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

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

4 \* \* \* Purpose, Definitions, Legend \* \* \*

5 Sec. A.100 SHORT TITLE

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

8 Sec. A.101 PURPOSE

9 (a) The purpose of this act is to provide appropriations for the operations of  
10 State government and for capital appropriations not funded with bond proceeds  
11 during fiscal year 2025. It is the express intent of the General Assembly that  
12 activities of the various agencies, departments, divisions, boards, and  
13 commissions be limited to those that can be supported by funds appropriated in  
14 this act or other acts passed prior to June 30, 2024. Agency and department  
15 heads are directed to implement staffing and service levels at the beginning of  
16 fiscal year 2025 so as to meet this condition unless otherwise directed by  
17 specific language in this act or other acts of the General Assembly.

18 Sec. A.102 APPROPRIATIONS

19 (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that this act serves as the  
20 primary source and reference for appropriations for the operations of State

1 government and for capital appropriations not funded with bond proceeds for  
2 fiscal year 2025.

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

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

13 Sec. A.103 DEFINITIONS

14 (a) As used in this act:

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

19 (2) “Encumbrances” means a portion of an appropriation reserved for  
20 the subsequent payment of existing purchase orders or contracts. The

1 Commissioner of Finance and Management shall make final decisions on the  
2 appropriateness of encumbrances.

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

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

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

14 Sec. A.104 RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING LAWS

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

17 Sec. A.105 OFFSETTING APPROPRIATIONS

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

1       Sec. A.106 FEDERAL FUNDS

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

10          (b) If, during fiscal year 2025, federal funds available to the State of  
11          Vermont and designated as federal in this and other acts of the 2024 session of  
12          the Vermont General Assembly are converted into block grants or are  
13          abolished under their current title in federal law and reestablished under a new  
14          title in federal law, the Governor may continue to accept such federal funds for  
15          any purpose consistent with the purposes for which the federal funds were  
16          appropriated. The Governor may spend such funds for such purposes for not  
17          more than 45 days prior to General Assembly or Joint Fiscal Committee  
18          approval. Notice shall be given to the Joint Fiscal Committee without delay if  
19          the Governor intends to use the authority granted by this section, and the Joint  
20          Fiscal Committee shall meet in an expedited manner to review the Governor's  
21          request for approval.

1       Sec. A.107 NEW POSITIONS

2           (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the total number of  
3       authorized State positions, both classified and exempt, excluding temporary  
4       positions as defined in 3 V.S.A. § 311(a)(11), shall not be increased during  
5       fiscal year 2025 except for new positions authorized by the 2024 session.  
6       Limited service positions approved pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 5 shall not be  
7       subject to this restriction.

8       Sec. A.108 LEGEND

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

14 <u>B.100–B.199 and E.100–E.199</u>	<u>General Government</u>
15 <u>B.200–B.299 and E.200–E.299</u>	<u>Protection to Persons and</u>
16	<u>Property</u>
17 <u>B.300–B.399 and E.300–E.399</u>	<u>Human Services</u>
18 <u>B.400–B.499 and E.400–E.499</u>	<u>Labor</u>
19 <u>B.500–B.599 and E.500–E.599</u>	<u>General Education</u>
20 <u>B.600–B.699 and E.600–E.699</u>	<u>Higher Education</u>
21 <u>B.700–B.799 and E.700–E.799</u>	<u>Natural Resources</u>

1	<u>B.800–B.899 and E.800–E.899</u>	<u>Commerce and Community</u>
2		<u>Development</u>
3	<u>B.900–B.999 and E.900–E.999</u>	<u>Transportation</u>
4	<u>B.1000–B.1099 and E.1000–E.1099</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>
5	<u>B.1100–B.1199 and E.1100–E.1199</u>	<u>One-time and other</u>
6		<u>appropriation actions</u>

7       (b) The C sections contain any amendments to the current fiscal year and  
8       the D sections contain fund transfers and reserve allocations for the upcoming  
9       budget year. The F section includes effective dates.

10                   \* \* \* Fiscal Year 2025 Base Appropriations \* \* \*

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

12	Personal services	3,624,952
13	Operating expenses	185,657
14	Grants	<u>25,000</u>
15	Total	3,835,609
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	2,449,890
18	Special funds	25,000
19	Internal service funds	437,265
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>923,454</u>
21	Total	3,835,609

1	Sec. B.101 Secretary of administration - finance	
2	Personal services	1,414,180
3	Operating expenses	<u>160,916</u>
4	Total	1,575,096
5	Source of funds	
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,575,096</u>
7	Total	1,575,096
8	Sec. B.102 Secretary of administration - workers' compensation insurance	
9	Personal services	894,261
10	Operating expenses	<u>90,822</u>
11	Total	985,083
12	Source of funds	
13	Internal service funds	<u>985,083</u>
14	Total	985,083
15	Sec. B.103 Secretary of administration - general liability insurance	
16	Personal services	567,817
17	Operating expenses	<u>59,472</u>
18	Total	627,289
19	Source of funds	
20	Internal service funds	<u>627,289</u>
21	Total	627,289

1	Sec. B.104 Secretary of administration - all other insurance	
2	Personal services	275,025
3	Operating expenses	<u>48,667</u>
4	Total	323,692
5	Source of funds	
6	Internal service funds	<u>323,692</u>
7	Total	323,692
8	Sec. B.104.1 Retired State Employees Pension Plus Funding	
9	Grants	<u>12,000,000</u>
10	Total	12,000,000
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	<u>12,000,000</u>
13	Total	12,000,000
14	Sec. B.105 Agency of digital services - communications and information	
15	technology	
16	Personal services	83,082,218
17	Operating expenses	<u>62,547,212</u>
18	Total	145,629,430
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	209,808
21	Special funds	511,723



1	Internal service funds	<u>144,907,899</u>
2	Total	145,629,430
3	Sec. B.106 Finance and management - budget and management	
4	Personal services	1,526,943
5	Operating expenses	<u>332,906</u>
6	Total	1,859,849
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	1,183,688
9	Internal service funds	666,328
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>9,833</u>
11	Total	1,859,849
12	Sec. B.107 Finance and management - financial operations	
13	Personal services	2,753,093
14	Operating expenses	<u>887,167</u>
15	Total	3,640,260
16	Source of funds	
17	Internal service funds	3,499,357
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>140,903</u>
19	Total	3,640,260
20	Sec. B.108 Human resources - operations	
21	Personal services	11,174,144

1	Operating expenses	<u>1,533,893</u>
2	Total	12,708,037
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	1,835,968
5	Special funds	242,235
6	Internal service funds	10,105,741
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>524,093</u>
8	Total	12,708,037
9	Sec. B.108.1 Human resources - VTHR operations	
10	Personal services	2,001,756
11	Operating expenses	<u>897,472</u>
12	Total	2,899,228
13	Source of funds	
14	Internal service funds	<u>2,899,228</u>
15	Total	2,899,228
16	Sec. B.109 Human resources - employee benefits & wellness	
17	Personal services	1,219,976
18	Operating expenses	<u>656,818</u>
19	Total	1,876,794
20	Source of funds	
21	Internal service funds	<u>1,876,794</u>

1	Total	1,876,794
2	Sec. B.110 Libraries	
3	Personal services	2,608,231
4	Operating expenses	987,312
5	Grants	<u>272,701</u>
6	Total	3,868,244
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	2,151,812
9	Special funds	130,971
10	Federal funds	1,467,374
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>118,087</u>
12	Total	3,868,244
13	Sec. B.111 Tax - administration/collection	
14	Personal services	28,305,591
15	Operating expenses	<u>6,868,137</u>
16	Total	35,173,728
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	23,248,019
19	Special funds	11,880,709
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>
21	Total	35,173,728

1	Sec. B.112 Buildings and general services - administration	
2	Personal services	1,070,354
3	Operating expenses	<u>229,587</u>
4	Total	1,299,941
5	Source of funds	
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,299,941</u>
7	Total	1,299,941
8	Sec. B.113 Buildings and general services - engineering	
9	Personal services	18,881
10	Operating expenses	<u>1,271,574</u>
11	Total	1,290,455
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	<u>1,290,455</u>
14	Total	1,290,455
15	Sec. B.113.1 Buildings and General Services Engineering - Capital Projects	
16	Personal services	2,973,306
17	Operating expenses	<u>500,000</u>
18	Total	3,473,306
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	2,973,306
21	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>500,000</u>

1	Total	3,473,306
2	Sec. B.114 Buildings and general services - information centers	
3	Personal services	3,585,324
4	Operating expenses	<u>1,919,853</u>
5	Total	5,505,177
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	688,453
8	Transportation fund	4,292,149
9	Special funds	<u>524,575</u>
10	Total	5,505,177
11	Sec. B.115 Buildings and general services - purchasing	
12	Personal services	2,462,542
13	Operating expenses	<u>245,613</u>
14	Total	2,708,155
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	1,568,464
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,139,691</u>
18	Total	2,708,155
19	Sec. B.116 Buildings and general services - postal services	
20	Personal services	826,840
21	Operating expenses	<u>177,446</u>

1	Total	1,004,286
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	90,941
4	Internal service funds	<u>913,345</u>
5	Total	1,004,286
6	Sec. B.117 Buildings and general services - copy center	
7	Personal services	902,844
8	Operating expenses	<u>237,416</u>
9	Total	1,140,260
10	Source of funds	
11	Internal service funds	<u>1,140,260</u>
12	Total	1,140,260
13	Sec. B.118 Buildings and general services - fleet management services	
14	Personal services	915,232
15	Operating expenses	<u>251,755</u>
16	Total	1,166,987
17	Source of funds	
18	Internal service funds	<u>1,166,987</u>
19	Total	1,166,987
20	Sec. B.119 Buildings and general services - federal surplus property	
21	Operating expenses	<u>4,298</u>

1	Total	4,298
2	Source of funds	
3	Enterprise funds	<u>4,298</u>
4	Total	4,298
5	Sec. B.120 Buildings and general services - state surplus property	
6	Personal services	375,218
7	Operating expenses	<u>149,871</u>
8	Total	525,089
9	Source of funds	
10	Internal service funds	<u>525,089</u>
11	Total	525,089
12	Sec. B.121 Buildings and general services - property management	
13	Personal services	1,471,106
14	Operating expenses	<u>652,847</u>
15	Total	2,123,953
16	Source of funds	
17	Internal service funds	<u>2,123,953</u>
18	Total	2,123,953
19	Sec. B.122 Buildings and general services - fee for space	
20	Personal services	20,361,714
21	Operating expenses	<u>17,940,900</u>

1	Total	38,302,614
2	Source of funds	
3	Internal service funds	38,214,088
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>88,526</u>
5	Total	38,302,614
6	Sec. B.124 Executive office - governor's office	
7	Personal services	1,621,889
8	Operating expenses	<u>529,815</u>
9	Total	2,151,704
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	1,896,299
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>255,405</u>
13	Total	2,151,704
14	Sec. B.125 Legislative counsel	
15	Personal services	3,856,667
16	Operating expenses	<u>291,399</u>
17	Total	4,148,066
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	<u>4,148,066</u>
20	Total	4,148,066



1	Sec. B.126 Legislature	
2	Personal services	6,531,132
3	Operating expenses	<u>4,934,310</u>
4	Total	11,465,442
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>11,465,442</u>
7	Total	11,465,442
8	Sec. B.126.1 Legislative information technology	
9	Personal services	1,433,677
10	Operating expenses	<u>807,537</u>
11	Total	2,241,214
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	<u>2,241,214</u>
14	Total	2,241,214
15	Sec. B.127 Joint fiscal committee	
16	Personal services	2,611,816
17	Operating expenses	<u>197,363</u>
18	Total	2,809,179
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	<u>2,809,179</u>
21	Total	2,809,179

1	Sec. B.128 Sergeant at arms	
2	Personal services	1,501,807
3	Operating expenses	<u>161,697</u>
4	Total	1,663,504
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>1,663,504</u>
7	Total	1,663,504
8	Sec. B.129 Lieutenant governor	
9	Personal services	273,359
10	Operating expenses	<u>48,050</u>
11	Total	321,409
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	<u>321,409</u>
14	Total	321,409
15	Sec. B.130 Auditor of accounts	
16	Personal services	4,397,652
17	Operating expenses	<u>140,540</u>
18	Total	4,538,192
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	383,992
21	Special funds	53,145

1	Internal service funds	<u>4,101,055</u>
2	Total	4,538,192
3	Sec. B.131 State treasurer	
4	Personal services	6,021,504
5	Operating expenses	<u>305,404</u>
6	Total	6,326,908
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	2,233,091
9	Special funds	3,750,239
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>343,578</u>
11	Total	6,326,908
12	Sec. B.132 State treasurer - unclaimed property	
13	Personal services	814,215
14	Operating expenses	<u>514,990</u>
15	Total	1,329,205
16	Source of funds	
17	Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,329,205</u>
18	Total	1,329,205
19	Sec. B.133 Vermont state retirement system	
20	Personal services	213,238
21	Operating expenses	<u>2,849,942</u>

1	Total	3,063,180
2	Source of funds	
3	Pension trust funds	<u>3,063,180</u>
4	Total	3,063,180
5	Sec. B.134 Municipal employees' retirement system	
6	Personal services	237,966
7	Operating expenses	<u>1,499,159</u>
8	Total	1,737,125
9	Source of funds	
10	Pension trust funds	<u>1,737,125</u>
11	Total	1,737,125
12	Sec. B.134.1 Vermont Pension Investment Commission	
13	Personal services	2,154,707
14	Operating expenses	<u>294,507</u>
15	Total	2,449,214
16	Source of funds	
17	Special funds	<u>2,449,214</u>
18	Total	2,449,214
19	Sec. B.135 State labor relations board	
20	Personal services	290,593
21	Operating expenses	<u>48,629</u>

1	Total	339,222
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	329,646
4	Special funds	6,788
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,788</u>
6	Total	339,222
7	Sec. B.136 VOSHA review board	
8	Personal services	98,853
9	Operating expenses	<u>25,115</u>
10	Total	123,968
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	72,964
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>51,004</u>
14	Total	123,968
15	Sec. B.136.1 Ethics Commission	
16	Personal services	171,374
17	Operating expenses	<u>38,979</u>
18	Total	210,353
19	Source of funds	
20	Internal service funds	<u>210,353</u>
21	Total	210,353

1	Sec. B.137 Homeowner rebate	
2	Grants	<u>19,100,000</u>
3	Total	19,100,000
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	<u>19,100,000</u>
6	Total	19,100,000
7	Sec. B.138 Renter rebate	
8	Grants	<u>9,500,000</u>
9	Total	9,500,000
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	<u>9,500,000</u>
12	Total	9,500,000
13	Sec. B.139 Tax department - reappraisal and listing payments	
14	Grants	<u>3,400,000</u>
15	Total	3,400,000
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	<u>3,400,000</u>
18	Total	3,400,000
19	Sec. B.140 Municipal current use	
20	Grants	<u>20,050,000</u>
21	Total	20,050,000

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	<u>20,050,000</u>
3	Total	20,050,000
4	Sec. B.142 Payments in lieu of taxes	
5	Grants	<u>12,050,000</u>
6	Total	12,050,000
7	Source of funds	
8	Special funds	<u>12,050,000</u>
9	Total	12,050,000
10	Sec. B.143 Payments in lieu of taxes - Montpelier	
11	Grants	<u>184,000</u>
12	Total	184,000
13	Source of funds	
14	Special funds	<u>184,000</u>
15	Total	184,000
16	Sec. B.144 Payments in lieu of taxes - correctional facilities	
17	Grants	<u>40,000</u>
18	Total	40,000
19	Source of funds	
20	Special funds	<u>40,000</u>
21	Total	40,000

1	Sec. B.145 Total general government	
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	129,305,610
4	Transportation fund	4,292,149
5	Special funds	31,848,599
6	Federal funds	1,467,374
7	Internal service funds	214,723,806
8	Interdepartmental transfers	7,017,399
9	Enterprise funds	4,298
10	Pension trust funds	4,800,305
11	Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,329,205</u>
12	Total	394,788,745
13	Sec. B.200 Attorney general	
14	Personal services	14,426,517
15	Operating expenses	2,015,028
16	Grants	<u>20,000</u>
17	Total	16,461,545
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	7,391,661
20	Special funds	2,355,424
21	Tobacco fund	422,000



1	Federal funds	1,743,215
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,549,245</u>
3	Total	16,461,545
4	Sec. B.201 Vermont court diversion	
5	Personal services	1,250
6	Grants	<u>3,229,558</u>
7	Total	3,230,808
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	2,972,811
10	Special funds	<u>257,997</u>
11	Total	3,230,808
12	Sec. B.202 Defender general - public defense	
13	Personal services	16,174,612
14	Operating expenses	<u>1,393,866</u>
15	Total	17,568,478
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	16,828,825
18	Special funds	589,653
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>150,000</u>
20	Total	17,568,478

1	Sec. B.203 Defender general - assigned counsel	
2	Personal services	7,213,974
3	Operating expenses	<u>49,500</u>
4	Total	7,263,474
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>7,263,474</u>
7	Total	7,263,474
8	Sec. B.204 Judiciary	
9	Personal services	56,200,260
10	Operating expenses	12,479,384
11	Grants	<u>121,030</u>
12	Total	68,800,674
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	61,175,863
15	Special funds	4,503,401
16	Federal funds	953,928
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,167,482</u>
18	Total	68,800,674
19	Sec. B.205 State's attorneys	
20	Personal services	15,286,679
21	Operating expenses	<u>2,034,016</u>

1	Total	17,320,695
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	16,711,634
4	Federal funds	31,000
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>578,061</u>
6	Total	17,320,695
7	Sec. B.206 Special investigative unit	
8	Personal services	66,237
9	Operating expenses	24,295
10	Grants	<u>2,140,047</u>
11	Total	2,230,579
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	<u>2,230,579</u>
14	Total	2,230,579
15	Sec. B.206.1 Crime Victims Advocates	
16	Personal services	2,894,156
17	Operating expenses	<u>104,396</u>
18	Total	2,998,552
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	<u>2,998,552</u>
21	Total	2,998,552

1	Sec. B.207 Sheriffs	
2	Personal services	5,067,726
3	Operating expenses	<u>405,868</u>
4	Total	5,473,594
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>5,473,594</u>
7	Total	5,473,594
8	Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration	
9	Personal services	4,620,756
10	Operating expenses	<u>6,022,923</u>
11	Total	10,643,679
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	6,179,193
14	Special funds	4,105
15	Federal funds	396,362
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,064,019</u>
17	Total	10,643,679
18	Sec. B.209 Public safety - state police	
19	Personal services	74,521,468
20	Operating expenses	15,992,094
21	Grants	<u>1,137,841</u>

1	Total	91,651,403
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	57,657,409
4	Transportation fund	20,250,000
5	Special funds	3,170,328
6	Federal funds	8,967,252
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,606,414</u>
8	Total	91,651,403
9	Sec. B.210 Public safety - criminal justice services	
10	Personal services	5,387,100
11	Operating expenses	<u>2,152,467</u>
12	Total	7,539,567
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	1,829,099
15	Special funds	4,975,847
16	Federal funds	<u>734,621</u>
17	Total	7,539,567
18	Sec. B.211 Public safety - emergency management	
19	Personal services	5,220,245
20	Operating expenses	1,326,624
21	Grants	<u>41,392,759</u>

1	Total	47,939,628
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	740,339
4	Special funds	710,000
5	Federal funds	46,427,309
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>61,980</u>
7	Total	47,939,628
8	Sec. B.212 Public safety - fire safety	
9	Personal services	9,384,147
10	Operating expenses	3,412,948
11	Grants	<u>107,000</u>
12	Total	12,904,095
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	1,586,884
15	Special funds	10,093,736
16	Federal funds	1,178,475
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>
18	Total	12,904,095
19	Sec. B.213 Public safety - Forensic Laboratory	
20	Personal services	3,842,354
21	Operating expenses	<u>1,095,166</u>

1	Total	4,937,520
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	3,768,566
4	Special funds	75,572
5	Federal funds	557,339
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>536,043</u>
7	Total	4,937,520
8	Sec. B.215 Military - administration	
9	Personal services	1,056,147
10	Operating expenses	776,352
11	Grants	<u>1,319,834</u>
12	Total	3,152,333
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	<u>3,152,333</u>
15	Total	3,152,333
16	Sec. B.216 Military - air service contract	
17	Personal services	10,499,846
18	Operating expenses	<u>1,504,451</u>
19	Total	12,004,297
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	775,259

1	Federal funds	<u>11,229,038</u>
2	Total	12,004,297
3	Sec. B.217 Military - army service contract	
4	Personal services	45,473,792
5	Operating expenses	<u>8,181,836</u>
6	Total	53,655,628
7	Source of funds	
8	Federal funds	<u>53,655,628</u>
9	Total	53,655,628
10	Sec. B.218 Military - building maintenance	
11	Personal services	827,320
12	Operating expenses	<u>1,008,123</u>
13	Total	1,835,443
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	1,772,943
16	Special funds	<u>62,500</u>
17	Total	1,835,443
18	Sec. B.219 Military - veterans' affairs	
19	Personal services	1,211,819
20	Operating expenses	176,383
21	Grants	<u>28,500</u>



1	Total	1,416,702
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	1,096,505
4	Special funds	209,092
5	Federal funds	<u>111,105</u>
6	Total	1,416,702
7	Sec. B.220 Center for crime victim services	
8	Personal services	1,976,117
9	Operating expenses	391,491
10	Grants	<u>9,908,464</u>
11	Total	12,276,072
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	1,516,854
14	Special funds	4,015,490
15	Federal funds	<u>6,743,728</u>
16	Total	12,276,072
17	Sec. B.221 Criminal justice council	
18	Personal services	2,356,811
19	Operating expenses	<u>1,821,496</u>
20	Total	4,178,307
21	Source of funds	

1	General fund	3,835,126
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>343,181</u>
3	Total	4,178,307
4	Sec. B.222 Agriculture, food and markets - administration	
5	Personal services	3,057,449
6	Operating expenses	<u>346,294</u>
7	Total	3,403,743
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	1,393,366
10	Special funds	1,432,323
11	Federal funds	<u>578,054</u>
12	Total	3,403,743
13	Sec. B.223 Agriculture, food and markets - food safety and consumer	
14	protection	
15	Personal services	5,235,644
16	Operating expenses	1,113,830
17	Grants	<u>2,780,000</u>
18	Total	9,129,474
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	3,400,278
21	Special funds	4,020,618

1	Federal funds	1,696,578
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>12,000</u>
3	Total	9,129,474
4	Sec. B.224 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural development	
5	Personal services	4,265,067
6	Operating expenses	734,947
7	Grants	<u>15,357,498</u>
8	Total	20,307,512
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	3,077,928
11	Special funds	644,363
12	Federal funds	<u>16,585,221</u>
13	Total	20,307,512
14	Sec. B.225 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural resource management	
15	and environmental stewardship	
16	Personal services	2,712,147
17	Operating expenses	839,493
18	Grants	<u>212,000</u>
19	Total	3,763,640
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	824,794

1	Special funds	2,242,158
2	Federal funds	343,452
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>353,236</u>
4	Total	3,763,640
5	Sec. B.225.1 Agriculture, food and markets - Vermont Agriculture and	
6	Environmental Lab	
7	Personal services	1,822,983
8	Operating expenses	<u>1,438,533</u>
9	Total	3,261,516
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	1,602,665
12	Special funds	1,591,189
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>67,662</u>
14	Total	3,261,516
15	Sec. B.225.2 Agriculture, Food and Markets - Clean Water	
16	Personal services	3,815,695
17	Operating expenses	745,519
18	Grants	<u>11,035,000</u>
19	Total	15,596,214
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	1,705,135

1	Special funds	10,528,782
2	Federal funds	2,169,174
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,193,123</u>
4	Total	15,596,214
5	Sec. B.226 Financial regulation - administration	
6	Personal services	2,726,198
7	Operating expenses	159,635
8	Grants	<u>100,000</u>
9	Total	2,985,833
10	Source of funds	
11	Special funds	<u>2,985,833</u>
12	Total	2,985,833
13	Sec. B.227 Financial regulation - banking	
14	Personal services	2,400,645
15	Operating expenses	<u>473,873</u>
16	Total	2,874,518
17	Source of funds	
18	Special funds	<u>2,874,518</u>
19	Total	2,874,518
20	Sec. B.228 Financial regulation - insurance	
21	Personal services	5,028,218

1	Operating expenses	<u>556,622</u>
2	Total	5,584,840
3	Source of funds	
4	Special funds	<u>5,584,840</u>
5	Total	5,584,840
6	Sec. B.229 Financial regulation - captive insurance	
7	Personal services	5,723,322
8	Operating expenses	<u>652,707</u>
9	Total	6,376,029
10	Source of funds	
11	Special funds	<u>6,376,029</u>
12	Total	6,376,029
13	Sec. B.230 Financial regulation - securities	
14	Personal services	1,269,574
15	Operating expenses	<u>241,157</u>
16	Total	1,510,731
17	Source of funds	
18	Special funds	<u>1,510,731</u>
19	Total	1,510,731
20	Sec. B.232 Secretary of state	
21	Personal services	22,592,899

1	Operating expenses	<u>4,345,999</u>
2	Total	26,938,898
3	Source of funds	
4	Special funds	19,922,486
5	Federal funds	<u>7,016,412</u>
6	Total	26,938,898
7	Sec. B.233 Public service - regulation and energy	
8	Personal services	10,861,325
9	Operating expenses	1,405,907
10	Grants	<u>28,300</u>
11	Total	12,295,532
12	Source of funds	
13	Special funds	11,060,542
14	Federal funds	992,781
15	Interdepartmental transfers	225,423
16	Enterprise funds	<u>16,786</u>
17	Total	12,295,532
18	Sec. B.233.1 VT Community Broadband Board	
19	Personal services	1,609,379
20	Operating expenses	269,690
21	Grants	<u>150,000</u>

1	Total	2,029,069
2	Source of funds	
3	Special funds	1,269,289
4	Federal funds	<u>759,780</u>
5	Total	2,029,069
6	Sec. B.234 Public utility commission	
7	Personal services	5,052,403
8	Operating expenses	<u>617,149</u>
9	Total	5,669,552
10	Source of funds	
11	Special funds	<u>5,669,552</u>
12	Total	5,669,552
13	Sec. B.235 Enhanced 9-1-1 Board	
14	Personal services	4,429,219
15	Operating expenses	<u>471,441</u>
16	Total	4,900,660
17	Source of funds	
18	Special funds	<u>4,900,660</u>
19	Total	4,900,660
20	Sec. B.236 Human rights commission	
21	Personal services	927,697



1	Operating expenses	<u>115,103</u>
2	Total	1,042,800
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	953,800
5	Federal funds	<u>89,000</u>
6	Total	1,042,800
7	Sec. B.236.1 Liquor & Lottery Comm. Office	
8	Personal services	9,831,453
9	Operating expenses	<u>5,667,447</u>
10	Total	15,498,900
11	Source of funds	
12	Special funds	125,000
13	Tobacco fund	250,579
14	Interdepartmental transfers	70,000
15	Enterprise funds	<u>15,053,321</u>
16	Total	15,498,900
17	Sec. B.240 Cannabis Control Board	
18	Personal services	4,242,224
19	Operating expenses	<u>1,819,990</u>
20	Total	6,062,214
21	Source of funds	

1	Special funds	<u>6,062,214</u>
2	Total	6,062,214
3	Sec. B.241 Total protection to persons and property	
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	219,665,469
6	Transportation fund	20,250,000
7	Special funds	119,824,272
8	Tobacco fund	672,579
9	Federal funds	162,959,452
10	Interdepartmental transfers	16,022,869
11	Enterprise funds	<u>15,070,107</u>
12	Total	554,464,748
13	Sec. B.300 Human services - agency of human services - secretary's office	
14	Personal services	16,066,746
15	Operating expenses	7,220,486
16	Grants	<u>2,895,202</u>
17	Total	26,182,434
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	11,860,202
20	Special funds	135,517
21	Federal funds	13,565,080

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>621,635</u>
2	Total	26,182,434
3	Sec. B.301 Secretary's office - global commitment	
4	Grants	<u>2,019,998,406</u>
5	Total	2,019,998,406
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	660,158,311
8	Special funds	32,047,905
9	Tobacco fund	21,049,373
10	State health care resources fund	28,053,557
11	Federal funds	1,274,202,050
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,487,210</u>
13	Total	2,019,998,406
14	Sec. B.303 Developmental disabilities council	
15	Personal services	479,072
16	Operating expenses	95,765
17	Grants	<u>191,595</u>
18	Total	766,432
19	Source of funds	
20	Special funds	12,000
21	Federal funds	<u>754,432</u>

1	Total	766,432
2	Sec. B.304 Human services board	
3	Personal services	703,548
4	Operating expenses	<u>90,191</u>
5	Total	793,739
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	486,165
8	Federal funds	<u>307,574</u>
9	Total	793,739
10	Sec. B.305 AHS - administrative fund	
11	Personal services	330,000
12	Operating expenses	<u>13,170,000</u>
13	Total	13,500,000
14	Source of funds	
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>13,500,000</u>
16	Total	13,500,000
17	Sec. B.306 Department of Vermont health access - administration	
18	Personal services	134,929,148
19	Operating expenses	44,171,193
20	Grants	<u>3,112,301</u>
21	Total	182,212,642

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	39,872,315
3	Special funds	4,733,015
4	Federal funds	128,790,580
5	Global Commitment fund	4,308,574
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,508,158</u>
7	Total	182,212,642
8	Sec. B.307 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - global	
9	commitment	
10	Personal services	547,983
11	Grants	<u>897,047,478</u>
12	Total	897,595,461
13	Source of funds	
14	Global Commitment fund	<u>897,595,461</u>
15	Total	897,595,461
16	Sec. B.309 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - state	
17	only	
18	Grants	<u>63,033,948</u>
19	Total	63,033,948
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	62,151,546

1	Global Commitment fund	<u>882,402</u>
2	Total	63,033,948
3	Sec. B.310 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid non-waiver	
4	matched	
5	Grants	<u>34,994,888</u>
6	Total	34,994,888
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	12,511,405
9	Federal funds	<u>22,483,483</u>
10	Total	34,994,888
11	Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support	
12	Personal services	8,373,168
13	Operating expenses	7,519,722
14	Grants	<u>7,985,727</u>
15	Total	23,878,617
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	3,189,843
18	Special funds	2,308,186
19	Federal funds	11,040,433
20	Global Commitment fund	7,173,924
21	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>166,231</u>

1	Total	23,878,617
2	Sec. B.312 Health - public health	
3	Personal services	67,812,371
4	Operating expenses	11,025,497
5	Grants	<u>46,816,832</u>
6	Total	125,654,700
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	12,908,892
9	Special funds	24,956,804
10	Tobacco fund	1,088,918
11	Federal funds	64,038,301
12	Global Commitment fund	17,036,150
13	Interdepartmental transfers	5,600,635
14	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
15	Total	125,654,700
16	Sec. B.313 Health - substance use programs	
17	Personal services	6,467,467
18	Operating expenses	511,500
19	Grants	<u>57,616,599</u>
20	Total	64,595,566
21	Source of funds	

1	General fund	6,643,150
2	Special funds	2,008,678
3	Tobacco fund	949,917
4	Federal funds	15,456,754
5	Global Commitment fund	<u>39,537,067</u>
6	Total	64,595,566
7	Sec. B.314 Mental health - mental health	
8	Personal services	50,191,086
9	Operating expenses	5,517,999
10	Grants	<u>266,820,307</u>
11	Total	322,529,392
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	25,507,128
14	Special funds	1,718,092
15	Federal funds	11,436,913
16	Global Commitment fund	283,853,119
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>14,140</u>
18	Total	322,529,392
19	Sec. B.316 Department for children and families - administration & support	
20	services	
21	Personal services	46,644,080



1	Operating expenses	17,560,755
2	Grants	<u>5,627,175</u>
3	Total	69,832,010
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	39,722,724
6	Special funds	2,781,912
7	Federal funds	24,448,223
8	Global Commitment fund	2,417,024
9	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>462,127</u>
10	Total	69,832,010
11	Sec. B.317 Department for children and families - family services	
12	Personal services	45,286,553
13	Operating expenses	5,315,309
14	Grants	<u>97,944,827</u>
15	Total	148,546,689
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	58,477,357
18	Special funds	729,587
19	Federal funds	34,871,380
20	Global Commitment fund	54,453,365
21	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>15,000</u>

1	Total	148,546,689
2	Sec. B.318 Department for children and families - child development	
3	Personal services	5,908,038
4	Operating expenses	813,321
5	Grants	<u>231,124,586</u>
6	Total	237,845,945
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	84,518,768
9	Special funds	96,312,000
10	Federal funds	43,511,414
11	Global Commitment fund	<u>13,503,763</u>
12	Total	237,845,945
13	Sec. B.319 Department for children and families - office of child support	
14	Personal services	13,157,660
15	Operating expenses	<u>3,759,992</u>
16	Total	16,917,652
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	5,200,064
19	Special funds	455,719
20	Federal funds	10,874,269
21	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>387,600</u>

1	Total	16,917,652
2	Sec. B.320 Department for children and families - aid to aged, blind and	
3	disabled	
4	Personal services	2,252,206
5	Grants	<u>10,717,444</u>
6	Total	12,969,650
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	7,376,133
9	Global Commitment fund	<u>5,593,517</u>
10	Total	12,969,650
11	Sec. B.321 Department for children and families - general assistance	
12	Personal services	15,000
13	Grants	<u>11,054,252</u>
14	Total	11,069,252
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	10,811,345
17	Federal funds	11,320
18	Global Commitment fund	<u>246,587</u>
19	Total	11,069,252
20	Sec. B.322 Department for children and families - 3SquaresVT	
21	Grants	<u>44,377,812</u>

1	Total	44,377,812
2	Source of funds	
3	Federal funds	<u>44,377,812</u>
4	Total	44,377,812
5	Sec. B.323 Department for children and families - reach up	
6	Operating expenses	23,821
7	Grants	<u>37,230,488</u>
8	Total	37,254,309
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	24,733,042
11	Special funds	5,970,229
12	Federal funds	2,806,330
13	Global Commitment fund	<u>3,744,708</u>
14	Total	37,254,309
15	Sec. B.324 Department for children and families - home heating fuel	
16	assistance/LIHEAP	
17	Grants	<u>16,019,953</u>
18	Total	16,019,953
19	Source of funds	
20	Special funds	1,480,395
21	Federal funds	<u>14,539,558</u>

1	Total	16,019,953
2	Sec. B.325 Department for children and families - office of economic	
3	opportunity	
4	Personal services	817,029
5	Operating expenses	100,407
6	Grants	<u>35,466,283</u>
7	Total	36,383,719
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	28,178,010
10	Special funds	83,135
11	Federal funds	4,935,273
12	Global Commitment fund	<u>3,187,301</u>
13	Total	36,383,719
14	Sec. B.326 Department for children and families - OEO - weatherization	
15	assistance	
16	Personal services	465,709
17	Operating expenses	248,905
18	Grants	<u>15,147,885</u>
19	Total	15,862,499
20	Source of funds	
21	Special funds	7,697,546

1	Federal funds	<u>8,164,953</u>
2	Total	15,862,499
3	Sec. B.327 Department for Children and Families - Secure Residential	
4	Treatment	
5	Personal services	258,100
6	Operating expenses	42,225
7	Grants	<u>3,476,862</u>
8	Total	3,777,187
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	3,747,187
11	Global Commitment fund	<u>30,000</u>
12	Total	3,777,187
13	Sec. B.328 Department for children and families - disability determination	
14	services	
15	Personal services	7,860,410
16	Operating expenses	<u>488,354</u>
17	Total	8,348,764
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	124,172
20	Federal funds	<u>8,224,592</u>
21	Total	8,348,764

1	Sec. B.329 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - administration &	
2	support	
3	Personal services	45,217,977
4	Operating expenses	<u>6,472,558</u>
5	Total	51,690,535
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	22,916,281
8	Special funds	1,390,457
9	Federal funds	26,063,097
10	Global Commitment fund	35,000
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,285,700</u>
12	Total	51,690,535
13	Sec. B.330 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - advocacy and	
14	independent living grants	
15	Grants	<u>24,303,452</u>
16	Total	24,303,452
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	8,220,695
19	Federal funds	7,321,114
20	Global Commitment fund	<u>8,761,643</u>
21	Total	24,303,452

1	Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - blind and visually	
2	impaired	
3	Grants	<u>1,907,604</u>
4	Total	1,907,604
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	489,154
7	Special funds	223,450
8	Federal funds	890,000
9	Global Commitment fund	<u>305,000</u>
10	Total	1,907,604
11	Sec. B.332 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - vocational	
12	rehabilitation	
13	Grants	<u>10,179,845</u>
14	Total	10,179,845
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	1,371,845
17	Federal funds	7,558,000
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,250,000</u>
19	Total	10,179,845



1	Sec. B.333 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - developmental	
2	services	
3	Grants	<u>319,849,344</u>
4	Total	319,849,344
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	132,732
7	Special funds	15,463
8	Federal funds	403,573
9	Global Commitment fund	319,247,576
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>50,000</u>
11	Total	319,849,344
12	Sec. B.334 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - TBI home and	
13	community based waiver	
14	Grants	<u>6,639,205</u>
15	Total	6,639,205
16	Source of funds	
17	Global Commitment fund	<u>6,639,205</u>
18	Total	6,639,205
19	Sec. B.334.1 Disabilities, aging and independent living - Long Term Care	
20	Grants	<u>290,411,445</u>
21	Total	290,411,445

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	498,579
3	Federal funds	2,450,000
4	Global Commitment fund	<u>287,462,866</u>
5	Total	290,411,445
6	Sec. B.335 Corrections - administration	
7	Personal services	5,025,978
8	Operating expenses	<u>266,783</u>
9	Total	5,292,761
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	<u>5,292,761</u>
12	Total	5,292,761
13	Sec. B.336 Corrections - parole board	
14	Personal services	475,099
15	Operating expenses	<u>59,692</u>
16	Total	534,791
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	<u>534,791</u>
19	Total	534,791
20	Sec. B.337 Corrections - correctional education	
21	Personal services	3,979,310

1	Operating expenses	<u>252,649</u>
2	Total	4,231,959
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	4,082,899
5	Federal funds	276
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>148,784</u>
7	Total	4,231,959
8	Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services	
9	Personal services	146,811,338
10	Operating expenses	<u>24,914,205</u>
11	Total	171,725,543
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	162,147,122
14	Special funds	935,963
15	ARPA State Fiscal	5,000,000
16	Federal funds	499,888
17	Global Commitment fund	2,746,255
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>396,315</u>
19	Total	171,725,543
20	Sec. B.338.1 Corrections - Justice Reinvestment II	
21	Grants	<u>10,659,519</u>

1	Total	10,659,519
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	8,081,831
4	Federal funds	13,147
5	Global Commitment fund	<u>2,564,541</u>
6	Total	10,659,519
7	Sec. B.339 Corrections - Correctional services-out of state beds	
8	Personal services	<u>4,130,378</u>
9	Total	4,130,378
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	<u>4,130,378</u>
12	Total	4,130,378
13	Sec. B.340 Corrections - correctional facilities - recreation	
14	Personal services	634,972
15	Operating expenses	<u>456,715</u>
16	Total	1,091,687
17	Source of funds	
18	Special funds	<u>1,091,687</u>
19	Total	1,091,687
20	Sec. B.341 Corrections - Vermont offender work program	
21	Personal services	324,103

1	Operating expenses	<u>166,750</u>
2	Total	490,853
3	Source of funds	
4	Internal service funds	<u>490,853</u>
5	Total	490,853
6	Sec. B.342 Vermont veterans' home - care and support services	
7	Personal services	17,631,222
8	Operating expenses	<u>5,013,462</u>
9	Total	22,644,684
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	4,320,687
12	Special funds	10,051,903
13	Federal funds	<u>8,272,094</u>
14	Total	22,644,684
15	Sec. B.343 Commission on women	
16	Personal services	398,669
17	Operating expenses	<u>93,837</u>
18	Total	492,506
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	487,998
21	Special funds	<u>4,508</u>

1	Total	492,506
2	Sec. B.344 Retired senior volunteer program	
3	Grants	<u>160,155</u>
4	Total	160,155
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>160,155</u>
7	Total	160,155
8	Sec. B.345 Green Mountain Care Board	
9	Personal services	8,396,809
10	Operating expenses	<u>398,601</u>
11	Total	8,795,410
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	3,494,109
14	Special funds	<u>5,301,301</u>
15	Total	8,795,410
16	Sec. B.346 Office of the Child, Youth, and Family Advocate	
17	Personal services	342,966
18	Operating expenses	<u>88,820</u>
19	Total	431,786
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	<u>431,786</u>

1	Total	431,786
2	Sec. B.347 Total human services	
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	1,325,002,762
5	Special funds	202,445,452
6	Tobacco fund	23,088,208
7	State health care resources fund	28,053,557
8	ARPA State Fiscal	5,000,000
9	Federal funds	1,792,353,764
10	Global Commitment fund	1,961,398,099
11	Internal service funds	490,853
12	Interdepartmental transfers	32,893,535
13	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
14	Total	5,370,751,230
15	Sec. B.400 Labor - programs	
16	Personal services	39,963,839
17	Operating expenses	5,708,836
18	Grants	<u>9,199,639</u>
19	Total	54,872,314
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	10,916,365

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



1	Global Commitment fund	260,000
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>505,297</u>
3	Total	41,217,298
4	Sec. B.501 Education - education services	
5	Personal services	27,987,700
6	Operating expenses	1,134,912
7	Grants	<u>322,345,763</u>
8	Total	351,468,375
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	6,137,955
11	Special funds	3,033,144
12	Tobacco fund	750,388
13	Federal funds	340,584,414
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>962,474</u>
15	Total	351,468,375
16	Sec. B.502 Education - special education: formula grants	
17	Grants	<u>264,649,859</u>
18	Total	264,649,859
19	Source of funds	
20	Education fund	<u>264,649,859</u>
21	Total	264,649,859

1	Sec. B.503 Education - state-placed students	
2	Grants	<u>20,000,000</u>
3	Total	20,000,000
4	Source of funds	
5	Education fund	<u>20,000,000</u>
6	Total	20,000,000
7	Sec. B.504 Education - adult education and literacy	
8	Grants	<u>4,694,183</u>
9	Total	4,694,183
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	3,778,133
12	Federal funds	<u>916,050</u>
13	Total	4,694,183
14	Sec. B.504.1 Education - Flexible Pathways	
15	Grants	<u>10,361,755</u>
16	Total	10,361,755
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	921,500
19	Education fund	<u>9,440,255</u>
20	Total	10,361,755

1	Sec. B.505 Education - adjusted education payment	
2	Grants	<u>1,918,951,000</u>
3	Total	1,918,951,000
4	Source of funds	
5	Education fund	<u>1,918,951,000</u>
6	Total	1,918,951,000
7	Sec. B.506 Education - transportation	
8	Grants	<u>25,306,000</u>
9	Total	25,306,000
10	Source of funds	
11	Education fund	<u>25,306,000</u>
12	Total	25,306,000
13	Sec. B.507 Education – Merger Support Grants	
14	Grants	<u>3,000,000</u>
15	Total	3,000,000
16	Source of funds	
17	Education fund	<u>3,000,000</u>
18	Total	3,000,000
19	Sec. B.508 Education - nutrition	
20	Grants	<u>24,000,000</u>
21	Total	24,000,000

1	Source of funds	
2	Education fund	<u>24,000,000</u>
3	Total	24,000,000
4	Sec. B.509 Education - Afterschool Grant Program	
5	Personal services	500,000
6	Grants	<u>3,500,000</u>
7	Total	4,000,000
8	Source of funds	
9	Special funds	<u>4,000,000</u>
10	Total	4,000,000
11	Sec. B.510 Education - essential early education grant	
12	Grants	<u>8,725,587</u>
13	Total	8,725,587
14	Source of funds	
15	Education fund	<u>8,725,587</u>
16	Total	8,725,587
17	Sec. B.511 Education - technical education	
18	Grants	<u>17,881,950</u>
19	Total	17,881,950
20	Source of funds	
21	Education fund	<u>17,881,950</u>

1	Total	17,881,950
2	Sec. B.511.1 State Board of Education	
3	Personal services	54,208
4	Operating expenses	<u>16,500</u>
5	Total	70,708
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	<u>70,708</u>
8	Total	70,708
9	Sec. B.513 Retired Teachers Pension Plus Funding	
10	Grants	<u>12,000,000</u>
11	Total	12,000,000
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	<u>12,000,000</u>
14	Total	12,000,000
15	Sec. B.514 State teachers' retirement system	
16	Grants	<u>191,382,703</u>
17	Total	191,382,703
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	155,384,035
20	Education fund	<u>35,998,668</u>
21	Total	191,382,703

1	Sec. B.514.1 State teachers' retirement system administration	
2	Personal services	349,979
3	Operating expenses	<u>3,222,801</u>
4	Total	3,572,780
5	Source of funds	
6	Pension trust funds	<u>3,572,780</u>
7	Total	3,572,780
8	Sec. B.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits	
9	Grants	<u>62,107,644</u>
10	Total	62,107,644
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	43,031,103
13	Education fund	<u>19,076,541</u>
14	Total	62,107,644
15	Sec. B.516 Total general education	
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	228,515,519
18	Special funds	23,651,687
19	Tobacco fund	750,388
20	Education fund	2,350,516,848
21	Federal funds	354,654,849

1	Global Commitment fund	260,000
2	Interdepartmental transfers	1,467,771
3	Pension trust funds	<u>3,572,780</u>
4	Total	2,963,389,842
5	Sec. B.600 University of Vermont	
6	Grants	<u>55,706,897</u>
7	Total	55,706,897
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	<u>55,706,897</u>
10	Total	55,706,897
11	Sec. B.602 Vermont state colleges	
12	Grants	<u>49,440,478</u>
13	Total	49,440,478
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	<u>49,440,478</u>
16	Total	49,440,478
17	Sec. B.603 Vermont state colleges - allied health	
18	Grants	<u>1,788,434</u>
19	Total	1,788,434
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	288,434

1	Global Commitment fund	<u>1,500,000</u>
2	Total	1,788,434
3	Sec. B.605 Vermont student assistance corporation	
4	Grants	<u>26,139,946</u>
5	Total	26,139,946
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	<u>26,139,946</u>
8	Total	26,139,946
9	Sec. B.605.1 VSAC - Flexible Pathways Stipend	
10	Grants	<u>82,450</u>
11	Total	82,450
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	41,225
14	Education fund	<u>41,225</u>
15	Total	82,450
16	Sec. B.606 New England higher education compact	
17	Grants	<u>86,520</u>
18	Total	86,520
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	<u>86,520</u>
21	Total	86,520



1	Sec. B.607 University of Vermont - Morgan Horse Farm	
2	Grants	<u>1</u>
3	Total	1
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	<u>1</u>
6	Total	1
7	Sec. B.608 Total higher education	
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	131,703,501
10	Education fund	41,225
11	Global Commitment fund	<u>1,500,000</u>
12	Total	133,244,726
13	Sec. B.700 Natural resources - agency of natural resources - administration	
14	Personal services	6,006,412
15	Operating expenses	<u>1,475,166</u>
16	Total	7,481,578
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	5,129,356
19	Special funds	775,079
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,577,143</u>
21	Total	7,481,578

1	Sec. B.701 Natural resources - state land local property tax assessment	
2	Operating expenses	<u>2,689,176</u>
3	Total	2,689,176
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	2,267,676
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>421,500</u>
7	Total	2,689,176
8	Sec. B.702 Fish and wildlife - support and field services	
9	Personal services	22,597,844
10	Operating expenses	6,843,095
11	Grants	<u>853,066</u>
12	Total	30,294,005
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	8,267,967
15	Special funds	365,427
16	Fish and wildlife fund	10,418,331
17	Federal funds	9,751,683
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,490,597</u>
19	Total	30,294,005
20	Sec. B.703 Forests, parks and recreation - administration	
21	Personal services	1,347,215

1	Operating expenses	<u>1,658,662</u>
2	Total	3,005,877
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	2,867,366
5	Special funds	<u>138,511</u>
6	Total	3,005,877
7	Sec. B.704 Forests, parks and recreation - forestry	
8	Personal services	7,880,566
9	Operating expenses	1,005,046
10	Grants	<u>1,712,423</u>
11	Total	10,598,035
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	6,299,512
14	Special funds	547,215
15	Federal funds	3,394,931
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>356,377</u>
17	Total	10,598,035
18	Sec. B.705 Forests, parks and recreation - state parks	
19	Personal services	13,141,062
20	Operating expenses	5,555,506
21	Grants	<u>50,000</u>

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

1	General fund	<u>229,925</u>
2	Total	229,925
3	Sec. B.709 Environmental conservation - management and support services	
4	Personal services	9,077,579
5	Operating expenses	4,811,255
6	Grants	<u>122,735</u>
7	Total	14,011,569
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	2,118,575
10	Special funds	794,867
11	Federal funds	2,164,711
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>8,933,416</u>
13	Total	14,011,569
14	Sec. B.710 Environmental conservation - air and waste management	
15	Personal services	27,995,328
16	Operating expenses	10,788,954
17	Grants	<u>4,943,000</u>
18	Total	43,727,282
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	199,372
21	Special funds	24,643,580

1	Federal funds	18,800,064
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>84,266</u>
3	Total	43,727,282
4	Sec. B.711 Environmental conservation - office of water programs	
5	Personal services	48,528,806
6	Operating expenses	8,362,915
7	Grants	<u>92,365,140</u>
8	Total	149,256,861
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	10,262,629
11	Special funds	30,967,150
12	Federal funds	107,154,542
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>872,540</u>
14	Total	149,256,861
15	Sec. B.713 Natural resources board	
16	Personal services	3,313,829
17	Operating expenses	<u>421,198</u>
18	Total	3,735,027
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	760,232
21	Special funds	<u>2,974,795</u>

1	Total	3,735,027
2	Sec. B.714 Total natural resources	
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	40,542,800
5	Special funds	81,275,829
6	Fish and wildlife fund	10,418,331
7	Federal funds	152,068,301
8	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>14,131,324</u>
9	Total	298,436,585
10	Sec. B.800 Commerce and community development - agency of commerce	
11	and community development - administration	
12	Personal services	2,368,443
13	Operating expenses	839,383
14	Grants	<u>389,320</u>
15	Total	3,597,146
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	<u>3,597,146</u>
18	Total	3,597,146
19	Sec. B.801 Economic development	
20	Personal services	4,612,442
21	Operating expenses	1,215,603

1	Grants	<u>6,539,044</u>
2	Total	12,367,089
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	5,701,138
5	Special funds	820,850
6	Federal funds	4,021,428
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,823,673</u>
8	Total	12,367,089
9	Sec. B.802 Housing and community development	
10	Personal services	7,645,042
11	Operating expenses	910,983
12	Grants	<u>23,978,656</u>
13	Total	32,534,681
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	5,365,841
16	Special funds	8,702,439
17	Federal funds	14,615,349
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>3,851,052</u>
19	Total	32,534,681
20	Sec. B.806 Tourism and marketing	
21	Personal services	5,332,723



1	Operating expenses	6,090,577
2	Grants	<u>3,920,000</u>
3	Total	15,343,300
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	4,785,247
6	Federal funds	10,483,053
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>75,000</u>
8	Total	15,343,300
9	Sec. B.808 Vermont council on the arts	
10	Grants	<u>973,848</u>
11	Total	973,848
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	<u>973,848</u>
14	Total	973,848
15	Sec. B.809 Vermont symphony orchestra	
16	Grants	<u>149,680</u>
17	Total	149,680
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	<u>149,680</u>
20	Total	149,680

1	Sec. B.810 Vermont historical society	
2	Grants	<u>1,135,640</u>
3	Total	1,135,640
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	<u>1,135,640</u>
6	Total	1,135,640
7	Sec. B.811 Vermont housing and conservation board	
8	Grants	<u>82,283,351</u>
9	Total	82,283,351
10	Source of funds	
11	Special funds	25,607,155
12	Federal funds	<u>56,676,196</u>
13	Total	82,283,351
14	Sec. B.812 Vermont humanities council	
15	Grants	<u>309,000</u>
16	Total	309,000
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	<u>309,000</u>
19	Total	309,000
20	Sec. B.813 Total commerce and community development	
21	Source of funds	

1	General fund	22,017,540
2	Special funds	35,130,444
3	Federal funds	85,796,026
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>5,749,725</u>
5	Total	148,693,735
6	Sec. B.900 Transportation - finance and administration	
7	Personal services	18,099,986
8	Operating expenses	6,108,609
9	Grants	<u>350,000</u>
10	Total	24,558,595
11	Source of funds	
12	Transportation fund	23,202,105
13	Federal funds	<u>1,356,490</u>
14	Total	24,558,595
15	Sec. B.901 Transportation - aviation	
16	Personal services	3,907,105
17	Operating expenses	17,194,905
18	Grants	<u>737,501</u>
19	Total	21,839,511
20	Source of funds	
21	Transportation fund	5,766,122

1	Federal funds	<u>16,073,389</u>
2	Total	21,839,511
3	Sec. B.902 Transportation - buildings	
4	Personal services	1,025,000
5	Operating expenses	<u>1,800,000</u>
6	Total	2,825,000
7	Source of funds	
8	Transportation fund	<u>2,825,000</u>
9	Total	2,825,000
10	Sec. B.903 Transportation - program development	
11	Personal services	82,232,854
12	Operating expenses	307,766,179
13	Grants	<u>30,605,814</u>
14	Total	420,604,847
15	Source of funds	
16	Transportation fund	65,845,147
17	TIB fund	14,726,719
18	Federal funds	334,397,149
19	Interdepartmental transfers	1,411,518
20	Local match	<u>4,224,314</u>
21	Total	420,604,847

1	Sec. B.904 Transportation - rest areas construction	
2	Personal services	300,000
3	Operating expenses	<u>1,185,601</u>
4	Total	1,485,601
5	Source of funds	
6	Transportation fund	148,560
7	Federal funds	<u>1,337,041</u>
8	Total	1,485,601
9	Sec. B.905 Transportation - maintenance state system	
10	Personal services	42,757,951
11	Operating expenses	<u>63,840,546</u>
12	Total	106,598,497
13	Source of funds	
14	Transportation fund	105,566,483
15	Federal funds	932,014
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>100,000</u>
17	Total	106,598,497
18	Sec. B.906 Transportation - policy and planning	
19	Personal services	4,108,918
20	Operating expenses	942,444
21	Grants	<u>9,000,491</u>

1	Total	14,051,853
2	Source of funds	
3	Transportation fund	3,137,901
4	Federal funds	10,797,449
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>116,503</u>
6	Total	14,051,853
7	Sec. B.906.1 Transportation - Environmental Policy and Sustainability	
8	Personal services	6,953,362
9	Operating expenses	1,776,411
10	Grants	<u>1,480,000</u>
11	Total	10,209,773
12	Source of funds	
13	Transportation fund	531,909
14	Federal funds	8,500,327
15	Local match	<u>1,177,537</u>
16	Total	10,209,773
17	Sec. B.907 Transportation - rail	
18	Personal services	5,734,768
19	Operating expenses	<u>43,012,063</u>
20	Total	48,746,831
21	Source of funds	

1	Transportation fund	15,690,849
2	Federal funds	30,641,237
3	Interdepartmental transfers	2,196,000
4	Local match	<u>218,745</u>
5	Total	48,746,831
6	Sec. B.908 Transportation - public transit	
7	Personal services	4,612,631
8	Operating expenses	119,894
9	Grants	<u>50,207,700</u>
10	Total	54,940,225
11	Source of funds	
12	Transportation fund	9,807,525
13	Federal funds	44,992,700
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>140,000</u>
15	Total	54,940,225
16	Sec. B.909 Transportation - central garage	
17	Personal services	5,480,920
18	Operating expenses	<u>17,470,315</u>
19	Total	22,951,235
20	Source of funds	
21	Internal service funds	<u>22,951,235</u>

1	Total	22,951,235
2	Sec. B.910 Department of motor vehicles	
3	Personal services	33,713,124
4	Operating expenses	<u>13,549,772</u>
5	Total	47,262,896
6	Source of funds	
7	Transportation fund	44,454,119
8	Federal funds	2,687,081
9	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>121,696</u>
10	Total	47,262,896
11	Sec. B.911 Transportation - town highway structures	
12	Grants	<u>8,416,000</u>
13	Total	8,416,000
14	Source of funds	
15	Transportation fund	<u>8,416,000</u>
16	Total	8,416,000
17	Sec. B.912 Transportation - town highway local technical assistance program	
18	Personal services	449,763
19	Operating expenses	<u>31,689</u>
20	Total	481,452
21	Source of funds	



1	Transportation fund	121,452
2	Federal funds	<u>360,000</u>
3	Total	481,452
4	Sec. B.913 Transportation - town highway class 2 roadway	
5	Grants	<u>8,858,000</u>
6	Total	8,858,000
7	Source of funds	
8	Transportation fund	<u>8,858,000</u>
9	Total	8,858,000
10	Sec. B.914 Transportation - town highway bridges	
11	Personal services	12,185,000
12	Operating expenses	<u>33,149,278</u>
13	Total	45,334,278
14	Source of funds	
15	TIB fund	3,973,281
16	Federal funds	39,264,097
17	Local match	<u>2,096,900</u>
18	Total	45,334,278
19	Sec. B.915 Transportation - town highway aid program	
20	Grants	<u>29,532,753</u>
21	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	20,000

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 fund	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	675,000

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	<u>675,000</u>
3	Total	675,000

4 Sec. B.1001 Total debt service

5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>675,000</u>
7	Total	675,000

8 \* \* \* Fiscal Year 2025 One-time Appropriations \* \* \*

9 Sec. B.1100 MISCELLANEOUS FISCAL YEAR 2025 ONE-TIME

10 APPROPRIATIONS

11 (a) Department of Public Safety. In fiscal year 2025, funds are  
12 appropriated for the following:

13 (1) \$12,500,000 General Fund to be used as matching funds for Federal  
14 Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Hazard Mitigation grant  
15 receipts.

16 (b) Military Department. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for the  
17 following:

18 (1) \$10,000 General Fund for the USS Vermont Support Group.

19 (c) Department of Mental Health. In fiscal year 2025, funds are  
20 appropriated for the following:

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 the

21          General Assistance Emergency Housing program; and

1           (4) \$332,000 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       Sec. B.1102 UNOBLIGATED GENERAL FUND CONTINGENT

2                       APPROPRIATIONS

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

7                       (1) \$20,000,000 to the Department for Children and Families for the  
8               General Assistance Emergency Housing program; and

9                       (2) \$3,500,000 to the Department of Public Safety Flood Resilient  
10              Communities Fund that shall be used for grants to residential or commercial  
11              structure elevation projects.

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

13                       INVESTMENTS – FISCAL YEAR 2025 ONE-TIME

14                       APPROPRIATIONS

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

18                       (1) \$250,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and  
19              General Services for planning, reuse, and contingency;

20                       (2) \$2,300,000 is appropriated to the Department of Buildings and  
21              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 (o) Department for Children and Families. In fiscal year 2024, funds are  
2 appropriated for the following:

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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.

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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 of

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

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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 (c)(8) 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 (c)(8) 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.

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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       Acts 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 naloxone 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:

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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



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 the  
8       Current Use Administration Special Fund shall be transferred into the General  
9       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.

14            (A) The dedication of \$2,500,000 in revenue from the property  
15       transfer tax pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 9610(d) for the debt payments on the  
16       affordable housing bond pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 314 shall be offset by the  
17       reduction of \$1,500,000 in the appropriation to the Vermont Housing and  
18       Conservation Board and \$1,000,000 from the surcharge established by 32  
19       V.S.A. § 9602a. The fiscal year 2025 appropriation of \$22,106,740 to the  
20       Vermont Housing and Conservation Board reflects the \$1,500,000 reduction.  
21       The affordable housing bond and related property transfer tax and surcharge



1 provisions are repealed after the life of the bond on July 1, 2039. Once the  
2 bond is retired, the \$1,500,000 reduction in the appropriation to the Vermont  
3 Housing and Conservation Board shall be restored.

4 (3) Notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a), amounts in excess of  
5 \$7,772,373 from the property transfer tax deposited into the Municipal and  
6 Regional Planning Fund shall be transferred into the General Fund. The  
7 \$7,772,373 shall be allocated as follows:

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

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

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

14 Sec. D.101 FUND TRANSFERS

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

17 (1) From the General Fund to the:

18 (A) General Obligation Bonds Debt Service Fund (#35100):  
19 \$73,212,880

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

1           (C) Tax Computer System Modernization Fund (#21909):

2           \$1,800,000

3           (D) Fire Prevention/Building Inspection Special Fund (#21901):

4           \$1,400,000

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

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

7           (G) Military – Sale of Burlington Armory & Other (#21661):

8           \$890,000

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

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

11          (2) From the Transportation Fund to the:

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

13           (B) Downtown Transportation and Related Capital Improvements

14          Fund (#21575): \$523,966

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

16           \$316,745

17           (D) Notwithstanding 19 V.S.A. § 13(c), the Transportation Fund

18          transfer to the Central Garage fund in fiscal year 2025 shall be \$0

19          (3) From the Education Fund to the:

20           (A) Tax Computer System Modernization Fund (#21909):

21           \$1,400,000

1           (4) From the Clean Water Fund to the:

2                   (A) Agricultural Water Quality Special Fund (#21933): \$9,010,000

3                   (B) Lake in Crisis Response Program Special Fund (#21938):

4           \$120,000

5           (5) From the Other Infrastructure, Essential Investments and Reserves

6           Subaccount in the Cash for Capital and Essential Investments Fund to the:

7                   (A) Transportation Fund (#20105): \$25,000,000

8                   (B) General Fund: \$5,000,000

9           (6) From the Tax-Local Option Process Fees Fund (#21591),

10           notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 138(c)(1), to the:

11                   (A) Tax Computer System Modernization Fund (#21909):

12           \$2,000,000

13           (7) From the Central Garage Fund established by 19 V.S.A. § 13 to:

14                   (A) the Transportation Fund: \$1,700,000

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

16           2025:

17           (1) The following amounts shall be transferred to the General Fund from

18           the funds indicated:

19                   (A) Cannabis Regulation Fund (#21998): \$12,000,000

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

21           \$4,641,960

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

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

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

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

11           (A) AG-Fees & Reimbursements-Court Order Fund (#21638):  
12          \$2,000,000

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

14           (3) Notwithstanding 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. E. 228,  
15          \$58,100,000 of the net unencumbered fund balances in the Insurance  
16          Regulatory and Supervision Fund (21075), the Captive Insurance Regulatory  
17          and Supervision Fund (21085), the Financial Institutions Supervision Fund  
18          (21065), and the Securities Regulatory and Supervision Fund (21080) shall be  
19          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	<u>1210002000</u>	<u>Legislature</u>	<u>\$211,576.00</u>
6	<u>1215001000</u>	<u>Legislative Counsel</u>	<u>\$301,089.00</u>
7	<u>1220000000</u>	<u>Joint Fiscal Committee/Office</u>	<u>\$301,010.46</u>
8	<u>1220890501</u>	<u>Budget System/Transfer to Tax Dept</u>	<u>\$39.54</u>
9	<u>1220891802</u>	<u>Decarbonization Mech Study</u>	<u>\$39.00</u>
10	<u>3150070000</u>	<u>Department of Mental Health</u>	<u>\$350,000.00</u>
11	<u>1100892201</u>	<u>Agency of Administration – 27/53 Reserve</u>	<u>\$8,064,362.69</u>
12	<u>1100892302</u>	<u>Agency of Administration – Trans. Retirement</u>	<u>\$3,935,637.31</u>
13	<u>34008924023</u>	<u>AHS – COVID Contingency</u>	<u>\$1,041,272.00</u>

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	<u>3440892306</u>	<u>DCF – OEO – Home Weatherization Assistance</u>	<u>\$5,000,000.00</u>
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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 \$15,195,975 shall be added to the General Fund Budget Stabilization Reserve.

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

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

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

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

19 (3) Transportation Fund.

20 (A) For the purpose of calculating the fiscal year 2025 Transportation  
21 Fund stabilization requirement of five percent of prior year appropriations,

1 Transportation Fund reversions are excluded from the fiscal year 2024 total  
2 appropriations amount.

3 \* \* \* General Government \* \* \*

4 Sec. E.100 EXECUTIVE BRANCH POSITIONS

5 (a) The establishment of 14 permanent positions is authorized in fiscal year  
6 2025 for the following:

7 (1) Permanent classified positions:

8 (A) Department of Public Safety:

9 (i) one Criminal History Record Specialist I; and

10 (ii) one Regional Emergency Management Program Coordinator.

11 (B) Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation:

12 (i) four Field Park Manager IV.

13 (C) Office of the Treasurer:

14 (i) one Internal Auditor.

15 (D) Office of the Secretary of State:

16 (i) one Administrative Services Coordinator IV; and

17 (ii) one Information Technology Specialist III.

18 (E) Department of Health:

19 (i) one Grants Administrator.

20 (2) Permanent exempt positions:

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

1                   (i) one Chief Performance Officer.

2                   (B) Judiciary:

3                   (i) three Superior Court Judges.

4                   (b) The conversion of 12 limited service positions to classified permanent  
5 status is authorized in fiscal year 2025 as follows:

6                   (1) Department of Environmental Conservation:

7                   (A) one Environmental Engineer V;

8                   (B) one Environmental Engineer III; and

9                   (C) one Environmental Scientist IV.

10                  (2) Department of Labor:

11                  (A) one Re-Employment Services and Eligibility Assessment  
12 Program Program Coordinator; and

13                  (B) eight Re-Employment Services and Eligibility Assessment  
14 Program Facilitators.

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

16                  § 2310. CHIEF PERFORMANCE OFFICER

17                  (a) There is created the permanent, exempt position of Chief Performance  
18 Officer within the Agency of Administration for the purpose of better  
19 developing a culture of performance accountability and continuous  
20 improvement across State government. The Chief Performance Officer shall:



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

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

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

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

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

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

16                 Sec. 95. MUNICIPAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO ACCESS STATE  
17                         AND FEDERAL FUNDING

18                 (a) Expanding municipal access to State and federal funding. The Agency  
19                 of Administration, consistent with the provisions of this section, shall design  
20                 and implement a process to provide expanded technical and administrative

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

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

6 (A) water supply and wastewater infrastructure;

7 (B) housing;

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

10 (D) climate change mitigation and resilience;

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

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

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16 Sec. E.100.3 CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND

17 LIMITED SERVICE POSITIONS; REVERSION

18 (a) To the extent to which limited service positions funded with American  
19 Rescue Plan Act dollars remain vacant after June 30, 2024, the positions shall  
20 be abolished, and monies shall be reverted to the American Rescue Plan Act  
21 Fund.

1       Sec. E.106 CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND

2                   APPROPRIATIONS; REVERSION AND REALLOCATION

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

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

12                   (1) \$36,000,000 to the Department of Public Safety Division of  
13                   Emergency Management for FEMA match and municipal support for hazard  
14                   mitigation.

15                   (2) \$4,000,000 to the Agency of Administration for Administration  
16                   costs, including for anticipated audit response per 2021 Acts and Resolves No.  
17                   74, Sec. G.801(a) and 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. G.801(A).

18                   (3) \$30,000,000 to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board  
19                   (VHCB) to provide support and enhance capacity for the production and  
20                   preservation of affordable mixed-income rental housing and homeownership  
21                   units, including improvements to manufactured homes and communities,

1 permanent homes for those experiencing homelessness, recovery residences,  
2 and housing available to farm workers and refugees.

3 (4) \$25,000,000 to the Department of Housing and Community  
4 Development for a grant to the Vermont Housing Finance Agency for the  
5 Middle-Income Homeownership Development Program and the Vermont  
6 Rental Revolving Loan Fund.

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

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

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

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

20 Sec. E.126.1 OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION

21 TECHNOLOGY; NEW POSITIONS

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

4       Sec. E.133 VERMONT STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
5                   AND VERMONT PENSION INVESTMENT COMMISSION;  
6                   OPERATING BUDGET, SOURCE OF FUNDS

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

12      Sec. E.134 VERMONT MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT  
13                   SYSTEM AND VERMONT PENSION INVESTMENT  
14                   COMMISSION; OPERATING BUDGET; SOURCE OF FUNDS

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



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 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 is  
14 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.

1 Sec. E.212 PUBLIC SAFETY – FIRE SAFETY

2 (a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.212 of this act, \$55,000  
3 shall be granted to the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force for the  
4 purpose of designing dry hydrants.

5 Sec. E.215 MILITARY - ADMINISTRATION

6 (a) The amount of \$1,319,834 shall be disbursed to the Vermont Student  
7 Assistance Corporation for the National Guard Tuition Benefit Program  
8 established in 16 V.S.A. § 2857.

9 Sec. E.219 MILITARY – VETERANS’ AFFAIRS

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

15 Sec. E.234 [Deleted.]

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

17 ADVOCATE, VERMONT LEGAL AID

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

19 (1) \$1,847,406 shall be used for the contract with the Office of the  
20 Health Care Advocate;



1 the purposes of bringing HCBS plan spending authority forward into fiscal  
2 year 2024 and fiscal year 2025, respectively. The funds appropriated in  
3 subsections (b), (c), and (e) of this section may be transferred on a net-neutral  
4 basis in fiscal ~~year~~ years 2023 and fiscal year, 2024, and 2025 in the same  
5 manner as the Global Commitment appropriations in 2022 Acts and Resolves  
6 No. 185, Sec. E.301. The Agency shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee in  
7 September 2023 ~~and~~, September 2024, and September 2025, respectively, on  
8 transfers of appropriations made and final amounts expended by each  
9 department in fiscal ~~year~~ years 2023 and fiscal year, 2024, and 2025,  
10 respectively, and any obligated funds carried forward to be expended in fiscal  
11 year 2024 and fiscal year 2025, respectively.

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

13 RESIDENTIAL BEDS FOR YOUTH

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

17 (1) the basis for the projected number of beds per facility to create 41  
18 new beds for youth in high-end facilities under the Departments for Children  
19 and Families, of Mental Health, and of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent  
20 Living for inpatient, psychiatric residential, stabilization, and treatment  
21 services, including projected reductions in out-of-state placements;

1           (2) the status of capacity at lower level residential and crisis facilities  
2           and their capabilities in preventing higher level needs if investments would  
3           enable full capacity use; and

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

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

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

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

12                               STAKEHOLDER INPUT

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

1       Sec. E.300.5 AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES; FISCAL YEAR 2024  
2                               CLOSEOUT; COMPREHENSIVE CHILD WELFARE  
3                               INFORMATION SYSTEM

4           (a) To the extent to which General Fund dollars appropriated to the Agency  
5           of Human Services in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.300 remain  
6           unexpended at the end of fiscal year 2024, \$3,000,000 shall be carried forward  
7           and appropriated to the Department for Children and Families' Family Service  
8           Division for the Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System in fiscal  
9           year 2025.

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

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

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

1           (1) \$21,295,850 certified State match available from local education  
2           agencies for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services under  
3           Global Commitment. This amount, combined with \$29,204,150 of federal  
4           funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act, equals a total estimated  
5           expenditure of \$50,500,000. An amount equal to the amount of the federal  
6           matching funds for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services  
7           under Global Commitment shall be transferred from the Global Commitment  
8           Fund to the Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund created in 16 V.S.A.  
9           § 2959a.

10           (2) \$3,005,335 certified State match available from local designated  
11           mental health and developmental services agencies for eligible mental health  
12           services provided under Global Commitment.

13           (c) Up to \$4,487,210 is transferred from the AHS Federal Receipts Holding  
14           Account to the Interdepartmental Transfer Fund consistent with the amount  
15           appropriated in Sec. B.301 Secretary's Office – Global Commitment of this  
16           act.

17           Sec. E.301.1 GLOBAL COMMITMENT APPROPRIATIONS; TRANSFER;

18                               REPORT

19           (a) To facilitate the end-of-year closeout for fiscal year 2025, the Secretary  
20           of Human Services, with approval from the Secretary of Administration, may  
21           make transfers among the appropriations authorized for Medicaid and



1 Medicaid-waiver program expenses, including Global Commitment  
2 appropriations outside the Agency of Human Services. At least three business  
3 days prior to any transfer, the Agency of Human Services shall submit to the  
4 Joint Fiscal Office a proposal of transfers to be made pursuant to this section.  
5 A final report on all transfers made under this section shall be made to the Joint  
6 Fiscal Committee for review at the Committee's September 2025 meeting.  
7 The purpose of this section is to provide the Agency of Human Services with  
8 limited authority to modify the appropriations to comply with the terms and  
9 conditions of the Global Commitment for Health Section 1115 demonstration  
10 waiver approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under  
11 Section 1115 of the Social Security Act.

12 Sec. E.306 VERMONT HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE RULES

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

1 be deemed to meet the standard for the adoption of emergency rules required  
2 pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 844(a).

3 Sec. E.306.1 HOME HEALTH AGENCY RATE COMPARISON  
4 METHODOLOGIES; REPORT

5 (a) On or before August 31, 2024, the Department of Vermont Health  
6 Access shall provide the following to the Health Reform Oversight Committee  
7 and the Joint Fiscal Committee:

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

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

14 Sec. E.306.2 PROPOSED METHODOLOGY FOR 2025 MEDICAID  
15 RESOURCE-BASED RELATIVE VALUE SCALE  
16 PROFESSIONAL FEE SCHEDULE

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

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

5           (2) whether to benchmark one or more conversion factors in Vermont  
6           Medicaid to the Medicare conversion factor from a specific year; and

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

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

20           (c) On or before December 15, 2024, the Department of Vermont Health  
21           Access shall report to the House Committees on Health Care and on

1 Appropriations, the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and on  
2 Appropriations, and the Health Reform Oversight Committee on the fiscal  
3 impact of implementing its proposed methodology for calendar year 2025 and,  
4 if the new methodology would not result in an increase to provider rates that  
5 are greater than or equal to the Medicare Economic Index, the costs of  
6 increasing provider rates in an amount equal to the Medicare Economic Index  
7 increase as part of the Department's fiscal year 2026 budget.

8 Sec. E.306.3 PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY;  
9 LICENSURE

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

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

18 § 931. LIMITATIONS ON CLAIMS OF CREDITORS

19 All claims against the decedent's estate that arose before the death of the  
20 decedent, including claims of the State and any subdivision thereof except  
21 claims filed by the State on behalf of Vermont Medicaid, absolute or

1 contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, founded on contract, tort, or other legal  
2 basis, if not barred earlier by other statute of limitations, are barred against the  
3 estate, the legal representative of the estate, and the heirs and devisees of the  
4 decedent, unless presented within one year after the decedent's death. Nothing  
5 in this section affects or prevents any proceeding to enforce any mortgage,  
6 pledge, or other lien upon the property of the estate. Claims filed by the State  
7 on behalf of Vermont Medicaid must be filed in accordance with  
8 subsection 1203(d) of this title.

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

10 § 1203. LIMITATIONS ON PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS

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

20 (1) within four months after the date of the first publication of notice to  
21 creditors if notice is given in compliance with the Rules of Probate Procedure;

1 provided, however, that claims barred by the nonclaim statute of the decedent's  
2 domicile before the first publication for claims in the State are also barred in  
3 this State;

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

7 \* \* \*

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

12 Sec. E.311 [Deleted.]

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

14 Subchapter 2. Health Care Professions; Educational Assistance

15 \* \* \*

16 § 33. UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT COLLEGE OF MEDICINE; MEDICAL  
17 STUDENT INCENTIVE SCHOLARSHIP

18 \* \* \*

19 (f) Forgivable loans shall be awarded on a rolling basis , provided funds are  
20 available, and any funds remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall roll over  
21 and shall be available to the Department of Health and the Corporation in the

1 following fiscal year to award additional forgivable loans as set forth in this  
2 section.

3 § 34. VERMONT NURSING FORGIVABLE LOAN INCENTIVE  
4 PROGRAM

5 (a) As used in this section:

6 \* \* \*

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

10 \* \* \*

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

14 \* \* \*

15 (5) have completed the Program’s application form, ~~the Free~~  
16 ~~Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), and the Vermont grant~~  
17 ~~application each academic year of enrollment~~ and such financial aid forms as  
18 the Corporation deems necessary, in accordance with a schedule determined by  
19 the Corporation; and

20 \* \* \*

1 § 35. VERMONT HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL LOAN REPAYMENT  
2 PROGRAM

3 \* \* \*

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

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

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

16 (1) have graduated from an eligible school where the individual was  
17 awarded a degree in nursing, physician assistant studies, medicine, osteopathic  
18 medicine, or naturopathic medicine, or a two- or four-year degree that qualifies  
19 the individual to be a medical ~~technician~~ technologist or clinical laboratory  
20 scientist;







1 Corporation deems necessary, in accordance with a schedule determined by the  
2 Corporation; and

3 \* \* \*

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

9 § 39. VERMONT PSYCHIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH NURSE

10 PRACTITIONER FORGIVABLE LOAN INCENTIVE PROGRAM

11 \* \* \*

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

15 \* \* \*

16 (4) have executed a credit agreement or promissory note that will reduce  
17 the individual's forgivable loan benefit, in whole or in part, pursuant to  
18 subsection ~~(f)~~(e) of this section, if the individual fails to complete the period of  
19 service required in subdivision (3) of this subsection;

20 (5) have completed the Program's application form and ~~the Free~~  
21 Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) such financial aid forms as the

1 Corporation deems necessary, in accordance with a schedule determined by the  
2 Corporation; and

3 \* \* \*

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

9 § 40. VERMONT DENTAL HYGIENIST FORGIVABLE LOAN  
10 INCENTIVE PROGRAM

11 \* \* \*

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

15 \* \* \*

16 (4) have executed a credit agreement or promissory note that will reduce  
17 the individual's forgivable loan benefit, in whole or in part, pursuant to  
18 subsection ~~(g)~~(e) of this section, if the individual fails to complete the period of  
19 service required in this subsection;

20 (5) have completed the Program's application form, ~~the Free~~  
21 ~~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 Sec. E.312 HEALTH – PUBLIC HEALTH

6 (a) AIDS/HIV funding:

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

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

17 (A) Vermont CARES – \$140,000;

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

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

20 (3) Ryan White Title II funds for AIDS services and the Vermont  
21 Medication Assistance Program (VMAP) shall be distributed in accordance

1 with federal guidelines. The federal guidelines shall not apply to programs or  
2 services funded solely by State general funds.

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

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

15 (4) In fiscal year 2025, the Department of Health shall provide grants in  
16 the amount of \$400,000 General Fund and \$1,100,000 Opioid Settlement Fund  
17 to syringe service programs for HIV and Harm Reduction Services no later  
18 than September 1, 2024. The method by which these prevention funds are  
19 distributed shall be determined by mutual agreement of the Department of  
20 Health and the Vermont AIDS service organizations and other Vermont  
21 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~~  
18          ~~invested in the same manner as permitted for investment of funds belonging to~~  
19          ~~the State of held in the Treasury. The Fund shall consist of the following:~~





1 on Human Services and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on  
2 Health and Welfare.

3 Sec. E.313 APPROPRIATION; SUBSTANCE MISUSE PREVENTION

4 (a) In fiscal year 2025, the \$795,000 Opioid Abatement Special Fund and  
5 \$1,410,000 General Fund appropriated to the Department of Health in Secs.  
6 B.1100(d)(4) and B.313 of this act shall be for substance misuse prevention.  
7 The total \$2,205,000 appropriation shall be granted to Vermont Prevention  
8 Lead Organizations to implement evidence-based and trauma-informed  
9 substance misuse prevention strategies statewide. The Department shall  
10 require, as part of the grant agreement with the Vermont Prevention Lead  
11 Organizations, that information on the use of the funds, including the specific  
12 activities supported by the funds, a description of the number of people served,  
13 and information on the outcomes achieved by this investment, be provided to  
14 the Department in an agreed-upon time frame. The Department shall report  
15 this information annually, on or before January 10, to the House and Senate  
16 Committees on Appropriations, the House Committee on Human Services, and  
17 the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare.

18 Sec. E.316 SUMMER EBT BENEFIT

19 (a) An amount not to exceed \$40,000 of the General Fund appropriated in  
20 Sec. B.316 of this act shall be used to provide benefits for noncitizen students

1 who would otherwise be eligible for nutritional benefit programs funded by  
2 federal grants.

3 Sec. E.316.1 33 V.S.A. § 3531 is amended to read:

4 § 3531. CHILD CARE – BUILDING BRIGHT SPACES FOR BRIGHT  
5 FUTURES FUNDS FUND

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

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

19 (c) ~~Funds appropriated for this Program shall be used by the~~ The  
20 ~~Commissioner to award grants to eligible applicants for the development and~~  
21 ~~expansion of child care options and community programs targeted for youths~~

1 ~~14 through 18 years of age. These options may include recreational programs~~  
2 ~~and related equipment or facilities, development or expansion of child care~~  
3 ~~facilities, and community based programs that address specific child care and~~  
4 ~~youth program needs of the applicant region. The Commissioner shall~~  
5 ~~establish by rule, criteria, conditions, and procedures for awarding such grants~~  
6 ~~and administering this Program~~ shall disburse the proceeds of this fund in  
7 accordance with the plan developed by the Building Bright Futures Council per  
8 33 V.S.A. § 4603(3).

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

10 § 4601. DEFINITIONS

11 As used in this chapter:

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

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

19 Sec. E.317 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT; COMPREHENSIVE CHILD

20 WELFARE INFORMATION SYSTEM

1       (a) In developing and implementing a comprehensive child welfare  
2       information system, the Department for Children and Families' Division of  
3       Family Services shall solicit input and leverage expertise from youth, foster  
4       parents, kinship care providers, Division staff, and the employees of the Office  
5       of Racial Equity's Division of Racial Justice Statistics.

6       Sec. E.317.1 ADOPTION; POST PERMANENCY SERVICES

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

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

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

16       Sec. 101. [Repealed.]

17       Sec. E.318 CONSENSUS ESTIMATE; CHILD CARE FINANCIAL  
18       ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

19       (a) On or before December 1, 2024, 2025, and 2026, the Department for  
20       Children and Families and the Joint Fiscal Office shall jointly determine and  
21       submit a consensus estimate for costs related to the Child Care Financial

1 Assistance Program for the coming fiscal year to the House Committees on  
2 Appropriations and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on  
3 Appropriations and on Health and Welfare. This consensus estimate shall  
4 serve as a baseline for the Department for Children and Families' Child Care  
5 Financial Assistance Program budget.

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

7 § 3517. CHILD CARE TUITION RATES

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

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

14 § 3517. CHILD CARE TUITION RATES

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

1 Sec. E.321 TEMPORARY EMERGENCY HOUSING

2 (a) To the extent emergency housing is available and within the funds  
3 appropriated, the Commissioner for Children and Families shall ensure that  
4 temporary emergency housing is provided in fiscal year 2025 to households  
5 that attest to lack of a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence and  
6 have a member who:

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

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

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

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

14 (C) receipt of a disability check;

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

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

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

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

5           (5) is in the third trimester of pregnancy or is experiencing an at-risk  
6           pregnancy;

7           (6) has experienced the death of a spouse or domestic partner within the  
8           last 30 days;

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

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

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

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

1           (1) less than five percent at the household's time of application, the  
2           household shall receive a maximum of 90 sheltered days under this section per  
3           12-month period; or

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

7           (c) To the extent funding and capacity exists, and notwithstanding  
8           subsection (a) of this section, the Department shall provide shelter to  
9           households lacking a fixed, regular, adequate, nighttime residence between  
10          November 15, 2024 and April 15, 2025. If there is inadequate community-  
11          based shelter space available within the Agency of Human Services district in  
12          which the household presents itself, the household shall be provided shelter in  
13          a hotel or motel within the district, if available, until adequate community-  
14          based shelter space becomes available in the district. Shelter in a hotel or  
15          motel provided pursuant to this section shall not count toward the maximum  
16          days of eligibility per 12-month period provided in subsection (b) of this  
17          section.

18          (d) Temporary emergency housing required pursuant to this section may be  
19          provided through approved community-based shelters, new unit generation,  
20          open units, licensed hotels or motels, or other appropriate shelter space. The



1 Department shall, when available, prioritize temporary emergency housing at  
2 housing or shelter placements other than hotels or motels.

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

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

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

10 (f) On or before the last day of each month from July 2024 through June  
11 2025, the Department for Children and Families, or other relevant agency or  
12 department, shall continue submitting a substantially similar report to that due  
13 pursuant to 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 81, Sec. 6(b) to the Joint Fiscal  
14 Committee, House Committee on Human Services, and Senate Committee on  
15 Health and Welfare.

16 (g) For temporary emergency housing provided in a hotel or motel  
17 beginning on July 1, 2024, and thereafter, the Department for Children and  
18 Families shall not pay a hotel or motel establishment more than the lowest  
19 advertised room rate and not more than \$80 a day per room to shelter a  
20 household experiencing homelessness. The Department for Children and

1 Families may shelter a household in more than one hotel or motel room  
2 depending on the household's size and composition.

3 (h) The Department for Children and Families shall apply the following  
4 rules to participating hotels and motels:

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

7 (2) Department of Health, Licensed Lodging Establishment Rule (CVR  
8 13-140-023); and

9 (3) Department of Public Safety, Vermont Fire and Building Safety  
10 Code (CVR 28-070-001).

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

16 (2) If the Department for Children and Families determines that a  
17 contractual agreement with a licensed hotel or motel operator to secure  
18 temporary emergency housing capacity is beneficial to improve the quality,  
19 cleanliness, or access to services for those households temporarily housed in  
20 the facility, the Department shall be authorized to enter into such an agreement  
21 in accordance with the per-room rate identified in subsection (g) of this

1 section; provided, however, that in no event shall such an agreement cause a  
2 household to become unhoused. The Department for Children and Families  
3 may include provisions to address access to services or related needs within the  
4 contractual agreement.

5 (j) Of the amount appropriated to implement this section, not more than  
6 \$839,000 shall be used for security costs.

7 (k) As used in this section:

8 (1) “Community-based shelter” means a shelter that meets the Vermont  
9 Housing Opportunity Grant Program’s Standards of Provision of Assistance.

10 (2) “Household” means an individual and any dependents for whom the  
11 individual is legally responsible and who live in Vermont. “Household”  
12 includes individuals who reside together as one economic unit, including those  
13 who are married, parties to a civil union, or unmarried.

14 (3) “Statewide vacancy rate” means the Vermont-specific rental vacancy  
15 rate as reported by the U.S. Census Bureau.

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

17 CALCULATION

18 (a) On or before January 1, 2025, the Department for Children and Families  
19 shall submit a transition plan to the House Committees on Appropriations and  
20 on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on  
21 Health and Welfare detailing the process and resources necessary to calculate

1 the minimum benefit for 3SquaresVT participants at 30 percent of the U.S.

2 Department of Agriculture's moderate-cost food plan, including:

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

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

6 (3) the number and type of additional staff positions necessary to  
7 implement the new benefit calculation; and

8 (4) any statutory changes or federal approvals necessary to implement  
9 the new benefit calculation.

10 Sec. E.323 RECALCULATION; REACH UP; RATABLE REDUCTION

11 REPORT

12 (a) On or before October 1, 2024, the Department for Children and  
13 Families shall submit an amended report to the House Committees on  
14 Appropriations and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on  
15 Appropriations and on Health Welfare recalculating the amount needed to  
16 remove the ratable reduction in the Reach Up program using current housing  
17 costs.

18 Sec. E.324 EXPEDITED CRISIS FUEL ASSISTANCE

19 (a) The Commissioner for Children and Families or designee may authorize  
20 crisis fuel assistance to those income-eligible households that have applied for  
21 an expedited seasonal fuel benefit but have not yet received it if the benefit

1 cannot be executed in time to prevent them from running out of fuel. The  
2 crisis fuel grants authorized pursuant to this section count toward the one crisis  
3 fuel grant allowed per household for the winter heating season pursuant to  
4 33 V.S.A. § 2609(b).

5 Sec. E.325 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES – OFFICE  
6 OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

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

16 Sec. E.326 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES – OFFICE  
17 OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY – WEATHERIZATION  
18 ASSISTANCE

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

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

2 § 2502. HOME WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

3 \* \* \*

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

6 (1) The State ~~program~~ Program shall provide an enhanced  
7 weatherization assistance amount exceeding the federal per-unit limit allowing  
8 amounts up to an average of ~~\$8,500.00~~ \$15,300.00 per unit allocated on a cost-  
9 effective basis. The allowable average ~~per unit may be adjusted to account for~~  
10 ~~the lower cost~~ per unit of multifamily buildings will be \$4,500.00. In units  
11 where costs exceed the allowable average by more than 25 percent, prior  
12 approval of the Director of the State Economic Opportunity Office shall be  
13 required before work commences. This amount shall be adjusted annually to  
14 account for inflation of materials and labor.

15 \* \* \*

16 (b) The ~~Secretary of Human Services~~ Director shall ~~by rule establish~~  
17 require landlords that are not income eligible to enter into a rent stabilization  
18 agreements and provisions to recapture amounts expended for weatherization  
19 of a rental unit that exceed the amount of agreement that takes into account the  
20 energy cost reductions projected to be obtained by eligible tenants of the unit.  
21 The time periods established for rent stabilization ~~and recapture~~ shall be set

1 taking into account the size of benefits received by tenants and landlords as  
2 well as the effect on Program participation. ~~Funds recaptured under this~~  
3 ~~section shall be deposited into the Home Weatherization Assistance Fund~~  
4 ~~established under section 2501 of this title.~~

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6 Sec. E.338 CORRECTIONS – CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

7 (a) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 3709(a), the special funds appropriation of  
8 \$152,000 for the supplemental facility payments to Newport and Springfield  
9 shall be paid from the PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.

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

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

20 ~~(2)(A) In addition to the assessment and collection of actual costs~~  
21 ~~pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection and except Except as otherwise~~

1 provided in subdivisions ~~(2)(C) and (3)~~ (1)(C) and (2) of this subsection, ~~all~~  
2 ~~other~~ the expenses of the Board shall be borne as follows:

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

4 (ii) ~~30~~ 28.8 percent by the hospitals;

5 (iii) ~~24~~ 23.2 percent by nonprofit hospital and medical service  
6 corporations licensed under 8 V.S.A. chapter 123 or 125, health insurance  
7 companies licensed under 8 V.S.A. chapter 101, and health maintenance  
8 organizations licensed under 8 V.S.A. chapter 139; and

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

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

18 (C) Expenses ~~incurred by the Board for regulatory duties associated~~  
19 ~~with certificates of need shall be~~ assessed pursuant to the provisions of section  
20 9441 of this title ~~and not~~ shall not be assessed in accordance with the formula  
21 set forth in subdivision (A) of this subdivision ~~(2)(1)~~.



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

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

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

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

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

5                           EXPANSION AND DEVELOPMENT

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

9           Sec. E.500 EDUCATION – FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

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

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

16          (a) Of the appropriation authorized in Sec. B.502 of this act, and  
17 notwithstanding any other provision of law, an amount not to exceed  
18 \$4,329,959 shall be used by the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2025 as  
19 funding for 16 V.S.A. § 2967(b)(2)–(6). In distributing such funds, the  
20 Secretary shall not be limited by the restrictions contained within 16 V.S.A.  
21 § 2969(c) and (d).

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

6       Sec. E.503 EDUCATION – STATE-PLACED STUDENTS

7       (a) The Independence Place Program of the Lund Family Center shall be  
8       considered a 24-hour residential program for the purposes of reimbursement of  
9       education costs.

10       Sec. E.504 ADULT EDUCATION AND LITERACY

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

15       Sec. E.504.1 EDUCATION – FLEXIBLE PATHWAYS

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

1        (b) Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 4025, of this Education Fund

2        appropriation, the amount of:

3            (1) \$921,500 is available for dual enrollment programs notwithstanding  
4        16 V.S.A. § 944(f)(2);

5            (2) \$2,000,000 is available to support the Vermont Virtual High School;

6            (3) \$400,000 is available for secondary school reform grants; and

7            (4) \$3,600,000 is available for Early College pursuant to 16 V.S.A. §  
8        4011(e).

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

11        Sec. E.514 STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

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

17            (b) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(c)(2), of the annual contribution,  
18        \$37,842,027 is the "normal contribution," and \$163,340,676 is the "accrued  
19        liability contribution."

1       Sec. E.514.1 VERMONT STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
2                               AND VERMONT PENSION INVESTMENT COMMISSION;  
3                               OPERATING BUDGET, SOURCE OF FUNDS

4               (a) Of the \$3,572,780 appropriated in Sec. B.514.1 of this act, \$2,516,037  
5       constitutes the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System operating budget,  
6       and \$1,056,743 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension Investment  
7       Commission's budget attributable to the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement  
8       System.

9       Sec. E.515 RETIRED TEACHERS' HEALTH CARE AND MEDICAL  
10                              BENEFITS

11              (a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944b(b)(2) and (h)(1), the annual  
12       contribution to the Retired Teachers' Health and Medical Benefits plan shall be  
13       \$70,482,644, of which \$62,107,644 shall be the State's contribution and  
14       \$8,375,000 shall be from the annual charge for teacher health care contributed  
15       by employers pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944d. Of the annual contribution,  
16       \$21,648,946 is the "normal contribution," and \$48,833,698 is the "accrued  
17       liability contribution."

18       Sec. E.600 UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

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

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

5       Sec. E.602 VERMONT STATE COLLEGES

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

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

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

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

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

1 Sec. E.605 VERMONT STUDENT ASSISTANCE CORPORATION

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

4 (1) \$25,000 shall be deposited into the Trust Fund established in  
5 16 V.S.A. § 2845;

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

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

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

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

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

7 Sec. E.605.1 NEED-BASED STIPEND FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT AND  
8 EARLY COLLEGE STUDENTS

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

19 (b) On or before January 15, 2025, the Vermont Student Assistance  
20 Corporation shall report on the program to the House Committees on  
21 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(1)(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           (3) 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 under  
21          the International Registration Plan. Plates so acquired shall be mounted on the

1 front and rear of the vehicle. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall  
2 utilize the graphic design recommended by the Commissioner for Children and  
3 Families for the special plates to enhance the public awareness of the State's  
4 interest in supporting ~~children's~~ early childhood services. Applicants shall  
5 apply on forms prescribed by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles and shall  
6 pay an initial fee of \$29.00 in addition to the annual fee for registration. In  
7 following years, in addition to the annual registration fee, the holder of a  
8 ~~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. F.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, C.115, and B.1102 shall take effect on  
11 passage.

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

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

14 (2) Secs. C.108, C.109, and C.110 shall take effect retroactively on July  
15 1, 2023; and

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

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

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