</i>

Source of funds

<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>65,845,147</i>
<i>TIB fund</i>	<i>14,726,719</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>334,397,149</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>1,411,518</i>

Local match 4,224,314

Total 420,604,847

Sec. B.904 Transportation - rest areas construction

Personal services 300,000

Operating expenses 1,185,601

Total 1,485,601

Source of funds

Transportation fund 148,560

Federal funds 1,337,041

Total 1,485,601

Sec. B.905 Transportation - maintenance state system

Personal services 42,757,951

Operating expenses 63,680,546

Total 106,438,497

Source of funds

Transportation fund 105,406,483

Federal funds 932,014

Interdepartmental transfers 100,000

Total 106,438,497

Sec. B.906 Transportation - policy and planning

Personal services 4,108,918

<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>942,444</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>9,000,491</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>14,051,853</i>

Source of funds

<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>3,137,901</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>10,797,449</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>116,503</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>14,051,853</i>

Sec. B.906.1 Transportation - Environmental Policy and Sustainability

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>6,953,362</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,176,411</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,480,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>9,609,773</i>

Source of funds

<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>531,909</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>7,900,327</i>
<i>Local match</i>	<i><u>1,177,537</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>9,609,773</i>

Sec. B.907 Transportation - rail

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,734,768</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>43,012,063</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>48,746,831</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>15,690,849</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>30,641,237</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>2,196,000</i>
<i>Local match</i>	<i><u>218,745</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>48,746,831</i>
<i>Sec. B.908 Transportation - public transit</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>4,612,631</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>119,894</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>50,807,700</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>55,540,225</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>9,807,525</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>45,592,700</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>140,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>55,540,225</i>
<i>Sec. B.909 Transportation - central garage</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,480,920</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>18,070,315</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>23,551,235</i>

Source of funds

Internal service funds 23,551,235

Total 23,551,235

Sec. B.910 Department of motor vehicles

Personal services 33,713,124

Operating expenses 13,549,772

Total 47,262,896

Source of funds

Transportation fund 44,454,119

Federal funds 2,687,081

Interdepartmental transfers 121,696

Total 47,262,896

Sec. B.911 Transportation - town highway structures

Grants 8,016,000

Total 8,016,000

Source of funds

Transportation fund 8,016,000

Total 8,016,000

Sec. B.912 Transportation - town highway local technical assistance program

Personal services 449,763

Operating expenses 31,689

<i>Total</i>	<i>481,452</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>121,452</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>360,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>481,452</i>
<i>Sec. B.913 Transportation - town highway class 2 roadway</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>8,858,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>8,858,000</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i><u>8,858,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>8,858,000</i>
<i>Sec. B.914 Transportation - town highway bridges</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>12,185,000</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>33,149,278</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>45,334,278</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>TIB fund</i>	<i>3,973,281</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>39,264,097</i>
<i>Local match</i>	<i><u>2,096,900</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>45,334,278</i>
<i>Sec. B.915 Transportation - town highway aid program</i>	

<i>Grants</i>	<u>29,532,753</u>
<i>Total</i>	29,532,753

Source of funds

<i>Transportation fund</i>	<u>29,532,753</u>
<i>Total</i>	29,532,753

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

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

Source of funds

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

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

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

Source of funds

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

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

<i>Personal services</i>	25,000
<i>Grants</i>	<u>155,000</u>
<i>Total</i>	180,000

Source of funds

<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>20,000</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>160,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>180,000</i>

Sec. B.919 Transportation - municipal mitigation assistance program

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>125,000</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>280,000</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>6,738,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>7,143,000</i>

Source of funds

<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>715,000</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>5,000,000</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>1,428,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>7,143,000</i>

Sec. B.920 Transportation - public assistance grant program

<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>200,000</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,050,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,250,000</i>

Source of funds

<i>Special funds</i>	<i>50,000</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,000,000</i>

<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>200,000</u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,250,000</i>
<i>Sec. B.921 Transportation board</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>176,315</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>23,782</u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>200,097</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<u>200,097</u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>200,097</i>
<i>Sec. B.922 Total transportation</i>	
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>325,557,772</i>
<i>TIB fund</i>	<i>18,700,000</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>5,050,000</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>493,926,974</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>23,551,235</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>4,285,717</i>
<i>Local match</i>	<u>7,717,496</u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>878,789,194</i>
<i>Sec. B.1000 Debt service</i>	
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>675,000</u>

<i>Total</i>	<i>675,000</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<u><i>675,000</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>675,000</i>

Sec. B.1001 Total debt service

<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<u><i>675,000</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>675,000</i>

** * * Fiscal Year 2025 One-Time Appropriations * * **

*Sec. B.1100 MISCELLANEOUS FISCAL YEAR 2025 ONE-TIME
APPROPRIATIONS*

(a) Department of Public Safety. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$250,000 General Fund to fund the Urban Search and Rescue Team.

(b) Military Department. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$10,000 General Fund for the USS Vermont Support Group.

(c) Department of Mental Health. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$1,000,000 General Fund for start-up costs related to the psychiatric youth inpatient facility funded by 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.1105(b)(4).

(d) Department of Health. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$1,060,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund for a program administered by Vermont's 13 recovery centers in collaboration with the Department of Corrections to provide recovery support to those in correctional facilities, post-incarceration, and involved in probation and parole;

(2) \$1,000,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund for grants to providers to establish community-based stabilization beds for individuals transitioning between substance use disorder residential treatment and the recovery system;

(3) \$800,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund for grants to providers for ongoing support for contingency management;

(4) \$714,481 Opioid Abatement Special Fund to expand Student Assistance Professional and school-based services;

(5) \$325,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund for recovery housing supports;

(6) \$150,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund for a grant to Johnson Health Center to establish a managed medical response partnership for individuals with substance use disorder;

(7) \$150,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund for a grant to Vermonters for Criminal Justice Reform to establish a managed medical response partnership for individuals with substance use disorder;

(8) \$835,073 General Fund for the Bridges to Health Program; and

(9) \$400,000 General Fund for the Vermont Household Health Insurance Survey.

(e) Department for Children and Families. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$16,500,000 General Fund for the General Assistance Emergency Housing program;

(2) \$1,034,065 General Fund to extend 10 Economic Services Division limited service positions, including associated operating costs, in support of the General Assistance Emergency Housing program; and

(3) \$332,000 General Fund for a 2-1-1 service line contract to operate 24 hours seven days per week.

(f) Vermont State University. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$10,000,000 General Fund for deficit reduction and systems transformation bridge funding; and

(2) \$1,000,000 General Fund for the Community College of Vermont Tuition Advantage Program.

(g) Department of Environmental Conservation. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$500,000 General Fund to be used as State match for the federal Water Resources Development Act Winooski Study;

(2) \$225,000 General Fund for contracting to support development of State Flood Hazard Area Standards;

(3) \$1,500,000 General Fund for contracting to support completion of river corridor mapping and implementation of river corridor permitting;

(4) \$150,000 General Fund for contracting to support wetlands mapping and rulemaking; and

(5) \$50,000 General Fund for education and outreach on the use of unencapsulated polystyrene foam for docks in waters of the State.

(h) Department of Economic Development. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$150,000 General Fund for continued funding of the International Business Office previously funded by 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. G.300(b)(1).

(i) Department of Housing and Community Development. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$1,000,000 General Fund for the Manufactured Home Improvement and Repair Program.

(j) Agency of Transportation. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$630,000 Transportation Fund for a grant to Green Mountain Transit as one-time bridge funding while Green Mountain Transit stabilizes its finances, adjusts its service levels, and transitions to a sustainable funding model;

(2) \$1,700,000 Transportation Fund for the purpose of providing grants to increase access to level 1 and 2 electric vehicle supply equipment charging ports at workplaces and multiunit dwelling places; and

(3) \$70,000 Transportation Fund for the purpose of providing grants as part of the eBike Incentive Program.

(k) Secretary of State. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$300,000 General Fund to support the costs of elections in calendar year 2024;

(2) \$67,000 General Fund, notwithstanding 3 V.S.A. § 124(a), to the Office of Professional Regulation to support the administrative work necessary to implement newly joined interstate compacts; and

(3) \$50,000 General Fund for a consultant to assist the Working Group on Participation and Accessibility of Municipal Public Meetings and Elections.

(l) Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$1,000,000 General Fund for the pilot expansion of the Water Quality Assistance Program to provide financial assistance to logging contractors.

(m) Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$240,000 General Fund for a grant to the Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont for the Crop Cash, Crop Cash Plus, and Farm Share programs; and

(2) \$100,000 General Fund for grants to Vermont's 14 Natural Resources Conservation Districts.

(n) Agency of Human Services Secretary's Office. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$3,913,200 General Fund and \$5,366,383 federal funds to be used for Global Commitment match for the Medicaid Global Payment Program. To the extent that at a future date the Global Payment Program ceases to operate as a program or changes methodology to a retrospective payment program, any resulting one-time General Fund spending authority remaining at that time shall be reverted. If the Human Services Caseload Reserve established in 32 V.S.A. § 308b has not been replenished in accordance with subdivision (b)(21)

of Sec. B.1102 of this act, the remaining unallocated General Fund balance shall be reserved in the Human Services Caseload Reserve established in 32 V.S.A. § 308b up to the amount appropriated in this subdivision.

(o) Department of Vermont Health Access. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$9,279,583 Global Commitment for the Medicaid Global Payment Program;

(2) \$150,000 General Fund to conduct a technical analysis of Vermont's health insurance markets; and

(3) \$100,000 General Fund to implement the expansion of Medicare Savings Programs eligibility.

(p) Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$82,000 General Fund to fund the start-up costs relating to the Adult Days center in central Vermont.

(q) Center for Crime Victim Services. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$254,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence to maintain its current level of operations;

(2) \$60,000 General Fund for a grant to support the creation of the Memorial and Healing Garden on the former grounds of Saint Joseph's Orphanage; and

(3) \$22,000 General Fund for a grant to the Intercollegiate Sexual Harm Prevention Council for the purpose of staffing the Council and providing per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses to members who are not otherwise compensated by their employer.

(r) Department of Corrections. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$300,000 General Fund for the purpose of contracting with a vendor to enhance the Department's capacity to analyze and interpret data, with the goals of transferring individuals from incarceration to community supervision more quickly and improving reentry and case management processes.

(s) Green Mountain Care Board. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$15,000 General Fund for a contract with a qualified entity for a reference-based pricing analysis.

(t) Joint Fiscal Office. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$50,000 General Fund for a consultant to assist the County and Regional Governance Study Committee.

(u) General Assembly. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$15,000 General Fund for per diem compensation and expense reimbursement for the members of the County and Regional Governance Study Committee.

(v) Agency of Administration. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$200,000 General Fund for local economic damage grants to municipalities that were impacted by the August and December 2023 flooding events in counties that are eligible for Federal Emergency Management Agency Public Assistance funds under federal disaster declarations DR-4744-VT and DR-4762-VT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that these local economic damage grants be distributed to municipalities throughout the State to address the secondary economic impacts of the August and December 2023 flooding events. Monies from these grants shall not be expended on Federal Emergency Management Agency related projects.

Sec. B.1101.1 TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMISSION

(a) In fiscal year 2025, \$1,100,000 General Fund is appropriated to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

Sec. B.1102 UNOBLIGATED GENERAL FUND CONTINGENT

APPROPRIATIONS

(a) As part of the fiscal year 2024 closeout, the Department of Finance and Management shall execute the requirements of 32 V.S.A. § 308. If any balance remains after meeting these requirements, then, notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 308c, the Department of Finance and Management shall designate the first \$44,310,000 as unallocated carryforward for use in meeting the requirements of the fiscal year 2025 appropriations act as passed by the General Assembly. The Department of Finance and Management shall then, notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 308c, calculate the maximum number of contingent transactions that can be funded, in the order provided in subsection (b) of this section, and designate that money to remain unallocated for such purpose in fiscal year 2025. Any residual balance remaining after such designations shall be reserved in accordance with 32 V.S.A. § 308c.

(b) In fiscal year 2025, the following contingent transactions shall be executed in the following order from the designated unallocated balance as determined in subsection (a) of this section:

(1) \$20,000,000 is appropriated to the Department for Children and Families for the General Assistance Emergency Housing program.

(2) \$3,500,000 is transferred to the Community Resilience and Disaster Mitigation Fund for an appropriation in an equal amount to the Department of Public Safety for grants to municipalities with Federal Emergency Management Agency approved Individuals and Households Program

registrations for Individual Assistance relating to a calendar year 2023 flooding event and for subgrants to residential building owners of up to \$300,000 for residential structure elevation projects.

(3) \$3,000,000 is transferred to the Dam Safety Revolving Loan Fund.

(4) \$3,000,000 is appropriated to the Department for Children and Families' Family Services Division for the Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System.

(5) \$12,500,000 is appropriated to the Department of Public Safety to be used as matching funds for Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Hazard Mitigation grant receipts.

(6) \$12,000,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Administration to fund additional direct payments to the Vermont State Retirement System made pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 473(c)(8).

(7) \$4,000,000 is appropriated to the Department of Environmental Conservation for the Healthy Homes Initiative.

(8) \$5,000,000 is transferred to the Other Infrastructure, Essential Investments, and Reserves subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments established in 32 V.S.A. § 1001b and reserved in accordance with the provisions of 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. C.108(b). It is the intent of the General Assembly that these funds be used for the State match needed for water- and wastewater-related projects under the

federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. These funds shall only be expended if authorized by the General Assembly.

(9) \$10,000,000 is appropriated to the Department for Children and Families' Office of Economic Opportunity to expand shelter bed and permanent supportive housing capacity in the State.

(10) \$1,300,000 is appropriated to the Department for Children and Families for a grant to the Vermont Foodbank. It is the intent of the General Assembly that \$1,000,000 of these funds be used as direct aid to the Vermont Foodbank's network partner food shelves and pantries through an equitable statewide distribution of food and or subgrants or both.

(11) \$500,000 is appropriated to the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living for grants to skilled nursing facilities to increase the pipeline of employed licensed nursing assistants, including increasing the capacity of new and existing facility-based training programs, and developing or expanding collaborations with other programs, including career and technical education programs. Grants may support training program costs, paid internships, student support, and recruitment and retention bonuses.

(A) Of the funds appropriated in subdivision (11) of this section, \$150,000 shall be for grants of \$30,000 or less.

(B) Of the funds appropriated in subdivision (11) of this section, \$350,000 shall be for up to three grants.

(12) \$500,000 is appropriated to the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living for Medical Director recruitment and retention grants of not more than \$50,000 per grant at skilled nursing facilities.

(13) \$1,500,000 is appropriated to the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for the Vermont Serve, Learn, and Earn Program.

(14) \$6,000,000 is appropriated to the Department of Housing and Community Development for the Vermont Housing Improvement Program.

(15) \$1,000,000 is appropriated to the Department of Public Safety's Division of Fire Safety to subsidize the cost of providing cancer screening to all Vermont professional and volunteer firefighters, as well as all enrollees in the Vermont Fire Academy Firefighter I program.

(16) \$5,000,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development to open a flood recovery center to administer a grant program, in coordination with the Central Vermont Economic Development Corporation, to issue grants to flood impacted businesses of not more than \$50,000 per recipient. An amount not to exceed five percent of this appropriation may be used for the administrative costs of the program. Twenty percent of these funds shall be for grants to business owners who are Black, Indigenous, and Persons of Color.

(17) \$12,500,000 is transferred to the Other Infrastructure, Essential Investments, and Reserves subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital and

Essential Investments established in 32 V.S.A. § 1001b and reserved in accordance with the provisions of 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. C.108(a). It is the intent of the General Assembly that these funds be used for the State match needed for transportation-related projects under the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. These funds shall only be expended if authorized by the General Assembly.

(18) \$8,000,000 is transferred to the Child Care Contribution Fund established in 32 V.S.A. § 10554 to be available for appropriation to Department for Children and Families' Child Development Division for the Child Care Financial Assistance Program if necessary. As part of the report required by 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. E.131.2, as amended by 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 61, the Treasurer shall include a recommendation regarding the future status of these funds and whether the Child Care Contribution Fund should have a statutory reserve.

(19) \$60,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets for a grant to the Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont for the Crop Cash, Crop Cash Plus, and Farm Share programs.

(20) \$750,000 is transferred to the Court Technology Fund established in 4 V.S.A. § 27.

(21) \$3,913,200 is reserved in the Human Services Caseload Reserve.

Sec. B.1103 CASH FUND FOR CAPITAL AND ESSENTIAL

INVESTMENTS – FISCAL YEAR 2025 ONE-TIME

APPROPRIATIONS

(a) In fiscal year 2025, \$9,550,000 is appropriated from the Capital Infrastructure sub account in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments for the following projects:

(1) \$220,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for planning, reuse, and contingency;

(2) \$2,300,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for parking garage repairs at 32 Cherry Street in Burlington;

(3) \$1,500,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the renovation of the interior HVAC steam lines at 120 State Street in Montpelier;

(4) \$850,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Judiciary for design, renovations, and land acquisition at the Washington County Superior Courthouse in Barre;

(5) \$850,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Department of Public Safety for the planning and design of the Special Teams Facility and Storage;

(6) \$850,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Department of Public Safety for the planning and design of the Rutland Field Station;

(7) \$1,500,000 is appropriated to the Vermont Veterans' Home for the design and renovation of the Brandon and Cardinal units;

(8) \$250,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for planning for the 133-109 State Street tunnel waterproofing and Aiken Avenue reconstruction;

(9) \$200,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the renovation of the stack area, HVAC upgrades, and the elevator replacement at 111 State Street;

(10) \$1,000,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for roof replacement and brick facade repairs at the McFarland State Office Building in Barre; and

(11) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 1001b, \$30,000 is appropriated to the Department of Fish and Wildlife for the Lake Champlain International Fishing Derby.

Sec. B.1104 APPROPRIATION OF ARPA FUNDS; FISCAL YEAR 2025

(a) To the extent that any base funding appropriation that would have otherwise come from the General Fund or a special fund has been replaced in this act with the appropriation of an equivalent amount of American Rescue

Plan Act – Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund, it is the intent of the General Assembly that this funding replacement for eligible expenses is a one-time funding option for fiscal year 2025 that shall not recur. Any agency or department impacted by this funding replacement in fiscal year 2025 shall include an equivalent amount of General Fund or relevant special fund in its budget proposal in future fiscal years in order to maintain its base appropriation.

** * * Fiscal Year 2024 Adjustments, Appropriations, and Amendments * * **

Sec. C.100 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.318 is amended to read:

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

<i>Personal services</i>		<i>5,670,999</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>		<i>810,497</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i>95,860,842</i>	<u><i>85,860,842</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>102,342,338</i>	<u><i>92,342,338</i></u>
<i>Source of funds</i>		
<i>General fund</i>	<i>35,016,309</i>	<u><i>25,016,309</i></u>
<i>Special funds</i>		<i>16,745,000</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>		<i>37,419,258</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>		<i>13,161,771</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>102,342,338</i>	<u><i>92,342,338</i></u>

Sec. C.101 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.1100, as amended by 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 40, is further amended to read:

Sec. B.1100 MISCELLANEOUS FISCAL YEAR 2024 ONE-TIME

APPROPRIATIONS

(a) Agency of Administration. In fiscal year 2024, funds are appropriated for the following:

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(5) ~~\$6,250,000~~ \$6,265,000 General Fund for local economic damage grants to municipalities that were impacted by the July 2023 flooding event in counties that are eligible for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance funds under federal disaster declaration DR-4720-VT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that these local economic damage grants be distributed to municipalities throughout the state to address the secondary economic impacts of the July 2023 flooding event. Monies from these grants shall not be expended on FEMA-related projects.

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(B) ~~\$3,000,000~~ \$3,015,000 of the funds appropriated in this subdivision (a)(5) for local economic damage grants shall be distributed as follows:

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(C) To the extent that the funds appropriated in this subdivision (a)(5) have not been granted by ~~June~~ September 30, 2024, they shall revert the General Fund and be transferred to the Emergency Relief and Assistance Fund.

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(l) Agency of Human Services Central Office. In fiscal year 2024, funds are appropriated for the following:

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(3) ~~\$10,000,000~~ \$9,429,904 General Fund to continue to address the emergent and exigent circumstances impacting health care providers following the COVID-19 pandemic; ~~and~~

(4) ~~\$10,534,603~~ General Fund and ~~\$13,693,231~~ \$13,694,105 Federal Revenue Fund ~~#2205~~ #22005 for use as Global Commitment matching funds for one-time caseload pressures due to the suspension of Medicaid eligibility redeterminations; and

(5) \$570,096 General Fund and \$741,072 Federal Revenue Fund #22005 for use as Global Commitment matching funds for supplemental nonemergency medical transportation funding.

(m) Department of Vermont Health Access. In fiscal year 2024, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$366,066 General Fund and \$372,048 Federal Revenue Fund #22005 to the Department of Vermont Health Access for a two-year pilot to expand the Blueprint for Health Hub and Spoke program and;

(2) \$15,583,352 Global Commitment Fund #20405 to the Department of Health Access Medicaid program for a two-year pilot to expand the Blueprint for Health Hub and Spoke program; and

(3) \$1,311,168 in Global Commitment Fund #20405 as supplemental funding for nonemergency medical transportation services to address the urgent financial needs of the Department's contracted nonemergency medical transportation service providers.

(A) The Department of Vermont Health Access shall report on its new payment methodology for nonemergency medical transportation and the estimated costs of providing nonemergency medical transportation to Medicaid beneficiaries in fiscal year 2026 under that methodology as part of the Department's fiscal year 2025 budget adjustment presentation.

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(o) Department for Children and Families. In fiscal year 2024, funds are appropriated for the following:

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(13) \$500,000 General Fund and \$500,000 federal funds for information technology implementation to support the Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer Program.

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Sec. C.102 GLOBAL COMMITMENT WAIVER AMENDMENT

(a) The Secretary of Human Services may request to amend Vermont's Global Commitment to Health Section 1115 Demonstration Waiver to make changes necessary to comply with federal Home and Community-Based Services Conflict of Interest requirements, as well as to seek approval of Federal Medical Assistance Percentage federal funds for certain room and board payments and rental assistance not currently eligible for Federal Medical Assistance Percentage federal funds.

*Sec. C.103 GLOBAL COMMITMENT INVESTMENT; HOME-
DELIVERED MEALS*

(a) The Secretary of Human Services shall request approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for home-delivered meals that are part of a participant's service plan of care and meet Vermont's area agencies on aging's nutrition requirements in accordance with the Older Americans Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 3001–3058ff to be a Global Commitment Investment.

Sec. C.104 3 V.S.A. § 3091 is amended to read:

§ 3091. HEARINGS

(a) An applicant for or a recipient of assistance, benefits, or social services from the Department for Children and Families, of Vermont Health Access, of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living, ~~or of Mental Health~~, or of the Department of Health's Women, Infant, and Children program, or an applicant for a license from one of those departments, except for the Department of Health, or a licensee may file a request for a fair hearing with the Human Services Board. An opportunity for a fair hearing will be granted to any individual requesting a hearing because ~~his or her~~ the individual's claim for assistance, benefits, or services is denied, or is not acted upon with reasonable promptness; or because the individual is aggrieved by any other Agency action affecting ~~his or her~~ the individual's receipt of assistance, benefits, or services, or license or license application; or because the individual is aggrieved by Agency policy as it affects ~~his or her~~ the individual's situation.

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Sec. C.105 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. E.104.1 is amended to read:

Sec. E.104.1 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT;

PENSION PLUS APPROPRIATION DIRECTIVE

(a) In fiscal year 2024, and in each applicable year thereafter, funds appropriated to the Department of Finance and Management and the Agency

of Administration in Sec. B.104.1 of this act or in other one-time appropriation sections of the appropriations act to fund additional payments to the Vermont State Retirement System made pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 473(c)(8) shall be directly deposited in the Vermont State Retirement System.

~~(b) Beginning in fiscal year 2025, and in each applicable year thereafter, additional contributions pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 473(c)(8) shall be made through the percentage of payroll rate process pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 473(d).~~

Sec. C.106 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. E.107(d) is amended to read:

(d) Contributions of State. As provided by law, the Retirement Board shall certify to the Governor or Governor-Elect a statement of the percentage of the payroll of all members sufficient to pay for all operating expenses of the Vermont State Retirement System and all contributions of the State that will become due and payable during the next biennium. The contributions of the State to pay the annual actuarially determined employer contribution ~~and any additional amounts pursuant to section (c)(8) of this section~~ shall be charged to the departmental appropriation from which members' salaries are paid and shall be included in each departmental budgetary request. Annually, on or before January 15, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall provide to the General Assembly a breakdown of the components of the payroll charge applied to each department's budget in the current fiscal year and

anticipated to apply in the upcoming fiscal year. This report shall itemize the percentages of payroll assessments to fund:

(1) the actuarially determined employer contribution to the Vermont State Retirement System; and

(2) ~~any additional payments made pursuant to subdivision (c)(8) of this section to the Vermont State Retirement System; and~~

(3) the employer contribution to the State Employees' Postemployment Benefits Trust Fund made pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 479a (e)(3).

Sec. C.107 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. E.900 is amended to read:

Sec. E.900 TRANSPORTATION FUND RESERVE; REVERSIONS

EXCLUDED

(a) ~~To calculate~~ For the purpose of calculating the fiscal year 2024 Transportation Fund Stabilization Reserve requirement of five percent of prior year appropriations, Transportation Fund reversions of ~~\$20,727,012~~ are ~~excluded~~ deducted from the fiscal year 2023 total appropriations amount.

Sec. C.108 CENTRAL GARAGE FUND

(a) Notwithstanding 19 V.S.A. § 13(c), the Transportation Fund transfer to the Central Garage fund in fiscal year 2024 shall be \$0.

Sec. C.109 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.1102 is amended to read:

Sec. B.1102 AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT; FISCAL

YEAR 2024 ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS

(a) In fiscal year 2024, the amount of \$10,000,000 General Fund is appropriated to the Department of Housing and Community Development for the Vermont Rental Housing Improvement Program established in 10 V.S.A. § 699. The Department may use up to five percent for administrative costs to allow for the support of the grant program and technical assistance.

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Sec. C.110 EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;

REVERSION AND REALLOCATION

(a) The Secretary of Administration shall revert up to \$5,000,000 of prior fiscal year federal funds appropriated through the Emergency Rental Assistance Program, as approved by the Joint Fiscal Committee pursuant to Grant Request #3034. An amount of spending authority equal to these reversions shall be provided, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 511, to existing State programs that meet the eligibility criteria established by the U.S. Treasury.

(b) To the extent that qualifying General Fund expenditures already incurred are transferred onto the spending authority established in subsection (a) of this section, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall, notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 706, transfer an equivalent amount of General Fund spending authority to support programs established through Grant Request #3034 and subsequent Emergency Rental Assistance Program grant approvals by the Joint Fiscal Committee.

Sec. C.111 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec. 4(b) is amended to read:

(b) Appropriation. The sum of \$500,000.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Secretary of State in fiscal year 2024 for the purpose of offsetting election costs incurred by school districts pursuant to this section or the provisions of 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 1. To the extent to which these funds remain unobligated and unexpended at the end of fiscal year 2024, they shall revert to the General Fund and a new one-time General Fund appropriation shall be established in fiscal year 2025, in the amount reverted, to be used for election costs in fiscal year 2025.

Sec. C.112 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 22, Sec. 14 is amended to read:

Sec. 14. APPROPRIATION; OPIOID ABATEMENT SPECIAL FUND

In fiscal year 2023, the following monies shall be appropriated from the Opioid Abatement Special Fund pursuant to 18 V.S.A. § 4774:

(1) ~~\$1,980,000.00 for the expansion of naloxone distribution efforts, including establishing harm reduction vending machines, home delivery and mail order options, and expanding the harm reduction pack and leave behind kit programs;~~

(2)(A) ~~\$2,000,000.00~~ \$1,500,000 divided equally between four opioid treatment programs to cover costs associated with partnering with other health care providers to expand satellite locations for the dosing of medications, including costs associated with the satellite locations' physical facilities, staff

time at the satellite locations, and staff time at opioid treatment programs to prepare medications and coordinate with satellite locations;

(B) the satellite locations established pursuant to this subdivision ~~(2)~~(1) shall be located in Addison County, eastern or southern Vermont, ~~Chittenden County~~; and in a facility operated by the Department of Corrections;

(2) \$500,000 to establish a second Chittenden Clinic Addiction Treatment Center;

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*Sec. C.113 APPROPRIATION; EVIDENCE-BASED EDUCATION AND
ADVERTISING FUND*

(a) \$1,980,000 is appropriated from the Evidence-Based Education and Advertising Fund to the Department of Health for the expansion of opioid antagonist distribution efforts, including establishing harm reduction vending machines, home delivery and mail order options, and expanding the harm reduction pack and leave behind kit programs.

Sec. C.114 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.1105 is amended to read:

Sec. B.1105 CASH FUND FOR CAPITAL AND ESSENTIAL

INVESTMENTS – FISCAL YEAR 2024 ONE-TIME

APPROPRIATIONS

(a) In fiscal year 2024, ~~\$17,685,000~~ \$15,435,000 is appropriated from the Capital Infrastructure sub account in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments for the following projects:

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(7) ~~\$600,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for planning for the boiler replacement at the Northern State Correctional Facility in Newport; [Repealed.]~~

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(9) ~~\$600,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for the planning and design of the booking expansion at the Northwest State Correctional Facility; [Repealed.]~~

(10) ~~\$1,000,000~~ \$750,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for the planning and design of the Department for Children and Families' short-term stabilization facility;

(11) ~~\$750,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Judiciary for design, renovations, and land acquisition at the Washington County Superior Courthouse in Barre;~~

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(16) \$4,000,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Natural Resources for the Department of Environmental Conservation for the Municipal Pollution Control Grants for pollution control projects and planning advances for feasibility studies; and

(17) \$3,000,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Natural Resources for the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for the maintenance facilities at the Gifford Woods State Park and Groton State Forest; ~~and~~

~~(18) \$800,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Natural Resources for the Department of Fish and Wildlife for infrastructure maintenance and improvements of the Department's buildings, including conservation camps.~~

(b) In fiscal year 2024, ~~\$31,025,000~~ \$30,025,000 is appropriated from the Other Infrastructure, Essential Investments, and Reserves subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments for the following projects. This funding is provided by the General Fund transfer in Sec. D.101 of this act.

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(3) ~~\$7,500,000~~ \$6,500,000 is appropriated to the Vermont State Colleges for construction, renovation, and major maintenance at any facility owned or operated in the State by the Vermont State Colleges; infrastructure transformation planning; and the planning, design, and construction of Green Hall and Vail Hall; and

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Sec. C.115 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. E.301.1 is amended to read:

*Sec. E.301.1 GLOBAL COMMITMENT APPROPRIATIONS;
TRANSFER; REPORT*

(a) To facilitate the end-of-year closeout for fiscal year 2024, 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 of Human Services 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 Committee's September 2024 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 to Health Section 1115 demonstration approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under Section 1115 of the Social Security Act.

(b) To address the disruption to cash flows caused by the Change Healthcare cybersecurity incident, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 308b(a), funds shall be unreserved from the subaccount of the Human Services Caseload Reserve

established in 32 V.S.A. § 308b(c)(2) for appropriation to Sec. B.301, Secretary's Office Global Commitment, of this act for net-neutral transfers made under the authority granted to the Secretary of Administration in subsection (a) of this section. Once the cash flows are restored, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall include the actions necessary to reserve in the Human Services Caseload Reserve the amount previously unreserved as part of the fiscal year 2025 budget adjustment.

Sec. C.116 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.1101 is amended to read:

Sec. B.1101 WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT –

FISCAL YEAR 2024 ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS

(a) Education workforce.

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(2) In fiscal year 2024, the amount of \$2,500,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for the Vermont Teacher Forgivable Loan Incentive Program to provide forgivable loans to students enrolled in an eligible school who meet the eligibility requirements in subdivision (A) of this subsection. The goal of the program is to encourage students to enter into teaching professions, with an emphasis on encouraging Black, Indigenous, and Persons of Color, New Americans, and other historically underrepresented communities.

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(C) There shall be no deadline to apply for a forgivable loan under this section. Forgivable loans shall be awarded on a rolling basis, provided funds are available, and any funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall ~~roll-over~~ carry forward and shall be available to the Corporation in the following fiscal year to award additional forgivable loans as set forth in this section.

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Sec. C.117 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 64, Sec. 3a, is amended to read:

Sec. 3a. APPROPRIATION; SCHOOL MEALS

The sum of ~~\$29,000,000.00~~ \$26,400,000.00 is appropriated from the Education Fund to the Agency of Education for fiscal year 2024 to provide reimbursement for school meals under 16 V.S.A. § 4017.

** * * Fiscal Year 2025 Fund Transfers and Reserve Allocations * * **

Sec. D.100 ALLOCATIONS; PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX

(a) This act contains the following amounts allocated to special funds that receive revenue from the property transfer tax. These allocations shall not exceed available revenues.

(1) The sum of \$575,662 is allocated 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 in excess of \$575,662 from the property transfer tax deposited into the

Current Use Administration Special Fund shall be transferred into the General Fund.

(2) Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 312, amounts in excess of \$22,106,740 from the property transfer tax and surcharge established in 32 V.S.A. § 9602a 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 pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 314 shall 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 in 32 V.S.A. § 9602a. The fiscal year 2025 appropriation of \$22,106,740 to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board reflects the \$1,500,000 reduction. 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 the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board shall be restored.

(3) Notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a), amounts in excess of \$7,772,373 from the property transfer tax deposited into the Municipal and Regional Planning Fund shall be transferred into the General Fund. The \$7,772,373 shall be allocated as follows:

(A) \$6,404,540 for disbursement to regional planning commissions in a manner consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b);

(B) \$931,773 for disbursement to municipalities in a manner consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b); and

(C) \$436,060 to the Agency of Digital Services for the Vermont Center for Geographic Information.

Sec. D.101 FUND TRANSFERS

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

(1) From the General Fund to the:

(A) General Obligation Bonds Debt Service Fund (#35100): \$73,212,880.

(B) Capital Infrastructure Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments Fund (#21952): \$6,688,747.63.

(C) Tax Computer System Modernization Fund (#21909): \$1,800,000.

(D) Fire Prevention/Building Inspection Special Fund (#21901): \$1,400,000.

(E) Enhanced 9-1-1 Board Fund (#21711): \$1,300,000.

(F) Unsafe Dam Revolving Loan Fund (#21960): \$1,000,000.

(G) Military – Sale of Burlington Armory & Other (#21661):
\$890,000.

(H) Act 250 Permit Fund (#21260): \$600,000.

(I) Criminal History Records Check Fund (#21130): \$107,277.

(J) Emergency Relief and Assistance Fund (#21555): \$830,000.

(K) Education Fund (#20205): \$25,000,000.

(2) From the Transportation Fund to the:

(A) Vermont Recreational Trails Fund (#21455): \$370,000.

(B) Downtown Transportation and Related Capital Improvements
Fund (#21575): \$523,966.

(C) General Obligation Bonds Debt Service Fund (#35100):
\$316,745.

(D) Notwithstanding 19 V.S.A. § 13(c), the Transportation Fund
transfer to the Central Garage fund in fiscal year 2025 shall be \$0.

(3) From the Education Fund to the:

(A) Tax Computer System Modernization Fund (#21909):
\$1,400,000.

(4) From the Clean Water Fund to the:

(A) Agricultural Water Quality Special Fund (#21933): \$9,010,000.

(B) Lake in Crisis Response Program Special Fund (#21938):
\$120,000.

(5) From the Other Infrastructure, Essential Investments and Reserves Subaccount in the Cash for Capital and Essential Investments Fund to the:

(A) Transportation Fund (#20105): \$25,000,000.

(B) General Fund (#10000): \$5,000,000.

(6) From the Tax-Local Option Process Fees Fund (#21591), notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 138(c)(1), to the:

(A) Tax Computer System Modernization Fund (#21909): \$2,000,000.

(7) From the Central Garage Fund established in 19 V.S.A. § 13 to:

(A) the Transportation Fund: \$1,100,000.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2025:

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

(A) Cannabis Regulation Fund (#21998): \$12,000,000.

(B) AHS Central Office Earned Federal Receipts (#22005): \$4,641,960.

(C) Sports Wagering Enterprise Fund (#50250): \$7,000,000.

(D) Liquor Control Fund (#50300): \$21,100,000.

(E) Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund (#21370): \$3,000,000.

(F) Financial Institutions Supervision Fund (#21065): \$1,100,000.

(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 July 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.

(A) AG-Fees & Reimbursements-Court Order Fund (#21638): \$2,000,000.

(B) Unclaimed Property Fund (#62100): \$6,500,000.

(3) \$66,935,000 of the net unencumbered fund balances in the Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund (#21075), the Captive Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund (#21085), and the Securities Regulatory and Supervision Fund (#21080) shall be transferred to the General Fund.

(c)(1) Notwithstanding Sec. 1.4.3 of the Rules for State Matching Funds under the Federal Public Assistance Program, in fiscal year 2025, the Secretary of Administration may provide funding from the Emergency Relief and Assistance Fund that was transferred pursuant to subdivision (a)(1)(J) of this section to subgrantees prior to the completion of a project. In fiscal year 2025, up to 70 percent of the State funding match on the nonfederal share of an approved project for municipalities that were impacted by the August and

December 2023 flooding events in counties that are eligible for Federal Emergency Management Agency Public Assistance funds under federal disaster declarations DR-4744-VT and DR-4762-VT may be advanced at the request of a municipality.

(2) Notwithstanding Sec. 1.4.1 of the Rules for State Matching Funds Under the Federal Public Assistance Program, the Secretary of Administration shall increase the standard State funding match on the nonfederal share of an approved project to the highest percentage possible given available funding for municipalities in counties that were impacted by the August and December 2023 flooding events and are eligible for Federal Emergency Management Agency Public Assistance funds under federal disaster declarations DR-4744-VT and DR-4762-VT.

Sec. D.102 REVERSIONS

(a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2025, the following amounts shall revert to the General Fund from the accounts indicated:

<u>1210002000</u>	<u>Legislature</u>	<u>\$211,576.00</u>
<u>1215001000</u>	<u>Legislative Counsel</u>	<u>\$301,089.00</u>
<u>1220000000</u>	<u>Joint Fiscal Committee/Office</u>	<u>\$301,010.46</u>
<u>1220890501</u>	<u>Budget System/Transfer to Tax Dept</u>	<u>\$39.54</u>
<u>1220891802</u>	<u>Decarbonization Mech Study</u>	<u>\$39.00</u>

<u>3150892104</u>	<u>MH – Case Management Serv</u>	<u>\$350,000.00</u>
<u>1100892201</u>	<u>Agency of Administration – 27/53 Reserve</u>	<u>\$8,064,362.69</u>
<u>1100892302</u>	<u>Agency of Administration</u>	
	<u>– Trans. Retirement</u>	<u>\$3,935,637.31</u>

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2025, the following amounts shall revert to the American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund from the accounts indicated:

<u>3440892306</u>	<u>DCF – OEO – Home Weatherization</u>	
	<u>Assistance</u>	<u>\$5,000,000.00</u>

Sec. D.103 RESERVES

(a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2025, the following reserve transactions shall be implemented for the funds provided:

(1) General Fund.

(A) Pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 308, an estimated amount of \$15,168,663 shall be added to the General Fund Budget Stabilization Reserve.

(B) \$5,480,000 shall be added to the 27/53 reserve in fiscal year 2025. This action is the fiscal year 2025 contribution to the reserve for the 53rd week of Medicaid as required by 32 V.S.A. § 308e and the 27th payroll reserve as required by 32 V.S.A. § 308e.

(C) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 308b, \$3,913,200 shall be unreserved from the Human Services Caseload Reserve established within the General Fund in 32 V.S.A. § 308b.

(2) Other Infrastructure, Essential Investments and Reserves Subaccount in the Cash for Capital and Essential Investments Fund.

(A) \$25,000,000 is unreserved to be used by the Agency of Transportation in accordance with the provisions for which the funds were originally reserved in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. C.108(a).

(B) \$5,000,000 of the \$14,500,000 reserved in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. C.108(b) is unreserved.

(3) Transportation Fund.

(A) For the purpose of calculating the fiscal year 2025 Transportation Fund stabilization requirement of five percent of prior year appropriations, Transportation Fund reversions are deducted from the fiscal year 2024 total appropriations amount.

** * * General Government * * **

Sec. E.100 POSITIONS

(a) The establishment of 43 permanent positions is authorized in fiscal year 2025 for the following:

(1) Permanent classified positions:

(A) Department of Public Safety:

(i) one Criminal History Record Specialist I; and

(ii) three Regional Emergency Management Program

Coordinators.

(B) Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation:

(i) four Field Park Manager IVs.

(C) Office of the Treasurer:

(i) one Internal Auditor.

(D) Office of the Secretary of State:

(i) one Administrative Services Coordinator IV; and

(ii) one Information Technology Specialist III.

(E) Department of Environmental Conservation:

(i) one Administrative Services Coordinator;

(ii) two Environmental Engineers;

(iii) two Environmental Technicians; and

(iv) 10 Environmental Analysts.

(F) Agency of Education:

(i) one CTE Education Programs Coordinator; and

(ii) one Education Finance Data Analyst.

(G) Department of Corrections:

(i) five Probation and Parole Officers.

(2) Permanent exempt positions:

(A) Agency of Administration – Secretary’s Office:

(i) one Chief Performance Officer.

(B) Judiciary:

(i) three Superior Court Judges.

(C) Department of State’s Attorneys and Sheriffs:

(i) one SIU Director.

(D) Office of Legislative Counsel:

(i) one Law Clerk; and

(ii) two Legislative Counsels.

(E) Office of Legislative Information Technology:

(i) one Audio Visual Specialist.

(F) Joint Fiscal Office:

(i) one Analyst.

(b) The conversion of 14 limited service positions to classified permanent status is authorized in fiscal year 2025 as follows:

(1) Department of Environmental Conservation:

(A) one Environmental Engineer V;

(B) one Environmental Engineer III; and

(C) one Environmental Scientist IV.

(2) Department of Labor:

(A) one Re-Employment Services and Eligibility Assessment
Program Program Coordinator; and

(B) nine Re-Employment Services and Eligibility Assessment
Program Facilitators.

(3) Agency of Education:

(A) one Education Project Manager.

(c) The establishment of 35 exempt limited service positions is authorized
in fiscal year 2025 as follows:

(1) Judiciary:

(A) one Database Administrator;

(B) two IT Help Desk Analysts;

(C) two Centralized Service Analysts;

(D) 10 Judicial Assistants; and

(E) 11 Judicial Officer II's.

(2) Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs:

(A) seven Deputy State's Attorneys;

(B) one Victim Advocate; and

(C) one Legal Assistant.

Sec. E.100.1 3 V.S.A. § 2310 is added to read:

§ 2310. CHIEF PERFORMANCE OFFICER

(a) There is created the permanent, exempt position of Chief Performance Officer within the Agency of Administration for the purpose of better developing a culture of performance accountability and continuous improvement across State government. The Chief Performance Officer shall:

(1) provide advice, recommendations, and consultation to the Executive and Legislative branches of State government about performance improvement and management;

(2) lead the creation and implementation of a performance improvement and management strategy for State government to ensure effective and efficient government operations;

(3) assist agencies and departments as necessary in developing, monitoring, managing, and improving performance measures as well as developing strategies that maximize results and return on investment;

(4) develop and offer trainings, professional development opportunities, and resources for agencies and departments regarding performance improvement and management; and

(5) provide consultation on the design and implementation of systems that use data and metrics to measure and report performance.

Sec. E.106 CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND

APPROPRIATIONS; REVERSION AND ESTABLISHMENT
OF NEW SPENDING AUTHORITY

(a) The Agency of Administration shall structure any existing American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund program in accordance with the requirements of 31 C.F.R. Part 35 and in a manner designed to achieve the intent of the General Assembly and may revert any unexpended and unencumbered spending authority and establish new spending authority across governmental units in an overall net-neutral manner, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 511.

(b) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall revert all unobligated American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund spending authority prior to December 31, 2024. The total amount of American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund spending authority reverted in accordance with this subsection shall equal the amount of new spending authority established pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 511 for the following purposes in the following order:

(1) \$36,000,000 to the Department of Public Safety Division of Emergency Management for Federal Emergency Management Agency match or municipal support for hazard mitigation. Any unexpended and unencumbered spending authority shall be reverted and amount of funds equal to the reversion shall be transferred to the Community Resilience and Disaster Mitigation Fund.

(2) \$4,000,000 to the Agency of Administration for Administration costs, including for an anticipated audit response per 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. G.801(a) and 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. G.801(A).

(3) \$30,000,000 to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board to provide support and enhance capacity for the production and preservation of affordable mixed-income rental housing and homeownership units, including improvements to manufactured homes and communities, permanent homes and emergency shelter for those experiencing homelessness, recovery residences, and housing available to farm workers, refugees, and individuals who are eligible to receive Medicaid-funded home and community based services.

(4) \$25,000,000 to the Department of Housing and Community Development for a grant to the Vermont Housing Finance Agency for the Middle-Income Homeownership Development Program, the First Generation Homebuyer Program, and the Vermont Rental Revolving Loan Fund. Up to \$1,000,000 of these funds may be for the First Generation Homebuyer Program.

(5) Any remaining funds shall be subject to the establishment of new spending authority or transferred, with the express authorization of the Joint Fiscal Committee, to existing American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund programs established by the General Assembly.

(c) If previously obligated American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund spending authority becomes unobligated after December 31, 2024, the Commissioner of Finance and Management may, with the approval of the Joint Fiscal Committee, revert the unobligated American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund spending authority and establish new spending authority pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 511 for any existing American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery programs in accordance with the requirements of 31 C.F.R. Part 35.

Sec. E.125 OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL; ABOLISHED

POSITIONS

(a) The abolishment of two session-only Law Clerk positions in the Office of Legislative Counsel is authorized in fiscal year 2025.

Sec. E.125.1 2 V.S.A. § 403 is amended to read:

§ 403. FUNCTIONS; CONFIDENTIALITY

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(b)(1)(A) All requests for legal assistance, information, and advice from the Office of Legislative Counsel; all information received in connection with research or drafting; and all confidential materials provided to or generated by the Office shall remain confidential unless the party requesting or providing the information or material designates that it is not confidential.

(B) Any draft of a report or other work in progress generated by or submitted to the Office of Legislative Counsel shall remain confidential until it has been finalized.

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Sec. E.126. 32 V.S.A. § 1052 is amended to read:

§ 1052. MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; COMPENSATION
AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

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(b) During any session of the General Assembly, each member is entitled to receive reimbursement of expenses as follows: set forth in this subsection.

(1) Mileage reimbursement. ~~Reimbursement~~ Each member shall be entitled to receive reimbursement in an amount equal to the actual mileage traveled for each day of session in which the member travels between Montpelier and the member's home or from Montpelier or from the member's home to another site on officially sanctioned legislative business. Reimbursement of actual mileage traveled under this subdivision shall be at the rate per mile determined by the federal Office of Government-wide Policy and published in the Federal Register for the year of the session.

(2) Meals and lodging allowance. ~~At~~ Each member shall receive either a meals allowance or reimbursement of actual meals expenses. A member shall be presumed to have elected to receive the meals allowance unless the

member informs the Office of Legislative Operations by a date established by the Office of Legislative Operations that the member wishes to receive reimbursement of actual meals expenses. A member's election to receive reimbursement of actual meals expenses shall remain in effect through the remainder of that session unless the member notifies the Office, in writing, that the member needs to change to the meals allowance due to a change in circumstances or for another compelling reason.

(A) Meals allowance. A member who elects to receive a meals allowance ~~in~~ shall receive an amount equal to the daily amount for meals ~~and~~ lodging determined for Montpelier, Vermont, by the federal Office of Government-wide Policy and published in the Federal Register for the year of the session, for each day the House in which the member serves shall sit.

(B) Meals reimbursement. A member who elects to receive reimbursement of expenses shall receive reimbursement equal to the actual amounts expended by the member for meals for each day that the House in which the member serves shall sit; provided, however, that the total amount of the weekly reimbursement available pursuant to this subdivision (B) shall not exceed the amount the member would have received for the same week if the member had elected the meals allowance pursuant to subdivision (A) of this subdivision (2). The member shall provide meal receipts or otherwise

substantiate the amounts expended to the Office of Legislative Operations in the form and manner prescribed by the Director of Legislative Operations.

(3) Lodging. Each member shall receive either a lodging allowance or reimbursement of actual lodging expenses. A member shall be presumed to have elected to receive the lodging allowance unless the member informs the Office of Legislative Operations by a date established by the Office of Legislative Operations that the member wishes to receive reimbursement of actual lodging expenses. A member's election to receive reimbursement of actual lodging expenses shall remain in effect through the remainder of that session unless the member notifies the Office, in writing, that the member needs to change to the lodging allowance due to a change in circumstances or for another compelling reason.

(A) Lodging allowance. A member who elects to receive a lodging allowance shall receive an amount equal to the daily amount for lodging determined for Montpelier, Vermont, by the federal Office of Government-wide Policy and published in the Federal Register for the year of the session for each day the House in which the member serves shall sit.

(B) Lodging reimbursement. A member who elects to receive reimbursement of expenses shall receive reimbursement equal to the actual amounts expended by the member for lodging for each day that the House in which the member serves shall sit; provided, however, that the total amount of

the weekly reimbursement available pursuant to this subdivision (B) for each week shall not exceed the amount the member would have received for the same week if the member had elected the lodging allowance pursuant to subdivision (A) of this subdivision (3). The member shall provide lodging receipts or otherwise substantiate the amounts expended to the Office of Legislative Operations in the form and manner prescribed by the Director of Legislative Operations.

(4) Absences. If a member is absent for reasons other than sickness or legislative business for one or more entire days while the ~~house~~ House in which the member sits is in session, the member shall notify the Office of Legislative Operations of that absence, and ~~expenses received shall not include the amount that the legislator specifies was not~~ the member shall not be entitled to receive or be reimbursed for mileage, meals, or lodging expenses incurred during the period of that absence, except that lodging expenses associated with a lease or rental agreement may be received or reimbursed upon approval of either the Speaker of the House or the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

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Sec. E.126.1 2 V.S.A. § 703 is amended to read:

§ 703. FUNCTIONS; CONFIDENTIALITY

(a) The Office of Legislative Information Technology shall:

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(b) Any draft of a report or other work in progress generated by or submitted to the Office of Legislative Information Technology shall remain confidential until it has been finalized.

Sec. E.126.2 LEGISLATURE; STATE HOUSE RENOVATION

APPROVAL

(a) The Speaker of the House, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Chair of the House Committee on Appropriations, and the Chair of the Senate Committee on Appropriations shall have the authority to approve the use of legislative budget carryforward funds to cover the cost of room renovations to increase public space within the State House.

Sec. E.127 2 V.S.A. § 523 is amended to read:

§ 523. FUNCTIONS; CONFIDENTIALITY

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(b)(1)(A) All requests for assistance, information, and advice from the Joint Fiscal Office, all information received in connection with fiscal research or related drafting, and all confidential materials provided to or generated by the Joint Fiscal Office shall remain confidential unless the party requesting or providing the information designates that it is not confidential.

(B) Any draft of a report or other work in progress generated by or submitted to the Joint Fiscal Office shall remain confidential until it has been finalized.

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*Sec. E.127.1 FISCAL YEAR 2025 FEE REPORT; PROTECTION TO
PERSONS AND PROPERTY*

(a) Fiscal year 2025 fee information. The Judiciary, agencies, departments, boards, and offices that receive appropriations in Secs. B.200 through B.299 of this act shall, in collaboration with the Joint Fiscal Office, prepare a comprehensive fee report for each fee that is in effect in fiscal year 2025. The fee report shall contain the following information for each fee:

- (1) the statutory authorization and termination date, if any;
- (2) the current rate or amount of the fee and the date the fee was last set or adjusted by the General Assembly or Joint Fiscal Committee;
- (3) the Fund into which the fee revenues are deposited;
- (4) the amount of the revenues derived from the fee in each of the five fiscal years preceding fiscal year 2025;
- (5) the number of times that the fee was paid in each of the two fiscal years preceding fiscal year 2025;
- (6) a projection of the fee revenues in fiscal years 2025 and 2026;

(7) a description of the service or product provided or the regulatory function performed by the Judiciary, agency, department, board or office supported by the fee;

(8) the amount of the fee if adjusted for inflation from the last time the fee amount was modified using an appropriate index chosen in consultation with the Joint Fiscal Office. The inflation adjustment shall be calculated as the percentage change between the value of the index in the July of the year the fee was last adjusted by the General Assembly and July 2024;

(9) if any portion of the fee revenue is deposited into a special fund, the percentage of the special fund's revenues that the fee represents;

(10) any available information regarding comparable fees in other jurisdictions;

(11) any polices or trends that might affect the viability of the fee amount; and

(12) any other relevant considerations for setting the fee amount.

(b) Reports.

(1) The Joint Fiscal Office shall provide guidance as necessary to the Judiciary, agencies, departments, boards, and offices described in subsection (a) of this section on the methodology to be used for compiling the information requested in the fee reports. On or before October 15, 2024, the Judiciary, agencies, departments, boards, and offices described in subsection (a) of this

section shall submit a draft report of the information required in subdivisions (a)(1)–(12) of this section to the Joint Fiscal Office for review. The Judiciary, agencies, departments, boards, and offices shall work with the Joint Fiscal Office to finalize the report before submitting the final report described in subdivision (2) of this subsection.

(2) On or before December 15, 2024, the Judiciary, agencies, departments, boards, and offices described in subsection (a) shall submit a jointly prepared final report to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Ways and Means and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Finance.

(3) If any of the information requested in this section cannot be provided for any reason, the Judiciary, agencies, departments, boards, and offices described in subsection (a) shall include in both the draft and final reports a written explanation for why the information cannot be provided.

(c) As used in this section, as it pertains to Executive Branch agencies, departments, boards, and offices, “fee” means any source of State revenue classified by the Department of Finance and Management Accounting System as “fees,” “business licenses,” “nonbusiness licenses,” and “fines and penalties.” As it pertains to the Judiciary, “fee” means any source of State revenue classified by the Department of Finance and Management accounting system as “fees.”

(d) Executive Branch fee report moratorium. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 605, in fiscal year 2025, the Governor shall not be required to submit the consolidated Executive Branch fee annual report and request to the General Assembly.

(e) Judicial Branch fee report moratorium. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 605a, in fiscal year 2025, the Justices of the Supreme Court or the Court Administrator if one is appointed pursuant to 4 V.S.A. § 21 shall not be required to submit the consolidated Judicial Branch fee annual report and request to the General Assembly.

Sec. E.132 33 V.S.A. § 8003 is amended to read:

§ 8003. PROGRAM LIMITATIONS

(a) Cash contributions. The Treasurer or designee shall not accept a contribution:

(1) unless it is in cash; or

(2) except in the case of a contribution under 26 U.S.C. § 529A(c)(1)(C) (relating to a change in a designated beneficiary or program), if such contribution to an ABLE account would result in aggregate contributions from all contributors to the ABLE account for the taxable year exceeding the amount in effect under 26 U.S.C. § 2503(b) for the calendar year in which the taxable year begins.

(b) Separate accounting. The Treasurer or designee shall provide separate accounting for each designated beneficiary.

(c) Limited investment direction. A designated beneficiary may, directly or indirectly, direct the investment of any contributions to the Vermont ABLE Savings Program, or any earnings thereon, ~~no~~ not more than two times in any calendar year.

(d) No pledging of interest as security. A person shall not use an interest in the Vermont ABLE Savings Program, or any portion thereof, as security for a loan.

(e) Prohibition on excess contributions. The Treasurer or designee shall adopt adequate safeguards under the Vermont ABLE Savings Program to prevent aggregate contributions on behalf of a designated beneficiary in excess of the limit established by the State pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 529(b)(6).

(f) Adjustment or recovery. Neither the State nor any agency or instrumentality of the State shall seek adjustment or recovery under Section 529A of the federal Internal Revenue Code against an ABLE account for the costs of benefits provided to a designated beneficiary.

(g) Abandoned accounts. Any abandoned ABLE accounts shall be subject to the unclaimed property provisions in 27 V.S.A. chapter 18.

Sec. E.132.1 27 V.S.A. § 1452 is amended to read:

§ 1452. DEFINITIONS

As used in this chapter:

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(24) "Property" means tangible property described in section 1465 of this title or a fixed and certain interest in intangible property held, issued, or owed in the course of a holder's business or by a government, governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality. The term:

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(C) does not include:

(i) ~~property held in a plan described in 26 U.S.C. § 529A, as may be amended;~~ [Repealed.]

(ii) game-related digital content;

(iii) a loyalty card; or

(iv) a gift card.

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Sec. E.133 VERMONT STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

AND VERMONT PENSION INVESTMENT COMMISSION;

OPERATING BUDGET, SOURCE OF FUNDS

(a) Of the \$3,063,180 appropriated in Sec. B.133 of this act, \$2,047,989 constitutes the Vermont State Employees' Retirement System operating budget, and \$1,015,191 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension Investment

Commission's budget attributable to the Vermont State Employees' Retirement System.

Sec. E.134 VERMONT MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT

SYSTEM AND VERMONT PENSION INVESTMENT

COMMISSION; OPERATING BUDGET; SOURCE OF FUNDS

(a) Of the \$1,737,125 appropriated in Sec. B.134 of this act, \$1,359,845 constitutes the Vermont Municipal Employees' Retirement System operating budget, and \$377,280 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension Investment Commission's budget attributable to the Vermont Municipal Employees' Retirement System.

Sec. E.134.1 VERMONT MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT

SYSTEM; FISCAL YEARS 2027-2030; RATES

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of 24 V.S.A. § 5064(b), for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, contributions shall be made by:

(1) Group A members at the rate of 4.5 percent of earnable compensation;

(2) Group B members at the rate of 6.875 percent of earnable compensation;

(3) Group C members at the rate of 12.0 percent of earnable compensation; and

(4) Group D members at the rate of 13.35 percent of earnable compensation.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of 24 V.S.A. § 5064(b), for the period July 1, 2027 through June 30, 2028, contributions shall be made by:

(1) Group A members at the rate of 4.75 percent of earnable compensation;

(2) Group B members at the rate of 7.125 percent of earnable compensation;

(3) Group C members at the rate of 12.25 percent of earnable compensation; and

(4) Group D members at the rate of 13.6 percent of earnable compensation.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of 24 V.S.A. § 5064(b), for the period July 1, 2028 through June 30, 2029, contributions shall be made by:

(1) Group A members at the rate of 5.0 percent of earnable compensation;

(2) Group B members at the rate of 7.375 percent of earnable compensation;

(3) Group C members at the rate of 12.5 percent of earnable compensation; and

(4) Group D members at the rate of 13.85 percent of earnable compensation.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of 24 V.S.A. § 5064(b), for the period July 1, 2029 through June 30, 2030, contributions shall be made by:

(1) Group A members at the rate of 5.25 percent of earnable compensation;

(2) Group B members at the rate of 7.625 percent of earnable compensation;

(3) Group C members at the rate of 12.75 percent of earnable compensation; and

(4) Group D members at the rate of 14.1 percent of earnable compensation.

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 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 expenses incurred to undertake utility property appraisals in Vermont.

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.

Sec. E.200 ATTORNEY GENERAL

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision 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), \$1,749,700 is appropriated in Sec. B.200 of this act.

Sec. E.204 JUDICIARY; SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE POSITIONS

(a) Of the three Superior Court Judge positions established in Sec. E.100(a)(2)(B)(i) of this act, one shall be funded with the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund appropriated to the Judiciary in 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. C.106(a).

Sec. E.204.1 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. C.106, is amended to read:

Sec. C.106 CHINS CASES SYSTEM-WIDE REFORM

(a) The sum of ~~\$7,000,000~~ \$4,000,000 is appropriated from the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund to the Judiciary in fiscal year 2018 and shall carry forward for the uses and based on the allocations set forth in subsections (b) and (c) of this section. The purpose of the funds is to make strategic investments to transform the adjudication of CHINS cases in Vermont.

(b) The sum appropriated from the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund in subsection (a) of this section shall be allocated as follows:

(1) \$1,250,000 for fiscal year 2019, which shall not be distributed until the group defined in subsection (c) of this section provides proposed expenditures as part of its fiscal year 2019 budget adjustment request;

(2) ~~\$2,500,000~~ \$1,750,000 for fiscal year 2020, for which the group shall provide proposed expenditures as part of its fiscal year 2020 budget request or budget adjustment request, or both;

(3) ~~\$2,500,000~~ \$250,000 for fiscal year 2021, for which the group shall provide proposed expenditures as part of its fiscal year 2021 budget request or budget adjustment request, or both; and

(4) \$750,000 in fiscal year 2022 or after as needed.

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Sec. E.208 PUBLIC SAFETY; ADMINISTRATION

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

Sec. E.208.1 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; EMBEDDED

MENTAL HEALTH WORKERS; REPORT

(a) In 2025, the Department of Public Safety shall present the House Committee on Health Care and the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and on Judiciary with measurable outcomes on the results of the Department's embedded mental health worker program to date, by barrack, and on the Department's collaboration with the Department of Mental Health to achieve a coordinated and integrated system of care, including how this program

works with 988, with the statewide Mobile Crisis Response program, and with the designated and specialized service agencies.

Sec. E.209 PUBLIC SAFETY; STATE POLICE

(a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.209 of this act, \$35,000 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 the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.209 of this act, \$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 spending authority may be allocated by the Commissioner to fund the work of the Drug Task Force or carried forward.

Sec. E.212 PUBLIC SAFETY; FIRE SAFETY

(a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.212 of this act, \$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) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.215 of this act, \$1,319,834 shall be granted to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for the National Guard Tuition Benefit Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 2857.

Sec. E.219 MILITARY; VETERANS' AFFAIRS

(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.219 of this act, \$1,000 shall be used for continuation of the Vermont Medal Program, \$2,000 shall be used for the expenses of the Governor's Veterans' Advisory Council, \$7,500 shall be used for the Veterans' Day parade, and \$10,000 shall be granted to the American Legion for the Boys' State and Girls' State programs.

Sec. E.232 SECRETARY OF STATE; VERMONT ACCESS NETWORK

BUDGET

(a) The Office of the Secretary of State shall request that Vermont Access Network submit a proposed operating budget required to maintain its current level of operation and programming. The Office of the Secretary of State shall include the proposed operating budget as part of its fiscal year 2026 budget presentation.

Sec. E.300 FUNDING FOR THE OFFICE OF THE HEALTH CARE

ADVOCATE, VERMONT LEGAL AID

(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.300 of this act:

(1) \$2,000,406 shall be used for the contract with the Office of the Health Care Advocate;

(2) \$1,717,994 for Vermont Legal Aid services, including the Poverty Law Project and mental health services; and

(3) \$650,000 is for the purposes of maintaining current Vermont Legal Aid program capacity and addressing increased requests for services, including eviction prevention and protection from foreclosure and consumer debt.

Sec. E.300.1 18 V.S.A. § 8915 is added to read:

§ 8915. PROVISION FOR AGREEMENTS WITH CASE MANAGEMENT

ENTITIES

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Commissioner of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living may enter into agreements with case management entities to support local communities. The Commissioner may develop rules setting forth the standards and procedures for the case management entities it contracts with.

Sec. E.300.2 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 83, Sec. 72a, as amended by 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. C.105 and 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. E.301.2, is further amended to read:

Sec. 72a. MEDICAID HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES

(HCBS) PLAN

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(f) The Global Commitment Fund appropriated in subsection (e) of this section obligated in fiscal year ~~years~~ 2023 and fiscal year, 2024, and 2025 for the purposes of bringing HCBS plan spending authority forward into fiscal year 2024 and fiscal year 2025, respectively. The funds appropriated in subsections (b), (c), and (e) of this section may be transferred on a net-neutral basis in fiscal year ~~years~~ 2023 and fiscal year, 2024, and 2025 in the same manner as the Global Commitment appropriations in 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. E.301. The Agency shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee in September 2023 and, September 2024, and September 2025, respectively, on transfers of appropriations made and final amounts expended by each department in fiscal year ~~years~~ 2023 and fiscal year, 2024, and 2025, respectively, and any obligated funds carried forward to be expended in fiscal year 2024 and fiscal year 2025, respectively.

Sec. E.300.3 AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES; FISCAL YEAR 2024

CLOSEOUT CONTINGENT APPROPRIATION;

COMPREHENSIVE CHILD WELFARE INFORMATION

SYSTEM

(a) Notwithstanding 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 103(a), to the extent that General Fund appropriated to the Agency of Human Services in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Secs. B.300 through B.341 remains unobligated and unexpended at the end of fiscal year 2024, up to \$3,000,000

shall revert to the General Fund. A one-time General Fund appropriation in an amount equivalent to the reversion shall be made to the Department for Children and Families' Family Services Division for the Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System in fiscal year 2025.

Sec. E.300.4 OPERATIONAL COSTS; RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT

PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH

(a) On or before January 15, 2025, the Department for Children and Families shall submit a report to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and Health and Welfare describing the anticipated cost differential in operating the former Woodside Juvenile Rehabilitation Center as compared to operating the various residential treatment programs for youth developed to replace the former Woodside Juvenile Rehabilitation Center.

Sec. E.301 SECRETARY'S OFFICE; GLOBAL COMMITMENT

(a) The Agency of Human Services shall use the funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act for payment 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 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 Sec. B.301 of this act, a total estimated sum of \$24,301,185 is anticipated to be certified as State matching funds under Global Commitment as follows:

(1) \$21,295,850 certified State match available from local education agencies for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services under Global Commitment. This amount, combined with \$29,204,150 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) \$3,005,335 certified State match available from local designated mental health and developmental services agencies for eligible mental health services provided under Global Commitment.

(c) Up to \$4,487,210 is transferred from the Agency of Human Services Federal Receipts Holding Account to the Interdepartmental Transfer Fund consistent with the amount appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act.

Sec. E.301.1 GLOBAL COMMITMENT APPROPRIATIONS; TRANSFER;

REPORT

(a) To facilitate the end-of-year closeout for fiscal year 2025, 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 of Human Services 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 sent to the Joint Fiscal Committee for review at the Committee's September 2025 meeting. The purpose of this section is to provide the Agency of Human Services with limited authority to modify appropriations to comply with the terms and conditions of the Global Commitment for Health Section 1115 demonstration waiver approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under Section 1115 of the Social Security Act.

*Sec. E.306 DR. DYNASAUR; PREMIUM INVOICING SUSPENSION AND
AMNESTY*

(a) The Agency of Human Services is authorized under 33 V.S.A. § 1901(c) and Vermont's Global Commitment to Health Section 1115 Medicaid demonstration to charge a monthly premium for certain Dr. Dinosaur enrollees whose family income exceeds 195 percent of the federal poverty level. The Agency suspended premium invoicing for this population as a result of the

COVID-19 public health emergency, and that premium suspension has continued following the end of the public health emergency.

(b)(1) The Agency shall not attempt to collect or take adverse action against a Dr. Dynasaur enrollee or the enrollee's family as a result of any unpaid premium balance that was incurred prior to the public health emergency or during the period of the invoicing suspension.

(2) At such time as the Agency reinstates premium invoicing, no Dr. Dynasaur applicant or enrollee shall carry any outstanding premium balance.

Sec. E.306.1 HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETS; TECHNICAL

ANALYSIS

(a) The Agency of Human Services shall conduct a technical analysis relating to Vermont's health insurance markets that shall include:

(1) determining the potential advantages and disadvantages to individuals, small businesses, and large businesses of modifying Vermont's current health insurance market structure, including the impacts on health insurance premiums and on Vermonters' access to health care services;

(2) exploring other affordability mechanisms to address the calendar year 2026 expiration of federal enhanced premium tax credits for plans issued through the Vermont Health Benefit Exchange; and

(3) examining the feasibility of creating a public option or other mechanism through which otherwise ineligible individuals or employees of small businesses, or both, could buy into Vermont Medicaid coverage.

(b) On or before January 15, 2025, the Agency of Human Services and the Department of Vermont Health Access shall provide the results of the analysis to the House Committee on Health Care and the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and on Finance.

Sec. E.306.2 DVHA; RATE ANALYSES REQUEST

(a) To the extent that resources allow, the Department of Vermont Health Access shall conduct the analysis set forth in subdivision (1) of this subsection first, followed by the analysis set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection, and shall provide its findings to the House Committees on Health Care and on Appropriations and the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and on Appropriations on or before January 15, 2025:

(1) methodologies for comparing Medicaid rates for home health agency services to rates under the Medicare home health prospective payment system model and for comparing Medicaid pediatric palliative care rates to rates under the Medicare home health prospective payment system model or to Medicare hospice rates, or both; and

(2) methodologies for modifying the Medicaid Resource-Based Relative Value Scale professional fee schedule by considering:

(A) maintaining alignment with relative value units used by Medicare but including a minimum on conversion factors;

(B) benchmarking one or more conversion factors in Vermont Medicaid to the Medicare conversion factor from a specific year; and

(C) determining whether Vermont Medicaid should continue to use two separate conversion factors, or transition to a single conversion factor in combination with other methods of providing enhanced support for primary care services.

Sec. E.306.3 PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY;

LICENSURE

(a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no funds appropriated to the Department of Vermont Health Access in this act shall be expended for operation of a psychiatric residential treatment facility until the facility has been licensed by the State; provided, however, that the Department may expend funds on goods and services, such as purchasing supplies and hiring and training staff, that are necessary to prepare the facility to be operational upon licensure. Notwithstanding 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. E.511.1, a psychiatric residential treatment facility may be approved in accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 166(b) and applicable State Board of Education Rules.

Sec. E.306.4 MEDICARE SAVINGS PROGRAMS; INCOME ELIGIBILITY

(a) The Agency of Human Services shall make the following changes to the Medicare Savings Programs:

(1) increase the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary Program income threshold to 145 percent of the federal poverty level; and

(2) increase the Qualifying Individual Program income threshold to the maximum percent of the federal poverty level allowed under federal law based on the increase to the income threshold for the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary Program in subdivision (1) of this subsection.

Sec. E.306.5 MEDICARE SAVINGS PROGRAMS; MEDICAID STATE

PLAN AMENDMENT; VPHARM TRANSITION; REPORTS

(a) The Agency of Human Services shall request approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to amend Vermont's Medicaid state plan to expand eligibility for the Medicare Savings Programs as set forth in Sec. E.306.4 of this act.

(b)(1) On or before January 15, 2025, the Agency of Human Services shall provide recommendations to the House Committees on Health Care, on Human Services, and on Appropriations and the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and on Appropriations regarding the VPharm program to ensure alignment with the Medicare Savings Programs' eligibility expansions set forth in Sec. E.306.4 of this act, including:

(A) whether the VPharm program should be modified or repealed as a result of the Medicare Savings Programs' eligibility expansions;

(B) whether the benefits provided by the VPharm program should be delivered through an alternative program design;

(C) the estimated fiscal impacts of implementing any recommended changes; and

(D) when any recommended changes should take effect.

(2) The Agency of Human Services and the Department of Vermont Health Access shall seek input from the Office of the Health Care Advocate and other interested stakeholders in developing the recommendations required by this subsection.

(c) On or before January 15, 2027, the Agency of Human Services shall provide cost estimates for expanding eligibility for the Medicare Savings Programs beyond the eligibility expansions set forth in Sec. E.306.4 of this act to the House Committees on Health Care, on Human Services, and on Appropriations and the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and on Appropriations.

Sec. E.307 14 V.S.A. § 931 is amended to read:

§ 931. LIMITATIONS ON CLAIMS OF CREDITORS

All claims against the decedent's estate that arose before the death of the decedent, including claims of the State and any subdivision thereof except

claims filed by the State on behalf of Vermont Medicaid, absolute or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, founded on contract, tort, or other legal basis, if not barred earlier by other statute of limitations, are barred against the estate, the legal representative of the estate, and the heirs and devisees of the decedent, unless presented within one year after the decedent's death. Nothing in this section affects or prevents any proceeding to enforce any mortgage, pledge, or other lien upon the property of the estate. Claims filed by the State on behalf of Vermont Medicaid must be filed in accordance with subsection 1203(d) of this title.

Sec. E.307.1 14 V.S.A. § 1203 is amended to read:

§ 1203. LIMITATIONS ON PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS

(a) All claims against a decedent's estate that arose before the death of the decedent, including claims of the State and any subdivision thereof except claims filed by the State on behalf of Vermont Medicaid, whether due or to become due, absolute or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, founded on contract, tort, or other legal basis, except claims for the possession of or title to real estate and claims for injury to the person and damage to property suffered by the act or default of the deceased, if not barred earlier by other statute of limitations, are barred against the estate, the executor or administrator, and the heirs and devisees of the decedent, unless presented as follows:

(1) within four months after the date of the first publication of notice to creditors if notice is given in compliance with the Rules of Probate Procedure; provided, however, that claims barred by the nonclaim statute of the decedent's domicile before the first publication for claims in the State are also barred in this State;

(2) within one year after the decedent's death, if notice to creditors has not been published or otherwise given as provided by the Rules of Probate Procedure.

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(d) Claims filed by the State on behalf of Vermont Medicaid must be presented within four months after the date of the first publication of notice to creditors if notice is given in compliance with the Rules of Probate Procedure, regardless of the date of the decedent's death or when a decedent's executor or administrator opens the estate.

Sec. E.311 18 V.S.A. chapter 1, subchapter 2 is amended to read:

Subchapter 2. Health Care Professions; Educational Assistance

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§ 32. EDUCATIONAL LOAN REPAYMENT FOR HEALTH CARE

~~PROVIDERS AND HEALTH CARE EDUCATIONAL LOAN
REPAYMENT FUND PROFESSIONALS~~

~~(a) There is hereby established a special fund to be known as the Vermont Health Care Educational Loan Repayment Fund, that shall be used for the purpose of ensuring a stable and adequate supply of health care providers and health care educators to meet the health care needs of Vermonters, with a focus on recruiting and retaining providers and health care educators in underserved geographic and specialty areas.~~

~~(b) The fund shall be established and held separate and apart from any other funds or monies of the State and shall be used and administered exclusively for the purpose of this section. The money in the Fund shall be invested in the same manner as permitted for investment of funds belonging to the State of held in the Treasury. The Fund shall consist of the following:~~

~~(1) such sums as may be appropriated or transferred from time to time by the General Assembly, the state Emergency Board, or the Joint Fiscal Committee during such times as the General Assembly is not in session;~~

~~(2) interest earned from the investment of fund balances;~~

~~(3) any other money from any other source accepted for the benefit of the Fund.~~

~~(e)~~ *The Fund shall be administered by the Department of Health, which shall make funds available to the University of Vermont College of Medicine area health education centers (AHEC) program for loan repayment awards. The Commissioner may require certification of compliance with this section prior to the making of an award.*

~~(d)(b)~~ *AHEC shall administer awards in such a way as to comply with the requirements of Section 108(f) of the Internal Revenue Code.*

~~(e)(c)~~ *AHEC shall make loan repayment awards in exchange for service commitment by health care ~~providers~~ professionals and health care educators and shall define the service obligation in a contract with the health care ~~provider~~ professional or health care educator. Payment awards shall be made directly to the educational loan creditor or lender of the health care ~~provider~~ professional or health care educator.*

~~(f)(d)~~ *Loan repayment awards shall only be available for a health care ~~provider~~ professional or health care educator who:*

(1) is a Vermont resident;

(2) serves Vermont;

(3) accepts patients with coverage under Medicaid, Medicare, or other State-funded health care benefit programs, if applicable; and

(4) has outstanding educational debt acquired in the pursuit of an undergraduate or graduate degree from an accredited college or university that exceeds the amount of the loan repayment award.

~~(g)~~(e) Additional eligibility and selection criteria will be developed annually by the Commissioner in consultation with AHEC and may include local goals for improved service, community needs, or other awarding parameters.

~~(h)~~(f) The Commissioner may adopt rules in order to implement the program established in this section.

~~(i)~~(g) As used in this section:

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(2) “Health care ~~provider~~ professional” means an individual licensed, certified, or otherwise authorized by law to provide professional health care ~~service~~ services in this State to an individual during that individual’s medical, mental health, or dental care; treatment or confinement; or in a public health role.

(h) Loan repayment shall be awarded on a rolling basis, provided funds are available, and any funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall carry forward and shall be available to the Department of Health and AHEC in the following fiscal year to award additional loan repayment as set forth in this section.

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§ 33. UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT COLLEGE OF MEDICINE;
MEDICAL STUDENT INCENTIVE SCHOLARSHIP

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(f) Forgivable loans shall be awarded on a rolling basis, provided funds are available, and any funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall carry forward and shall be available to the Department of Health and the Corporation in the following fiscal year to award additional forgivable loans as set forth in this section.

§ 34. VERMONT NURSING FORGIVABLE LOAN INCENTIVE
PROGRAM

(a) As used in this section:

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(4) “Forgivable loan” means a loan awarded under this section covering tuition, which may also ~~include~~ cover room, board, and the cost of required books and supplies for up to full-time attendance at an eligible school.

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(d) To be eligible for a forgivable loan under the Program, an individual, whether a resident or nonresident, shall satisfy all of the following requirements:

* * *

(5) ~~have completed the Program's application form, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), and the Vermont grant application each academic year of enrollment and such financial aid forms as the Corporation deems necessary, in accordance with a schedule determined by the Corporation; and~~

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(j) Forgivable loans shall be awarded on a rolling basis, provided funds are available, and any funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall carry forward and shall be available to the Department of Health and the Corporation in the following fiscal year to award additional forgivable loans as set forth in this section.

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§ 35. VERMONT HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL LOAN REPAYMENT
PROGRAM

(a) As used in this section:

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(4) "Loan repayment" means the ~~cancellation and~~ repayment of loans under this section.

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(b) The Vermont Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program is created and shall be administered by the Department of Health in collaboration with AHEC. The Program provides loan repayment on behalf of individuals who live and work in this State as a nurse, physician assistant, medical lab technician, medical lab technologist, clinical laboratory scientist, child psychiatrist, or primary care provider and who meet the eligibility requirements in subsection (d) of this section.

(c) The loan repayment benefits provided under the Program shall be paid on behalf of the eligible individual by AHEC, subject to the appropriation of funds by the General Assembly for this purpose.

(d) To be eligible for loan repayment under the Program, an individual shall satisfy all of the following requirements:

(1) have graduated from an eligible school where the individual was awarded a degree in nursing, physician assistant studies, medicine, osteopathic medicine, or naturopathic medicine, or a two- or four-year degree that qualifies the individual to be a medical lab technician, medical lab technologist, or clinical laboratory scientist;

(2) work in this State as a nurse, physician assistant, medical lab technician, medical lab technologist, or clinical laboratory scientist, child psychiatrist, or primary care provider; and

(3) be a resident of Vermont.

(e)(1) An eligible individual shall be entitled to an amount of loan cancellation and repayment under this section equal to one year of loans for each year of service as a nurse, physician assistant, medical technician, child psychiatrist, or primary care provider in this State for a defined service obligation in Vermont of not less than one year. Employment as a traveling nurse shall not be construed to satisfy the service commitment required for loan repayment under this section.

(2) AHEC shall award loan repayments in amounts that are sufficient to attract high-quality candidates while also making a meaningful increase in Vermont's health care professional workforce.

(f) Loan repayment shall be awarded on a rolling basis, provided funds are available, and any funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall carry forward and shall be available to the Department of Health and AHEC in the following fiscal year to award additional loan repayment as set forth in this section.

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§ 36. NURSE FACULTY FORGIVABLE LOAN INCENTIVE PROGRAM

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(d) To be eligible for a forgivable loan under the Program, an individual, whether a resident or nonresident, shall satisfy all of the following requirements:

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(5) have completed the Program's application form and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) such financial aid forms as the Corporation deems necessary, in accordance with a schedule determined by the Corporation; and

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(g) Forgivable loans shall be awarded on a rolling basis, provided funds are available, and any funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall carry forward and shall be available to the Department of Health and the Corporation in the following fiscal year to award additional forgivable loans as set forth in this section.

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§ 37. NURSE FACULTY LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM

(a) As used in this section:

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(4) "Loan repayment" means the ~~cancellation and~~ repayment of loans under this section.

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(e) An eligible individual shall be entitled to an amount of loan ~~cancellation and~~ repayment under this section equal to one year of loans for each year of service as a member of the nurse faculty at a nursing school in

this state for a defined service obligation of not less than one year at a Vermont nursing school.

(f) Loan repayment shall be awarded on a rolling basis, provided funds are available, and any funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall carry forward and shall be available to the Department of Health and AHEC in the following fiscal year to award additional loan repayment as set forth in this section.

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§ 38. VERMONT MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL FORGIVABLE
LOAN INCENTIVE PROGRAM

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(d) To be eligible for a forgivable loan under the Program, an individual, whether a resident or nonresident, shall satisfy all of the following requirements:

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(5) have completed the Program's application form and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) such financial aid forms as the Corporation deems necessary, in accordance with a schedule determined by the Corporation; and

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(h) Forgivable loans shall be awarded on a rolling basis, provided funds are available, and any funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall carry forward and shall be available to the Department of Health and the Corporation in the following fiscal year to award additional forgivable loans as set forth in this section.

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§ 39. VERMONT PSYCHIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH NURSE

PRACTITIONER FORGIVABLE LOAN INCENTIVE PROGRAM

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(d) To be eligible for a forgivable loan under the Program, an individual, whether a resident or nonresident, shall satisfy all of the following requirements:

* * *

(4) have executed a credit agreement or promissory note that will reduce the individual's forgivable loan benefit, in whole or in part, pursuant to subsection ~~(f)~~(e) of this section, if the individual fails to complete the period of service required in subdivision (3) of this subsection;

(5) have completed the Program's application form and ~~the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)~~ such financial aid forms as the Corporation deems necessary, in accordance with a schedule determined by the Corporation; and

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(g) Forgivable loans shall be awarded on a rolling basis, provided funds are available, and any funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall carry forward and shall be available to the Department of Health and the Corporation in the following fiscal year to award additional forgivable loans as set forth in this section.

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§ 40. VERMONT DENTAL HYGIENIST FORGIVABLE LOAN
INCENTIVE PROGRAM

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(d) To be eligible for a forgivable loan under the Program, an individual, whether a resident or nonresident, shall satisfy all of the following requirements:

* * *

(4) have executed a credit agreement or promissory note that will reduce the individual's forgivable loan benefit, in whole or in part, pursuant to subsection ~~(g)~~(e) of this section, if the individual fails to complete the period of service required in this subsection;

(5) have completed the Program's application form, ~~the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), and the Vermont grant application each academic year of enrollment~~ and such financial aid forms as

the Corporation deems necessary, in accordance with a schedule determined by the Corporation; and

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(h) Forgivable loans shall be awarded on a rolling basis, provided funds are available, and any funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall carry forward and shall be available to the Department of Health and the Corporation in the following fiscal year to award additional forgivable loans as set forth in this section.

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Sec. E.312 HEALTH; PUBLIC HEALTH

(a) AIDS/HIV funding:

(1) In fiscal year 2025 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 with current information and data relating to service initiatives. The funds shall be allocated according to an RFP process.

(2) In fiscal year 2025 and as provided in this section, the Department of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$295,000 for HIV and Harm Reduction Services to the following organizations:

(A) Vermont CARES – \$140,000;

(B) AIDS Project of Southern Vermont – \$100,000; and

(C) HIV/HCV Resource Center – \$55,000.

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

(A) The Secretary of Human Services shall immediately notify the Joint Fiscal Committee if at any time there are insufficient funds in the Vermont Medication Assistance Program 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 Vermont Medication Assistance Program 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 Vermont Medication Assistance Program 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 2025, the Department of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$400,000 General Fund and \$700,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund to existing syringe service programs for HIV and Harm Reduction Services not later than September 1, 2024. 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 2025, the Department of Health shall provide grants in the amount \$350,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund to fund new syringe service programs to increase the geographic distribution of Harm Reduction Services in Vermont not later than September 1, 2024.

(6) In fiscal year 2025, the Department of Health shall not reduce any grants to the Vermont AIDS service and peer-support organizations or syringe service programs from funds appropriated for AIDS/HIV services to levels below those in fiscal year 2024 without receiving prior approval from the Joint Fiscal Committee.

Sec. E.312.1 18 V.S.A. § 4772 is amended to read:

§ 4772. OPIOID SETTLEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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(e) Presentation. Annually, the Advisory Committee shall vote on its recommendations. If the recommendations are supported by an affirmative

vote of the majority, the Advisory Committee shall present its recommendations for expenditures from the Opioid Abatement Special Fund established pursuant to this subchapter to the Department of Health and concurrently submit its recommendations in writing to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Human Services and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare. The Advisory Committee shall give priority consideration to services requiring funding on an ongoing basis.

*Sec. E.312.2 LEGISLATIVE INTENT; OPIOID ABATEMENT SPECIAL
FUND*

(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that syringe services be funded annually at not less than fiscal year 2025 levels through the Opioid Abatement Special Fund established in 18 V.S.A. § 4774, provided funds remain available.

Sec. E.313 PLAN; PUBLIC INEBRIATE AND SOBER BED PROGRAMS

(a)(1) On or before July 15, 2024, the Department of Health shall initiate the first of as many as five stakeholder meetings for the purpose of identifying and discussing improvements to public inebriate and sober bed programs. Data from the report produced in accordance with 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. E.313 shall inform the work of this stakeholder group.

(2) Participating stakeholders shall include:

(A) the Commissioner of Public Safety or designee;

(B) the Commissioner of Corrections or designee;

(C) a representative of the Vermont Preferred Provider Network for substance use disorder treatment appointed by the Commissioner of Health; and

(D) a representative of recovery centers in the State appointed by Recovery Partners of Vermont.

(b) As part of its fiscal year 2026 budget presentation, the Department of Health, in consultation with the stakeholder group described in subsection (a) of this section, shall submit a plan to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare and to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Human Services with recommendations to reorganize public inebriate and sober bed programs in a manner that accounts for increased client acuity and decreased bed availability throughout the State. The proposed reorganization shall include a spending plan that prioritizes staff support and public safety.

Sec. E.313.1 CERTIFIED RECOVERY RESIDENCES

(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.313 of this act, \$1,200,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund shall be for recovery residencies certified by the Vermont Alliance for Recovery Residences, including at least two new recovery residences certified by the Vermont Alliance for Recovery Residences.

(b) It is the intent of the General Assembly that recovery residences be funded annually at not less than fiscal year 2025 levels through the Opioid

Abatement Special Fund established in 18 V.S.A. § 4774 as long as funds remain available.

Sec. E.314 RATE INCREASE; DESIGNATED AND SPECIALIZED

SERVICE AGENCIES

(a) In fiscal year 2025, the Agency of Human Services shall increase the base funding rate for designated and specialized service agencies by three percent to reflect inflationary increases for developmental disability services and mental health services. These funds shall be used in accordance with all contractual and regulatory requirements as negotiated by the designated and specialized service agencies and the Agency of Human Services.

Sec. E.316 33 V.S.A. § 3531 is amended to read:

§ 3531. CHILD CARE – BUILDING BRIGHT SPACES FOR BRIGHT

FUTURES FUNDS FUND

(a) ~~A child-care facilities~~ ~~An early childhood services financing program is established to facilitate the development and expansion of child-care facilities early childhood service programs in the State. The Program~~ This financing program shall be administered by the Department for Children and Families.

(b) ~~The Program shall be supported from a special fund, to be known as the “Building Bright Spaces for Bright Futures Fund,” referred to in this section as “the Bright Futures Fund,” is hereby created for this purpose to be administered by the Commissioner for Children and Families. Subject to~~

approvals required by 32 V.S.A. § 5, the Fund may accept gifts and donations from any source, and the Commissioner may take appropriate actions to encourage contributions and designations to the account Fund, including publicizing explanations of the purposes of the Fund and the uses to which the Bright Futures Fund has been or will be applied.

(c) ~~Funds appropriated for this Program shall be used by the The Commissioner to award grants to eligible applicants for the development and expansion of child care options and community programs targeted for youths 14 through 18 years of age. These options may include recreational programs and related equipment or facilities, development or expansion of child care facilities, and community-based programs that address specific child care and youth program needs of the applicant region. The Commissioner shall establish by rule, criteria, conditions, and procedures for awarding such grants and administering this Program shall disburse the proceeds of this fund in accordance with the plan developed by the Building Bright Futures Council per 33 V.S.A. § 4603(3) and all applicable administrative bulletins.~~

Sec. E.316.1 33 V.S.A. § 4601 is amended to read:

§ 4601. DEFINITIONS

As used in this chapter:

(1) “Early care, health, and education” means all services provided to families expecting a child and to children up to ~~the age of six~~ eight years of

age, including child care, family support, early education, mental and physical health services, nutrition services, and disability services.

(2) "Regional council" means a regional entity linked to the State Building Bright Futures Council to support the creation of an integrated system of early care, health, and education at the local level.

Sec. E.317 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT; COMPREHENSIVE CHILD

WELFARE INFORMATION SYSTEM

(a) In developing and implementing a comprehensive child welfare information system, the Department for Children and Families' Division of Family Services shall solicit input from youth, foster parents, kinship care providers, Division staff, and the employees of the Office of Racial Equity's Division of Racial Justice Statistics.

Sec. E.317.1 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 101 is amended to read:

Sec. 101. ~~FOSTER CARE; SUBSIDIZED ADOPTION; EXPENDITURE~~

~~(a) The Department for Children and Families' Family Services Division shall spend funds appropriated in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.317 on a four percent rate increase for foster care and subsidized adoption.~~
[Repealed.]

Sec. E.317.2 ADOPTION; POST PERMANENCY SERVICES; YOUTH

SERVICES

(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.317 of this act:

(1) \$145,926 General Fund and \$124,308 federal funds shall be for grants to post permanency adoption services;

(2) \$446,253 General Fund shall be for a grant to Spectrum Youth and Family Services for the youth homeless shelter in Saint Albans;

(3) \$125,000 General Fund shall be for grants to be distributed equally to the Vermont Youth Services Bureaus; and

(4) \$181,000 General Fund shall be for grants to support homeless youth services in Vermont.

Sec. E.318 CONSENSUS ESTIMATE; CHILD CARE FINANCIAL

ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

(a) On or before December 1, 2024, 2025, and 2026, the Department for Children and Families and the Joint Fiscal Office shall jointly determine and submit a consensus estimate for costs related to the Child Care Financial Assistance Program for the coming fiscal year to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare. This consensus estimate shall serve as a baseline for the Department for Children and Families' Child Care Financial Assistance Program budget.

Sec. E.318.1 33 V.S.A. § 3517 is amended to read:

§ 3517. CHILD CARE TUITION RATES

~~*A child care provider shall ensure that its tuition rates are available to the public. A regulated child care provider shall not impose an increase on annual child care tuition that exceeds 1.5 times the most recent annual increase in the NAICS code 611, Educational Services. This amount shall be posted on the Department's website annually.*~~

Sec. E.318.2 33 V.S.A. § 3517 is amended to read:

§ 3517. CHILD CARE TUITION RATES

~~*A child care provider shall ensure that its tuition rates are available to the public. A regulated child care provider shall not impose an increase on annual child care tuition that exceeds 1.5 times the most recent annual increase in the NAICS code 611, Educational Services. This amount shall be posted on the Department's website annually.*~~

Sec. E.318.3 33 V.S.A. § 3512 is amended to read:

§ 3512. CHILD CARE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;

ELIGIBILITY

~~*(a)(1) The Child Care Financial Assistance Program is established to subsidize, to the extent that funds permit, the costs of child care for families that need child care services in order to obtain employment, to retain employment, or to obtain training leading to employment. Families seeking employment shall be entitled to participate in the Program for up to three months and the Commissioner may further extend that period.*~~

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Sec. E.321 GENERAL ASSISTANCE EMERGENCY HOUSING

(a) To the extent emergency housing is available and within the funds appropriated, the Commissioner for Children and Families shall ensure that General Assistance Emergency Housing is provided in fiscal year 2025 to households that attest to lack of a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence and have a member who:

(1) is 65 years of age or older;

(2) has a disability that can be documented by:

(A) receipt of Supplemental Security Income or Social Security Disability Insurance; or

(B) a form developed by the Department as a means of documenting a qualifying disability or health condition that requires:

(i) the applicant's name, date of birth, and the last four digits of the applicant's Social Security number or other identifying number;

(ii) a description of the applicant's disability or health condition;

(iii) a description of the risk posed to the applicant's health, safety, or welfare if temporary emergency housing is not authorized pursuant to this section; and

(iv) a certification of a health care provider, as defined in 18 V.S.A. § 9481, that includes the provider's credentials, credential number, address, and phone number;

(3) is a child 19 years of age or under;

(4) is pregnant;

(5) has experienced the death of a spouse, domestic partner, or minor child that caused the household to lose its housing;

(6) has experienced a natural disaster, such as a flood, fire, or hurricane;

(7) is under a court-ordered eviction or constructive eviction due to circumstances over which the household has no control; or

(8) is experiencing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, human trafficking, hate violence, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a household member that caused the household to lose its housing.

(b)(1) General Assistance Emergency Housing shall be provided in a community-based shelter whenever possible. If there is inadequate community-based shelter space available within the Agency of Human Services district in which the household presents itself, the household shall be provided emergency housing in a hotel or motel within the district, if available, until adequate community-based shelter space becomes available in the district.

The utilization of hotel and motel rooms pursuant to this subdivision shall be capped at 1,100 rooms per night between September 15, 2024 through November 30, 2024 and between April 1, 2025 through June 30, 2025.

(2) The maximum number of days that an eligible household receives emergency housing in a hotel or motel under this section, per 12-month period, shall not exceed 80 days.

(3) The Department shall provide emergency winter housing to households meeting the eligibility criteria in subsection (a) of this section between December 1, 2024 and March 31, 2025. Emergency housing in a hotel or motel provided pursuant to this subdivision shall not count toward the maximum days of eligibility per 12-month period provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection.

(4)(A) Notwithstanding any rule or law to the contrary, the Department shall require all households applying for or receiving General Assistance Emergency Housing to engage in their own search for and accept any available alternative housing placements. All applicants and eligible households shall regularly provide information to the Department, not less frequently than monthly, about their efforts to secure an alternative housing placement. If the Department determines that a household, at the time of application or during the term of the household's authorization, has not made efforts to secure an alternative housing placement, or has access to an

alternative housing placement, the Department shall deny the application or terminate the authorization at the end of the current authorization period.

(B) For purposes of this subdivision (4), “alternative housing placements” may include shelter beds and pods; placements with family or friends; permanent housing solutions, including tiny homes, manufactured homes, and apartments; residential treatment beds for physical health, long-term care, substance use, or mental health; nursing home beds; and recovery homes.

(c) Emergency housing provided pursuant to this section shall replace the catastrophic and noncatastrophic categories adopted by the Department in rule.

(d) Emergency housing required pursuant to this section may be provided through approved community-based shelters, new unit generation, open units, licensed hotels or motels, or other appropriate shelter space. The Department shall, when available, prioritize emergency housing at housing or shelter placements other than hotels or motels.

(e) Case management services provided by case managers employed by or under contract with the Agency of Human Services or reimbursed through an Agency-funded grant shall include assisting clients with finding appropriate housing.

(f) The Commissioner for Children and Families shall adopt emergency rules pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 844 for the administration of this section, which shall be deemed to have met the emergency rulemaking standard in 3 V.S.A. § 844(a), while permanent rules are pending.

(g) On or before the last day of each month from July 2024 through June 2025, the Department for Children and Families, or other relevant agency or department, shall continue submitting a similar report to that due pursuant to 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 81, Sec. 6(b) to the Joint Fiscal Committee, House Committee on Human Services, and Senate Committee on Health and Welfare. Additionally, this report shall include the Department's monthly expenditure on General Assistance Emergency Housing.

(h) For emergency housing provided in a hotel or motel beginning on July 1, 2024 and thereafter, the Department for Children and Families shall not pay a hotel or motel establishment more than the hotel's lowest advertised room rate and not more than \$80 a day per room to shelter a household experiencing homelessness. The Department for Children and Families may shelter a household in more than one hotel or motel room depending on the household's size and composition.

(i) The Department for Children and Families shall apply the following rules to participating hotels and motels:

(1) Section 2650.1 of the Department for Children and Families' General Assistance (CVR 13-170-260);

(2) Department of Health, Licensed Lodging Establishment Rule (CVR 13-140-023); and

(3) Department of Public Safety, Vermont Fire and Building Safety Code (CVR 28-070-001).

(j)(1) The Department for Children and Families may work with either a shelter provider or a community housing agency to enter into a full or partial facility lease or sales agreement with a hotel or motel provider. Any facility conversion under this section shall comply with the Office of Economic Opportunity's shelter standards.

(2) If the Department for Children and Families determines that a contractual agreement with a licensed hotel or motel operator to secure temporary emergency housing capacity is beneficial to improve the quality, cleanliness, or access to services for those households temporarily housed in the facility, the Department shall be authorized to enter into such an agreement in accordance with the per-room rate identified in subsection (h) of this section; provided, however, that in no event shall such an agreement cause a household to become unhoused. The Department for Children and Families may include provisions to address access to services or related needs within the contractual agreement.

(k) Of the amount appropriated to implement this section, not more than \$500,000 shall be used for security costs.

(l) As used in this section:

(1) “Community-based shelter” means a shelter that meets the Vermont Housing Opportunity Grant Program’s Standards of Provision of Assistance.

(2) “Household” means an individual and any dependents for whom the individual is legally responsible and who live in Vermont. “Household” includes individuals who reside together as one economic unit, including those who are married, parties to a civil union, or unmarried.

Sec. E.321.1 EMERGENCY SHELTERS

(a)(1) The Department for Children and Families shall continue to develop emergency shelters for the provision of lodging between December 1, 2024 and March 31, 2025 to households that do not meet the eligibility criteria for General Assistance Emergency Housing as described in subsection (a) of Sec. E.321 of this act or are otherwise in need of emergency shelter.

(2) The Department shall work with community providers as available to deliver daytime and overnight shelter services.

(b)(1) In fiscal year 2025, \$10,000,000 allocated from the General Fund in Sec. B.1102(b)(9) of this act to expand shelter bed and permanent supportive housing shall be used by the Department to first develop emergency shelters as required in subsection (a) of this section. Any allocated funds that are not

needed for emergency shelters may be used to expand permanent shelter bed and permanent supportive housing capacity.

(2) On or before July 15, 2024, the Department shall submit to the Joint Fiscal Committee a plan for the development of emergency shelters required pursuant to this subsection. On or before September 1, 2024 and November 1, 2024, the Department shall submit to the Joint Fiscal Committee progress reports addressing the Department's efforts to develop sufficient emergency shelter beds, including updates on work to provide overnight shelter and daytime solutions in advance of December 1, 2024.

(c) As used in this section, "emergency shelter" means a congregate, semi-congregate, or non-congregate facility providing safe shelter where limited services shall be offered, including limited storage of possessions and personal hygiene facilities.

Sec. E.321.2 GENERAL ASSISTANCE EMERGENCY HOUSING TASK

FORCE

(a) Creation. There is created the General Assistance Emergency Housing Task Force to provide recommendations to the General Assembly regarding the statewide and local operation and administration of the General Assistance Emergency Housing benefit.

(b) Membership. The Task Force shall be composed of the following members:

(1) two representatives with lived experience of homelessness, one representative appointed by the Speaker and one representative appointed by the President Pro Tempore;

(2) a representative, appointed by the Housing and Homelessness Alliance of Vermont;

(3) a representative, appointed by the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board;

(4) a representative, appointed by Vermont Care Partners;

(5) a representative, appointed by the Long-Term Care Crisis Coalition;

(6) a representative, appointed by Vermont 2-1-1;

(7) a representative, appointed by the Vermont League of Cities and Towns;

(8) a representative, appointed by the Vermont Center for Independent Living;

(9) a representative with experience operating an emergency shelter program, appointed jointly by the Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore;

(10) the Commissioner of the Department for Children and Families or designee;

(11) the Deputy Commissioner of the Department for Children and Families' Division of Economic Services; and

(12) the Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development or designee.

(c) Powers and duties. The Task Force shall examine and provide recommendations on the following:

(1) household eligibility; maximum days of eligibility; application, notice, and appeals processes; participant requirements; and annual reporting requirements;

(2) the process to establish a single, statewide, unified coordinated entry system with participation from the Department;

(3) the current organization of roles and responsibilities within the Department for Children and Families' Office of Economic Opportunity and the Division of Economic Services;

(4) the number and types of emergency shelter spaces needed and currently available for each geographic region in the State, with a preference for noncongregate shelter spaces;

(5) the identification of a consistent lead agency for each geographic region;

(6) the identification of role and responsibility assigned to the lead agency;

(7) potential adjustments to emergency housing policy during cold weather months;

(8) a process to enable participating households to place a percentage of the household's gross income into savings, which shall be returned to the household for permanent housing expenses when the household exits the General Assistance Emergency Housing;

(9) a mechanism for addressing potential conduct challenges posed by a member of a participating household served in a motel, hotel, or shelter;

(10) the identification of any State rules and local regulations and ordinances that are impeding the timely development of safe, decent, affordable housing in Vermont communities in order to:

(A) identify areas in which flexibility or discretion are available; and

(B) advise whether the temporary suspension of relevant State rules and local regulations and ordinances, or the adoption or amendment of State rules, would facilitate faster and less costly revitalization of existing housing and construction of new housing units;

(11) a mechanism to ensure that eligible households are sheltered until transitional or permanent housing is available; and

(12) strategies to reduce reliance on hotels and motels for emergency housing.

(d) Assistance. The Task Force shall have the administrative, technical, and legal assistance of the Department for Children and Families.

(e) Report. On or before January 15, 2025, the Task Force shall submit a written report to the House Committee on Human Services and the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare with its findings and any recommendations for legislative action.

(f) Meetings.

(1) The Commissioner for Children and Families or designee shall call the first meeting of the Task Force to occur on or before August 1, 2024.

(2) The Task Force shall select a chair or co-chairs from among its members at the first meeting.

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

(4) The Task Force shall cease once the report required pursuant to subsection (e) of this section has been submitted to the General Assembly.

(g) Compensation and reimbursement. Members of the Task Force shall be entitled to per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses as permitted under 32 V.S.A. § 1010 for not more than eight meetings. These payments shall be made from monies appropriated to the Department for Children and Families.

Sec. E.323 32 V.S.A. § 306 is amended to read:

§ 306. BUDGET REPORT

(a) The Governor shall submit to the General Assembly, not later than the third Tuesday of every annual session, a budget that shall embody ~~his or her~~

the Governor's estimates, requests, and recommendations for appropriations or other authorizations for expenditures from the State Treasury. In the first year of the biennium, the budget shall relate to the two succeeding fiscal years. In the second year of the biennium, it shall relate to the succeeding fiscal year. The budget shall be based upon the official State revenue estimates, including the Medicaid estimated caseloads and per-member per-month expenditures, adopted by the Emergency Board pursuant to section 305a of this title.

(1) As part of the budget report, the Governor shall:

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(C) itemize current services liabilities, including the total obligations and the amount estimated for full funding in the current year in which an amortization schedule exists. These shall include the following liabilities projected for the start of the budget fiscal year:

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(iii) Reach Up funding full benefit obligations, including the standard of need for the current fiscal year; reflecting the level of financial assistance necessary to meet a family's ongoing basic needs in the current fiscal year as defined in 33 V.S.A. § 1101(13), prior to any rateable reductions made pursuant to 33 V.S.A. § 1103(a), which ensure that the expenditures for the programs shall not exceed appropriations;

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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 crisis fuel grants pursuant to 33 V.S.A. § 2609(b).

Sec. E.324.1 33 V.S.A. § 2609 is amended to read:

§ 2609. CRISIS RESERVES; ELIGIBILITY AND ASSISTANCE

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(b) Crisis fuel grants shall may be limited per winter heating season to one grant for households that are income-eligible and have received a seasonal fuel assistance grant and meet all eligibility requirements for crisis fuel assistance or to two grants for households that are not income-eligible for seasonal fuel assistance and meet all eligibility requirements for crisis fuel assistance.

*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, \$25,747,402 shall be used by the Department for Children and Families' Office of Economic Opportunity to issue grants to community agencies

assisting individuals experiencing homelessness 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 and the administration of funds shall be done in consultation with the two U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development recognized Continuum of Care programs.

*Sec. E.326 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; OFFICE
OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY; 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.326.1 33 V.S.A. § 2502 is amended to read:

§ 2502. HOME WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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(b) In addition, the Director shall supplement or supplant any federal program with the State Home Weatherization Assistance Program.

(1) The State ~~program~~ Program shall provide an enhanced weatherization assistance amount exceeding the federal per-unit limit allowing amounts up to an average of ~~\$8,500.00~~ \$15,300.00 per unit allocated on a cost-effective basis. The allowable average ~~per unit may be adjusted to account for the lower cost~~ per unit of multifamily buildings will be \$4,500.00.

In units where costs exceed the allowable average by more than 25 percent, prior approval of the Director of the State Economic Opportunity Office shall be required before work commences. This amount shall be adjusted annually to account for inflation of materials and labor.

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(c) ~~The Secretary of Human Services Director shall by rule establish require landlords that are not income eligible to enter into a rent stabilization agreements and provisions to recapture amounts expended for weatherization of a rental unit that exceed the amount of agreement that takes into account the energy cost reductions projected to be obtained by eligible tenants of the unit. The time periods established for rent stabilization and recapture shall be set taking into account the size of benefits received by tenants and landlords as well as the effect on Program participation. Funds recaptured under this section shall be deposited into the Home Weatherization Assistance Fund established under section 2501 of this title.~~

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Sec. E.329 33 V.S.A. § 1602 is amended to read:

*§ 1602. VERMONT DEAF, HARD OF HEARING, AND DEAFBLIND
ADVISORY COUNCIL*

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(b) Membership. The Advisory Council shall consist of the following members:

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(9) a superintendent, selected by the Vermont Superintendents Association; ~~and~~

(10) a special education administrator, selected by the Vermont Council of Special Education Administrators; and

(11) a representative of the Vermont chapter of Hands and Voices.

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Sec. E.338 CORRECTIONS; CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

(a) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 3709(a), the special fund appropriation of \$152,000 in Sec. B.338 of this act for the supplemental facility payments to Newport and Springfield shall be paid from the PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.

Sec. E.338.1 CORRECTIONS; DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

ACCOUNTABILITY PROGRAMS

(a) \$850,000 of the General Fund appropriation made in Sec. B.338.1 of this act shall be for an annual grant to the Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence for Domestic Violence Accountability Programs.

Sec. E.339 OUT-OF-STATE BED SAVINGS; PRETRIAL SUPERVISION

PROGRAM

(a) To the extent that the need for the General Fund dollars appropriated to the Department of Corrections for out-of-state beds in Sec. B.339 of this act is reduced, it is the intent of the General Assembly that these funds be reappropriated to the Department of Corrections for the Pretrial Supervision Program.

Sec. E.345 18 V.S.A. § 9374(h) is amended to read:

~~(h)(1) The Board may assess and collect from each regulated entity the actual costs incurred by the Board, including staff time and contracts for professional services, in carrying out its regulatory duties for health insurance rate review under 8 V.S.A. § 4062; hospital budget review under chapter 22I, subchapter 7 of this title; and accountable care organization certification and budget review under section 9382 of this title. The Board may also assess and collect from general hospitals licensed under chapter 43 of this title expenses incurred by the Commissioner of Health in administering hospital community reports under section 9405b of this title.~~

~~(2)(A) In addition to the assessment and collection of actual costs pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection and except Except as otherwise provided in subdivisions (2)(C) and (3) (1)(C) and (2) of this subsection (h), all other the expenses of the Board shall be borne as follows:~~

~~(i) 40.0 percent by the State from State monies;~~

~~(ii) ~~30~~ 28.8 percent by the hospitals;~~

(iii) ~~24~~ 23.2 percent by nonprofit hospital and medical service corporations licensed under 8 V.S.A. chapter 123 or 125, health insurance companies licensed under 8 V.S.A. chapter 101, and health maintenance organizations licensed under 8 V.S.A. chapter 139; and

(iv) ~~six~~ 8.0 percent by accountable care organizations certified under section 9382 of this title.

(B) Expenses under subdivision (A)(iii) of this subdivision ~~(2)~~(1) shall be allocated to persons licensed under Title 8 based on premiums paid for health care coverage, which for the purposes of this subdivision ~~(2)~~(1) shall include major medical, comprehensive medical, hospital or surgical coverage, and comprehensive health care services plans, but shall not include long-term care, limited benefits, disability, credit or stop loss, or excess loss insurance coverage.

(C) ~~Expenses incurred by the Board for regulatory duties associated with certificates of need shall be~~ assessed pursuant to the provisions of section 9441 of this title ~~and not~~ shall not be assessed in accordance with the formula set forth in subdivision (A) of this subdivision ~~(2)~~(1).

~~(3)~~(2) The Board may determine the scope of the incurred expenses to be allocated pursuant to the formula set forth in subdivision ~~(2)~~(1) of this subsection if, in the Board's discretion, the expenses to be allocated are in the best interests of the regulated entities and of the State.

~~(4)(3)~~ *If the amount of the proportional assessment to any entity calculated in accordance with the formula set forth in subdivision ~~(2)(A)(1)(A)~~ of this subsection would be less than \$150.00, the Board shall assess the entity a minimum fee of \$150.00. The Board shall apply the amounts collected based on the difference between each applicable entity's proportional assessment amount and \$150.00 to reduce the total amount assessed to the regulated entities pursuant to subdivisions ~~(2)(A)(ii)-(iv)~~ (1)(A)(ii)-(iv) of this subsection.*

~~(5)(4)(A)~~ *Annually on or before September 15, the Board shall report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations the total amount of all expenses eligible for allocation pursuant to this subsection (h) during the preceding State fiscal year and the total amount actually billed back to the regulated entities during the same period. The provisions of 2 V.S.A. § 20(d) (expiration of required reports) shall not apply to the report to be made under this subdivision.*

(B) The Board ~~and the Department~~ shall also present the information required by this subsection (h) to the Joint Fiscal Committee annually at its September meeting.

Sec. E.345.1 18 V.S.A. § 9405b is amended to read:

§ 9405b. HOSPITAL COMMUNITY REPORTS AND AMBULATORY

SURGICAL CENTER QUALITY REPORTS

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(e) The Green Mountain Care Board may assess and collect from general hospitals licensed under chapter 43 of this title expenses incurred by the Commissioner of Health in administering hospital community reports and ambulatory surgical center quality reports under this section.

Sec. E.345.2 GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD; REFERENCE-BASED

PRICING; DATA ANALYSIS; REPORT

(a) The funds appropriated to the Green Mountain Care Board in Sec. B.1100(s)(1) of this act shall be for a contract with a qualified entity for a reference-based pricing analysis that will analyze commercial medical claims for all inpatient and outpatient hospital services and supplies incurred by active and retired members and their dependents enrolled in the State Employees' Health Benefit Plan and in the health benefit plans offered by the Vermont Education Health Initiative during calendar years 2018 to the most recent year for which data are available, to determine what savings, if any, could have been realized for that period if a reference-based pricing methodology benchmarked to Medicare rates had been applied.

(b) On or before December 15, 2024, the Green Mountain Care Board shall report to the House Committees on Health Care and on Government Operations and Military Affairs and the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and on Government Operations with the results of the analysis and any

recommendations for legislative action, as well as identifying the other aspects of Vermont's health care system that likely would be affected by the use of reference-based pricing, such as hospital margins, health insurance premiums, and the State's health care reform efforts.

Sec. E.500 EDUCATION; FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

(a) The Global Commitment funds appropriated in Sec. B.500 of this act will be used for physician claims for determining medical necessity of individualized education programs. These services are intended to increase access to quality health care for uninsured persons, underinsured persons, and Medicaid beneficiaries.

Sec. E.502 EDUCATION; SPECIAL EDUCATION: FORMULA GRANTS

(a) Of the appropriation authorized in Sec. B.502 of this act, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, an amount not to exceed \$4,329,959 shall be used by the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2025 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).

(b) Of the appropriation authorized in Sec. B.502 of this act, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, an amount not to exceed \$500,000 shall be used by the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2025 as funding for 16

V.S.A. § 2975. 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.503 EDUCATION; STATE-PLACED STUDENTS

(a) The Independence Place Program of ANEW Place shall be considered a 24-hour residential program for the purposes of reimbursement of education costs.

Sec. E.504 ADULT EDUCATION AND LITERACY

(a) Of the appropriation in Sec. B.504 of this act, \$3,778,133 General Fund shall be granted to adult education and literacy providers, pursuant to the Adult Education and Secondary Credential Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 945.

Sec. E.504.1 EDUCATION; FLEXIBLE PATHWAYS

(a) Notwithstanding any provision of 16 V.S.A. § 4025 to the contrary, of the appropriation in Sec. B.504.1 of this act, \$2,518,755 Education Fund shall be granted by the Agency of Education to adult education and literacy providers pursuant to the Adult Education and Secondary Credential Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 945.

(b) Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 4025, of the Education Fund appropriation in Sec. B.504.1 of this act. the amount of:

(1) \$921,500 is designated for dual enrollment programs, notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 944(f)(2);

(2) \$2,000,000 is designated to support the Vermont Virtual High School;

(3) \$400,000 is designated for secondary school reform grants; and

(4) \$4,600,000 is designated for Early College pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 946.

(c) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.504.1 of this act, \$921,500 is designated for dual enrollment programs.

Sec. E.504.2 16 V.S.A. § 945 is amended to read:

§ 945. ADULT DIPLOMA PROGRAM; GENERAL EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ADULT EDUCATION AND SECONDARY CREDENTIAL PROGRAM

(a) The Secretary shall maintain an Adult Diploma Program (ADP), which shall be an assessment process administered by the Agency through which an individual any Vermont resident who is at least 20 16 years of age; who has not received a high school diploma; and who is not enrolled in a public or approved independent school, postsecondary institution, or home study program can receive a local high school diploma granted by one of the Program's participating high schools.

(b) The Secretary shall maintain a General Educational Development (GED) Program, which the Secretary shall administer jointly with the GED testing service and approved local testing centers and through which an adult

individual a Vermont resident who is at least 16 years of age and; who has not received a high school diploma; and who is not enrolled in secondary a public or an approved independent school, a postsecondary institution, or a home study program can receive a secondary school equivalency certificate based on successful completion of the GED tests.

(c) The Secretary may provide additional programs designed to address the individual needs and circumstances of adult students, particularly students with the lowest levels of literacy skills.

(d) The diagnostic portion of the Program referenced in subsection 4011(f) of this title shall be used as a tool to evaluate the educational needs of and skills gained by individual students but shall not be used to exclude individuals from the Program or to condition payments to local education and literacy providers.

Sec. E.504.3 REPEAL

16 V.S.A. § 943 (High School Completion Program) is repealed.

Sec. E.504.4 16 V.S.A. § 4011 is amended to read:

§ 4011. EDUCATION PAYMENTS

(a) Annually, the General Assembly shall appropriate funds to pay for statewide education spending and a portion of a base education amount for each adult ~~diploma~~ education and secondary credential program student.

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(f) ~~Annually, the Secretary shall pay to a department or agency local adult education and literacy provider, as defined in section 942 of this title, that provides an adult diploma education and secondary credential program an amount equal to 26 percent of the base education amount for each student who completed completes the diagnostic portion portions of the program, based on an average of the previous two years; 40 percent of the payment required under this subsection shall be from State funds appropriated from the Education Fund and 60 percent of the payment required under this subsection shall be from State funds appropriated from the General Fund.~~

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Sec. E.504.5 16 V.S.A. § 944 is amended to read:

§ 944. DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM

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(b) Students.

(1) A Vermont resident who has completed grade 10 but has not received a high school diploma is eligible to participate in the Program if:

(A) the student:

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(ii) ~~is assigned to a public school through the High School Completion Program~~ a student in the Adult Diploma Program under subsection 945(a) of this title; or

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Sec. E.504.6 16 V.S.A. § 941 is amended to read:

§ 941. FLEXIBLE PATHWAYS INITIATIVE

(a) There is created within the Agency a Flexible Pathways Initiative:

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(b) The Secretary shall develop, publish, and regularly update guidance, in the form of technical assistance, sharing of best practices and model documents, legal interpretations, and other support designed to assist school districts:

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(3) to create opportunities for secondary students to pursue flexible pathways to graduation that:

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(C) include:

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(v) ~~the High School Completion Program as set forth in section 943 of this title; and [Repealed.]~~

(vi) ~~the Adult Diploma Program and General Educational Development Program adult education and secondary credential opportunities as set forth in section 945 of this title; and~~

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Sec. E.507.1 ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS; CATEGORICAL AID

(a) The funds appropriated in Sec. B.507.1 of this act shall be used to provide categorical aid to school districts for English Learner services, pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 4013.

Sec. E.514 STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

(a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(g)(2), the annual contribution to the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System shall be \$201,182,703, of which \$191,382,703 shall be the State's contribution and \$9,800,000 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, \$37,842,027 is the "normal contribution," and \$163,340,676 is the "accrued liability contribution."

Sec. E.514.1 VERMONT STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

AND VERMONT PENSION INVESTMENT COMMISSION;

OPERATING BUDGET, SOURCE OF FUNDS

(a) Of the \$3,572,780 appropriated in Sec. B.514.1 of this act, \$2,516,037 constitutes the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System operating budget, and \$1,056,743 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension Investment Commission's budget attributable to the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System.

*Sec. E.515 RETIRED TEACHERS' HEALTH CARE AND MEDICAL
BENEFITS*

(a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944b(b)(2) and (h)(1), the annual contribution to the Retired Teachers' Health and Medical Benefits plan shall be \$70,482,644, of which \$62,107,644 shall be the State's contribution and \$8,375,000 shall be from the annual charge for teacher health care contributed by employers pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944d. Of the annual contribution, \$21,648,946 is the "normal contribution," and \$48,833,698 is the "accrued liability contribution."

Sec. E.600 UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

(a) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall issue warrants to pay 1/12 of the appropriation in Sec. B.600 of this act to the University of Vermont on or about the 15th day of each calendar month of the year:

(b) Of this appropriation, \$380,362 shall be transferred to the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research to comply with State matching fund requirements necessary for the receipt of available federal or private funds, or both.

Sec. E.602 VERMONT STATE COLLEGES

(a) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall issue warrants to pay 1/12 of the appropriation in Sec. B.602 of this act 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 to comply with State matching fund requirements necessary for the receipt of available federal or private funds, or both.

Sec. E.602.1 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. E.602.2, as amended by 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 83, Sec. 67 and 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. C.101, is further amended to read:

Sec. E.602.2 VERMONT STATE COLLEGES

(a) The Vermont State College (VSC) system shall transform itself into a fully integrated system that achieves financial stability in a responsible and sustainable way in order to meet each of these strategic priorities:

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(b) VSC shall meet the following requirements during the transformation of its system required under subsection (a) of this section and shall accommodate the oversight of the General Assembly in so doing.

(1) VSC shall reduce its structural deficit by \$5,000,000.00 per year for three years and by \$3,500,000.00 per year for the following two years through a combination of annual operating expense reductions and increased enrollment revenues, for a total of ~~\$25,000,000.00~~ \$22,000,000.00 by the end of fiscal year 2026. These reductions shall be structural in nature and shall not be met by use of one-time funds. The VSC Board of Trustees, through the

Chancellor or designee, shall report the results of these structural reductions to the House and Senate Committees on Education and on Appropriations annually during the Chancellor's budget presentation.

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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 Sec. B.603 of this act to support the dental hygiene, respiratory therapy, and nursing programs that graduate approximately 315 health care providers annually. These graduates deliver direct, high-quality health care services to Medicaid beneficiaries or uninsured or underinsured persons.

Sec. E.605 VERMONT STUDENT ASSISTANCE CORPORATION

(a) Of the funds appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation in Sec. B.605 of this act:

(1) \$25,000 shall be deposited into the Trust Fund established in 16 V.S.A. § 2845;

(2) not more than \$300,000 may be used by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for a student aspirational initiative to serve one or more high schools; and

(3) not less than \$1,000,000 shall be used to continue the Vermont Trades Scholarship Program established in 2022 Act and Resolves No. 183, Sec. 14.

(b) Of the funds appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation in Sec. B.605 of this act that are remaining after accounting for the expenditures set forth in subsection (a) of this section, not less than 93 percent shall be used for direct student aid.

(c) After accounting for the expenditures set forth in subsection (a) of this section, up to seven percent of the funds appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation in Sec. B.605 of this act or otherwise currently or previously appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation or provided to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation by an agency or department of the State for the administration of a program or initiative may be used by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for its costs of administration. The Vermont Student Assistance Corporation may recoup its reasonable costs of collecting the forgivable loans in repayment. Funds shall not be used for indirect costs. To the extent that any of these funds are federal

funds, allocation for expenses associated with administering the funds shall be consistent with federal grant requirements.

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

(a) Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 4025, the sum of \$41,225 Education Fund and \$41,225 General Fund is appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for dual enrollment and need-based stipend purposes to fund a flat-rate, need-based stipend or voucher program for financially disadvantaged 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. The Vermont Student Assistance Corporation 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) On or before January 15, 2025, the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation 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.

*Sec. E.704 DEPARTMENT OF FORESTS, PARKS AND RECREATION;
WATER QUALITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM EXPANSION;
PILOT*

(a) Using the funds appropriated in Sec. B.1100(l)(1) of this act, the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation shall as a pilot expand the Water Quality Assistance Program established in 10 V.S.A. § 2622a to enable the Program to provide financial assistance to logging contractors to ensure implementation of proactive and preventative water quality protection and climate adaptation practices on harvest sites. The Program shall provide financial assistance to logging contractors for the following:

(1) implementation of accepted management practices and other best practices defined by the Department on harvest sites to enhance water quality protection and climate adaptation measures before forest operations take place;

(2) purchase by logging contractors of materials or practices that can be used for forest access road construction, landing preparation, bridge construction or installation, culvert protection or installation, and sediment control in advance of harvest implementation in order to comply with the accepted management practices and other potentially applicable water quality requirements; and

(3) financial assistance or cost share for a logging contractor to be Master Logger Certified by third-party entities, such as the Northeast Master Logger Certification Program of the Trust to Conserve Northeast Forestlands.

(b) The Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation may establish criteria for eligibility under the Water Quality Assistance Program, including priority of assistance and application requirements.

(c) The Water Quality Assistance Program shall operate as a pilot program in fiscal year 2025.

(d) On or before July 15, 2025, the Commissioner of Forests, Parks and Recreation shall report to the House Committee on Agriculture, Food Resiliency, and Forestry and the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Energy the results of the pilot Water Quality Assistance Program.

Sec. E.802 10 V.S.A. § 699 is amended to read:

§ 699. VERMONT RENTAL HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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(e) Program requirements applicable to grants. For a grant awarded through the Program, the following requirements apply for a minimum period of five years:

(1) A landlord shall coordinate with nonprofit housing partners and local coordinated entry organizations to identify potential tenants.

(2)(A) Except as provided in subdivision (2)(B) of this subsection (e), a landlord shall lease the unit to a household that is exiting homelessness or actively working with an immigrant or refugee resettlement program or composed of at least one individual with a disability who is eligible to receive Medicaid-funded home and community based services.

(B) If, upon petition of the landlord, the Department or the housing organization that issued the grant determines that a household ~~exiting homelessness~~ under subdivision (A) of this subdivision (e)(2) is not available to lease the unit, then the landlord shall lease the unit:

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Sec. E.910 23 V.S.A. § 304c is amended to read:

§ 304c. MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION PLATES: BUILDING

~~BRIGHT SPACES FOR BRIGHT FUTURES FUND~~

(a) The Commissioner shall, upon application, issue “Building Bright Spaces for Bright Futures Fund,” referred to as ~~“the Bright Futures Fund,”~~ registration plates for use only on vehicles registered at the pleasure car rate, on trucks registered for less than 26,001 pounds, on vehicles registered to State agencies under section 376 of this title, and excluding vehicles registered under the International Registration Plan. Plates so acquired shall be mounted on the front and rear of the vehicle. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall utilize the graphic design recommended by the Commissioner for

Children and Families for the special plates to enhance the public awareness of the State's interest in supporting ~~children's~~ early childhood services. Applicants shall apply on forms prescribed by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles and shall pay an initial fee of \$29.00 in addition to the annual fee for registration. In following years, in addition to the annual registration fee, the holder of a ~~Bright Futures Fund~~ plate shall pay a renewal fee of \$29.00. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall adopt rules under 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 to implement the provisions of this subsection.

(b) Fees collected under subsection (a) of this section shall be ~~allocated~~ deposited as follows:

(1) 29 percent ~~to~~ in the Transportation Fund.

(2) 71 percent ~~to the Department for Children and Families for deposit~~ in the Building Bright Futures Fund created in 33 V.S.A. § 3531.

(c) Renewal fees collected under subsection (a) of this section shall be ~~allocated~~ deposited as follows:

(1) 79 percent ~~to the Department for Children and Families for deposit~~ in the Building Bright Futures Fund created in 33 V.S.A. § 3531.

(2) 21 percent ~~to~~ in the Transportation Fund.

(d) The Department of Motor Vehicles shall be charged by the Department of Corrections for the production of the Building Bright Futures Fund license plates.

Sec. E.915 TRANSPORTATION; TOWN HIGHWAY AID PROGRAM

(a) The total appropriation in Sec. B.915 of this act is authorized, notwithstanding the provisions of 19 V.S.A. § 306(a).

** * * Financial Regulation Fees * * **

Sec. F.100 8 V.S.A. § 4800(2)(A)(iii) is amended to read:

(iii) Except as provided in subdivisions (I) and (II) of this subdivision, initial and annual producer appointment fees for each qualification set forth in section 4813g of subchapter 1A of this chapter for resident and nonresident producers acting as agents of foreign insurers, ~~\$60.00~~ \$80.00:

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Sec. F.101 9 V.S.A. § 5302(e) is amended to read:

(e) At the time of the filing of the information prescribed in subsection (a), (b), (c), or (d) of this section, except investment companies subject to 15 U.S.C. § 80a-1 et seq., the issuer shall pay to the Commissioner a fee of ~~\$600.00~~ \$820.00. The fee is nonrefundable.

Sec. F.102 9 V.S.A. § 5302(f) is amended to read:

(f) Investment companies subject to 15 U.S.C. § 80a-1 et seq. shall pay to the Commissioner an initial notice filing fee of ~~\$2,000.00~~ \$2,275.00 and an annual renewal fee of ~~\$1,650.00~~ \$2,025.00 for each portfolio or class of investment company securities for which a notice filing is submitted.

Sec. F.103 9 V.S.A. § 5410(b) is amended to read:

(b) The fee for an individual is ~~\$120.00~~ \$145.00 when filing an application for registration as an agent, ~~\$120.00~~ \$145.00 when filing a renewal of registration as an agent, and ~~\$120.00~~ \$145.00 when filing for a change of registration as an agent. The fee is nonrefundable.

** * * Pay Act * * **

*Sec. G.100 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS; FISCAL YEARS
2025 AND 2026*

(a) Fiscal year 2025. This act fully funds the first year of the collective bargaining agreements between the State and the Vermont State Employees' Association and the State and the Vermont Troopers' Association for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. The collective bargaining agreements for most classified employees provide in fiscal year 2025 an average 1.9 percent step increase and 4.5 percent across-the-board increase for a total of a 6.4 percent increase.

(b) Fiscal year 2026. This act fully funds the second year of the collective bargaining agreements between the State and the Vermont State Employees' Association and the State and the Vermont Troopers' Association for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. The collective bargaining agreements for most classified employees provide in fiscal year 2026 an average 1.9

percent step increase and 3.5 percent across-the-board increase for a total of a 5.4 percent increase.

Sec. G.101 EXEMPT EMPLOYEES; PERMITTED SALARY INCREASES;

FISCAL YEARS 2025 AND 2026

(a) Fiscal year 2025. The Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Branches may extend the fiscal year 2025 provisions of the collective bargaining agreements that are funded by this act to employees not covered by the bargaining agreements as they determine to be appropriate and in accordance with the appropriations provided to each branch.

(b) Fiscal year 2026. The Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Branches may extend the fiscal year 2026 provisions of the collective bargaining agreements that are funded by this act to employees not covered by the bargaining agreements as they determine to be appropriate and in accordance with the appropriations provided to each branch.

Sec. G.102 EXECUTIVE BRANCH; EXEMPT AGENCY AND

DEPARTMENT HEADS, DEPUTIES, AND EXECUTIVE

ASSISTANTS; ANNUAL SALARY ADJUSTMENT AND

SPECIAL SALARY INCREASE OR BONUS

(a) Fiscal year 2025. For purposes of determining annual salary adjustments, special salary increases, and bonuses under 32 V.S.A. §§ 1003(b) and 1020(b), “the average rate of adjustment available to most classified

employees under the collective bargaining agreement” shall be, in fiscal year 2025, 6.4 percent.

(b) Fiscal year 2026. For purposes of determining annual salary adjustments, special salary increases, and bonuses under 32 V.S.A. §§ 1003(b) and 1020(b), “the average rate of adjustment available to most classified employees under the collective bargaining agreement” shall be, in fiscal year 2026, 5.4 percent.

Sec. G.103 32 V.S.A. § 1003 is amended to read:

§ 1003. STATE OFFICERS

(a) Each elective officer of the Executive Department is entitled to an annual salary as follows:

	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>
	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>
	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>
	<u>July 3,</u>	<u>July 2,</u>	<u>July 14,</u>	<u>July 13,</u>
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
(1) Governor	\$201,150	\$208,995	\$222,371	\$234,379
(2) Lieutenant Governor	\$85,384	\$88,714	\$94,392	\$99,489
(3) Secretary of State	\$127,548	\$132,522	\$141,003	\$148,617
(4) State Treasurer	\$127,548	\$132,522	\$141,003	\$148,617

(5) Auditor of Accounts ~~\$127,548~~ ~~\$132,522~~ \$141,003 \$148,617

(6) Attorney General ~~\$152,725~~ ~~\$158,681~~ \$168,837 \$177,954

(b) *The Governor may appoint each officer of the Executive Branch listed in this subsection at a starting salary ranging from the base salary stated for that position to a salary that does not exceed the maximum salary unless otherwise authorized by this subsection. The maximum salary for each appointive officer shall be 50 percent above the base salary. Annually, the Governor may grant to each of those officers an annual salary adjustment subject to the maximum salary. The annual salary adjustment granted to officers under this subsection shall not exceed the average rate of adjustment available to most classified employees under the collective bargaining agreement then in effect. In addition to the annual salary adjustment specified in this subsection, the Governor may grant a special salary increase subject to the maximum salary, or a bonus, to any officer listed in this subsection whose job duties have significantly increased, or whose contributions to the State in the preceding year are deemed especially significant. Special salary increases or bonuses granted to any individual shall not exceed the average rate of adjustment available to most classified employees under the collective bargaining agreement then in effect.*

(1) *Heads of the following Departments and Agencies:*

Base Base Base Base

	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>
	<i>as-of</i>	<i>as-of</i>	<i>as-of</i>	<i>as-of</i>
	<i>July 3,</i>	<i>July 2,</i>	<i>July 14,</i>	<i>July 13,</i>
	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>
(A) Administration	\$121,634	\$126,378	\$134,466	\$141,727
(B) Agriculture, Food and Markets	\$121,634	\$126,378	\$134,466	\$141,727
(C) Financial Regulation	\$113,710	\$118,145	\$125,706	\$132,494
(D) Buildings and General Services	\$113,710	\$118,145	\$125,706	\$132,494
(E) Children and Families	\$113,710	\$118,145	\$125,706	\$132,494
(F) Commerce and Community Development	\$121,634	\$126,378	\$134,466	\$141,727
(G) Corrections	\$113,710	\$118,145	\$125,706	\$132,494
(H) Defender General	\$113,710	\$118,145	\$125,706	\$132,494
(I) Disabilities,				

<i>Aging, and</i>				
<i>Independent</i>				
<i>Living</i>	\$113,710	\$118,145	<u>\$125,706</u>	<u>\$132,494</u>
(J) <i>Economic</i>				
<i>Development</i>	\$103,149	\$107,172	<u>\$114,031</u>	<u>\$120,189</u>
(K) <i>Education</i>	\$121,634	\$126,378	<u>\$134,466</u>	<u>\$141,727</u>
(L) <i>Environmental</i>				
<i>Conservation</i>	\$113,710	\$118,145	<u>\$125,706</u>	<u>\$132,494</u>
(M) <i>Finance and</i>				
<i>Management</i>	\$113,710	\$118,145	<u>\$125,706</u>	<u>\$132,494</u>
(N) <i>Fish and</i>				
<i>Wildlife</i>	\$103,149	\$107,172	<u>\$114,031</u>	<u>\$120,189</u>
(O) <i>Forests, Parks</i>				
<i>and Recreation</i>	\$103,149	\$107,172	<u>\$114,031</u>	<u>\$120,189</u>
(P) <i>Health</i>	\$113,710	\$118,145	<u>\$125,706</u>	<u>\$132,494</u>
(Q) <i>Housing and</i>				
<i>Community</i>				
<i>Development</i>	\$103,149	\$107,172	<u>\$114,031</u>	<u>\$120,189</u>
(R) <i>Human</i>				
<i>Resources</i>	\$113,710	\$118,145	<u>\$125,706</u>	<u>\$132,494</u>
(S) <i>Human Services</i>	\$121,634	\$126,378	<u>\$134,466</u>	<u>\$141,727</u>

(T) Digital Services	\$121,634	\$126,378	<u>\$134,466</u>	<u>\$141,727</u>
(U) Labor	\$113,710	\$118,145	<u>\$125,706</u>	<u>\$132,494</u>
(V) Libraries	\$103,149	\$107,172	<u>\$114,031</u>	<u>\$120,189</u>
(W) Liquor and Lottery	\$103,149	\$107,172	<u>\$114,031</u>	<u>\$120,189</u>
(X) [Repealed.]				
(Y) Mental Health	\$113,710	\$118,145	<u>\$125,706</u>	<u>\$132,494</u>
(Z) Military	\$113,710	\$118,145	<u>\$125,706</u>	<u>\$132,494</u>
(AA) Motor Vehicles	\$103,149	\$107,172	<u>\$114,031</u>	<u>\$120,189</u>
(BB) Natural Resources	\$121,634	\$126,378	<u>\$134,466</u>	<u>\$141,727</u>
(CC) Natural Resources Board Chair	\$103,149	\$107,172	<u>\$114,031</u>	<u>\$120,189</u>
(DD) Public Safety	\$113,710	\$118,145	<u>\$125,706</u>	<u>\$132,494</u>
(EE) Public Service	\$113,710	\$118,145	<u>\$125,706</u>	<u>\$132,494</u>
(FF) Taxes	\$113,710	\$118,145	<u>\$125,706</u>	<u>\$132,494</u>
(GG) Tourism and Marketing	\$103,149	\$107,172	<u>\$114,031</u>	<u>\$120,189</u>
(HH) Transportation	\$121,634	\$126,378	<u>\$134,466</u>	<u>\$141,727</u>

(II) Vermont Health

Access \$113,710 \$118,145 \$125,706 \$132,494

(JJ) Veterans' Home \$113,710 \$118,145 \$125,706 \$132,494

(2) [Repealed.]

(3) If the Chair of the Natural Resources Board is employed on less than a full-time basis, the hiring and salary maximums for that position shall be reduced proportionately.

(4) When a permanent employee is appointed to an exempt position, the Governor may authorize such employee to retain the present salary even though it is in excess of any salary maximum provided in statute.

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(d) Notwithstanding the maximum salary established in subsection (b) of this section, the Defender General shall not receive compensation in excess of the compensation established for the Attorney General in this section.

(e) Notwithstanding the maximum salary established in subsection (b) of this section, the maximum salary for the Commissioner of Health shall not exceed 100 percent above the base salary for this position.

Sec. G.104 32 V.S.A. § 1003(c) is amended to read:

(c) The officers of the Judicial Branch named in this subsection shall be entitled to annual salaries as follows:

Annual Annual Annual Annual

	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>
	<i>as of</i>	<i>as of</i>	<i>as of</i>	<i>as of</i>
	<i>July 3,</i>	<i>July 2,</i>	<i>July 14,</i>	<i>July 13,</i>
	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>
(1) <i>Chief Justice of</i>				
<i>Supreme Court</i>	<i>\$193,600</i>	<i>\$201,150</i>	<i><u>\$214,024</u></i>	<i><u>\$225,581</u></i>
(2) <i>Each Associate</i>				
<i>Justice</i>	<i>\$184,771</i>	<i>\$191,977</i>	<i><u>\$204,264</u></i>	<i><u>\$215,294</u></i>
(3) <i>Administrative</i>				
<i>Judge</i>	<i>\$184,771</i>	<i>\$191,977</i>	<i><u>\$204,264</u></i>	<i><u>\$215,294</u></i>
(4) <i>Each Superior</i>				
<i>Judge</i>	<i>\$175,654</i>	<i>\$182,505</i>	<i><u>\$194,185</u></i>	<i><u>\$204,671</u></i>
(5) <i>[Repealed.]</i>				
(6) <i>Each</i>				
<i>Magistrate</i>	<i>\$132,441</i>	<i>\$137,606</i>	<i><u>\$146,413</u></i>	<i><u>\$154,319</u></i>
(7) <i>Each Judicial</i>				
<i>Bureau hearing</i>				
<i>officer</i>	<i>\$132,441</i>	<i>\$137,606</i>	<i><u>\$146,413</u></i>	<i><u>\$154,319</u></i>

Sec. G.105 32 V.S.A. § 1141 is amended to read:

§ 1141. ASSISTANT JUDGES

(a)(1) Each assistant judge of the Superior Court shall be entitled to receive compensation in the amount of ~~\$203.05~~ \$224.47 a day as of ~~July 3, 2022~~ July 14, 2024 and ~~\$210.97~~ \$236.59 a day as of ~~July 2, 2023~~ July 13, 2025 for time spent in the performance of official duties and necessary expenses as allowed to classified State employees. Compensation under this section shall be based on a two-hour minimum and hourly thereafter.

(2)(A) The compensation paid to an assistant judge pursuant to this section shall be paid by the State except as provided in subdivision (B) of this subdivision (2).

(B) The compensation paid to an assistant judge pursuant to this section shall be paid by the county at the State rate established in subdivision (a)(1) of this section when an assistant judge is sitting with a presiding Superior judge in the Civil or Family Division of the Superior Court.

(b) Assistant judges of the Superior Court shall be entitled to receive pay for such days as they attend court when it is in actual session or during a court recess when engaged in the special performance of official duties.

Sec. G.106 32 V.S.A. § 1142 is amended to read:

§ 1142. PROBATE JUDGES

(a) The Probate judges in the several Probate Districts shall be entitled to receive the following annual salaries, which shall be paid by the State in lieu of all fees or other compensation:

	<i>Annual</i>	<i>Annual</i>	<i>Annual</i>	<i>Annual</i>
	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>
	<i>as of</i>	<i>as of</i>	<i>as of</i>	<i>as of</i>
	<i>July 3,</i>	<i>July 2,</i>	<i>July 14,</i>	<i>July 13,</i>
	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>
<i>(1) Addison</i>	<i>\$69,249</i>	<i>\$71,950</i>	<i><u>\$76,555</u></i>	<i><u>\$80,689</u></i>
<i>(2) Bennington</i>	<i>\$87,541</i>	<i>\$90,955</i>	<i><u>\$96,776</u></i>	<i><u>\$102,002</u></i>
<i>(3) Caledonia</i>	<i>\$61,412</i>	<i>\$63,807</i>	<i><u>\$67,891</u></i>	<i><u>\$71,557</u></i>
<i>(4) Chittenden</i>	<i>\$146,093</i>	<i>\$151,791</i>	<i><u>\$161,506</u></i>	<i><u>\$170,227</u></i>
<i>(5) Essex</i>	<i>\$17,156</i>	<i>\$17,825</i>	<i><u>\$18,966</u></i>	<i><u>\$19,990</u></i>
<i>(6) Franklin</i>	<i>\$69,249</i>	<i>\$71,950</i>	<i><u>\$76,555</u></i>	<i><u>\$80,689</u></i>
<i>(7) Grand Isle</i>	<i>\$17,156</i>	<i>\$17,825</i>	<i><u>\$18,966</u></i>	<i><u>\$19,990</u></i>
<i>(8) Lamoille</i>	<i>\$48,343</i>	<i>\$50,228</i>	<i><u>\$53,443</u></i>	<i><u>\$56,329</u></i>
<i>(9) Orange</i>	<i>\$57,489</i>	<i>\$59,731</i>	<i><u>\$63,554</u></i>	<i><u>\$66,986</u></i>
<i>(10) Orleans</i>	<i>\$56,183</i>	<i>\$58,374</i>	<i><u>\$62,110</u></i>	<i><u>\$65,464</u></i>
<i>(11) Rutland</i>	<i>\$124,126</i>	<i>\$128,967</i>	<i><u>\$137,221</u></i>	<i><u>\$144,631</u></i>

(12) Washington	\$95,379	\$99,099	<u>\$105,441</u>	<u>\$111,135</u>
(13) Windham	\$77,089	\$80,095	<u>\$85,221</u>	<u>\$89,823</u>
(14) Windsor	\$104,527	\$108,604	<u>\$115,555</u>	<u>\$121,795</u>

(b) Probate judges shall be entitled to be paid by the State for their actual and necessary expenses under the rules pertaining to classified State employees. The compensation for the Probate judge of the Chittenden District shall be for full-time service.

(c) All Probate judges, regardless of the number of hours worked annually, shall be eligible to participate in all employee benefits that are available to exempt employees of the Judicial Department.

Sec. G.107 32 V.S.A. § 1182 is amended to read:

§ 1182. SHERIFFS

(a) The sheriffs of all counties except Chittenden shall be entitled to receive salaries in the amount of ~~\$94,085.00~~ \$104,010.00 as of ~~July 3, 2022~~ July 14, 2024 and ~~\$97,754.00~~ \$109,627.00 as of ~~July 2, 2023~~ July 13, 2025. The Sheriff of Chittenden County shall be entitled to an annual salary in the amount of ~~\$99,566.00~~ \$110,070.00 as of ~~July 3, 2022~~ July 14, 2024 and ~~\$103,449.00~~ \$116,014.00 as of ~~July 2, 2023~~ July 13, 2025.

(b) Compensation under subsection (a) of this section shall be reduced by 10 percent for any sheriff who has not obtained Level III law enforcement officer certification under 20 V.S.A. § 2358.

Sec. G.108 32 V.S.A. § 1183 is amended to read:

§ 1183. STATE'S ATTORNEYS

(a) The State's Attorneys shall be entitled to receive annual salaries as follows:

	<i>Annual</i>	<i>Annual</i>	<i>Annual</i>	<i>Annual</i>
	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>
	<i>as of</i>	<i>as of</i>	<i>as of</i>	<i>as of</i>
	<i>July 3,</i>	<i>July 2,</i>	<i>July 14,</i>	<i>July 13,</i>
	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>
<i>(1) Addison County</i>	<i>\$127,265</i>	<i>\$132,228</i>	<i><u>\$140,691</u></i>	<i><u>\$148,288</u></i>
<i>(2) Bennington County</i>	<i>\$127,265</i>	<i>\$132,228</i>	<i><u>\$140,691</u></i>	<i><u>\$148,288</u></i>
<i>(3) Caledonia County</i>	<i>\$127,265</i>	<i>\$132,228</i>	<i><u>\$140,691</u></i>	<i><u>\$148,288</u></i>
<i>(4) Chittenden County</i>	<i>\$133,051</i>	<i>\$138,240</i>	<i><u>\$147,087</u></i>	<i><u>\$155,030</u></i>
<i>(5) Essex County</i>	<i>\$95,451</i>	<i>\$99,174</i>	<i><u>\$105,521</u></i>	<i><u>\$111,219</u></i>
<i>(6) Franklin County</i>	<i>\$127,265</i>	<i>\$132,228</i>	<i><u>\$140,691</u></i>	<i><u>\$148,288</u></i>
<i>(7) Grand Isle County</i>	<i>\$95,451</i>	<i>\$99,174</i>	<i><u>\$105,521</u></i>	<i><u>\$111,219</u></i>
<i>(8) Lamoille County</i>	<i>\$127,265</i>	<i>\$132,228</i>	<i><u>\$140,691</u></i>	<i><u>\$148,288</u></i>
<i>(9) Orange County</i>	<i>\$127,265</i>	<i>\$132,228</i>	<i><u>\$140,691</u></i>	<i><u>\$148,288</u></i>
<i>(10) Orleans County</i>	<i>\$127,265</i>	<i>\$132,228</i>	<i><u>\$140,691</u></i>	<i><u>\$148,288</u></i>
<i>(11) Rutland County</i>	<i>\$127,265</i>	<i>\$132,228</i>	<i><u>\$140,691</u></i>	<i><u>\$148,288</u></i>
<i>(12) Washington</i>				

County	\$127,265	\$132,228	\$140,691	\$148,288
(13) Windham County	\$127,265	\$132,228	\$140,691	\$148,288
(14) Windsor County	\$127,265	\$132,228	\$140,691	\$148,288

(b) In settlement of their accounts, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall allow the State's Attorneys the expense of printing briefs in cases in which the State's Attorney has represented the State and their necessary and actual expenses under the rules pertaining to classified State employees.

*Sec. G.109 PAY ACT APPROPRIATIONS; FISCAL YEARS 2025 AND
2026*

(a) Executive Branch. The first and second years of the two-year agreements between the State of Vermont and the Vermont State Employees' Association for the Defender General, Non-Management, Supervisory, and Corrections bargaining units, and, for the purpose of appropriation, the State's Attorneys' offices bargaining unit, for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026; the collective bargaining agreement with the Vermont Troopers' Association for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026; and salary increases for employees in the Executive Branch not covered by the bargaining agreements shall be funded as follows:

(1) Fiscal year 2025.

(A) General Fund. The amount of \$27,279,337.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Secretary of Administration for distribution to departments to fund the fiscal year 2025 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act.

(B) Transportation Fund. The amount of \$2,500,000.00 is appropriated from the Transportation Fund to the Secretary of Administration for distribution to the Agency of Transportation and the Department of Public Safety to fund the fiscal year 2025 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act.

(C) Other funds. The Administration shall provide additional spending authority to departments through the existing process of excess receipts to fund the fiscal year 2025 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act. The estimated amounts are \$25,627,057.00 from a special fund, federal funds, and other sources.

(D) Transfers. With due regard to the possible availability of other funds, for fiscal year 2025, the Secretary of Administration may transfer from the various appropriations and various funds and from the receipts of the Liquor Control Board such sums as the Secretary may determine to be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act to the various agencies supported by State funds.

(2) Fiscal year 2026.

(A) General Fund. The amount of \$24,644,442.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Secretary of Administration for distribution to departments to fund the fiscal year 2026 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act.

(B) Transportation Fund. The amount of \$3,000,000.00 is appropriated from the Transportation Fund to the Secretary of Administration for distribution to the Agency of Transportation and the Department of Public Safety to fund the fiscal year 2026 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act.

(C) Other funds. The Administration shall provide additional spending authority to departments through the existing process of excess receipts to fund the fiscal year 2026 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act. The estimated amounts are \$27,868,854.00 from a special fund, federal funds, and other sources.

(D) Transfers. With due regard to the possible availability of other funds, for fiscal year 2026, the Secretary of Administration may transfer from the various appropriations and various funds and from the receipts of the Liquor Control Board such sums as the Secretary may determine to be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act to the various agencies supported by State funds.

(3) This section shall include sufficient funding to ensure administration of exempt pay plans authorized by 32 V.S.A. § 1020(c).

(b) Judicial Branch.

(1) Extension to noncovered employees. The Chief Justice of the Vermont Supreme Court may extend the provisions of the Judiciary's collective bargaining agreement to Judiciary employees who are not covered by the bargaining agreement.

(2) Fiscal year 2025. The first year of the two-year agreements between the State of Vermont and the Vermont State Employees' Association for the judicial bargaining unit for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 and salary increases for employees in the Judicial Branch not covered by the bargaining agreements shall be funded as follows: the amount of \$2,470,963.00 is appropriated from the General Fund and the amount of \$185,986.00 is provided from other sources to the Judiciary to fund the fiscal year 2025 collective bargaining agreement and the requirements of this act.

(3) Fiscal year 2026. The second year of the two-year agreements between the State of Vermont and the Vermont State Employees' Association for the judicial bargaining unit for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 and salary increases for employees in the Judicial Branch not covered by the bargaining agreements shall be funded as follows: the amount of \$2,388,783.00 is appropriated from the General Fund and the amount of

\$179,801.00 is provided from other sources to the Judiciary to fund the fiscal year 2026 collective bargaining agreement and the requirements of this act.

(c) Legislative Branch.

(1) For the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, the General Assembly, including all Legislative Branch employees, shall be funded as follows: the amount of \$884,808.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Legislative Branch.

(2) For the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, the General Assembly, including all Legislative Branch employees, shall be funded as follows: the amount of \$758,613.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Legislative Branch.

** * * Effective Dates * * **

Sec. H.100 EFFECTIVE DATES

(a) This section and Secs. B.1102, C.100, C.101, C.103, C.104, C.105, C.106, C.107, C.111, C.112, C.113, C.114, C.115, C.116, C.117, E.125.1, E.126.2, and E.127.1 shall take effect on passage.

(b) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214:

(1) Sec. C.102 shall take effect retroactively on March 1, 2024;

(2) Secs. C.108, C.109, and C.110 shall take effect retroactively on July 1, 2023; and

(3) Sec. E.910 shall take effect retroactively on January 1, 2024.

(c) Sec. E.306.4 shall take effect on January 1, 2026.

(d) Sec. E.318.2 shall take effect on July 1, 2025.

(e) Sec. F.100 shall take effect on January 1, 2025.

(f) All remaining sections shall take effect on July 1, 2024.