1	H.494
2	Introduced by Committee on Corrections and Institutions
3	Date:
4	Subject: Capital construction; capital appropriations; State bonding
5	Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to authorize
6	bonding, appropriate capital funds, and address miscellaneous related items.
7	An act relating to capital construction and State bonding
8	It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:
9	* * * Legislative Intent * * *
10	Sec. 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT
11	(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that of the \$111,965,288.44
12	authorized in this act, not more than \$61,614,761.44 shall be appropriated in
13	the first year of the biennium, and the remainder shall be appropriated in the
14	second year.
15	(b) It is the intent of the General Assembly that in the second year of the
16	biennium, any amendments to the appropriations or authorities granted in this
17	act shall take the form of the Capital Construction and State Bonding
18	Adjustment Bill. It is the intent of the General Assembly that unless otherwise
19	indicated, all appropriations in this act are subject to capital budget adjustment.

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1	Sec. 2. STATE BUILDINGS	
2	(a) The following sums are appropriated to the Departs	ment of Buildings

and General Services, and the Commissioner is authorized to direct funds
 appropriated in this section to the projects contained in this section; however,
 no project shall be canceled unless the Chairs of the Senate Committee on
 Institutions and the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions are
 notified before that action is taken.

(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2026:

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- 9 (1) Statewide, major maintenance: \$7,138,401.00
- 10 (2) Statewide, three-acre parcel stormwater compliance: \$1,500,000.00
- 11 (3) Statewide, Art in State Buildings Program: \$75,000.00
- 12 (4) Rutland, Asa Bloomer Building roof repair and sewage system

 13 upgrades: \$1,500,000.00
- 14 (5) Rutland, multimodal garage renovation: \$600,000.00

(6) Middlesex, Print and Postal uninterruptable power supply upgrade:

- 16 \$58,279.44
- 17 (7) Waterbury, State Office Complex historic core roof replacement:
- \$2,000,000.00
- 19 (8) Burlington, 32 Cherry St. parking garage repairs: \$1,500,000.00
- 20 (c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2027:
- 21 (1) Statewide, major maintenance: \$8,500,000.00

1	(2) Statewide, planning, reuse, and contingency:	\$250,000.00
2	(3) Statewide, physical security enhancements:	\$250,000.00
3	(4) Statewide, three-acre parcel stormwater complian	nce: \$1,100,000.00
4	(5) Statewide, Art in State Buildings Program:	\$75,000.00
5	(6) Pittsford, Academy firing range upgrades:	\$200,000.00
6	(7) Montpelier, State House replacement of historic i	interior finishes:
7		\$50,000.00
8	(8) Montpelier, 120 State Street HVAC – steam lines	interior
9	renovation:	\$2,000,000.00
10	(9) Middlesex, Vermont State Archives roof replacer	ment, main
11	building:	\$1,000,000.00
12	(10) Waterbury, State Office Complex historic core r	oof replacement:
13		\$2,000,000.00
14	(11) Burlington, 32 Cherry St. parking garage repairs	<u>s:</u>
15		\$500,000.00
16	<u>Appropriation – FY 2026</u>	\$14,371,680.44
17	Appropriation – FY 2027	\$15,925,000.00
18	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 2</u>	\$30,296,680.44

upgrades at correctional facilities:

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1	Sec. 3. HUMAN SERVICES	

(a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2026 to the Department of

3	Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for the
4	following projects:
5	(1) Statewide, planning, design, and construction for HVAC system

7 (2) Statewide, accessibility upgrades at correctional facilities:

<u>\$2,000,000.00</u>

9 (3) Statewide, correctional facility safety and security upgrades:

10 <u>\$225,000.00</u>

11 (4) St. Johnsbury, Northeast Correctional Complex (NECC) door

12 control system replacements: \$1,000,000.00

(5) St. Albans, Northwest State Regional Correctional Facility
 (NWSCF) roof replacement: \$1,000,000.00

(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2027 to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for the following projects:

(1) Statewide, planning, design, and construction for HVAC system

upgrades at correctional facilities: \$1,000,000.00

(2) Statewide, correctional facility safety and security upgrades:

\$200,000.00

1	(3) Rutland, Marble Valley Regional Correctional	Facility (MVRCF)
2	door control system replacements:	\$500,000.00
3	(4) St. Johnsbury, Northeast Correctional Complex	x (NECC) door
4	control system replacements:	\$2,600,000.00
5	(5) Newport, Northern State Correctional Facility	(NSCF) sprinkler
6	system upgrades:	\$500,000.00
7	(c) Notwithstanding 29 V.S.A. § 152(a)(20), the Com	missioner of
8	Buildings and General Services is authorized to transfer a	any unexpended
9	project balances between the amount appropriated in sub-	division (a)(5) of this
10	section and the amount appropriated in 2023 Acts and Re	esolves No. 69, Sec.
11	3(b)(1), as amended by 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 162.	, Sec. 3 (NWSCF,
12	booking expansion, planning, design, and construction), a	and the Commissioner
13	of Finance and Management may release the amount not	withstanding 2023
14	Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 27(a) (NWSCF; funding	request for federal
15	detainees).	
16	<u>Appropriation – FY 2026</u>	\$8,225,000.00
17	Appropriation – FY 2027	\$4,800,000.00
18	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 3</u>	\$13,025,000.00
19	Sec. 4. COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOP	MENT
20	(a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2026	to the Agency of
21	Commerce and Community Development for the following	ng projects:

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1	(1) Major maintenance at statewide historic sites:	\$550,000.00
2	(2) Vermont Underwater Historic Preserves:	\$46,000.00
3	(3) Roadside historic site markers:	\$25,000.00
4	(4) Bennington, Battle Monument, maintenance of saf	Cety fencing,
5	restoration, planning, and design:	\$525,000.00
6	(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2027 to the	he Agency of
7	Commerce and Community Development for the following p	projects:
8	(1) Major maintenance at statewide historic sites:	\$550,000.00
9	(2) Vermont Underwater Historic Preserves:	\$46,000.00
10	(3) Roadside historic site markers:	\$25,000.00
11	<u>Appropriation – FY 2026</u>	\$1,146,000.00
12	Appropriation – FY 2027	\$621,000.00
13	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 4</u>	\$1,767,000.00
14	Sec. 5. GRANT PROGRAMS	
15	(a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2026 for	the Building
16	Communities Grants established in 24 V.S.A. chapter 137:	
17	(1) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Dev	relopment,
18	Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Preservat	ion Grant
19	Program:	\$300,000.00

1	(2) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Develop	oment,
2	Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Barns Preservation	vation Grant
3	Program:	\$300,000.00
4	(3) To the Vermont Council on the Arts for the Cultural F	acilities Grant
5	Program, the sum of which may be used to match funds that may	y be made
6	available from the National Endowment for the Arts, provided the	nat all capital
7	funds are made available to the Cultural Facilities Grant Progran	<u>n:</u>
8		\$300,000.00
9	(4) To the Department of Buildings and General Services	for the
10	Recreational Facilities Grant Program:	\$300,000.00
11	(5) To the Department of Buildings and General Services	for the Human
12	Services and Educational Facilities Competitive Grant Program:	\$300,000.00
13	(6) To the Department of Buildings and General Services	for the
14	Regional Economic Development Grant Program:	\$300,000.00
15	(7) To the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets for t	<u>he</u>
16	Agricultural Fairs and Field Days Capital Projects Competitive C	<u>Grant</u>
17	Program:	
18		\$300,000.00
19	(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2027 for the	Building
20	Communities Grants established in 24 V.S.A. chapter 137:	

1	(1) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Develop	pment,
2	Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Preservation	<u>Grant</u>
3	Program:	\$300,000.00
4	(2) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Develop	pment,
5	Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Barns Preservation	vation Grant
6	Program:	\$300,000.00
7	(3) To the Vermont Council on the Arts for the Cultural F	acilities Grant
8	Program, the sum of which may be used to match funds that may	y be made
9	available from the National Endowment for the Arts, provided t	hat all capital
10	funds are made available to the Cultural Facilities Grant Program	<u>m:</u>
11		\$300,000.00
12	(4) To the Department of Buildings and General Services	for the
13	Recreational Facilities Grant Program:	\$300,000.00
14	(5) To the Department of Buildings and General Services	for the Human
15	Services and Educational Facilities Competitive Grant Program:	\$300,000.00
16	(6) To the Department of Buildings and General Services	for the
17	Regional Economic Development Grant Program:	\$300,000.00
18	(7) To the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets for t	<u>he</u>
19	Agricultural Fairs and Field Days Capital Projects Competitive	<u>Grant</u>
20	Program:	
21		\$300,000.00

1	(c) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the sums appropriated in
2	subdivisions (a)(5) and (b)(5) of this section be equally allocated between
3	grants for human services and grants for educational facilities.
4	<u>Appropriation – FY 2026</u> \$2,100,000.00
5	<u>Appropriation – FY 2027</u> <u>\$2,100,000.00</u>
6	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 5</u> <u>\$4,200,000.00</u>
7	Sec. 6. VETERANS' HOME
8	(a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2026 to the Vermont
9	Veterans' Home for the following projects:
10	(1) Replacement of air handlers: \$710,000.00
11	(2) Expansion of laundry facilities: \$340,000.00
12	(b) The Chief Executive Officer of the Vermont Veterans' Home is
13	authorized to transfer any unexpended project balances between the amounts
14	appropriated in subdivisions (a)(1)–(2) of this section.
15	<u>Appropriation – FY 2026</u> \$1,050,000.00
16	Total Appropriation – Section 6 \$1,050,000.00
17	Sec. 7. UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT
18	(a) The sum of \$1,500,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2026 to the University
19	of Vermont for construction, renovations, and major maintenance.
20	(b) The sum of \$1,500,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2027 to the University
21	of Vermont for the projects described in subsection (a) of this section.

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1	<u>Appropriation – FY 2026</u>	\$1,500,000.00
2	Appropriation – FY 2027	\$1,500,000.00
3	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 7</u>	\$3,000,000.00
4	Sec. 8. VERMONT STATE COLLEGES	
5	(a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2026 to the	ne Vermont State
6	Colleges for the following projects:	
7	(1) Statewide, construction, renovations, and major m	aintenance:
8		\$1,500,000.00
9	(2) Johnson, the central heating plant replacement:	\$1,500,000.00
10	(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2027 to the	ne Vermont State
11	Colleges for the following projects:	
12	(1) Statewide, construction, renovations, and major m	aintenance:
13		\$1,500,000.00
14	(2) Johnson, central heating plant replacement:	\$3,500,000.00
15	(c) For the amounts appropriated in subdivisions (a)(2) a	nd (b)(2) of this
16	section, the Vermont State Colleges shall work with Efficient	cy Vermont to
17	develop a central heating plant replacement.	
18	Appropriation – FY 2026	\$3,000,000.00
19	Appropriation – FY 2027	\$5,000,000.00
20	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 8</u>	\$8,000,000.00

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1	Sec. 9. NATURAL RESOURCES
2	(a) The sum of \$500,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2026 to the Agency of
3	Natural Resources for the Department of Environmental Conservation for dam
4	safety and hydrology projects.
5	(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2026 to the Agency of
6	Natural Resources for the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for the
7	following projects:
8	(1) Park infrastructure and rehabilitation, improvement, and three-acre
9	<u>rule compliance:</u> \$3,500,000.00
10	(2) Public lands access infrastructure: \$700,000.00
11	(c) The sum of \$1,105,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2026 to the Agency of
12	Natural Resources for the Department of Fish and Wildlife for major
13	maintenance and infrastructure projects.
14	(d) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2027 to the Agency of
15	Natural Resources for the Department of Environmental Conservation for the
16	following projects:
17	(1) State match, drinking water supply, Drinking Water State Revolving
18	<u>Fund:</u> \$590,000.00

(2) Dam safety and hydrology projects:

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1	(e) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2027 to the Agency of
2	Natural Resources for the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for the
3	following projects:
4	(1) Park infrastructure and rehabilitation, improvement, and three-acre
5	<u>rule compliance:</u> \$2,500,000.00
6	(2) Public lands access infrastructure: \$700,000.00
7	(f) The sum of \$1,029,360.00 is appropriated in FY 2027 to the Agency of
8	Natural Resources for the Department of Fish and Wildlife for major
9	maintenance and infrastructure projects.
10	<u>Appropriation – FY 2026</u> \$5,805,000.00
11	<u>Appropriation – FY 2027</u> \$5,319,360.00
12	Total Appropriation – Section 9 \$11,124,360.00
13	Sec. 10. CLEAN WATER INITIATIVES
14	(a) The sum of \$3,000,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2026 to the Agency of
15	Agriculture, Food and Markets for water quality grants and contracts.
16	(b) The sum of \$4,000,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2026 to the Agency of
17	Natural Resources for the Department of Environmental Conservation for
18	municipal pollution control grants.
19	(c) The sum of \$200,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2026 to the Agency of
20	Natural Resources for the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for
21	water quality improvements to forest access roads.

1	(d)(1) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2026 to the Vermont		
2	Housing and Conservation Board for the following projects:		
3	(A) Agricultural water quality projects: \$800,000.00		
4	(B) Land conservation and water quality projects: \$2,000,000.00		
5	(2) A grant issued under subdivision (1)(A) of this subsection:		
6	(A) shall not be considered a State grant under 6 V.S.A. chapter 215		
7	subchapter 3 for purposes of calculating the maximum amount of a State water		
8	quality assistance award under 6 V.S.A. § 4824 or 4826; and		
9	(B) may be used to satisfy a grant recipient's cost-share		
10	requirements.		
11	(e) The sum of \$10,000,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2027 to the Agency		
12	of Natural Resources for the Department of Environmental Conservation for		
13	clean water implementation projects.		
14	(f) In FY 2026 and FY 2027, any agency that receives funding from this		
15	section shall consult with the State Treasurer to ensure that the projects are		
16	capital eligible.		
17	<u>Appropriation – FY 2026</u> \$10,000,000.00		
18	<u>Appropriation – FY 2027</u> \$10,000,000.00		
19	Total Appropriation – Section 10 \$20,000,000.00		

1	Sec. 11. MILITARY
2	(a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2026 to the Military
3	Department for the following projects:
4	(1) Major maintenance, renovations, and ADA compliance at State
5	<u>armories:</u> \$1,272,838.00
6	(2) Northwest Regional Readiness Center, planning and design:
7	<u>\$1,343,333.00</u>
8	(b) The sum of \$1,310,167.00 is appropriated in FY 2027 to the Military
9	Department for major maintenance, renovations, and ADA compliance at State
10	armories.
11	<u>Appropriation – FY 2026</u> \$2,616,171.00
12	<u>Appropriation – FY 2027</u> \$1,310,167.00
13	Total Appropriation – Section 11 \$3,926,338.00
14	Sec. 12. AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND MARKETS
15	(a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2026 to the Department of
16	Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Agriculture, Food and
17	Markets for the following projects:
18	(1) Renovations to the Vermont Building at the Eastern States
19	Exposition: \$1,500,000.00

1	(2) Upgrades to the heat systems serving the Vermont S	State University
2	Randolph Campus and the Vermont Agricultural and Environ	mental
3	<u>Laboratory:</u>	\$3,500,000.00
4	(b) The sum of \$1,500,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2027	to the
5	Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency	of Agriculture,
6	Food and Markets for renovations to the Vermont Building at	the Eastern
7	States Exposition.	
8	(c) For the amount appropriated in subdivision (a)(2) of the	is section, the
9	Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall negotia	ate the
10	maintenance of propane summer boilers and update the memorandum of	
11	understanding with Vermont State University. The Commissioner of Buildings	
12	and General Services is additionally authorized to transfer any unexpended	
13	project balances between the amount appropriated in subdivis	ion (a)(2) of this
14	section and the amounts appropriated in 2023 Acts and Resolv	ves No. 69, Sec.
15	12(b)(1) (Vermont Agriculture and Environmental Laboratory	Heat Plant,
16	construction).	
17	<u>Appropriation – FY 2026</u>	\$5,000,000.00
18	Appropriation – FY 2027	\$1,500,000.00
19	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 12</u>	\$6,500,000.00

1	Sec. 13. PUBLIC SAFETY
2	(a) The sum of \$2,000,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2026 to the
3	Department of Buildings and General Services for the Department of Public
4	Safety for Rutland Field Station.
5	(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2027 to the Department of
6	Buildings and General Services for the Department of Public Safety for the
7	following projects:
8	(1) Shaftsbury Field Station, land acquisition, planning, and design:
9	<u>\$150,000.00</u>
10	(2) Rutland Field Station: \$2,000,000.00
11	<u>Appropriation – FY 2026</u> \$2,000,000.00
12	<u>Appropriation – FY 2027</u> <u>\$2,150,000.00</u>
13	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 13</u> <u>\$4,150,000.00</u>
14	Sec. 14. JUDICIARY
15	The following sums are appropriated in FY 2026 to the Judiciary for the
16	following projects:
17	(1) Woodstock Courthouse, purchase and installation of backup power
18	<u>system:</u> \$100,000.00
19	(2) Essex County Courthouse connector and security upgrades:
20	\$3,685,910.00

1	(3) Lamoille County Courthouse, purchase and ins	stallation of backup
2	power system:	\$190,000.00
3	Appropriation – FY 2026	\$3,975,910.00
4	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 14</u>	\$3,975,910.00
5	Sec. 15. VERMONT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION	
6	(a) The sum of \$125,000.00 is appropriated in FY 20	26 to the Department
7	of Public Safety for the Vermont Rural Fire Protection T	ask Force for the dry
8	hydrant program.	
9	(b) The sum of \$125,000.00 is appropriated in FY 20	27 to the Department
10	of Public Safety for the Vermont Rural Fire Protection T	ask Force for the
11	project described in subsection (a) of this section.	
12	Appropriation – FY 2026	\$125,000.00
13	Appropriation – FY 2027	\$125,000.00
14	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 15</u>	\$250,000.00
15	Sec. 16. VERMONT HISTORICAL SOCIETY	
16	The sum of \$700,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2026 t	o the Vermont
17	Historical Society to mitigate water infiltration at the roo	of, foundation, and
18	basement of the Spaulding Building in Barre.	
19	Appropriation – FY 2026	\$700,000.00
20	<u>Total Appropriation – Section 16</u>	<u>\$700,000.00</u>

1	* * * Funding * * *
2	Sec. 17. REALLOCATION OF FUNDS; TRANSFER OF FUNDS
3	(a) The following sums are reallocated to the Department of Buildings
4	and General Services from prior capital appropriations to defray expenditures
5	authorized in Secs. 2–16 of this act:
6	(1) of the amount appropriated in 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42, Sec
7	2(c)(5), as amended by 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 139, Sec. 1 (108 Cherry
8	Street, parking garage repairs): \$399,803.36
9	(2) of the amount appropriated in 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec
10	2(c)(18), as amended by 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 180, Sec. 2 (108
11	Cherry Street, parking garage repairs): \$37,519.86
12	(3) of the amount appropriated in 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42, Sec
13	13(a), as amended by 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 139, Sec. 9 (Middlesex
14	Field Station): \$371.89
15	(4) of the amount appropriated in 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec
16	12(a)(2) (Middlesex Field Station): \$18,309.45
17	(5) of the amount appropriated in 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec
18	12(c), as amended by 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 180, Sec. 10, as further
19	amended by 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 35 (Williston Public Safety
20	Field Station): \$2,220,099.10

1	(6) of the amount appropriated in 2023 Acts and Resolv	<u>es No. 69, Sec.</u>
2	2(b)(3) (statewide, planning, reuse, and contingency):	\$425,000.00
3	(7) of the amount appropriated in 2023 Acts and Resolv	es No. 69, Sec.
4	2(c)(7) (Northern State Correctional Facility, planning and con	astruction for
5	the boiler replacement):	\$1,000,000.00
6	(8) of the amount appropriated in 2023 Acts and Resolv	es No. 69, Sec.
7	3(b)(5), as added by 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 162, Sec. 3 (South .
8	Burlington, justice-involved men, feasibility study for reentry	facility):
9		\$125,000.00
10	(9) of the amounts appropriated in 2015 Acts and Resolv	ves No. 26,
11	Sec. 2(b) (various projects):	\$58,279.44
12	(10) of the amounts appropriated in 2017 Acts and Reso	olves No. 84,
13	Sec. 2(b) (various projects):	\$23,237.47
14	(11) of the amounts appropriated in 2019 Acts and Reso	lves No. 42,
15	Sec. 2(b) (various projects):	\$73,784.44
16	(b) The following sums appropriated to the Agency of Con	nmerce and
17	Community Development from prior capital appropriations are	e reallocated to
18	defray expenditures authorized in Secs. 2–16 of this act:	
19	(1) of the amount appropriated in 2019 Acts and Resolv	es No. 42, Sec.
20	5(c)(3), as amended by 2020 Acts & Resolves No. 139, Sec. 3	(Highgate
21	Native American Cemetery):	\$12,042.00

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1	(2) of the amount appropriated in 2017 Acts &	Resolves No. 84 Sec.

1	(2) of the amount appropriated in 2017 Acts & Resolves No. 64, 50	<u>c.</u>
2	11(m), as added by 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 190, Sec. 8 (Downtown	
3	<u>Transportation Fund pilot project):</u> \$67,000	.00
4	(c) The following sums appropriated to the Agency of Transportation	
5	from prior capital appropriations are reallocated to defray expenditures	
6	authorized in Secs. 2–16 of this act:	
7	(1) of the amount appropriated in 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 139,	
8	Sec. 12(b)(1) (Lamoille Valley Rail Trail): \$112	.31
9	(2) of the amount appropriated in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, S	Sec.
10	11(c) (Municipal Mitigation Program): \$19,342	.69
11	(3) of the amount appropriated in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, S	Sec.
12	11(1)(2), as added by 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 190, Sec. 8 (Better Road	<u>1s</u>
13	Grant Program): \$41,238	.46
14	(d) Of the amount appropriated to the Department of Buildings and	
15	General Services in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 2(b)(4)	
16	(Bennington, Battle Monument, construction of safety fencing), \$419,000.	00
17	is reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in Sec. 4 of this act.	
18	(e) Of the amount appropriated to the Agency of Agriculture, Food and	<u>1</u>
19	Markets in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec. 11(e)(1)(B), as added by	
20	2018 Acts and Resolves No. 190, Sec. 8 (phosphorus removal equipment),	<u>.</u>

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1	\$115,000.00 is reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in Secs. 2–16 of
2	this act.
3	(f) Of the amount appropriated to the Agency of Education in 2021 Acts
4	and Resolves No. 50, Sec. 6(a) (funding emergency projects), \$19,549.00 is
5	reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in Secs. 2–16 of this act.
6	(g) Of the amount appropriated to the Agency of Natural Resources for
7	the Department of Environmental Conservation in 2017 Acts and Resolves
8	No. 84, Sec. 11(b)(2) (ecosystem restoration and protection), \$249.01 is
9	reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in Secs. 2–16 of this act.
10	(h) Of the amount appropriated from the Capital Infrastructure
11	subaccount of the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments to the
12	Vermont Veterans' Home in 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec.
13	B.1103(a)(7) and authorized in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 18(d)(7)
14	(design for the renovation of the Brandon and Cardinal units), \$1,500,000.00
15	is reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in Sec. 19 of this act.
16	(i) Of the amount appropriated from the Capital Infrastructure subaccount
17	of the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments to the Department of
18	Buildings and General Services in 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec.
19	B.1103(a)(9) and authorized in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec.
20	18(d)(10) (111 State Street; renovation of the stack area), \$200,000.00 is
21	reallocated to defray expenditures authorized in Sec. 19 of this act.

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1	(j) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 701a(c)(2), the Department of Buildings
2	and General Services may retain for the same purposes the unexpended
3	amounts not reallocated in this act that were appropriated in the following
4	capital construction acts:
5	(1) 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec. 13(b)(2), as added by 2018
6	Acts and Resolves No. 190, Sec. 10 (East Cottage); and
7	(2) 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42, Sec. 2(b) (various projects).
8	(k) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 701a(c)(2), the Agency of Agriculture,
9	Food and Markets may retain for the same purposes the unexpended amount
10	not reallocated in this act appropriated in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84,
11	Sec. 11(e)(1)(B), as added by 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 190, Sec. 8
12	(phosphorus removal equipment).
13	(l) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 701a(c)(2), the Department of
14	Environmental Conservation may retain for the same purposes the
15	unexpended amounts not reallocated in this act that were appropriated in the
16	following capital construction acts:
17	(1) 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec. 11(f)(2)(A), as added by
18	2018 Acts and Resolves No. 190, Sec. 8 (Standard EcoSystem Restoration
19	and Protection programs);
20	(2) 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42, Sec. 11(b) (pollution control); and

1	(3) 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 42, Sec. 10(a)(2) (dam safety and	
2	hydrology projects).	
3	(m) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 701a(c)(2), the Agency of	
4	Transportation may retain for the same purposes the unexpended amounts	not
5	reallocated in this act that were appropriated in the following capital	
6	construction acts:	
7	(1) 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec. 11(c) (Municipal Mitigation	<u>n</u>
8	Program); and	
9	(2) 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 84, Sec. 11(1), as added by 2018 Ac	<u>:ts</u>
10	and Resolves No. 190, Sec. 8 (Municipal Mitigation Program).	
11	Bonded Dollars \$5,074,938	.48
12	<u>Cash</u> \$1,700,000	.00
13	Total Reallocations and Transfers – Section 17 \$6,774,938	.48
14	Sec. 18. GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND APPROPRIATIONS	
15	(a) The State Treasurer is authorized to issue general obligation bonds	<u>in</u>
16	the amount of \$100,000,000.00 for the purpose of funding the appropriation	ns
17	made in Secs. 2–16 of this act. The State Treasurer, with the approval of the	<u>he</u>
18	Governor, shall determine the appropriate form and maturity of the bonds	
19	authorized by this section consistent with the underlying nature of the	
20	appropriation to be funded.	

1	(b) The State Treasurer is authorized to issue additional general obligation
2	bonds in the amount of \$6,890,350.00 that were previously appropriated but
3	unissued under 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, as amended by 2024 Acts and
4	Resolves No. 162, for the purpose of funding the appropriations in this act.
5	<u>Total Revenues – Section 18</u> <u>\$106,890,350.0</u> 0
6	Sec. 19. FY 2026 AND 2027; CAPITAL PROJECTS; FY 2026
7	APPROPRIATIONS ACT; INTENT; AUTHORIZATIONS
8	(a) Findings. The General Assembly finds that in addition to the issuance
9	of general obligation bonds, eligible capital projects may be funded from the
10	Fund established in 32 V.S.A. § 1001b.
11	(b) Intent. It is the intent of the General Assembly to authorize certain
12	capital projects eligible for funding by 32 V.S.A. § 1001b in this act but
13	appropriate the funds for these projects in the FY 2026 Appropriations Act. It
14	is also the intent of the General Assembly that the FY 2026 Appropriations
15	Act appropriate funds to the Fund established in 32 V.S.A. § 1001b for
16	projects in FY 2027.
17	(c) Authorizations; Capital Infrastructure subaccount. In FY 2026,
18	spending authority for the following capital projects from the Capital
19	Infrastructure subaccount of the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential
20	Investments are authorized as follows:

1	(1) to the Department of Buildings and General Services	for statewide
2	major maintenance:	\$861,599.00
3	(2) to the Department of Buildings and General Services	for statewide
4	planning, reuse, and contingency:	\$250,000.00
5	(3) to the Department of Buildings and General Services	for statewide
6	physical security enhancements:	\$250,000.00
7	(4) to the Department of Buildings and General Services	for State
8	House repointing:	\$219,500.00
9	(5) to the Department of Buildings and General Services	for an
10	uninterruptable power supply system for the Middlesex print ar	nd postal
11	facility:	\$250,000.00
12	(6) to the Department of Buildings and General Services	for the
13	Judiciary for renovations at the Windsor County Courthouse in	White River
14	Junction:	\$8,000,000.00
15	(7) to the Vermont Veterans' Home for the design and co	onstruction of
16	the American unit:	\$1,500,000.00
17	(d) Authorizations; Other Infrastructure, Essential Investme	ents, and
18	Reserves subaccount. In FY 2026, spending authority is author	rized from the
19	Other Infrastructure, Essential Investments, and Reserves subac	ecount of the
20	Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments to the Agency	of Natural
21	Resources for the Department of Environmental Conservation	for the State

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1	match to the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Drinking Water State
2	Revolving Fund and Clean Water State Revolving Fund, in accordance with
3	the provisions of 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. C.108(b), in the amount
4	of \$14,500,000.00.
5	(e) Transfer. Notwithstanding 29 V.S.A. § 152(a)(20), the Commissioner
6	of Buildings and General Services is authorized to transfer any unexpended
7	project balances between the amount appropriated in subdivision (c)(7) of this
8	section and the amounts appropriated in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec.
9	15(b)(1) (emergency generator and boiler plant replacement).
10	* * * Policy * * *
11	* * * Capital Budgeting Process* * *
12	Sec. 20. 32 V.S.A. § 701a is amended to read:
13	§ 701a. CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION BILL
14	* * *
15	(d)(1) On or before November 15 each year, the Commissioner of Finance
16	and Management shall require each entity to which spending authority has
17	been authorized by a capital construction act enacted in a legislative session
18	that was two or more years prior to the current legislative session to submit a

report on the current fund balances of each authorized project with

unexpended funds. The report shall include plans for the unexpended funds,

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1	any projects or contracts the funds are assigned to, and an anticipated timeline
2	for expending the funds.
3	(2) On or before December 15 each year the third Tuesday of every
4	annual session, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall submit in
5	a consolidated format the reports required by subdivision (1) of this subsection
6	to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate
7	Committee on Institutions.
8	* * *
9	Sec. 21. 32 V.S.A. § 310 is amended to read:
10	§ 310. FORM OF ANNUAL CAPITAL BUDGET AND 10-YEAR
11	CAPITAL PROGRAM PLAN
12	* * *
13	(b) The capital budget request for the following biennium shall be
14	presented as the next increment of the 10-year plan. Elements of the plan shall
15	include:
16	* * *
17	(2) Comprehensive cost and financing assessment.
18	(A) Amounts appropriated and expended for the current fiscal year
19	and for the preceding fiscal year shall be indicated for capital programs and for
20	individual projects. For the five fiscal years preceding these, the assessment

shall include the aggregate amounts appropriated and expended for individual

1	projects, which amounts shall be categorized by funding type and presented in
2	a format that concisely displays the funding stream and project phases for each
3	individual project over time. The assessment shall indicate further the source
4	of funds for any project that required additional funding and a description of
5	any authorized projects that were delayed.
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7	Sec. 22. 32 V.S.A. § 1001b is amended to read:
8	§ 1001b. CASH FUND FOR CAPITAL AND ESSENTIAL INVESTMENTS
9	* * *
10	(e) Spending authority. Any entity authorized to make expenditures from
11	the Capital Infrastructure subaccount shall have not more than two three years
12	from the end of the legislative session in which the act authorizing the
13	expenditure was enacted to encumber the funds. Any remaining
14	unencumbered funds shall remain part of the Fund account.
15	* * * Buildings and General Services * * *
16	Sec. 23. TRANSFER OF RANDALL MEADOW PROPERTY IN THE
17	TOWN OF WATERBURY
18	Notwithstanding 29 V.S.A. § 166(b), the Commissioner of Buildings and
19	General Services is authorized to survey, subdivide, and transfer to the Town
20	of Waterbury the portion of land in the Waterbury State Office Complex
21	(Parcel ID # 69622111909 as designated on the Town of Waterbury's Tax

1	Parcel Maps) that is commonly referred to as the "Randall Meadow," provided
2	that the Commissioner may transfer the Randall Meadow property only once:
3	(1) the parcel has been subdivided to reflect stormwater management
4	needs of the Waterbury State Office Complex to the satisfaction of the
5	Commissioner;
6	(2) any permits required for transfer have been obtained; and
7	(3) the Commissioner and the Town of Waterbury have created a plan to
8	align the transfer with the current lease for the parcel.
9	Sec. 24. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 162, Sec. 27 is amended to read:
10	Sec. 27. CAPITOL COMPLEX FLOOD RECOVERY; SPECIAL
11	COMMITTEE
12	* * *
13	(c) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall provide
14	quarterly updates to the Special Committee on the planning process for Capito
15	Complex flood recovery and shall provide timely notification to the City of
16	Montpelier and the Montpelier Commission for Recovery and Resilience of
17	alterations to proposals and plans for Capitol Complex flood recovery.
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1	* * * Human Services * * *
2	Sec. 25. REPEAL
3	2024 Acts and Resolves No. 162, Sec. 31 (potential reuse of Chittenden
4	Regional Correctional Facility Site; feasibility; report) is repealed.
5	* * * Vermont Veterans' Home * * *
6	Sec. 26. USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS; EMERGENCY GENERATOR AND
7	BOILER REPLACEMENT; ELEVATOR UPGRADE
8	If the Commissioner of Finance and Management offsets any capital funds
9	appropriated in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 15 (b)(1)-(2) (emergency
10	generator and boiler plant replacement; elevator upgrade) with federal funds,
11	then any offset amounts shall be reused for future capital construction projects
12	as part of the capital budget process.
13	* * * Sergeant at Arms * * *
14	Sec. 27. 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 15b, as added by 2024 Acts and
15	Resolves No. 162, Sec. 8, is amended to read:
16	Sec. 15b. SERGEANT AT ARMS
17	The sum of \$100,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2025 to the Sergeant at
18	Arms for the <u>following projects:</u>
19	(1) the replacement of State House cafeteria furnishings; and
20	(2) the purchase and installation at the State House of an X-ray machine
21	designed to screen baggage.

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- 2 Sec. 28. EFFECTIVE DATE
- This act shall take effect on passage.