

1 H.951

2 Introduced by Committee on Appropriations

3 Date:

4 Subject: Appropriations; Big Bill; fiscal year 2027 budget

5 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to make  
6 appropriations in support of government for fiscal year 2027.

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

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

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

10 Sec. A.100 SHORT TITLE

11 (a) This bill may be referred to as the “BIG BILL – Fiscal Year 2027  
12 Appropriations Act.”

13 Sec. A.101 PURPOSE

14 (a) The purpose of this act is to provide appropriations for the operations of  
15 State government during fiscal year 2027. It is the express intent of the  
16 General Assembly that activities of the various agencies, departments,  
17 divisions, boards, offices, and commissions be limited to those that can be  
18 supported by funds appropriated in this act or other acts passed prior to June  
19 30, 2026. Agency and department heads are directed to implement staffing

1 and service levels at the beginning of fiscal year 2027 so as to meet this  
2 condition unless otherwise directed by specific language in this act or other  
3 acts of the General Assembly.

4 Sec. A.102 APPROPRIATIONS

5 (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that this act serves as the  
6 primary source and reference for appropriations for the operations of State  
7 government in fiscal year 2027.

8 (b) The sums herein stated are appropriated for the purposes specified in  
9 the following sections of this act. When no time is expressly stated during  
10 which any of the operating appropriations are to continue, the appropriations  
11 are single-year appropriations and only for the purpose indicated and shall be  
12 paid from funds shown as the source of funds. If in this act there is an error in  
13 either addition or subtraction, the totals shall be adjusted accordingly.

14 Apparent errors in referring to section numbers of statutory titles within this  
15 act may be disregarded by the Commissioner of Finance and Management.

16 (c) Unless codified or otherwise specified, all narrative portions of this act  
17 apply only to the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2027.

18 Sec. A.103 DEFINITIONS

19 (a) As used in this act:

20 (1) “Encumbrances” means a portion of spending authority reserved for  
21 the subsequent payment of existing travel authorizations, purchase orders,

1 ~~grants, or contracts. The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall~~  
2 make final decisions on the appropriateness of encumbrances.

3 (2) "Grants" means subsidies, aid, or payments to local governments, to  
4 community and quasipublic 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 (3) "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 (4) "Personal services" means wages and salaries, fringe benefits, per  
13 diems, 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 appropriation  
20 shall control, notwithstanding receipts being greater or less than anticipated.

1 Sec. A.106. FEDERAL FUNDS

2 (a) In fiscal year 2027, 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 2027, federal funds available to the State and  
11 designated as federal in this and other acts of the 2026 session of the General  
12 Assembly are converted into block grants or are abolished under their current  
13 title in federal law and reestablished under a new title in federal law, the  
14 Governor may continue to accept such federal funds for any purpose consistent  
15 with the purposes for which the federal funds were appropriated. The  
16 Governor may spend such funds for such purposes for not more than 45 days  
17 prior to General Assembly or Joint Fiscal Committee approval. Notice shall  
18 be given to the Joint Fiscal Committee without delay if the Governor intends  
19 to use the authority granted by this section, and the Joint Fiscal Committee  
20 shall meet in an expedited manner to review the Governor's request for  
21 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 2027, except for new positions authorized by the General Assembly  
6 during the 2026 session. Limited service positions approved pursuant to  
7 32 V.S.A. § 5 shall not be subject to this restriction.

8 Sec. A.108. LEGEND

9 (a) This act is organized by functions of government. The sections  
10 between B.100 and B.9999 contain appropriations of funds for the upcoming  
11 budget year. The sections between E.100 and E.9999 contain language that  
12 relates to specific appropriations or government functions, or both. The  
13 function areas 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	<del>B.800–B.899 and E.800–E.899</del>	<del>Commerce and</del>
2		<del>Community Development</del>
3	<del>B.900–B.999 and E.900–E.999</del>	<del>Transportation</del>
4	<del>B.1000–B.1099 and E.1000–E.1099</del>	<del>Debt Service</del>
5	<del>B.1100–B.1199 and E.1100–E.1199</del>	<del>One-time and other</del>
6		<del>appropriation actions</del>

(b) The C sections contain any amendments to the current fiscal year; the D sections contain fund allocations, transfers, reversions, and reservations for the upcoming budget year; the F *sections contain the Pay Act; and the G section contains effective dates applicable to the act itself or specific sections within this act.*

7	* * * Fiscal Year 2027 Base Appropriations * * *	
8	Sec. B.100 Secretary of administration - secretary's office	
9	Personal services	2,506,216
10	Operating expenses	266,559
11	Grants	<u>125,000</u>
12	Total	2,897,775
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	1,861,224
15	<del>    Special funds</del>	<del>125,000</del>

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>911,551</u>
2	Total	2,897,775
3	Sec. B.100.1 Secretary of administration - office of racial equity	
4	Personal services	1,568,041
5	Operating expenses	<u>95,802</u>
6	Total	1,663,843
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	1,113,347
9	Internal service funds	<u>550,496</u>
10	Total	1,663,843
11	Sec. B.101 Secretary of administration - finance	
12	Personal services	1,557,057
13	Operating expenses	<u>185,178</u>
14	Total	1,742,235
15	Source of funds	
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,742,235</u>
17	Total	1,742,235
18	Sec. B.102 Secretary of administration - workers' compensation insurance	
19	Personal services	896,646
20	Operating expenses	<u>104,349</u>
21	Total	1,000,995

1	Source of funds	
2	Internal service funds	<u>1,000,995</u>
3	Total	1,000,995
4	Sec. B.103 Secretary of administration - general liability insurance	
5	Personal services	417,351
6	Operating expenses	<u>68,210</u>
7	Total	485,561
8	Source of funds	
9	Internal service funds	<u>485,561</u>
10	Total	485,561
11	Sec. B.104 Secretary of administration - all other insurance	
12	Personal services	301,453
13	Operating expenses	<u>57,383</u>
14	Total	358,836
15	Source of funds	
16	Internal service funds	<u>358,836</u>
17	Total	358,836
18	Sec. B.104.1 Retired state employees pension plus funding	
19	Grants	<u>15,000,000</u>
20	Total	15,000,000
21	Source of funds	

1	General fund	<u>15,000,000</u>
2	Total	15,000,000
3	Sec. B.105 Agency of digital services - communications and information	
4	technology	
5	Personal services	33,055,594
6	Operating expenses	<u>16,188,998</u>
7	Total	49,244,592
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	9,317,892
10	Special funds	1,031,998
11	Internal service funds	<u>38,894,702</u>
12	Total	49,244,592
13	Sec. B.105.1 Agency of digital services - demand driven services	
14	Personal services	32,005,770
15	Operating expenses	<u>15,300,212</u>
16	Total	47,305,982
17	Source of funds	
18	Internal service funds	<u>47,305,982</u>
19	Total	47,305,982

1	<del>Sec. B.106 Finance and management - budget and management</del>	
2	Personal services	1,726,678
3	Operating expenses	<u>376,867</u>
4	Total	2,103,545
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	1,320,303
7	Internal service funds	517,237
8	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>266,005</u>
9	Total	2,103,545
10	Sec. B.107 Finance and management - financial operations	
11	Personal services	3,263,811
12	Operating expenses	<u>835,537</u>
13	Total	4,099,348
14	Source of funds	
15	Internal service funds	3,880,186
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>219,162</u>
17	Total	4,099,348
18	Sec. B.108 Human resources - operations	
19	Personal services	12,618,652
20	Operating expenses	<u>1,683,153</u>
21	Total	14,301,805

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	2,009,464
3	Special funds	180,668
4	Internal service funds	11,149,163
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>962,510</u>
6	Total	14,301,805
7	Sec. B.108.1 Human resources - VTHR operations	
8	Personal services	2,495,563
9	Operating expenses	<u>989,816</u>
10	Total	3,485,379
11	Source of funds	
12	Internal service funds	3,335,155
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>150,224</u>
14	Total	3,485,379
15	Sec. B.109 Human resources - employee benefits & wellness	
16	Personal services	1,470,728
17	Operating expenses	<u>765,201</u>
18	Total	2,235,929
19	Source of funds	
20	Internal service funds	<u>2,235,929</u>
21	Total	2,235,929

1	<del>Sec. B.110 Libraries</del>	
2	<del>Personal services</del>	<del>3,142,573</del>
3	<del>Operating expenses</del>	<del>548,504</del>
4	<del>Grants</del>	<del><u>238,660</u></del>
5	<del>Total</del>	<del>3,929,737</del>
6	<del>Source of funds</del>	
7	<del>General fund</del>	<del>2,470,909</del>
8	<del>Special funds</del>	<del>87,178</del>
9	<del>Federal funds</del>	<del>1,241,835</del>
10	<del>Interdepartmental transfers</del>	<del><u>129,815</u></del>
11	<del>Total</del>	<del>3,929,737</del>
12	Sec. B.111 Tax - administration/collection	
13	Personal services	30,878,080
14	Operating expenses	<u>7,323,104</u>
15	Total	38,201,184
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	25,818,400
18	Special funds	12,332,784
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>50,000</u>
20	Total	38,201,184

1	<del>Sec. B.112 Buildings and general services - administration</del>	
2	Personal services	1,090,871
3	Operating expenses	<u>228,872</u>
4	Total	1,319,743
5	Source of funds	
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,319,743</u>
7	Total	1,319,743
8	Sec. B.113 Buildings and general services - engineering	
9	Personal services	102,231
10	Operating expenses	<u>1,114,195</u>
11	Total	1,216,426
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	<u>1,216,426</u>
14	Total	1,216,426
15	Sec. B.113.1 Buildings and general services engineering - capital projects	
16	Personal services	3,489,916
17	Operating expenses	<u>500,000</u>
18	Total	3,989,916
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	<u>3,551,480</u>

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>628,426</u>
2	Total	3,989,916
3	Sec. B.114 Buildings and general services - information centers	
4	Personal services	3,684,847
5	Operating expenses	<u>2,228,705</u>
6	Total	5,913,552
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	723,210
9	Transportation fund	4,710,621
10	Special funds	<u>479,721</u>
11	Total	5,913,552
12	Sec. B.115 Buildings and general services - purchasing	
13	Personal services	3,189,478
14	Operating expenses	<u>266,883</u>
15	Total	3,456,361
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	1,727,877
18	Internal service funds	1,386,959
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>341,525</u>
20	Total	3,456,361

1	<del>Sec. B.116 Buildings and general services - postal services</del>	
2	Personal services	892,320
3	Operating expenses	<u>173,126</u>
4	Total	1,065,446
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	96,479
7	Internal service funds	<u>968,967</u>
8	Total	1,065,446
9	Sec. B.117 Buildings and general services - copy center	
10	Personal services	992,680
11	Operating expenses	<u>217,022</u>
12	Total	1,209,702
13	Source of funds	
14	Internal service funds	<u>1,209,702</u>
15	Total	1,209,702
16	Sec. B.118 Buildings and general services - fleet management services	
17	Personal services	1,086,176
18	Operating expenses	<u>251,051</u>
19	Total	1,337,227
20	Source of funds	
21	<del>        Internal service funds</del>	<del>1,238,057</del>

1	<del>Interdepartmental transfers</del>	<del><u>90,170</u></del>
2	Total	1,337,227
3	Sec. B.119 Buildings and general services - federal surplus property	
4	Operating expenses	<u>4,427</u>
5	Total	4,427
6	Source of funds	
7	Enterprise funds	<u>4,427</u>
8	Total	4,427
9	Sec. B.120 Buildings and general services - state surplus property	
10	Personal services	389,970
11	Operating expenses	<u>167,097</u>
12	Total	557,067
13	Source of funds	
14	Internal service funds	<u>557,067</u>
15	Total	557,067
16	Sec. B.121 Buildings and general services - property management	
17	Personal services	1,250,068
18	Operating expenses	<u>722,602</u>
19	Total	1,972,670
20	Source of funds	
21	<del>Internal service funds</del>	<del>1,830,898</del>

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>141,772</u>
2	Total	1,972,670
3	Sec. B.122 Buildings and general services - fee for space	
4	Personal services	23,787,396
5	Operating expenses	<u>17,757,907</u>
6	Total	41,545,303
7	Source of funds	
8	Internal service funds	<u>41,545,303</u>
9	Total	41,545,303
10	Sec. B.124 Executive office - governor's office	
11	Personal services	2,087,428
12	Operating expenses	<u>571,877</u>
13	Total	2,659,305
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	2,086,338
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>572,967</u>
17	Total	2,659,305
18	Sec. B.125 Legislative counsel	
19	Personal services	5,562,384
20	Operating expenses	<u>305,246</u>
21	Total	5,867,630

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	<u>5,867,630</u>
3	Total	5,867,630
4	Sec. B.126 Legislature	
5	Personal services	6,319,895
6	Operating expenses	<u>5,653,460</u>
7	Total	11,973,355
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	<u>11,973,355</u>
10	Total	11,973,355
11	Sec. B.126.1 Legislative information technology	
12	Personal services	1,589,468
13	Operating expenses	<u>940,400</u>
14	Total	2,529,868
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	<u>2,529,868</u>
17	Total	2,529,868
18	Sec. B.127 Joint fiscal committee	
19	Personal services	3,218,498
20	Operating expenses	<u>203,144</u>
21	Total	3,421,642

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	<u>3,421,642</u>
3	Total	3,421,642
4	Sec. B.128 Sergeant at arms	
5	Personal services	1,678,030
6	Operating expenses	<u>215,269</u>
7	Total	1,893,299
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	<u>1,893,299</u>
10	Total	1,893,299
11	Sec. B.129 Lieutenant governor	
12	Personal services	256,396
13	Operating expenses	<u>65,515</u>
14	Total	321,911
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	<u>321,911</u>
17	Total	321,911
18	Sec. B.130 Auditor of accounts	
19	Personal services	4,914,039
20	Operating expenses	<u>159,245</u>
21	Total	<u>5,073,284</u>

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	289,054
3	Special funds	53,145
4	Internal service funds	<u>4,731,085</u>
5	Total	5,073,284
6	Sec. B.131 State treasurer	
7	Personal services	7,318,266
8	Operating expenses	<u>378,493</u>
9	Total	7,696,759
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	2,744,590
12	Special funds	4,571,506
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>380,663</u>
14	Total	7,696,759
15	Sec. B.132 State treasurer - unclaimed property	
16	Personal services	980,240
17	Operating expenses	<u>669,064</u>
18	Total	1,649,304
19	Source of funds	
20	Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,649,304</u>
21	Total	1,649,304

1	<del>Sec. B.133 Vermont state retirement system</del>	
2	<del>Personal services</del>	<del>231,345</del>
3	<del>Operating expenses</del>	<del><u>3,422,827</u></del>
4	<del>Total</del>	<del>3,654,172</del>
5	<del>Source of funds</del>	
6	<del>Pension trust funds</del>	<del><u>3,654,172</u></del>
7	<del>Total</del>	<del>3,654,172</del>
8	Sec. B.134 Municipal employees' retirement system	
9	Personal services	234,016
10	Operating expenses	<u>1,940,794</u>
11	Total	2,174,810
12	Source of funds	
13	Pension trust funds	<u>2,174,810</u>
14	Total	2,174,810
15	Sec. B.134.1 Vermont pension investment commission	
16	Personal services	2,696,175
17	Operating expenses	<u>286,820</u>
18	Total	2,982,995
19	Source of funds	
20	Special funds	<u>2,982,995</u>
21	Total	2,982,995

1	<del>Sec. B.135 State labor relations board</del>	
2	<del>Personal services</del>	<del>435,622</del>
3	<del>Operating expenses</del>	<del><u>85,406</u></del>
4	<del>Total</del>	<del>521,028</del>
5	<del>Source of funds</del>	
6	<del>General fund</del>	<del>507,202</del>
7	<del>Special funds</del>	<del>11,038</del>
8	<del>Interdepartmental transfers</del>	<del><u>2,788</u></del>
9	<del>Total</del>	<del>521,028</del>
10	<del>Sec. B.136 VOSHA review board</del>	
11	<del>Personal services</del>	<del>114,314</del>
12	<del>Operating expenses</del>	<del><u>27,965</u></del>
13	<del>Total</del>	<del>142,279</del>
14	<del>Source of funds</del>	
15	<del>General fund</del>	<del>91,275</del>
16	<del>Interdepartmental transfers</del>	<del><u>51,004</u></del>
17	<del>Total</del>	<del>142,279</del>
18	<del>Sec. B.136.1 Ethics commission</del>	
19	<del>Personal services</del>	<del>364,306</del>
20	<del>Operating expenses</del>	<del><u>36,234</u></del>
21	<del>Total</del>	<del>400,540</del>

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	150,000
3	Internal service funds	<u>250,540</u>
4	Total	400,540
5	Sec. B.137 Homeowner rebate	
6	Grants	<u>17,500,000</u>
7	Total	17,500,000
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	<u>17,500,000</u>
10	Total	17,500,000
11	Sec. B.138 Renter rebate	
12	Grants	<u>11,500,000</u>
13	Total	11,500,000
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	<u>11,500,000</u>
16	Total	11,500,000
17	Sec. B.139 Tax department - reappraisal and listing payments	
18	Grants	<u>3,410,000</u>
19	Total	3,410,000
20	Source of funds	

1	Special funds	<u>3,410,000</u>
2	Total	3,410,000
3	Sec. B.140 Municipal current use	
4	Grants	<u>21,650,000</u>
5	Total	21,650,000
6	Source of funds	
7	General funds	<u>21,650,000</u>
8	Total	21,650,000
9	Sec. B.142 Payments in lieu of taxes	
10	Grants	<u>12,200,000</u>
11	Total	12,200,000
12	Source of funds	
13	Special funds	<u>12,200,000</u>
14	Total	12,200,000
15	Sec. B.144 Payments in lieu of taxes - correctional facilities	
16	Grants	<u>40,000</u>
17	Total	40,000
18	Source of funds	
19	Special funds	<u>40,000</u>
20	Total	40,000

1	<del>Sec. B.145 Total general government</del>	
2	<del>Source of funds</del>	
3	<del>General fund</del>	<del>148,553,175</del>
4	<del>Transportation fund</del>	<del>4,710,621</del>
5	<del>Special funds</del>	<del>37,506,033</del>
6	<del>Federal funds</del>	<del>1,241,835</del>
7	<del>Internal service funds</del>	<del>163,432,820</del>
8	<del>Interdepartmental transfers</del>	<del>7,979,570</del>
9	<del>Enterprise funds</del>	<del>4,427</del>
10	<del>Pension trust funds</del>	<del>5,828,982</del>
11	<del>Private purpose trust funds</del>	<del><u>1,649,304</u></del>
12	<del>Total</del>	<del>370,906,767</del>
13	<del>Sec. B.200 Attorney general</del>	
14	<del>Personal services</del>	<del>17,117,330</del>
15	<del>Operating expenses</del>	<del>2,045,972</del>
16	<del>Grants</del>	<del><u>20,000</u></del>
17	<del>Total</del>	<del>19,183,302</del>
18	<del>Source of funds</del>	
19	<del>General fund</del>	<del>8,947,036</del>
20	<del>Special funds</del>	<del>2,976,044</del>
21	<del>Tobacco fund</del>	<del>454,600</del>

1	Federal funds	<u>1,956,258</u>
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,869,304</u>
3	Total	19,183,302
4	Sec. B.201 Vermont court diversion	
5	Personal services	1,250
6	Grants	<u>5,012,871</u>
7	Total	5,014,121
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	4,756,124
10	Special funds	<u>257,997</u>
11	Total	5,014,121
12	Sec. B.202 Defender general - public defense	
13	Personal services	20,439,822
14	Operating expenses	<u>1,855,610</u>
15	Total	22,295,432
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	21,705,779
18	Special funds	<u>589,653</u>
19	Total	<u>22,295,432</u>

1	<del>Sec. B.203 Defender general assigned counsel</del>	
2	Personal services	8,277,975
3	Operating expenses	<u>64,500</u>
4	Total	8,342,475
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>8,342,475</u>
7	Total	8,342,475
8	Sec. B.204 Judiciary	
9	Personal services	67,064,550
10	Operating expenses	14,904,686
11	Grants	<u>121,030</u>
12	Total	82,090,266
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	76,291,361
15	Special funds	1,970,905
16	Federal funds	1,580,000
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,248,000</u>
18	Total	82,090,266
19	Sec. B.205 State's attorneys	
20	Personal services	19,840,652
21	<del>    Operating expenses</del>	<del><u>2,818,379</u></del>

1	Total	22,659,031
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	22,030,430
4	Federal funds	31,000
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>597,601</u>
6	Total	22,659,031
7	Sec. B.206 Special investigative unit	
8	Personal services	151,063
9	Operating expenses	34,335
10	Grants	<u>2,174,400</u>
11	Total	2,359,798
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	<u>2,359,798</u>
14	Total	2,359,798
15	Sec. B.206.1 Crime victims advocates	
16	Personal services	3,819,288
17	Operating expenses	<u>104,756</u>
18	Total	3,924,044
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	<u>3,924,044</u>
21	Total	3,924,044

1	<del>Sec. B.207 Sheriffs</del>	
2	<del>Personal services</del>	<del>6,808,212</del>
3	<del>Operating expenses</del>	<del><u>475,338</u></del>
4	<del>Total</del>	<del>7,283,550</del>
5	<del>Source of funds</del>	
6	<del>General fund</del>	<del><u>7,283,550</u></del>
7	<del>Total</del>	<del>7,283,550</del>
8	Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration	
9	Personal services	6,697,580
10	Operating expenses	6,307,218
11	Grants	<u>278,285</u>
12	Total	13,283,083
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	7,978,921
15	Special funds	162,545
16	Federal funds	1,108,908
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,032,709</u>
18	Total	13,283,083
19	Sec. B.209 Public safety - state police	
20	Personal services	85,401,432
21	<del>Operating expenses</del>	<del>21,768,293</del>

1	Grants	<u>5,105,175</u>
2	Total	112,274,900
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	92,333,444
5	Special funds	3,272,346
6	Federal funds	15,200,575
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,468,535</u>
8	Total	112,274,900
9	Sec. B.210 Public safety - criminal justice services	
10	Personal services	5,274,841
11	Operating expenses	2,267,161
12	Grants	<u>47,775</u>
13	Total	7,589,777
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	3,140,979
16	Special funds	3,502,099
17	Federal funds	<u>946,699</u>
18	Total	7,589,777
19	Sec. B.211 Public safety - emergency management	
20	Personal services	6,727,089
21	Operating expenses	<u>1,030,780</u>

1	Grants	<u>62,267,474</u>
2	Total	70,025,949
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	1,717,693
5	Special funds	710,000
6	Federal funds	67,578,256
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>20,000</u>
8	Total	70,025,949
9	Sec. B.212 Public safety - fire safety	
10	Personal services	10,703,913
11	Operating expenses	4,581,165
12	Grants	<u>55,000</u>
13	Total	15,340,078
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	2,339,163
16	Special funds	11,259,010
17	Federal funds	1,596,905
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>
19	Total	<u>15,340,078</u>

1	<del>Sec. B.213 Public safety - forensic laboratory</del>	
2	Personal services	4,643,753
3	Operating expenses	<u>1,465,076</u>
4	Total	6,108,829
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	4,435,869
7	Special funds	70,131
8	Federal funds	1,087,429
9	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>515,400</u>
10	Total	6,108,829
11	Sec. B.215 Military - administration	
12	Personal services	1,179,336
13	Operating expenses	916,266
14	Grants	<u>1,219,834</u>
15	Total	3,315,436
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	<u>3,315,436</u>
18	Total	3,315,436
19	Sec. B.216 Military - air service contract	
20	Personal services	12,390,019
21	<del>    Operating expenses</del>	<del><u>1,476,497</u></del>

1	Total	13,866,516
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	846,658
4	Federal funds	<u>13,019,858</u>
5	Total	13,866,516
6	Sec. B.217 Military - army service contract	
7	Personal services	45,572,956
8	Operating expenses	<u>8,116,785</u>
9	Total	53,689,741
10	Source of funds	
11	Federal funds	<u>53,689,741</u>
12	Total	53,689,741
13	Sec. B.218 Military - building maintenance	
14	Personal services	1,215,984
15	Operating expenses	<u>773,080</u>
16	Total	1,989,064
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	1,926,564
19	Special funds	<u>62,500</u>
20	Total	1,989,064

1	<del>Sec. B.210 Military veterans' affairs</del>	
2	Personal services	1,462,774
3	Operating expenses	189,912
4	Grants	<u>37,500</u>
5	Total	1,690,186
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	1,511,104
8	Special funds	52,149
9	Federal funds	<u>126,933</u>
10	Total	1,690,186
11	<del>Sec. B.220 Center for crime victim services</del>	
12	Personal services	2,391,977
13	Operating expenses	349,027
14	Grants	<u>8,450,425</u>
15	Total	11,191,429
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	1,662,398
18	Special funds	3,765,489
19	Federal funds	<u>5,763,542</u>
20	Total	11,191,429

1	<del>Sec. B.221 Criminal justice council</del>	
2	<del>Personal services</del>	<del>2,691,167</del>
3	<del>Operating expenses</del>	<del><u>1,987,866</u></del>
4	<del>Total</del>	<del>4,679,033</del>
5	<del>Source of funds</del>	
6	<del>General fund</del>	<del>4,331,708</del>
7	<del>Interdepartmental transfers</del>	<del><u>347,325</u></del>
8	<del>Total</del>	<del>4,679,033</del>
9	<del>Sec. B.222 Agriculture, food and markets - administration</del>	
10	<del>Personal services</del>	<del>3,724,816</del>
11	<del>Operating expenses</del>	<del><u>462,506</u></del>
12	<del>Total</del>	<del>4,187,322</del>
13	<del>Source of funds</del>	
14	<del>General fund</del>	<del>1,762,183</del>
15	<del>Special funds</del>	<del>1,919,780</del>
16	<del>Federal funds</del>	<del>497,859</del>
17	<del>Interdepartmental transfers</del>	<del><u>7,500</u></del>
18	<del>Total</del>	<del>4,187,322</del>
19	<del>Sec. B.223 Agriculture, food and markets - food safety and consumer</del>	
20	<del>protection</del>	

1	Personal services	<u>6,110,557</u>
2	Operating expenses	1,310,703
3	Grants	<u>2,780,000</u>
4	Total	10,201,260
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	4,235,750
7	Special funds	3,830,620
8	Federal funds	2,122,890
9	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>12,000</u>
10	Total	10,201,260
11	Sec. B.224 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural development	
12	Personal services	3,031,439
13	Operating expenses	720,667
14	Grants	<u>16,318,200</u>
15	Total	20,070,306
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	3,232,484
18	Special funds	683,149
19	Federal funds	16,103,955
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>50,718</u>
21	Total	20,070,306

1	<del>Sec. B.225. Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural resource management</del>	
2	<del>and environmental stewardship</del>	
3	<del>    Personal services</del>	<del>3,112,283</del>
4	<del>    Operating expenses</del>	<del>916,568</del>
5	<del>    Grants</del>	<del><u>555,000</u></del>
6	<del>    Total</del>	<del>4,583,851</del>
7	<del>Source of funds</del>	
8	<del>    General fund</del>	<del>808,770</del>
9	<del>    Special funds</del>	<del>2,977,583</del>
10	<del>    Federal funds</del>	<del>411,751</del>
11	<del>    Interdepartmental transfers</del>	<del><u>385,747</u></del>
12	<del>    Total</del>	<del>4,583,851</del>
13	<del>Sec. B.225.1 Agriculture, food and markets - Vermont agriculture and</del>	
14	<del>environmental lab</del>	
15	<del>    Personal services</del>	<del>2,118,554</del>
16	<del>    Operating expenses</del>	<del><u>1,425,694</u></del>
17	<del>    Total</del>	<del>3,544,248</del>
18	<del>Source of funds</del>	
19	<del>    General fund</del>	<del>1,657,022</del>
20	<del>    Special funds</del>	<del><u>1,799,985</u></del>

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>86,613</u>
2	Total	3,544,248
3	Sec. B.225.2 Agriculture, food and markets - clean water	
4	Personal services	4,302,930
5	Operating expenses	596,899
6	Grants	<u>13,704,381</u>
7	Total	18,604,210
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	2,040,981
10	Special funds	13,143,719
11	Federal funds	899,994
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,519,516</u>
13	Total	18,604,210
14	Sec. B.226 Financial regulation - administration	
15	Personal services	3,191,764
16	Operating expenses	119,849
17	Grants	<u>100,000</u>
18	Total	3,411,613
19	Source of funds	
20	Special funds	<u>3,411,613</u>
21	Total	3,411,613

1	<del>Sec. B.227 Financial regulation - banking</del>	
2	Personal services	2,626,530
3	Operating expenses	<u>489,061</u>
4	Total	3,115,591
5	Source of funds	
6	Special funds	<u>3,115,591</u>
7	Total	3,115,591
8	<del>Sec. B.228 Financial regulation - insurance</del>	
9	Personal services	6,081,320
10	Operating expenses	<u>726,826</u>
11	Total	6,808,146
12	Source of funds	
13	Special funds	<u>6,808,146</u>
14	Total	6,808,146
15	<del>Sec. B.229 Financial regulation - captive insurance</del>	
16	Personal services	5,852,030
17	Operating expenses	<u>485,166</u>
18	Total	6,337,196
19	Source of funds	
20	Special funds	<u>6,337,196</u>
21	Total	6,337,196

1	<del>Sec. B.230 Financial regulation - securities</del>	
2	Personal services	1,484,957
3	Operating expenses	<u>236,805</u>
4	Total	1,721,762
5	Source of funds	
6	Special funds	<u>1,721,762</u>
7	Total	1,721,762
8	<del>Sec. B.232 Secretary of state</del>	
9	Personal services	22,771,803
10	Operating expenses	3,553,687
11	Grants	<u>1,800,000</u>
12	Total	28,125,490
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	1,800,000
15	Special funds	21,682,168
16	Federal funds	<u>4,643,322</u>
17	Total	28,125,490
18	<del>Sec. B.233 Public service - regulation and energy</del>	
19	Personal services	13,710,252
20	Operating expenses	2,748,196
21	<del>    Grants</del>	<u><del>16,375,000</del></u>

1	Total	32,833,448
2	Source of funds	
3	Special funds	12,654,322
4	Federal funds	18,595,869
5	Interdepartmental transfers	1,568,571
6	Enterprise funds	<u>14,686</u>
7	Total	32,833,448
8	Sec. B.233.1 VT Community broadband board	
9	Personal services	2,453,429
10	Operating expenses	816,431
11	Grants	<u>43,000,000</u>
12	Total	46,269,860
13	Source of funds	
14	Special funds	882,735
15	ARPA Capital Projects Fund	338,017
16	Federal funds	<u>45,049,108</u>
17	Total	46,269,860
18	Sec. B.234 Public utility commission	
19	Personal services	4,685,041
20	Operating expenses	<u>604,301</u>
21	Total	5,289,342

1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	<u>5,289,342</u>
3	Total	5,289,342
4	Sec. B.235 Enhanced 9-1-1 board	
5	Personal services	4,854,520
6	Operating expenses	<u>704,797</u>
7	Total	5,559,317
8	Source of funds	
9	Special funds	<u>5,559,317</u>
10	Total	5,559,317
11	Sec. B.236 Human rights commission	
12	Personal services	1,352,987
13	Operating expenses	<u>178,128</u>
14	Total	1,531,115
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	<u>1,531,115</u>
17	Total	1,531,115
18	Sec. B.236.1 Liquor and lottery commission	
19	Personal services	11,295,690
20	Operating expenses	<u>5,914,352</u>
21	Total	17,210,042

1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	125,000
3	Tobacco fund	252,863
4	Interdepartmental transfers	70,000
5	Enterprise funds	<u>16,762,179</u>
6	Total	17,210,042
7	Sec. B.240 Cannabis control board	
8	Personal services	4,669,174
9	Operating expenses	2,456,952
10	Grants	<u>15,000</u>
11	Total	7,141,126
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	4,576,032
14	Special funds	<u>2,565,094</u>
15	Total	7,141,126
16	Sec. B.241 Total protection to persons and property	
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	302,825,471
19	Special funds	123,157,988
20	Tobacco fund	687,323
21	ARPA Capital Projects Fund	<u>338,017</u>

1	Federal funds	<u>252,110,852</u>
2	Interdepartmental transfers	18,844,569
3	Enterprise funds	<u>16,776,865</u>
4	Total	714,741,285
5	Sec. B.300 Human services - agency of human services - secretary's office	
6	Personal services	18,803,543
7	Operating expenses	8,491,902
8	Grants	<u>3,257,864</u>
9	Total	30,553,309
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	12,150,921
12	Special funds	135,517
13	Federal funds	15,052,120
14	Global Commitment fund	2,875,929
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>338,822</u>
16	Total	30,553,309
17	Sec. B.301 Secretary's office - global commitment	
18	Grants	<u>2,271,037,324</u>
19	Total	2,271,037,324
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	<u>742,999,100</u>

1	Special funds	31,874,504
2	Tobacco fund	21,049,373
3	State health care resources fund	31,074,772
4	Federal funds	1,438,853,614
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>5,185,895</u>
6	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,271,037,324</b>
	<i>Sec. B.301 Secretary's office - global commitment</i>	
	<i>Grants</i>	<u><i>2,271,638,242</i></u>
	<i>Total</i>	<i>2,271,638,242</i>
	<i>Source of funds</i>	
	<i>General fund</i>	<i>743,251,131</i>
	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>31,874,504</i>
	<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>21,049,373</i>
	<i>State health care resources fund</i>	<i>31,074,772</i>
	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,439,202,567</i>
	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u><i>5,185,895</i></u>
	<i>Total</i>	<i>2,271,638,242</i>
7	Sec. B.303 Developmental disabilities council	
8	Personal services	536,809
9	Operating expenses	91,194
10	<b>Grants</b>	<u><b>191,595</b></u>

1	Total	<u>819,598</u>
2	Source of funds	
3	Federal funds	<u>819,598</u>
4	Total	819,598
5	Sec. B.304 Human services board	
6	Personal services	837,298
7	Operating expenses	<u>103,145</u>
8	Total	940,443
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	550,413
11	Federal funds	<u>390,030</u>
12	Total	940,443
13	Sec. B.305 AHS - administrative fund	
14	Personal services	330,000
15	Operating expenses	<u>13,170,000</u>
16	Total	13,500,000
17	Source of funds	
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>13,500,000</u>
19	Total	<u>13,500,000</u>

1	<del>Sec. B.306 Department of Vermont health access - administration</del>	
2	Personal services	147,234,611
3	Operating expenses	47,892,588
4	Grants	<u>3,112,301</u>
5	Total	198,239,500
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	43,531,984
8	Special funds	11,408,238
9	Federal funds	135,473,624
10	Global Commitment fund	4,814,385
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>3,011,269</u>
12	Total	198,239,500
13	Sec. B.307 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - global	
14	commitment	
15	Grants	<u>1,017,791,468</u>
16	Total	1,017,791,468
17	Source of funds	
18	Global Commitment fund	<u>1,017,791,468</u>
19	Total	<u>1,017,791,468</u>

1	<del>Sec. B.309 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - state</del>	
2	<del>only</del>	
3	Grants	<u>88,219,396</u>
4	Total	88,219,396
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	62,723,167
7	Special funds	20,025,000
8	Global Commitment fund	<u>5,471,229</u>
9	Total	88,219,396
10	Sec. B.310 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid non-waiver	
11	matched	
12	Grants	<u>53,713,422</u>
13	Total	53,713,422
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	13,976,890
16	Federal funds	<u>39,736,532</u>
17	Total	53,713,422
18	<del>Sec. B.311 Health administration and support</del>	
19	Personal services	9,530,484
20	Operating expenses	9,699,506
21	<del>Grants</del>	<u>251,985</u>

1	Total	19,481,755
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	4,240,769
4	Special funds	1,584,462
5	Tobacco fund	70,101
6	Federal funds	9,440,311
7	Global Commitment fund	4,018,122
8	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>127,990</u>
9	Total	19,481,755

*Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>9,530,484</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>9,699,306</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>600,918</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>19,830,708</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,988,804</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>1,584,462</i>
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>70,101</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>9,440,311</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>4,019,040</i>

	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>127,000</u>
	<i>Total</i>	<i>19,830,708</i>
1	Sec. B.312 Health - public health	
2	Personal services	74,383,408
3	Operating expenses	9,332,917
4	Grants	<u>49,114,834</u>
5	Total	132,831,159
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	16,592,106
8	Special funds	28,928,042
9	Tobacco fund	1,022,514
10	Federal funds	64,633,236
11	Global Commitment fund	19,079,292
12	Interdepartmental transfers	2,550,969
13	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
14	Total	132,831,159
15	Sec. B.313 Health - substance use programs	
16	Personal services	6,228,331
17	Operating expenses	1,597,360
18	Grants	<u>62,950,881</u>
19	Total	<u>70,776,572</u>

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	4,597,402
3	Special funds	11,594,473
4	Tobacco fund	949,917
5	Federal funds	16,490,182
6	Global Commitment fund	<u>37,144,598</u>
7	Total	70,776,572
8	Sec. B.314 Mental health - mental health	
9	Personal services	15,045,226
10	Operating expenses	3,284,381
11	Grants	<u>284,925,309</u>
12	Total	303,254,916
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	16,159,945
15	Special funds	1,006,836
16	Federal funds	13,679,245
17	Global Commitment fund	271,143,986
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,264,904</u>
19	Total	303,254,916

1	<del>Sec. B.315 Department of mental health - mental health facilities</del>	
2	Personal services	42,645,892
3	Operating expenses	<u>3,453,114</u>
4	Total	46,099,006
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	23,627,954
7	Special funds	1,711,833
8	Global Commitment fund	<u>20,759,219</u>
9	Total	46,099,006
10	<del>Sec. B.316 Department for children and families - administration &amp; support</del>	
11	<del>services</del>	
12	Personal services	53,266,716
13	Operating expenses	21,318,873
14	Grants	<u>5,437,047</u>
15	Total	80,022,636
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	54,276,350
18	Special funds	2,095,360
19	Federal funds	20,162,023
20	<del>Global Commitment fund</del>	<del>2,251,360</del>

1	<del>Interdepartmental transfers</del>	<del>627,003</del>
2	<del>Total</del>	<del>80,022,636</del>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>53,338,671</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>21,318,873</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>5,365,092</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>80,022,636</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>54,276,350</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>2,695,360</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>20,162,623</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>2,261,300</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>627,003</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>80,022,636</i>

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

4	Personal services	53,086,776
5	Operating expenses	5,608,679
6	Grants	<u>101,038,145</u>
7	Total	159,733,600

8 ~~Source of funds~~

1	General fund	<u>68,388,078</u>
2	Special funds	729,150
3	Federal funds	37,280,968
4	Global Commitment fund	53,320,404
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>15,000</u>
6	Total	159,733,600
7	Sec. B.318 Department for children and families - child development	
8	Personal services	7,080,069
9	Operating expenses	1,017,973
10	Grants	<u>225,731,684</u>
11	Total	233,829,726
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	71,876,506
14	Special funds	104,967,803
15	Federal funds	42,948,970
16	Global Commitment fund	<u>14,036,447</u>
17	Total	233,829,726
18	Sec. B.319 Department for children and families - office of child support	
19	Personal services	14,842,317
20	Operating expenses	<u>3,753,380</u>
21	Total	<u>18,595,697</u>

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	5,841,149
3	Special funds	453,110
4	Federal funds	11,913,838
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>387,600</u>
6	Total	18,595,697
7	Sec. B.320 Department for children and families - aid to aged, blind and	
8	disabled	
9	Personal services	2,611,765
10	Grants	<u>10,283,881</u>
11	Total	12,895,646
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	7,452,643
14	Global Commitment fund	<u>5,443,003</u>
15	Total	12,895,646
16	Sec. B.321 Department for children and families - general assistance	
17	Personal services	15,000
18	Grants	<u>11,690,819</u>
19	Total	11,705,819
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	11,504,245

1	Federal funds	<u>11,008</u>
2	Global Commitment fund	<u>190,476</u>
3	Total	11,705,819
4	Sec. B.322 Department for children and families - 3SquaresVT	
5	Grants	<u>53,077,812</u>
6	Total	53,077,812
7	Source of funds	
8	Federal funds	<u>53,077,812</u>
9	Total	53,077,812
10	Sec. B.323 Department for children and families - reach up	
11	Operating expenses	23,821
12	Grants	<u>32,466,947</u>
13	Total	32,490,768
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	17,904,212
16	Special funds	6,106,068
17	Federal funds	4,253,062
18	Global Commitment fund	<u>3,527,426</u>
19	Total	32,490,768

1	<del>Sec. B.324 Department for children and families - home heating fuel</del>	
2	<del>assistance/LIHEAP</del>	
3	<del>    Grants</del>	<del><u>20,730,395</u></del>
4	<del>    Total</del>	<del>20,730,395</del>
5	<del>Source of funds</del>	
6	<del>    Special funds</del>	<del>1,480,395</del>
7	<del>    Federal funds</del>	<del><u>19,250,000</u></del>
8	<del>    Total</del>	<del>20,730,395</del>
9	<del>Sec. B.325 Department for children and families - office of economic</del>	
10	<del>opportunity</del>	
11	<del>    Personal services</del>	<del>1,872,257</del>
12	<del>    Operating expenses</del>	<del>188,231</del>
13	<del>    Grants</del>	<del><u>54,772,640</u></del>
14	<del>    Total</del>	<del>56,833,128</del>
15	<del>Source of funds</del>	
16	<del>    General fund</del>	<del>47,986,907</del>
17	<del>    Special funds</del>	<del>83,135</del>
18	<del>    Federal funds</del>	<del>5,139,585</del>
19	<del>    Global Commitment fund</del>	<del><u>3,623,501</u></del>
20	<del>    Total</del>	<del>56,833,128</del>

1	<del>Sec. B.326 Department for children and families - OEO weatherization</del>	
2	<del>assistance</del>	
3	<del>    Personal services</del>	<del>473,291</del>
4	<del>    Operating expenses</del>	<del>277,072</del>
5	<del>    Grants</del>	<del><u>16,147,885</u></del>
6	<del>        Total</del>	<del>16,898,248</del>
7	<del>Source of funds</del>	
8	<del>    Special funds</del>	<del>7,733,295</del>
9	<del>    Federal funds</del>	<del><u>9,164,953</u></del>
10	<del>        Total</del>	<del>16,898,248</del>
11	Sec. B.327 Department for children and families - secure residential treatment	
12	Personal services	258,100
13	Operating expenses	38,870
14	Grants	<u>4,476,862</u>
15	Total	4,773,832
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	4,743,832
18	Global Commitment fund	<u>30,000</u>
19	<del>Total</del>	<del>4,773,832</del>

1	<del>Sec. B.328 Department for children and families - disability determination</del>	
2	<del>services</del>	
3	<del>    Personal services</del>	<del>8,771,035</del>
4	<del>    Operating expenses</del>	<del><u>632,678</u></del>
5	<del>    Total</del>	<del>9,403,713</del>
6	<del>Source of funds</del>	
7	<del>    General fund</del>	<del>141,599</del>
8	<del>    Federal funds</del>	<del><u>9,262,114</u></del>
9	<del>    Total</del>	<del>9,403,713</del>
10	Sec. B.329 Disabilities, aging and independent living - administration &	
11	support	
12	Personal services	54,488,657
13	Operating expenses	<u>7,899,745</u>
14	Total	62,388,402
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	29,115,734
17	Special funds	2,601,056
18	Federal funds	29,054,031
19	Global Commitment fund	110,000
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,507,581</u>
21	Total	62,388,402

1	<del>Sec. B.330 Disabilities, aging and independent living - advocacy and</del>	
2	<del>independent living grants</del>	
3	<del>    Grants</del>	<del>27,332,274</del>
4	<del>    Total</del>	<del>27,332,274</del>
5	<del>    Source of funds</del>	
6	<del>        General fund</del>	<del>8,769,909</del>
7	<del>        Federal funds</del>	<del>10,541,896</del>
8	<del>        Global Commitment fund</del>	<del>8,020,469</del>
9	<del>    Total</del>	<del>27,332,274</del>
10	Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging and independent living - blind and visually	
11	impaired	
12	Grants	3,557,604
13	Total	3,557,604
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	639,154
16	Special funds	223,450
17	Federal funds	2,390,000
18	Global Commitment fund	305,000
19	Total	3,557,604

1	<del>Sec. B.332 Disabilities, aging and independent living - vocational</del>	
2	<del>rehabilitation</del>	
3	<del>    Grants</del>	<del><u>10,145,384</u></del>
4	<del>    Total</del>	<del>10,145,384</del>
5	<del>Source of funds</del>	
6	<del>    General fund</del>	<del>371,845</del>
7	<del>    Federal funds</del>	<del>9,616,000</del>
8	<del>    Interdepartmental transfers</del>	<del><u>157,539</u></del>
9	<del>    Total</del>	<del>10,145,384</del>
10	Sec. B.333 Disabilities, aging and independent living - developmental services	
11	Grants	<u>361,412,468</u>
12	Total	361,412,468
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	132,732
15	Special funds	15,463
16	Federal funds	200,000
17	Global Commitment fund	360,997,607
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>66,566</u>
19	Total	361,412,468

1	<del>Sec. B.334. Disabilities, aging and independent living - TBI home and</del>	
2	<del>community based waiver</del>	
3	<del>    Grants</del>	<del><u>7,617,804</u></del>
4	<del>    Total</del>	<del>7,617,804</del>
5	<del>    Source of funds</del>	
6	<del>        Global Commitment fund</del>	<del><u>7,617,804</u></del>
7	<del>        Total</del>	<del>7,617,804</del>
8	<del>Sec. B.334.1 Disabilities, aging and independent living - long term care</del>	
9	<del>    Grants</del>	<del><u>363,402,885</u></del>
10	<del>    Total</del>	<del>363,402,885</del>
11	<del>    Source of funds</del>	
12	<del>        General fund</del>	<del>498,579</del>
13	<del>        Federal funds</del>	<del>2,450,000</del>
14	<del>        Global Commitment fund</del>	<del><u>360,454,306</u></del>
15	<del>        Total</del>	<del>363,402,885</del>
16	<del>Sec. B.335 Corrections - administration</del>	
17	<del>    Personal services</del>	<del>6,294,173</del>
18	<del>    Operating expenses</del>	<del><u>269,950</u></del>
19	<del>    Total</del>	<del>6,564,123</del>
20	<del>    Source of funds</del>	

1	<del>General fund</del>	<del>6,564,123</del>
2	Total	6,564,123
3	Sec. B.336 Corrections - parole board	
4	Personal services	546,911
5	Operating expenses	<u>60,112</u>
6	Total	607,023
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	<u>607,023</u>
9	Total	607,023
10	Sec. B.337 Corrections - correctional education	
11	Personal services	4,229,246
12	Operating expenses	<u>255,064</u>
13	Total	4,484,310
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	4,335,526
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>148,784</u>
17	Total	4,484,310
18	Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services	
19	Personal services	185,053,487
20	Operating expenses	28,640,294
21	<del>Grants</del>	<del><u>801,823</u></del>

1	Total	214,495,604
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	205,731,635
4	Special funds	935,963
5	Federal funds	581,790
6	Global Commitment fund	6,849,901
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>396,315</u>
8	Total	214,495,604
9	Sec. B.338.1 Corrections - justice reinvestment II	
10	Grants	<u>11,189,702</u>
11	Total	11,189,702
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	8,625,161
14	Global Commitment fund	<u>2,564,541</u>
15	Total	11,189,702
16	Sec. B.339 Corrections - correctional services - out of state beds	
17	Personal services	<u>4,130,378</u>
18	Total	4,130,378
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	<u>4,130,378</u>
21	Total	4,130,378

1	<del>Sec. B.340 Corrections - correctional facilities - recreation</del>	
2	Personal services	694,135
3	Operating expenses	<u>457,555</u>
4	Total	1,151,690
5	Source of funds	
6	Special funds	<u>1,151,690</u>
7	Total	1,151,690
8	Sec. B.341 Corrections - Vermont offender work program	
9	Personal services	515,893
10	Operating expenses	<u>160,570</u>
11	Total	676,463
12	Source of funds	
13	Internal service funds	<u>676,463</u>
14	Total	676,463
15	Sec. B.342 Vermont veterans' home - care and support services	
16	Personal services	24,295,479
17	Operating expenses	<u>7,265,907</u>
18	Total	31,561,386
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	10,370,653
21	Special funds	<u>12,153,730</u>

1	Federal funds	<u>9,037,003</u>
2	Total	31,561,386
3	Sec. B.343 Commission on women	
4	Personal services	446,911
5	Operating expenses	<u>93,377</u>
6	Total	540,288
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	536,228
9	Special funds	<u>4,060</u>
10	Total	540,288
11	Sec. B.344 Retired senior volunteer program	
12	Grants	<u>169,909</u>
13	Total	169,909
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	<u>169,909</u>
16	Total	169,909
17	Sec. B.345 Green mountain care board	
18	Personal services	10,791,488
19	Operating expenses	<u>585,144</u>
20	Total	11,376,632
21	Source of funds	

1	<del>General fund</del>	<del>4,403,223</del>
2	Special funds	<u>6,973,409</u>
3	Total	11,376,632
4	Sec. B.346 Office of the child, youth, and family advocate	
5	Personal services	407,107
6	Operating expenses	<u>85,059</u>
7	Total	492,166
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	<u>492,166</u>
10	Total	492,166
11	<del>Sec. B.347 Total human services</del>	
	Source of funds	
	General fund	1,516,760,216
	Special funds	256,576,042
	Tobacco fund	23,091,905
	State health care resources fund	31,074,772
	Federal funds	2,011,604,235
	Global Commitment fund	2,212,450,413
	Internal service funds	676,463
	<del>Interdepartmental transfers</del>	<del>29,288,557</del>

<del>Permanent trust funds</del>	<del>25,000</del>
<del>Total</del>	<del>0,081,545,585</del>

*Sec. B.347 Total human services*

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,516,760,216</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>256,576,042</i>
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>23,091,905</i>
<i>State health care resources fund</i>	<i>31,074,772</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>2,011,953,188</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>2,213,051,331</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>676,463</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>29,286,337</i>
<i>Permanent trust funds</i>	<i><u>25,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,082,495,254</i>

1	Sec. B.400 Labor - programs	
2	Personal services	37,245,562
3	Operating expenses	5,944,271
4	Grants	<u>1,632,900</u>
5	Total	44,822,733
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	<u>11,854,490</u>

1	Special funds	10,685,153
2	Federal funds	22,188,227
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>94,863</u>
4	Total	44,822,733
5	Sec. B.401 Total labor	
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	11,854,490
8	Special funds	10,685,153
9	Federal funds	22,188,227
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>94,863</u>
11	Total	44,822,733
12	Sec. B.501 Education - education services	
13	Personal services	34,311,091
14	Operating expenses	6,389,982
15	Grants	<u>188,531,318</u>
16	Total	229,232,391
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	20,194,009
19	Special funds	2,111,117
20	Tobacco fund	750,388
21	Education fund	<u>3,937,725</u>

1	Federal funds	<u>200,665,386</u>
2	Global Commitment fund	260,000
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,313,766</u>
4	Total	229,232,391
5	Sec. B.502 Education - special education: formula grants	
6	Personal services	1,083,000
7	Grants	<u>275,642,100</u>
8	Total	276,725,100
9	Source of funds	
10	Education fund	<u>276,725,100</u>
11	Total	276,725,100
12	Sec. B.503 Education - state-placed students	
13	Grants	<u>18,286,500</u>
14	Total	18,286,500
15	Source of funds	
16	Education fund	<u>18,286,500</u>
17	Total	18,286,500
18	Sec. B.504 Education - adult education and literacy	
19	Grants	<u>5,290,338</u>
20	Total	5,290,338
21	Source of funds	

1	General fund	<u>4,340,673</u>
2	Federal funds	<u>940,665</u>
3	Total	5,290,338
4	Sec. B.504.1 Education - Flexible Pathways	
5	Grants	<u>11,742,782</u>
6	Total	11,742,782
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	921,500
9	Education fund	<u>10,821,282</u>
10	Total	11,742,782
11	Sec. B.505 Education - adjusted education payment	
12	Grants	<u>2,075,358,771</u>
13	Total	2,075,358,771
14	Source of funds	
15	Education fund	<u>2,075,358,771</u>
16	Total	2,075,358,771
17	Sec. B.506 Education - transportation	
18	Grants	<u>26,925,382</u>
19	Total	26,925,382
20	Source of funds	

1	Education fund	<u>26,925,382</u>
2	Total	26,925,382
3	Sec. B.507 Education - merger support grants	
4	Grants	<u>1,800,000</u>
5	Total	1,800,000
6	Source of funds	
7	Education fund	<u>1,800,000</u>
8	Total	1,800,000
9	Sec. B.507.1 Education - EL categorical aid	
10	Grants	<u>2,500,000</u>
11	Total	2,500,000
12	Source of funds	
13	Education fund	<u>2,500,000</u>
14	Total	2,500,000
15	Sec. B.508 Education - nutrition	
16	Grants	<u>18,300,000</u>
17	Total	18,300,000
18	Source of funds	
19	Education fund	<u>18,300,000</u>
20	Total	18,300,000

1	<del>Sec. B.500 Education - afterschool grant program</del>	
2	Personal services	484,293
3	Operating expenses	20,707
4	Grants	<u>9,595,000</u>
5	Total	10,100,000
6	Source of funds	
7	Special funds	<u>10,100,000</u>
8	Total	10,100,000
9	Sec. B.510 Education - essential early education grant	
10	Grants	<u>9,552,240</u>
11	Total	9,552,240
12	Source of funds	
13	Education fund	<u>9,552,240</u>
14	Total	9,552,240
15	Sec. B.511 Education - technical education	
16	Grants	<u>19,636,750</u>
17	Total	19,636,750
18	Source of funds	
19	Education fund	<u>19,636,750</u>
20	Total	19,636,750

1	<del>Sec. B.511.1 State board of education</del>	
2	<del>Personal services</del>	<del>54,208</del>
3	<del>Operating expenses</del>	<del><u>16,500</u></del>
4	<del>Total</del>	<del>70,708</del>
5	<del>Source of funds</del>	
6	<del>General fund</del>	<del><u>70,708</u></del>
7	<del>Total</del>	<del>70,708</del>
8	Sec. B.513 Retired teachers pension plus funding	
9	Grants	<u>15,000,000</u>
10	Total	15,000,000
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	<u>15,000,000</u>
13	Total	15,000,000
14	Sec. B.514 State teachers' retirement system	
15	Grants	<u>212,905,084</u>
16	Total	212,905,084
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	170,750,066
19	Education fund	<u>42,155,018</u>
20	Total	<u>212,905,084</u>

1	<del>Sec. B.514.1 State teachers' retirement system administration</del>	
2	Personal services	379,226
3	Operating expenses	<u>3,692,485</u>
4	Total	4,071,711
5	Source of funds	
6	Pension trust funds	<u>4,071,711</u>
7	Total	4,071,711
8	Sec. B.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits	
9	Grants	<u>90,834,595</u>
10	Total	90,834,595
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	62,640,904
13	Education fund	<u>28,193,691</u>
14	Total	90,834,595
15	Sec. B.516 Total general education	
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	273,926,860
18	Special funds	12,211,117
19	Tobacco fund	750,388
20	Education fund	2,534,192,459
21	<del>Federal funds</del>	<del>201,606,051</del>

1	Global Commitment fund	<u>260,000</u>
2	Interdepartmental transfers	1,313,766
3	Pension trust funds	<u>4,071,711</u>
4	Total	3,028,332,352
5	Sec. B.600 University of Vermont	
6	Grants	<u>59,099,447</u>
7	Total	59,099,447
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	<u>59,099,447</u>
10	Total	59,099,447
11	Sec. B.602 Vermont state colleges	
12	Grants	<u>54,042,753</u>
13	Total	54,042,753
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	<u>54,042,753</u>
16	Total	54,042,753
17	Sec. B.603 Vermont state colleges - allied health	
18	Grants	<u>1,806,000</u>
19	Total	1,806,000
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	<u>306,000</u>

1	Global Commitment fund	<u>1,500,000</u>
2	Total	1,806,000
3	Sec. B.605 Vermont student assistance corporation	
4	Grants	<u>27,897,494</u>
5	Total	27,897,494
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	<u>27,897,494</u>
8	Total	27,897,494
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	<del>Sec. B.607 Total higher education</del>	
2	<del>Source of funds</del>	
3	<del>General fund</del>	<del>141,473,439</del>
4	<del>Education fund</del>	<del>41,225</del>
5	<del>Global Commitment fund</del>	<del><u>1,500,000</u></del>
6	<del>Total</del>	<del>143,014,664</del>
7	<del>Sec. B.700 Natural resources - agency of natural resources - administration</del>	
8	<del>Personal services</del>	<del>6,881,451</del>
9	<del>Operating expenses</del>	<del>1,291,376</del>
10	<del>Grants</del>	<del><u>5,000</u></del>
11	<del>Total</del>	<del>8,177,827</del>
12	<del>Source of funds</del>	
13	<del>General fund</del>	<del>5,628,757</del>
14	<del>Special funds</del>	<del>687,843</del>
15	<del>Interdepartmental transfers</del>	<del><u>1,861,227</u></del>
16	<del>Total</del>	<del>8,177,827</del>
17	<del>Sec. B.701 Natural resources - state land local property tax assessment</del>	
18	<del>Operating expenses</del>	<del><u>2,711,643</u></del>
19	<del>Total</del>	<del>2,711,643</del>
20	<del>Source of funds</del>	
21	<del>General fund</del>	<del>2,290,143</del>

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>421,500</u>
2	Total	2,711,643
3	Sec. B.702 Fish and wildlife - support and field services	
4	Personal services	25,124,512
5	Operating expenses	7,287,815
6	Grants	<u>824,803</u>
7	Total	33,237,130
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	10,313,811
10	Special funds	379,405
11	Fish and wildlife fund	10,864,047
12	Federal funds	10,133,967
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,545,900</u>
14	Total	33,237,130
15	Sec. B.703 Forests, parks and recreation - administration	
16	Personal services	1,644,130
17	Operating expenses	<u>1,807,698</u>
18	Total	3,451,828
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	3,207,811
21	Special funds	<u>138,261</u>

1	Federal funds	<u>105,756</u>
2	Total	3,451,828
3	Sec. B.704 Forests, parks and recreation - forestry	
4	Personal services	10,669,963
5	Operating expenses	1,397,258
6	Grants	<u>2,517,648</u>
7	Total	14,584,869
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	7,196,482
10	Special funds	1,553,980
11	Federal funds	5,657,787
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>176,620</u>
13	Total	14,584,869
14	Sec. B.705 Forests, parks and recreation - state parks	
15	Personal services	14,447,858
16	Operating expenses	4,775,590
17	Grants	<u>598,307</u>
18	Total	19,821,755
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	<u>1,774,750</u>

1	Special funds	<u>18,047,010</u>
2	Total	19,821,755
3	Sec. B.706 Forests, parks and recreation - lands administration and recreation	
4	Personal services	8,459,029
5	Operating expenses	4,627,930
6	Grants	<u>2,469,865</u>
7	Total	15,556,824
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	1,403,261
10	Special funds	2,430,801
11	Federal funds	11,180,116
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>542,646</u>
13	Total	15,556,824
14	Sec. B.708 Forests, parks and recreation - forest and parks access roads	
15	Personal services	130,000
16	Operating expenses	<u>99,925</u>
17	Total	229,925
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	<u>229,925</u>
20	Total	229,925

1	<del>Sec. B.700 Environmental conservation - management and support services</del>	
2	Personal services	10,017,955
3	Operating expenses	5,850,830
4	Grants	<u>191,597</u>
5	Total	16,060,382
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	2,207,896
8	Special funds	1,593,728
9	Federal funds	2,948,598
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>9,310,160</u>
11	Total	16,060,382
12	Sec. B.710 Environmental conservation - air and waste management	
13	Personal services	15,391,418
14	Operating expenses	5,574,446
15	Grants	<u>7,623,000</u>
16	Total	28,588,864
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	1,476,577
19	Special funds	20,742,337
20	<del>Federal funds</del>	<del>6,202,095</del>

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>167,855</u>
2	Total	28,588,864
3	Sec. B.711 Environmental conservation - office of water programs	
4	Personal services	43,817,953
5	Operating expenses	9,017,743
6	Grants	<u>104,714,537</u>
7	Total	157,550,233
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	13,321,778
10	Special funds	34,702,513
11	Federal funds	108,412,378
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,113,564</u>
13	Total	157,550,233
14	Sec. B.713 Land use review board	
15	Personal services	5,298,333
16	Operating expenses	<u>598,682</u>
17	Total	5,897,015
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	4,364,343
20	Special funds	<u>1,532,672</u>
21	Total	5,897,015

1	<del>Sec. B.714 Total natural resources</del>	
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	53,415,520
4	Special funds	81,808,559
5	Fish and wildlife fund	10,864,047
6	Federal funds	144,640,697
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>15,139,472</u>
8	Total	305,868,295
9	Sec. B.800 Commerce and community development - agency of commerce	
10	and community development - administration	
11	Personal services	2,617,789
12	Operating expenses	921,911
13	Grants	<u>424,320</u>
14	Total	3,964,020
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	<u>3,964,020</u>
17	Total	3,964,020
18	Sec. B.801 Economic development	
19	Personal services	3,221,256
20	Operating expenses	1,306,125
21	<del>    Grants</del>	<del><u>6,506,544</u></del>

1	Total	11,033,925
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	6,105,922
4	Special funds	3,314,565
5	Federal funds	<u>1,613,438</u>
6	Total	11,033,925
7	Sec. B.802 Housing and community development	
8	Personal services	6,568,853
9	Operating expenses	2,253,786
10	Grants	<u>45,303,523</u>
11	Total	54,126,162
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	12,002,421
14	Transportation fund	1,000,000
15	Special funds	10,679,645
16	Federal funds	<u>30,444,096</u>
17	Total	54,126,162
18	Sec. B.806 Tourism and marketing	
19	Personal services	2,284,798
20	Operating expenses	1,785,851
21	Grants	<u>1,020,000</u>

1	Total	<u>5,090,649</u>
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	<u>5,090,649</u>
4	Total	5,090,649
5	Sec. B.808 Vermont council on the arts	
6	Grants	<u>1,071,800</u>
7	Total	1,071,800
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	<u>1,071,800</u>
10	Total	1,071,800
11	Sec. B.809 Vermont symphony orchestra	
12	Grants	<u>158,795</u>
13	Total	158,795
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	<u>158,795</u>
16	Total	158,795
17	Sec. B.810 Vermont historical society	
18	Grants	<u>1,245,583</u>
19	Total	1,245,583
20	Source of funds	

1	General fund	<u>1,245,583</u>
2	Total	1,245,583
3	Sec. B.811 Vermont housing and conservation board	
4	Grants	<u>100,358,842</u>
5	Total	100,358,842
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	1,680,529
8	Special funds	39,341,857
9	Federal funds	<u>59,336,456</u>
10	Total	100,358,842
11	Sec. B.812 Vermont humanities council	
12	Grants	<u>327,818</u>
13	Total	327,818
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	<u>327,818</u>
16	Total	327,818
17	Sec. B.813 Total commerce and community development	
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	31,647,537
20	Transportation fund	1,000,000
21	Special funds	<u>55,336,067</u>

1	Federal funds	<u>91,202,000</u>
2	Total	177,377,594
3	Sec. B.900 Transportation - finance and administration	
4	Personal services	19,147,814
5	Operating expenses	6,291,478
6	Grants	<u>50,000</u>
7	Total	25,489,292
8	Source of funds	
9	Transportation fund	24,169,252
10	Federal funds	<u>1,320,040</u>
11	Total	25,489,292
12	Sec. B.901 Transportation - aviation	
13	Personal services	5,289,467
14	Operating expenses	<u>7,691,413</u>
15	Total	12,980,880
16	Source of funds	
17	Transportation fund	6,710,146
18	Federal funds	<u>6,270,734</u>
19	Total	12,980,880

1	<del>Sec. B.902 Transportation - buildings</del>	
2	Operating expenses	<u>1,700,000</u>
3	Total	1,700,000
4	Source of funds	
5	Transportation fund	<u>1,700,000</u>
6	Total	1,700,000
7	Sec. B.903 Transportation - program development	
8	Personal services	107,605,403
9	Operating expenses	304,422,913
10	Grants	<u>51,321,428</u>
11	Total	463,349,744
12	Source of funds	
13	Transportation fund	66,925,701
14	TIB fund	12,825,436
15	Special funds	280,000
16	Federal funds	263,035,876
17	Interdepartmental transfers	10,331,303
18	Local match	<u>9,951,428</u>
19	Total	463,349,744

1	<del>Sec. B.904 Transportation - rest areas construction</del>	
2	Personal services	180,000
3	Operating expenses	<u>270,000</u>
4	Total	450,000
5	Source of funds	
6	Transportation fund	45,000
7	Federal funds	<u>405,000</u>
8	Total	450,000
9	Sec. B.905 Transportation - maintenance state system	
10	Personal services	52,774,612
11	Operating expenses	<u>59,752,063</u>
12	Total	112,526,675
13	Source of funds	
14	Transportation fund	109,994,661
15	Federal funds	2,432,014
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>100,000</u>
17	Total	112,526,675
18	Sec. B.906 Transportation - policy and planning	
19	Personal services	3,368,645
20	Operating expenses	299,326
21	<del>Grants</del>	<del><u>10,254,679</u></del>

1	Total	13,922,850
2	Source of funds	
3	Transportation fund	2,378,766
4	Federal funds	11,444,134
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>99,950</u>
6	Total	13,922,850
7	Sec. B.906.1 Transportation - environmental policy and sustainability	
8	Personal services	14,855,456
9	Operating expenses	<u>89,082</u>
10	Total	14,944,538
11	Source of funds	
12	Transportation fund	371,589
13	Federal funds	11,025,693
14	Interdepartmental transfers	1,141,695
15	Local match	<u>2,405,561</u>
16	Total	14,944,538
17	Sec. B.907 Transportation - rail	
18	Personal services	8,671,804
19	Operating expenses	51,567,606
20	Grants	<u>50,000</u>
21	Total	60,289,410

1	Source of funds	
2	Transportation fund	12,548,774
3	TIB fund	1,000,000
4	Federal funds	34,688,907
5	Interdepartmental transfers	6,854,052
6	Local match	<u>5,197,677</u>
7	Total	60,289,410
8	Sec. B.907.1 Transportation - Rail Trails Program	
9	Personal services	3,577,763
10	Operating expenses	<u>57,266</u>
11	Total	3,635,029
12	Source of funds	
13	Transportation fund	478,272
14	Federal funds	1,769,326
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,387,431</u>
16	Total	3,635,029
17	Sec. B.908 Transportation - public transit	
18	Personal services	136,840
19	Operating expenses	71,582
20	Grants	<u>57,646,725</u>
21	Total	57,855,147

1	Source of funds	
2	Transportation fund	9,947,447
3	Federal funds	46,607,700
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,300,000</u>
5	Total	57,855,147
6	Sec. B.909 Transportation - central garage	
7	Personal services	6,345,376
8	Operating expenses	<u>19,725,126</u>
9	Total	26,070,502
10	Source of funds	
11	Internal service funds	<u>26,070,502</u>
12	Total	26,070,502
13	Sec. B.910 Department of motor vehicles	
14	Personal services	39,906,668
15	Operating expenses	<u>11,738,708</u>
16	Total	51,645,376
17	Source of funds	
18	Transportation fund	16,545,599
19	Federal funds	4,978,081
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>121,696</u>
21	Total	51,645,376

1	<del>Sec. B.911 Transportation - town highway structures</del>	
2	Grants	<u>7,394,400</u>
3	Total	7,394,400
4	Source of funds	
5	Transportation fund	<u>7,394,400</u>
6	Total	7,394,400
7	Sec. B.912 Transportation - town highway local technical assistance program	
8	Personal services	439,752
9	Operating expenses	28,700
10	Grants	<u>13,000</u>
11	Total	481,452
12	Source of funds	
13	Transportation fund	121,452
14	Federal funds	<u>360,000</u>
15	Total	481,452
16	Sec. B.913 Transportation - town highway class 2 roadway	
17	Grants	<u>8,832,200</u>
18	Total	8,832,200
19	Source of funds	
20	Transportation fund	<u>8,832,200</u>
21	Total	8,832,200

1	<del>Sec. B.914 Transportation - town highway bridges</del>	
2	Personal services	9,168,000
3	Operating expenses	19,830,382
4	Grants	<u>1,280,000</u>
5	Total	30,278,382
6	Source of funds	
7	TIB fund	2,774,564
8	Federal funds	25,604,186
9	Interdepartmental transfers	255,672
10	Local match	<u>1,643,960</u>
11	Total	30,278,382
12	Sec. B.915 Transportation - town highway aid program	
13	Grants	<u>31,240,042</u>
14	Total	31,240,042
15	Source of funds	
16	Transportation fund	<u>31,240,042</u>
17	Total	31,240,042
18	Sec. B.916 Transportation - town highway class 1 supplemental grants	
19	Grants	<u>128,750</u>
20	Total	128,750
21	<del>    Source of funds</del>	

1	Transportation fund	<u>128,750</u>
2	Total	128,750
3	Sec. B.917 Transportation - town highway: state aid for nonfederal disasters	
4	Grants	<u>1,150,000</u>
5	Total	1,150,000
6	Source of funds	
7	Transportation fund	<u>1,150,000</u>
8	Total	1,150,000
9	Sec. B.918 Transportation - town highway: state aid for federal disasters	
10	Personal services	500,000
11	Operating expenses	50,000
12	Grants	<u>3,450,000</u>
13	Total	4,000,000
14	Source of funds	
15	Federal funds	<u>4,000,000</u>
16	Total	4,000,000
17	Sec. B.919 Transportation - municipal mitigation assistance program	
18	Personal services	137,500
19	Operating expenses	310,500
20	Grants	<u>5,695,000</u>
21	Total	6,143,000

1	Source of funds	
2	Transportation fund	715,000
3	Special funds	4,000,000
4	Federal funds	<u>1,428,000</u>
5	Total	6,143,000
6	Sec. B.921 Transportation board	
7	Personal services	176,096
8	Operating expenses	<u>19,208</u>
9	Total	195,304
10	Source of funds	
11	Transportation fund	<u>195,304</u>
12	Total	195,304
13	Sec. B.922 Total transportation	
14	Source of funds	
15	Transportation fund	331,592,355
16	TIB fund	16,600,000
17	Special funds	4,280,000
18	Federal funds	515,369,691
19	Internal service funds	26,070,502
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>21,591,799</u>

1	Local match	<u>10,108,626</u>
2	Total	934,702,973
3	Sec. B.1000 Debt service	
4	Operating expenses	<u>675,000</u>
5	Total	675,000
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	<u>675,000</u>
8	Total	675,000
9	Sec. B.1001 Total debt service	
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	<u>675,000</u>
12	Total	675,000
13	* * * Fiscal Year 2027 One-Time Appropriations * * *	
14	Sec. B.1100 MISCELLANEOUS FISCAL YEAR 2027 ONE-TIME	
15	APPROPRIATIONS	
16	<u>(a) Agency of Administration Secretary's Office. In fiscal year 2027,</u>	
17	<u>funds are appropriated for the following:</u>	
18	<u>(1) \$110,000 General Fund for the Office of Racial Equity to continue</u>	
19	<u>for an additional year the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Action, Leadership</u>	
20	<u>Vermont program.</u>	

1 ~~(2) \$900,000 General Fund to complete the work of the Truth and~~  
2 ~~Reconciliation Commission.~~

3 ~~(3) Notwithstanding 20 V.S.A. § 49, \$1,347,107 Community Resilience~~  
4 ~~and Disaster Mitigation Fund for disaster relief assistance to communities~~  
5 ~~impacted by severe flooding in calendar year 2025.~~

6 ~~(b) Department of Vermont Health Access. In fiscal year 2027, funds are~~  
7 ~~appropriated for the following:~~

8 ~~(1) \$300,000 General Fund and \$2,700,000 federal funds for~~  
9 ~~information technology updates resulting from the federal (H.R.1) Medicaid~~  
10 ~~changes.~~

11 ~~(2) \$2,000,000 General Fund for Provider Stabilization Grants.~~

12 ~~(c) Department for Children and Families. In fiscal year 2027, funds are~~  
13 ~~appropriated for the following:~~

14 ~~(1) \$21,183,809 General Fund for the provision of services,~~  
15 ~~implementation of the Vermont Homelessness Response Continuum, shelter~~  
16 ~~development and operation, and supportive services, including case~~  
17 ~~management to be allocated as follows:~~

18 ~~(A) \$3,000,000 for shelter development.~~

19 ~~(B) \$14,118,880 for emergency housing in hotels and motels.~~

20 ~~(C) \$500,000 for grants to municipalities.~~

21 ~~(D) \$1,500,000 for emergency cold weather shelters.~~

- 1 ~~(E) \$2,064,929 for staffing, grants, and contracts.~~
- 2 ~~(2) \$164,500 General Fund and \$29,873 Global Commitment for a grant~~  
3 ~~to Prevent Child Abuse Vermont for nurturing parenting programs.~~
- 4 ~~(3) \$180,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Parent Child~~  
5 ~~Center Network for concrete supports programs.~~
- 6 ~~(4) \$200,000 General Fund for a grant to End Homelessness Vermont.~~
- 7 ~~(5) \$130,000 General Fund for distribution to supervised visitation~~  
8 ~~programs pursuant to Sec. 1317 of this act.~~
- 9 ~~(6) \$4,000,000 General Fund for a temporary secure treatment facility~~  
10 ~~for youth.~~
- 11 ~~(d) Agency of Human Services Secretary's Office. In fiscal year 2027,~~  
12 ~~funds are appropriated for the following:~~
- 13 ~~(1) \$56,000 General Fund, \$44,000 federal funds, and \$100,000 Global~~  
14 ~~Commitment for a grant to Vermont Legal Aid for the Vermont Legal Aid~~  
15 ~~Helpline.~~
- 16 ~~(2) \$200,000 General Fund for a grant to Vermont Legal Aid for an~~  
17 ~~immigration attorney.~~
- 18 ~~(3) \$500,000 General Fund and \$692,494 federal funds for the~~  
19 ~~Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living Global~~  
20 ~~Commitment appropriation in subdivision (k)(2) of this section to support~~  
21 ~~meals on wheels programs.~~

1 ~~(4) \$12,526 General Fund and \$17,347 federal funds for the Global~~  
2 Commitment appropriation in subdivision (c)(2) of this section for a grant to  
3 Prevent Child Abuse Vermont for nurturing parenting programs.

4 (e) Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation. In fiscal year 2027,  
5 funds are appropriated for the following:

6 (1) \$500,000 General Fund for Vermont Outdoor Recreation Economic  
7 Collaborative grants.

8 (2) \$300,000 General Fund for the Serve Learn and Earn Program.

9 (f) Department of Housing and Community Development. In fiscal year  
10 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

11 (1) \$800,000 General Fund for the Manufactured Home Improvement  
12 and Repair Program.

13 (2) \$1,000,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont State Housing  
14 Authority for the Rent Arrears Assistance Fund established by 2023 Acts and  
15 Resolves No. 47, Sec. 45.

16 (g) Department of Economic Development. In fiscal year 2027, funds are  
17 appropriated for the following:

18 (1) \$150,000 General Fund for maintaining the current contract with the  
19 Canadian International Economic Development Partnership to provide in-  
20 market services to Montreal-based businesses seeking to expand into Vermont.

1 ~~(2) \$75,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Professionals of~~  
2 ~~Color Network.~~

3 ~~(h) Agency of Transportation. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated~~  
4 ~~for the following:~~

5 ~~(1) \$1,300,036 Transportation Fund for the FEMA 428 project~~  
6 ~~relocating the Central Garage to Paine Turnpike in Berlin.~~

7 ~~(i) Department of Health. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for~~  
8 ~~the following:~~

9 ~~(1) \$150,000 General Fund for automated external defibrillators in~~  
10 ~~schools.~~

11 ~~(2) \$140,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont State Youth~~  
12 ~~Council.~~

13 ~~(j) Department of Mental Health. In fiscal year 2027, funds are~~  
14 ~~appropriated for the following:~~

15 ~~(1) \$160,000 General Fund for a grant to the Howard Center for the~~  
16 ~~Community Outreach Program.~~

17 ~~(2) \$469,000 General Fund for a grant to the Champlain Valley Office~~  
18 ~~of Economic Opportunity to support operations of the Community Resource~~  
19 ~~Center.~~

20 ~~(k) Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living. In fiscal~~  
21 ~~year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following.~~

1 (1) \$235,000 General Fund for a grant to HomeShare Vermont.

2 (2) \$1,192,464 Global Commitment to support Meals on Wheels  
3 programs.

4 (l) Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets. In fiscal year 2027, funds  
5 are appropriated for the following:

6 (1) \$500,000 General Fund for a grant to the Northeast Organic  
7 Farming Association of Vermont for the Crop Cash, Crop Cash Plus, and Farm  
8 Share programs.

9 (2) \$300,000 General Fund for grants to Vermont's 14 Natural Resource  
10 Conservation Districts.

11 (3) \$400,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Foodbank for the  
12 Vermonters Feeding Vermonters Program.

13 (m) Office of the Secretary of State. In fiscal year 2027, funds are  
14 appropriated for the following:

15 (1) \$90,000 General Fund for the Vermont Access Network's  
16 Community Radio Program.

17 (2) \$450,000 General Fund to support the costs of elections in calendar  
18 year 2026.

19 (3) \$50,000 General Fund for awards to support local civic journalism.

20 (n) Department of Labor. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for  
21 the following.

1 ~~(1) \$200,000 General Fund for a grant to Advance Vermont.~~

2 ~~(p) Agency of Education. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for~~  
3 ~~the following:~~

4 ~~(1) \$182,000 General Fund to provide healthy meals and snacks to~~  
5 ~~children and adults receiving supervised care services.~~

6 ~~(p) Agency of Commerce and Community Development. In fiscal year~~  
7 ~~2027, funds are appropriated for the following:~~

8 ~~(1) \$250,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Council on Rural~~  
9 ~~Development for municipal technical assistance.~~

10 ~~(2) \$50,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont 250th Anniversary~~  
11 ~~Commission for the 250th celebration.~~

12 ~~(q) Vermont Student Assistance Corporation. In fiscal year 2027, funds are~~  
13 ~~appropriated for the following:~~

14 ~~(1) \$2,320,000 General Fund for Freedom and Unity grants.~~

15 ~~(r) Office of the State Treasurer. In fiscal year 2027, funds are~~  
16 ~~appropriated for the following:~~

17 ~~(1) \$150,000 General Fund for the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance~~  
18 ~~Program.~~

19 ~~(2) \$75,000 General Fund for costs associated with the Pension and~~  
20 ~~Benefits Funding Task Force.~~

1 ~~(c) General Assembly. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the~~  
2 ~~following:~~

3 ~~(1) \$15,000 General Fund to support the work of the County and~~  
4 ~~Regional Governance Study Committee.~~

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

*INVESTMENTS; FISCAL YEAR 2027 ONE-TIME CAPITAL*

*APPROPRIATIONS*

*(a) In fiscal year 2027, \$23,418,455 is appropriated from the Capital*  
*Infrastructure Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential*  
*Investments for the following:*

*(1) Department of Buildings and General Services:*

*(A) \$1,281,174 for statewide major maintenance;*

*(B) \$225,000 for statewide physical security enhancements;*

*(C) \$3,600,000 for Asa Bloomer roof replacement;*

*(D) \$900,000 for Rutland multimodal garage renovation;*

*(E) \$3,000,000 for Burlington, 32 Cherry St. parking garage repairs;*

*(F) \$1,050,000 for the Agency of Human Services for HVAC*  
*upgrades at correctional facilities;*

*(G) \$225,000 for the Agency of Human Services for statewide*  
*correctional facilities security upgrades.*

~~(H) \$700,000 for the Agency of Human Services for door control upgrades at correctional facilities;~~

~~(I) \$1,000,000 for the Agency of Human Services for the Northern State Correctional Facility boiler replacement;~~

~~(J) \$72,557 for the Agency of Human Services for the Department for Children and Families' youth short-term stabilization facility;~~

~~(K) \$500,000 for the Department of Public Safety for an Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) facility;~~

~~(L) \$1,600,000 for the Judiciary for renovations at the White River Junction courthouse; and~~

~~(M) \$1,250,000 for the Agency of Human Services for replacement women's reentry and correctional facilities.~~

~~(2) Department of Environmental Conservation:~~

~~(A) \$2,498,000 for the State match for federal Drinking Water State Revolving Fund; and~~

~~(B) \$150,000 for Waterbury Dam Penstock project cost overruns.~~

~~(3) Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation:~~

~~(A) \$400,000 for park infrastructure and rehabilitation, improvement, and three-acre rule compliance.~~

~~(4) Department of Fish and Wildlife:~~

~~(A) \$200,000 for dam maintenance and safety planning.~~

~~(5) Judiciary:~~

~~(A) \$500,000 for the Essex County Courthouse connector project.~~

~~(6) Vermont Historical Society:~~

~~(A) \$566,724 for the replacement of a climate control unit.~~

~~(7) Department of Corrections:~~

~~(A) \$3,000,000 to work with the Agency of Digital Services to install a Wi-Fi system in State correctional facilities that is appropriately designed to address the safety, security, and confidentiality risks of the correctional environment.~~

1       \* \* \* Fiscal Year 2026 Adjustments, Appropriations, and Amendments \* \* \*

2       Sec. C.100 2026 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 83(e) is amended to read:

3       (e) If funds previously appropriated to the Agency of Human Services are  
4       insufficient to provide the State match needed to make the payment adjustment  
5       in subsection (a) of this section, notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 308b, the  
6       Commissioner of Finance and Management shall unreserve an amount of  
7       funds equal to the deficiency from the Human Services Caseload Reserve and,  
8       notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 706, transfer an amount of funds equal to the  
9       deficiency shall be appropriated to the Agency of Human Services.

1 ~~Sec. C.101, 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. E.325(b), as amended by~~

2 2026 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 81, is further amended to read:

3 (b) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.325 of this act, \$1,322,141  
4 General Fund shall be used by the Department for Children and Families'  
5 Office of Economic Opportunity for distribution to community partners  
6 providing services to prevent and address homelessness for the purpose of  
7 restoring these community partners to their fiscal year 2025 appropriation  
8 level. The \$1,322,141 shall be allocated as follows:

9 \* \* \*

10 Sec. C.102, 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. D.103, as amended by 2026  
11 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 55, is further amended to read:

12 Sec. D.103 RESERVES

13 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year  
14 2026, the following reserve transactions shall be implemented for the funds  
15 provided:

16 (1) General Fund.

17 \* \* \*

18 (D) The first ~~\$74,908,097~~ \$70,948,097 of any fiscal year-end balance  
19 otherwise subject to the requirements of 32 V.S.A. § 308c(a) shall, instead, be  
20 reserved for addressing federal funding shortfalls, property tax relief, or any  
21 other uses determined to be in the best interests of the public in the subsequent

1 ~~fiscal year. Any proceeds reserved in accordance with the requirements of this~~  
2 subdivision (D) shall automatically be unreserved for use on July 1 of the  
3 subsequent fiscal year.

4 \* \* \*

5 Sec. C.103 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 73, Sec. 32 is amended to read:

6 Sec. 32. AGENCY OF EDUCATION; TRANSFORMATION

7 APPROPRIATION; TRANSITION GRANTS

8 (a) The sum of \$2,865,000.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the  
9 Agency of Education in fiscal year 2026 to support education transformation  
10 work as follows:

11 (1) ~~\$200,000.00~~ \$1,452,500.00 for the purpose of awarding transition  
12 grants to school districts and cooperative educational service areas to support  
13 school boards transitioning the work required to transition to new governance  
14 and administrative models as contemplated in this act, pursuant to subsection  
15 (b) of this section, and in light of the continued analysis of the work necessary  
16 in the field to transition to new, operational school districts as contemplated by  
17 this act;

18 (2) \$562,500.00 for positions established in Sec. 33 of this act; and

19 (3) ~~\$2,102,500.00~~ \$850,000.00 for contracted services, subject to the  
20 restrictions contained in subsection (c) of this section, to support facilitate  
21 school districts boards to study the advisability of forming union school

1 ~~districts, as well as to support districts with administrative activities relating to~~  
2 consolidation, including accounting, budget and operational practice, and to  
3 support education quality activities including the alignment of curricula,  
4 instructional materials, and teaching activities.

5 (b) The Agency shall use the funds appropriated in subdivision (a)(1) of  
6 this section to award transition facilitation grants to school districts and  
7 cooperative educational service areas to support the work required to transition  
8 to new governance models. The Agency shall be prohibited from awarding  
9 grants pursuant to this subsection until new school district boundaries have  
10 been enacted.

11 (c) The appropriation contained in subdivision (a)(3) of this section shall  
12 be subject to the following restrictions:

13 (1) While this appropriation may be used to contract for data analysis  
14 necessary to support school districts with the administrative activities related  
15 to consolidation, it shall not be used to develop visualization tools, reports, or  
16 dashboards.

17 (2) This appropriation shall be used to provide direct support to school  
18 boards for the business processes that are required to be completed before new  
19 school districts become operational. Support and training for school business  
20 officials and other school district personnel shall be funded solely through the

1 ~~appropriation contained in subdivision (a)(1) of this section and the~~  
2 ~~corresponding grants created in subsection (b) of this section.~~

3 ~~(2) This appropriation may be used to support the special education~~  
4 ~~strategic plan required pursuant to Sec. 30 of this act. It is the intent of the~~  
5 ~~General Assembly that the strategic plan addresses the supports and processes~~  
6 ~~needed to be in place for the transition to the weighted funding model for~~  
7 ~~special education as such funding model is contemplated in this act and as may~~  
8 ~~be further amended by an act of the General Assembly after consideration of~~  
9 ~~the report required pursuant to Sec. 45a of this act. Any work or analysis done~~  
10 ~~by the Agency regarding alternatives to the base amount or weights contained~~  
11 ~~in this act shall not be funded from the appropriation contained in this section.~~

12 Sec. C.104 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. E.127.2 is amended to read:

13 Sec. E.127.2 FEDERAL FUNDING; CALCULATION OF  
14 APPROPRIATION REDUCTION; SECRETARY OF  
15 ADMINISTRATION; JOINT FISCAL COMMITTEE

16 (a) As used in this section:

17 (1) "Unduplicated function total" means the individual function totals  
18 set forth in this act excluding Global Commitment funds, Interdepartmental  
19 Transfer funds, and Internal Service funds. For purposes of this section, the  
20 determination of an unduplicated function total shall not include Education  
21 Funds.

1           (2) “Governmental function unit” refers to the governmental function  
2 areas set forth in Sec. A.108 of this act.

3           (b) In fiscal years 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029, in each instance that a  
4 reduction in federal revenues to the State results in a decrease of the  
5 unduplicated function total for any governmental function unit by:

6           (1) Less than 0.5 percent of the unduplicated function total or  
7 \$2,000,000, whichever threshold amount is greater, the Secretary of  
8 Administration shall notify the Joint Fiscal Committee and may prepare and  
9 implement a spending authority reduction plan without the approval of the  
10 Joint Fiscal Committee, provided that any total reductions in appropriations  
11 and transfers of funds are not greater than the reduction in the federal  
12 revenues. If the Secretary’s plan consists of reductions greater than five  
13 percent to the total amount appropriated in any section or subsection of any  
14 appropriations act, such plan shall only be implemented in the manner  
15 provided for in 32 V.S.A. § 704(b)(2).

16           (2) Greater than \$2,000,000 and 0.5 percent of the unduplicated  
17 function total for any governmental function unit, but less than 25 percent or  
18 \$50,000,000, whichever threshold amount is lower:

19           (A) the Secretary of Administration shall prepare a spending  
20 authority reduction and transfer plan for consideration and approval by the  
21 Joint Fiscal Committee pursuant to the same process established in 32 V.S.A.

1 ~~§ 704(e), notwithstanding the reference to subdivision (b)(1) of this section,~~  
2 provided that the total reductions to federal spending authority are not greater  
3 than the reductions in federal revenues; and

4 (B) to maintain a balanced State budget, to minimize the impact to  
5 Vermonters and to abide by the legislative intent set forth by the General  
6 Assembly in this act or future fiscal year appropriations acts or both, the Joint  
7 Fiscal Committee may make a recommendation to the Emergency Board to:

8 (i) utilize the appropriation in Sec. B.1101(b)(2) of this act to  
9 support impacted programs at not more than the current fiscal year funding  
10 level until the General Assembly is in session;

11 (ii) revert any unexpended and unobligated funds; and

12 (iii) make such reductions or transfers in appropriations necessary  
13 to support the priorities of the General Assembly.

14 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, for the  
15 purpose of calculating any appropriation reduction that triggers the actions set  
16 forth in this section, the baseline federal funding amounts shall be the federal  
17 funding set forth in this act the general appropriations act for the fiscal year in  
18 which the reduction occurs. The Secretary of Administration shall monitor  
19 any changes in federal funding as the difference between the baseline federal  
20 funding amount for use in fiscal year 2026 and any updated State federal funds  
21 revenue forecast adopted by the Emergency Board and shall calculate the

1 ~~percent reduction of the unduplicated function totals for each governmental~~  
2 ~~function unit.~~

3 Sec. C.105-3 V.S.A. § 118 is amended to read:

4 § 118. COLLECTION AND DISPOSITION OF REVENUE

5 (a) There is hereby created a Secretary of State Services Fund. The Fund  
6 shall be used to provide appropriations for the operations of the Office of the  
7 Secretary of State, with the exception of those operations provided for in  
8 chapter 5, subchapter 3 of this title. The Fund shall be administered as a  
9 special fund pursuant to 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5. ~~At the end of each~~  
10 ~~fiscal year, the unobligated balance in this Fund shall be transferred to the~~  
11 ~~General Fund.~~

12 (b) All revenues collected by the Secretary of State shall be deposited into  
13 the Secretary of State Services Fund except for the following revenues:

14 (1) any revenues collected by the Office of Professional Regulation set  
15 forth in chapter 5, subchapter 3 of this title; and

16 (2) any revenues collected pursuant to subsection 117(k) of this title.

17 (c) The Secretary of State shall have the authority to collect and deposit  
18 into the Secretary of State Services Fund revenues generated from optional  
19 services offered in the normal course of business, including for one-time or  
20 ~~periodic sales of data by subscription or other contractual basis.~~

1 ~~(d) The Secretary of State or designee shall report annually to the Joint~~  
2 Fiscal Committee at its September meeting on the prior fiscal year Fund  
3 balance at closeout. The report shall include projected revenues to and  
4 expenditures from the Fund in future fiscal years.

5 \* \* \* Fiscal Year 2026 Fund Transfers and Reserve Allocations \* \* \*

6 Sec. D.100 PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX ALLOCATIONS

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

10 (1) The sum of \$608,137 is allocated from the Current Use  
11 Administration Special Fund to the Department of Taxes for administration of  
12 the Use Tax Reimbursement Program. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 9610(c),  
13 amounts in excess of \$608,137 from the property transfer tax deposited into  
14 the Current Use Administration Special Fund shall be transferred to the  
15 General Fund.

16 (2) Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 312, amounts in excess of \$37,653,750  
17 from the property transfer tax and the surcharge established by 32 V.S.A.  
18 § 9602a deposited into the Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund  
19 shall be transferred to the General Fund.

20 (A) The dedication of \$2,500,000 in revenue from the property  
21 transfer tax pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 9610(d) for the debt payments on the

1 ~~affordable housing bond (10 V.S.A. § 314) shall be offset by the reduction of~~  
2 ~~\$1,500,000 in the appropriation to the Vermont Housing and Conservation~~  
3 ~~Board and \$1,000,000 from the surcharge established by 32 V.S.A. § 9602a.~~  
4 ~~The fiscal year 2027 appropriation of \$37,653,750 to the Vermont Housing~~  
5 ~~and Conservation Board reflects the \$1,500,000 reduction. The affordable~~  
6 ~~housing bond and related property transfer tax and surcharge provisions are~~  
7 ~~repealed after the life of the bond on July 1, 2039. Once the bond is retired,~~  
8 ~~the \$1,500,000 reduction in the appropriation to the Vermont Housing and~~  
9 ~~Conservation Board shall be restored.~~

10 ~~(3) Notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a)(2), amounts in excess of~~  
11 ~~\$10,179,975 from the property transfer tax deposited into the Municipal and~~  
12 ~~Regional Planning and Resilience Fund shall be transferred into the General~~  
13 ~~Fund. Notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a)(3), the \$10,179,975 shall be~~  
14 ~~allocated as follows:~~

15 ~~(A) \$7,838,580 for disbursement to regional planning commissions~~  
16 ~~in a manner consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b);~~

17 ~~(B) \$1,323,397 for disbursement to municipalities in a manner~~  
18 ~~consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b); and~~

19 ~~(C) \$1,017,998 to the Agency of Digital Services for the Vermont~~  
20 ~~Center for Geographic Information.~~

1 ~~Sec. D.101. FUND TRANSFERS~~

2 ~~(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the following amounts~~  
3 ~~shall be transferred from the funds indicated:~~

4 ~~(1) From the General Fund (#10000) to the:~~

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

6 ~~\$73,797,962.~~

7 ~~(B) Capital Infrastructure Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital~~  
8 ~~and Essential Investments Fund (#21952): \$17,016,160.~~

9 ~~(C) Tax Computer System Modernization Fund (#21909):~~

10 ~~\$4,650,000.~~

11 ~~(D) Education Fund (#20205): \$104,908,097.~~

12 ~~(E) Vermont State Police Radio Equipment Replacement Special~~  
13 ~~Fund: \$500,000.~~

14 ~~(F) Domestic and Sexual Violence Special Fund (#21926):~~

15 ~~\$350,000.~~

16 ~~(G) Information Technology Internal Service Fund (#58100):~~

17 ~~\$1,000,000.~~

18 ~~(H) Community Resilience and Disaster Mitigation Fund (#21098):~~

19 ~~\$1,347,107.~~

1 ~~(2) From the Transportation Fund (#20105) to the:~~

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

3 ~~\$294,775.~~

4 ~~(B) Downtown Transportation and Related Capital Improvements~~

5 ~~Fund (#21575): \$523,966.~~

6 ~~(3) From the Education Fund (#20205) to the:~~

7 ~~(A) Tax Computer System Modernization Fund (#21909):~~

8 ~~\$1,550,000.~~

9 ~~(4) From the Clean Water Fund (#21932) to the:~~

10 ~~(A) Agricultural Water Quality Special Fund (#21933): \$11,897,381.~~

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

12 ~~\$120,000.~~

13 ~~(5) From the Agency of Human Services Central Office Earned Federal~~  
14 ~~Receipts (#22005) to the:~~

15 ~~(A) General Fund (#10000): \$5,000,000.~~

16 ~~(6) From the AG-Fees and Reimbursement-Court Order Special Fund~~  
17 ~~(#21638) to the:~~

18 ~~(A) General Fund (#10000): \$2,000,000.~~

19 ~~(B) Miscellaneous Fines & Penalties Fund (#21054): \$1,538,000.~~

1 ~~(7) From the Insurance Reserve Fund (#21335) to the:~~

2 ~~(A) Transportation Fund (#20105): \$1,360,069, notwithstanding~~

3 ~~32 V.S.A. § 135.~~

4 ~~(b) The following transfers shall be in accordance with the citations~~

5 ~~provided. Transfer estimates are for purposes of developing the fiscal year~~

6 ~~2027 budget and do not supersede the actual fiscal year-end transfer amounts.~~

7 ~~(1) To the General Fund (#10000) from the:~~

8 ~~(A) 8 V.S.A. § 80(d). Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund~~

9 ~~(#21075): \$42,837,511.~~

10 ~~(B) 9 V.S.A. § 5613(c). Securities Regulatory and Supervision Fund~~

11 ~~(#21085): \$23,762,455.~~

12 ~~(C) 27 V.S.A. § 1543. Unclaimed Property Fund (#62100):~~

13 ~~\$7,500,000.~~

14 ~~(2) 8 V.S.A. § 6017(b). To the Captive Insurance Regulatory and~~

15 ~~Supervision Fund (#21085) from the:~~

16 ~~(A) General Fund (#10000): \$143,318.~~

17 ~~(c) Transfers from the following enterprise funds to the General Fund~~

18 ~~(#10000), shall not exceed the actual fiscal year-end profits earned by the~~

19 ~~enterprise net of any amount necessary to absolve the fund of a deficit. The~~

20 ~~following estimated transfers are for purposes of developing the fiscal year~~

21 ~~2027 budget only.~~

1 ~~(1) From the Sports Wagering Enterprise Fund (#50250): \$6,700,000.~~

2 (2) From the Liquor Control Fund (#50300): \$20,871,297.

3 (d)(1) Notwithstanding 3 V.S.A. § 3306, an amount equal to all interest  
4 earned on the Technology Modernization Special Fund (#21951) in fiscal years  
5 2023, 2024, and 2025, estimated to be \$9,547,596, shall be transferred to the  
6 General Fund.

7 (2) The Department of Finance and Management shall report to the  
8 Joint Fiscal Committee at its July 2026 meeting on the amount transferred  
9 pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection and on the balances of the  
10 Technology Modernization Special Fund and the Information Technology  
11 Internal Service Fund after the transfers in subdivisions (a)(1)(G) of this  
12 section and (1) of this subsection have been made.

13 Sec. D.102 REVERSIONS

14 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year  
15 2027, the following amounts shall revert to the General Fund from the  
16 accounts indicated:

17	<u>1100892208</u>	<u>AOA-VT Housing Finance Agency</u>	<u>1,000,000.00</u>
18	<u>1100892310</u>	<u>AOA-FEMA COVID Match</u>	<u>890,937.34</u>
19	<u>1100892402</u>	<u>AOA-High-Risk FEMA Denial Resv</u>	<u>5,184,452.41</u>
20	<u>1105892601</u>	<u>ADS-Redistricting Task Force</u>	<u>80,173.20</u>
21	<del><u>2200892301</u></del>	<del><u>AATM-Ecosystems Services</u></del>	<del><u>100,000.00</u></del>

1	<del>2200892307</del>	<del>AAFM-Conservation Districts</del>	<del>16,513.42</del>
2	<u>2200892408</u>	<u>AAFM-Dairy Risk Mgmt</u>	<u>35,496.73</u>
3	<u>2240892204</u>	<u>PSD-Affordable Comm Scale Ren</u>	<u>200,000.00</u>
4	<u>2240892404</u>	<u>PSD-SHARE</u>	<u>195,000.00</u>
5	<u>3150892302</u>	<u>DMH-Howard Center</u>	<u>790.68</u>
6	<u>3400892204</u>	<u>AHSCC-Workforce Retention</u>	<u>300,000.00</u>
7	<u>3400892304</u>	<u>AHS-Nurse Preceptor Grants</u>	<u>189,984.00</u>
8	<u>3410892502</u>	<u>DVHA-Technical Analysis</u>	<u>21,601.25</u>
9	<u>3440891905</u>	<u>Child Dev Assoc Credential</u>	<u>29,752.09</u>
10	<u>3440892401</u>	<u>DCF-Reach Ahead 2 Year Pilot</u>	<u>498.63</u>
11	<u>3480004000</u>	<u>DOC-Correctional Services</u>	<u>650,000.00</u>
12	<u>3480892501</u>	<u>DOC-Data Contract</u>	<u>300,000.00</u>
13	<u>5100892308</u>	<u>AOE-Universal Income Dec.</u>	<u>99,990.00</u>
14	<u>6140892402</u>	<u>DEC-Emissions Repair Program</u>	<u>598,269.10</u>
15	<u>7110892406</u>	<u>HCD-Mobile Home Condemnation</u>	<u>831,043.50</u>
16	<u>7110892106</u>	<u>HCD - Tech Serv Local Gov</u>	<u>1,056.73</u>
17	<u>7110892306</u>	<u>HCD-Designated Area Report</u>	<u>5,342.36</u>
18	<del>7120892204</del>	<del>ACCD-Technology Related Grants</del>	<del>100,000.00</del>

1 Sec. D.103. RESERVES

2 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year  
3 2027, the following reserve transactions shall be implemented for the funds  
4 provided:

5 (1) General Fund.

6 (A) The General Fund 27/53 Reserve shall be adjusted in accordance  
7 with 32 V.S.A. § 308e. For purposes of developing this budget, \$6,550,000 is  
8 expected to be reserved in fiscal year 2027.

9 (B) The \$30,000,000 General Fund reserved pursuant to 2025 Acts  
10 and Resolves No. 27, Sec. B.1101(b)(4) is unreserved.

11 (C) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 308c, any General Fund balance  
12 that would otherwise have been subject to the provisions of 32 V.S.A. § 308c  
13 shall instead be reserved for use in the subsequent fiscal year for providing  
14 property tax relief, permanent housing initiatives, or any other uses determined  
15 to be in the best interests of the public.

16 \* \* \* General Government \* \* \*

17 Sec. E.100. POSITIONS

18 (a) The establishment of six permanent positions is authorized in fiscal  
19 year 2027 for the following.

- 1 ~~(1) Permanent classified positions:~~
- 2 ~~(A) Office of the State Treasurer:~~
- 3 ~~(i) one Program Technician III.~~
- 4 ~~(B) Vermont Pension Investment Commission:~~
- 5 ~~(i) one Financial Director III.~~
- 6 ~~(C) Vermont Labor Relations Board:~~
- 7 ~~(i) one Mediator.~~
- 8 ~~(D) Office of the Secretary of State:~~
- 9 ~~(i) one RIM Specialist; and~~
- 10 ~~(ii) one Business Services Administrator.~~
- 11 ~~(2) Permanent exempt positions:~~
- 12 ~~(A) State Ethics Commission:~~
- 13 ~~(i) one Staff Attorney.~~
- 14 ~~(b) The conversion of four limited service positions to permanent classified~~
- 15 ~~status is authorized in fiscal year 2026 as follows:~~
- 16 ~~(1) Office of the Attorney General:~~
- 17 ~~(A) one Assistant Director of Court Diversion and Pretrial Services;~~
- 18 ~~and~~
- 19 ~~(B) one Home Improvement Specialist.~~
- 20 ~~(2) Office of the Secretary of State:~~
- 21 ~~(A) one Administrative Services Coordinator IV.~~

1 ~~(2) Department of Public Service:~~

2 ~~(A) one Financial Director IV.~~

3 ~~(c) The conversion of 26 limited service positions to permanent exempt~~  
4 ~~status is authorized in fiscal year 2026 as follows:~~

5 ~~(1) Judiciary:~~

6 ~~(A) one Database Administrator;~~

7 ~~(B) two IT Help Desk Analysts;~~

8 ~~(C) two Centralized Service Analysts;~~

9 ~~(D) 10 Judicial Assistants; and~~

10 ~~(E) 11 Judicial Officer II.~~

11 Sec. E.100.1 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. E.100.3 is amended to  
12 read:

13 Sec. E.100.3 AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; CORONAVIRUS  
14 STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND APPROPRIATIONS;  
15 REPORTING

16 (a) In fiscal year years 2026 and 2027, the Secretary of Administration  
17 shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee on a quarterly basis, and upon the  
18 request of the Committee, on the status of appropriations made from the  
19 American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund.

20 (1) Reports shall include information on:

21 ~~(A) the original amounts appropriated,~~

1 ~~(B) outstanding obligations against appropriations; and~~

2 (C) any remaining spending authority.

3 (b) ~~In fiscal year years~~ 2026, 2027, and 2028, the Secretary of  
4 Administration shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee on a quarterly basis,  
5 and upon the request of the Committee, on the status of any spending authority  
6 established pursuant to 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.106.

7 (1) Reports shall include information on:

8 (A) the original amounts appropriated;

9 (B) outstanding obligations against appropriations; and

10 (C) any remaining spending authority.

11 (c) Any spending authority established pursuant to 2024 Acts and Resolves  
12 No. 113, Sec. E.106(a) ~~and (e)~~ that remains unexpended and unencumbered on  
13 December 31, 2027, shall revert to the General Fund. Any unallocated balance  
14 resulting from this reversion shall be reserved in the General Fund Balance  
15 Reserve.

16 \* \* \*

17 Sec. E.100.2 SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION; REPORT ON  
18 STATUS OF FEDERAL FUNDS

19 (a) The Secretary of Administration shall report to the Joint Fiscal  
20 Committee at its July, September, and November 2026 meetings, and at other

1 ~~meetings as requested, on any reductions to federal revenues to the State and~~  
2 the status of any appropriations impacted by such reductions.

3 Sec. E. 105-3 V.S.A. § 3306 is amended to read:

4 § 3306. TECHNOLOGY MODERNIZATION SPECIAL FUND

5 (a) Creation. There is created the Technology Modernization Special  
6 Fund, to be administered by the Agency of Digital Services. Monies in the  
7 Fund shall be used to fund business process transformation and to purchase,  
8 implement, and upgrade technology platforms, systems, and cybersecurity  
9 services used by State agencies and departments to carry out their statutory  
10 functions.

11 (b) Funds. The Fund shall consist of:

12 (1) any amounts transferred to it by the General Assembly; and

13 (2) any interest earned by the Fund.

14 (c) Fund balance. Any

15 (1) Subject to the exception in subdivision (2) of this subsection, any  
16 balance remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in the Fund.

17 (2) In the event that the Information Technology Internal Service Fund  
18 pursuant to section 3304 of this chapter has a negative balance at the end of a  
19 fiscal year, the portion of the balance of the Technology Modernization Special  
20 Fund that is composed solely of interest, if any, shall be transferred to the  
21 Information Technology Internal Service Fund.

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2 Sec. E.105.1 AGENCY OF DIGITAL SERVICES; INFORMATION

3 TECHNOLOGY INTERNAL SERVICE FUND; DEFICIT

4 MITIGATION PLAN

5 (a) On or before January 15, 2027, the Agency of Digital Services shall, in  
6 consultation with the Department of Finance and Management, provide a  
7 written plan to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Energy and  
8 Digital Infrastructure and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on  
9 Institutions on how to reduce the deficit in the Information Technology  
10 Internal Service Fund established by 3 V.S.A. § 3304, including any  
11 recommended changes to revenue sources to and expenditures from the Fund.  
12 The report shall include information on revenues to and expenditures from the  
13 Fund and the Fund's balance at fiscal year closeout for the previous 10 fiscal  
14 years. The report shall also include the most current available information on  
15 revenues to and expenditures from the Fund and the estimated Fund balance at  
16 fiscal year 2027 closeout.

17 Sec. E.106 32 V.S.A. § 307(b) is amended to read:

18 (b) The budget shall also include in detail definite recommendations of the  
19 Governor relative to the amounts that should be appropriated to each of the  
20 activities referred to under this section. It shall also include definite  
21 ~~recommendations of the Governor relative to the financing of the expenditures~~

1 ~~recommended and the appropriate amounts to be raised from ordinary revenue,~~  
2 direct taxes, bonds, or loans. The financing of the expenditures recommended,  
3 as proposed by the Governor, shall not include the funds from the Budget  
4 Stabilization Reserve as established in section 308 of this title. With the  
5 budget, the Governor shall submit to the General Assembly such messages,  
6 statements, or supplemental data with reference to the same, as the Governor  
7 may deem expedient; however, budget documentation shall include to the  
8 extent possible the following:

9 \* \* \*

10 (5) A document outlining reversions and approved carryforward by  
11 appropriation.

12 Sec. E.111 DEPARTMENT OF TAXES; POSITION POOL;

13 FUNDING

14 (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.111 of this act, \$135,000 General  
15 Fund shall be for a permanent, classified Business Analyst position to be taken  
16 from the position pool.

17 Sec. E.127 JOINT FISCAL OFFICE; SPECIAL FUNDS REPORT

18 (a) The Joint Fiscal Office shall, in consultation with the Department of  
19 Finance and Management, provide a report with a general overview of special  
20 funds and their uses to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriation,  
21 on or before December 15, 2026.

1 ~~(b) In addition to the report outlined in subsection (a) of this section, the~~  
2 Joint Fiscal Office shall, in consultation with the Office of Legislative Counsel  
3 and the Department of Finance and Management, submit the following reports  
4 to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations:

5 (1) A report with detailed information on all special funds in existence  
6 the prior fiscal year that fall within function areas of government identified by  
7 the Department of Finance and Management's accounting system as "general  
8 government," "labor," "general education," "commerce and community  
9 development," and "transportation." The report shall be submitted on or  
10 before December 15, 2026.

11 (2) A report with detailed information on all special funds in existence  
12 the prior fiscal year that fall within function areas of government identified by  
13 the Department of Finance and Management's accounting system as "human  
14 services" and "natural resources." The report shall be submitted on or before  
15 December 15, 2027.

16 (3) A report with detailed information on all special funds in existence  
17 the prior fiscal year that fall within function areas of government identified by  
18 the Department of Finance and Management's accounting system as  
19 "protection to persons and property." The report shall be submitted on or  
20 before December 15, 2028.

1 ~~(4) A report with detailed information on all special funds in existence~~  
2 ~~the prior fiscal year that did not fall within any function areas of government~~  
3 ~~identified in subdivisions (1)–(3) of this subsection or that would fall within~~  
4 ~~those function areas of government but were established after the relevant~~  
5 ~~report was submitted. The report shall be submitted on or before December~~  
6 ~~15, 2029.~~

7 (c) The reports required by subsection (b) of this section shall include, for  
8 each special fund identified, the following information, if available:

9 (1) the authorizing statute for the fund, its date of enactment, and any  
10 amendments to the statute;

11 (2) a description of revenue sources and expenditures, including stated  
12 purposes of expenditures;

13 (3) the prior fiscal year fund balance at closeout; and

14 (4) other relevant information on the general management and oversight  
15 of the fund.

16 Sec. E.131 HIGHER EDUCATION ENDOWMENT TRUST FUND; USES;

17 REPORT

18 (a) In calendar year 2026, as part of the annual financial report on the  
19 Vermont Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund required by 16 V.S.A.  
20 § 2885(e), the Office of the State Treasurer shall, in consultation with the  
21 vermont Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund Council, include

1 ~~recommendations on any changes to revenue sources to or expenditures from~~  
2 the Fund, including any expanded uses of the fund and adjustments to the  
3 current statutory allocation structure.

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 \$3,654,172 appropriated in Sec. B.133 of this act, \$2,472,609  
8 constitutes the Vermont State Employees' Retirement System operating  
9 budget, and \$1,181,563 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension  
10 Investment Commission's budget attributable to the Vermont State Employees'  
11 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 \$2,174,810 appropriated in Sec. B.134 of this act, \$1,732,301  
16 constitutes the Vermont Municipal Employees' Retirement System operating  
17 budget, and \$442,509 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension  
18 Investment Commission's budget attributable to the Vermont Municipal  
19 Employees' Retirement System.

1 ~~Sec. E 135, 3 V.S.A., § 922 is amended to read:~~

2 § 922. OFFICE SPACE; EMPLOYEES; MEDIATOR

3 (a) The Secretary of Administration shall, upon request by the State Labor  
4 Relations Board, allow the Board the responsible use of public buildings under  
5 ~~his or her~~ the Secretary's control and furnish heat, light, and furniture for any  
6 meeting or hearing called by the Board.

7 (b) The Board may employ such employees and agents as it deems  
8 necessary and may employ a reporter for taking and transcribing testimony in  
9 hearing before it.

10 (c)(1) The Board may employ a mediator to provide free mediation  
11 services to public and private sector collective bargaining units and employers  
12 upon reaching an impasse during collective bargaining.

13 (2) If the mediator has capacity, the mediator may provide free  
14 mediation services to public and private sector collective bargaining units and  
15 employers on grievances and unfair labor practice charges.

16 (3) The Board shall develop policies and procedures to ensure that all  
17 confidential mediation information is maintained separately and insulated from  
18 access by members of the Board or other employees of the State Labor  
19 Relations Board so as to protect the integrity of the mediation process.

~~Sec. E.136.1 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION; ATTORNEY; MUNICIPAL~~

CODE OF ETHICS

(a)(1) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.136.1 of this act, up to \$140,000 may be used by the State Ethics Commission to fund the permanent, exempt Staff Attorney position established by Sec. E.100(a)(2)(A)(i) of this act, who will prioritize the Commission's obligations in providing education, training, guidance, and advice to persons subject to the State Code of Ethics and the Municipal Code of Ethics.

(2) Any remaining spending authority may be used by the State Ethics Commission to fund operating expenses, including the purchase of equipment and supplies.

Sec. E.136.2 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 71 (2024 Ethics Act), Sec. 24, as amended by 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 44, Sec. 4, is further amended to read:

Sec. 24. EFFECTIVE DATES

This act shall take effect on passage, except that:

(1) Sec. 13 (adding 3 V.S.A. § 1230, Commission procedure, rulemaking) shall take effect on July 1, ~~2027~~ 2028, except that the Commission may adopt rules under 3 V.S.A. § 1230(b) prior to July 1, 2028;

(2) Sec. 22 (creating Municipal Code of Ethics) shall take effect on ~~January 1, 2025,~~

1       ~~(3) Sec. 7 (amending 3 V.S.A. § 1221(e), describing expansion of~~  
2 Commission powers) shall take effect on ~~September 1, 2027~~ July 1, 2028;

3       (4) Sec. 8 (amending 3 V.S.A. § 1222; title redesignation) shall take  
4 effect on July 1, 2025;

5       (5) Sec. 9 (amending 3 V.S.A. § 1223, Commission procedure for  
6 accepting and referring complaints) shall take effect on September 1, 2025;

7       (6) Secs. 10 (adding 3 V.S.A. § 1227, Commission investigations),  
8 11 (adding 3 V.S.A. § 1228, Commission hearings), 12 (adding 3 V.S.A.  
9 § 1229, Commission warnings, reprimands, recommended actions, and  
10 agreements), and 14 (adding 3 V.S.A. § 1231, Commission public records  
11 regarding complaints) shall take effect on ~~September 1, 2027~~ July 1, 2028; and

12       (7) Sec. 1 (amending 17 V.S.A. § 2414, candidate disclosures) shall take  
13 effect on January 1, 2026.

14 Sec. E.136.3 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 44, Sec. 5 is amended to read:

15       Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATES

16       This act shall take effect on passage, except that:

17       (1) Sec. 1 (amending 3 V.S.A. § 1223, Commission procedure for  
18 accepting and referring complaints) shall take effect on September 1, 2025,  
19 and shall supersede those provisions of 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 171, Sec.  
20 ~~9 that amended 3 V.S.A. § 1223 and that conflict with the language in this act,~~

1 ~~(2) Sec. 2 (amending future version of 3 V.S.A. § 1223) shall take effect~~  
2 on ~~September 1, 2027~~ July 1, 2028; and

3 (3) Sec. 3 (amending 3 V.S.A. § 1231, Commission public records  
4 regarding complaints) shall take effect on ~~September 1, 2027~~ July 1, 2028, and  
5 shall supersede those provisions of 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 171, Sec. 14  
6 that amended 3 V.S.A. § 1231 and that conflict with the language in this act.

7 Sec. E.136.4 3 V.S.A. § 1225 is amended to read:

8 § 1225. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR GUIDANCE AND<sub>2</sub> ADVISORY

9 OPINIONS, AND ETHICS HANDBOOK

10 (a) Guidance.

11 (1) The Executive Director may provide guidance only to a person who  
12 is or will be subject to the provisions of this chapter, upon ~~his or her~~ the  
13 person's request, with respect to that person's duties regarding any provision  
14 of this chapter or regarding any other issue related to governmental ethics.

15 (2) The Executive Director may consult with members of the  
16 Commission and the Department of Human Resources in preparing this  
17 guidance.

18 (3) Guidance provided under this subsection shall be exempt from  
19 public inspection and copying under the Public Records Act and shall be kept  
20 ~~confidential unless the receiving entity has publicly disclosed it.~~

1 ~~(b) Advisory opinions.~~

2 (1) On the written request of a person who is or will be subject to the  
3 provisions of this chapter, the Executive Director may issue an advisory  
4 opinion to that person that provides general advice or interpretation with  
5 respect to that person's duties regarding any provision of this chapter or  
6 regarding any other issue related to governmental ethics.

7 (2) The Executive Director may consult with members of the  
8 Commission and the Department of Human Resources in preparing these  
9 advisory opinions.

10 (3) The Executive Director may seek comment from persons interested  
11 in the subject of an advisory opinion under consideration.

12 (4) The Executive Director shall post on the Commission's website any  
13 advisory opinions that ~~he or she~~ the Director issues.

14 (c) Ethics Handbook. The Executive Director shall publish an Ethics  
15 Handbook that shall provide a plain language guide to a person who is or will  
16 be subject to the provisions of this chapter regarding the application of the  
17 State Code of Ethics. The Ethics Handbook shall include information  
18 regarding all of the following as provided for under the State Code of Ethics  
19 and as interpreted or applied by the Commission:

20 ~~(1) standards of conduct,~~

1 ~~(2) what constitutes a conflict of interest and how a person subject to the~~  
2 ~~provisions of this chapter should respond if a conflict of interest is alleged or~~  
3 ~~perceived;~~

4 ~~(3) how to determine what is an acceptable gift, including criteria~~  
5 ~~applied by the Commission to determine when reviewing whether a gift is~~  
6 ~~acceptable for each category of acceptable gift;~~

7 ~~(4) what constitutes a misuse of position, misuse of information, or~~  
8 ~~misuse of government resources by a person subject to the provisions of this~~  
9 ~~chapter and the criteria applied by the Commission to determine misuse;~~

10 ~~(5) what constitutes an unauthorized commitment by a person subject to~~  
11 ~~the requirements of this chapter;~~

12 ~~(6) what employment restrictions exist for persons subject to this~~  
13 ~~chapter and how such restrictions are enforced;~~

14 ~~(7) the legal authority relied on by the Commission in developing the~~  
15 ~~information and criteria for each subdivision (1)–(6) of this subsection; and~~

16 ~~(8) any other information the Executive Director determines is relevant~~  
17 ~~to the application of the State Code of Ethics and the operation of the~~  
18 ~~Commission.~~

1 ~~Sec. E.136.5 PUBLICATION OF ETHICS HANDBOOK; REPORT~~

2 (a) The Executive Director of the State Ethics Commission shall publish  
3 the Ethics Handbook required by 3 V.S.A. § 1225(c) on or before January 15,  
4 2027.

5 (b) The Executive Director of the State Ethics Commission shall submit a  
6 draft copy of the Ethics Handbook to the House Committee on Government  
7 Operations and Military Affairs and the Senate Committee on Government  
8 Operations on or before December 15, 2026.

9 Sec. E.139 GRAND LIST LITIGATION ASSISTANCE

10 (a) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 3709(a), of the appropriation in Sec.  
11 B.139 of this act, \$70,000 shall be provided to the Department of Taxes'  
12 Division of Property Valuation and Review and used with any remaining funds  
13 from the amount previously transferred for final payment of expenses incurred  
14 by the Department or towns in defense of grand list appeals regarding the  
15 reappraisals of the hydroelectric plants and other expenses incurred to  
16 undertake utility property appraisals in Vermont.

17 Sec. E.139.1 TAX DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION; PILOT FUND

18 (a) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 3709(a) or any other provision of law to  
19 the contrary, the appropriation in Sec. B.139 of this act shall be made from the  
20 PILOT Special Fund.

1 ~~Sec. E.142. PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES~~

2 ~~(a) This appropriation is for State payments in lieu of property taxes under~~  
3 ~~32 V.S.A. chapter 123, subchapter 4, and the payments shall be calculated in~~  
4 ~~addition to and without regard to the appropriations for correctional facilities~~  
5 ~~elsewhere in this act. Payments in lieu of taxes under this section shall be paid~~  
6 ~~from the PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.~~

7 Sec. E.144 PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES; CORRECTIONAL  
8 FACILITIES

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

11 Sec. E.200 ATTORNEY GENERAL

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

19 (b) Of the revenue available to the Attorney General under 9 V.S.A.

20 ~~§ 2458(b)(4), \$2,205,000 is appropriated in Sec. B.200 of this act.~~

1 ~~Sec. E.208. PUBLIC SAFETY; ADMINISTRATION~~

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

6 Sec. E.209 PUBLIC SAFETY; STATE POLICE

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

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

1 ~~(c) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.209 of this act, \$2,100,000~~  
2 is allocated exclusively for the purchase, outfitting, assignment, and disposal  
3 of State Police vehicles.

4 Sec. E.209.1, 20 V.S.A. § 1913a is added to read:

5 § 1913a. VERMONT STATE POLICE RADIO EQUIPMENT

6 REPLACEMENT SPECIAL FUND

7 (a) Creation. There is created the Vermont State Police Radio Equipment  
8 Replacement Special Fund, to be administered by the Vermont Department of  
9 Public Safety in accordance with 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5. Monies in  
10 the Fund shall be used for the purchase of Vermont State Police radio  
11 equipment in accordance with the life cycle replacement schedule as approved  
12 by the Commissioner of Public Safety.

13 (b) Funds. The Fund shall consist of:

14 (1) any amounts transferred to it by the General Assembly; and

15 (2) the proceeds from the sale of any existing radio equipment.

16 (c) Fund balance. Any balance remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall  
17 remain in the Fund.

18 (d) Receipts. The Commissioner of Finance and Management may  
19 anticipate receipts to this Fund and issue warrants based thereon.

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) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.215 of this act, \$1,219,834  
7 shall be disbursed to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for the  
8 Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Program established in 16 V.S.A.  
9 § 2857.

10 Sec. E.217 MILITARY; POSITION POOL; FEDERAL FUNDING

11 (a) Of the federal funds appropriated in Sec. B.217 of this act, \$442,247  
12 shall be the 75 percent federal share for the following six classified limited  
13 service positions to be taken from the position pool: four Military  
14 Maintenance Specialists II; one Military Building Construction Specialist; and  
15 one Military Storekeeper.

16 Sec. E.218 MILITARY; POSITION POOL; STATE FUNDING

17 (a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.218 of this act, \$147,411  
18 shall be the 25 percent State share for the following six classified limited  
19 service positions to be taken from the position pool: four Military  
20 Maintenance Specialists II; one Military Building Construction Specialist; and  
21 one Military Storekeeper.

1 ~~Sec. E.219. MILITARY; VETERANS' AFFAIRS~~

2 ~~(a) Of the General Fund appropriated in Sec. B.219 of this act, \$1,000 shall~~  
3 ~~be used for continuation of the Vermont Medal Program; \$2,000 shall be used~~  
4 ~~for the expenses of the Governor's Veterans Advisory Council; \$7,500 shall be~~  
5 ~~used for the Veterans Day parade; \$10,000 shall be granted to the American~~  
6 ~~Legion for the Green Mountain Boys' State and Green Mountain Girls' State~~  
7 ~~programs; and \$10,000 shall be used for the USS Vermont Support Group.~~

8 ~~Sec. E.222. AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND MARKETS; POSITION POOL;~~

9 ~~FUNDING~~

10 ~~(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. E.222 of this act, \$95,740 General~~  
11 ~~Fund, \$27,353 special funds, and \$13,677 federal funds shall be for a~~  
12 ~~permanent, classified Administrative Services Manager III position to be taken~~  
13 ~~from the position pool.~~

14 ~~Sec. E.232. SECRETARY OF STATE; VERMONT ACCESS NETWORK~~

15 ~~BUDGET~~

16 ~~(a) The Secretary of State shall grant the \$1,800,000 General Fund~~  
17 ~~appropriation provided in Sec. B.232 of this act to the Vermont Access~~  
18 ~~Network to maintain current operations and programming.~~

1 ~~Sec. E.233, 30 V.S.A. § 202d is amended to read:~~

2 § 202d. TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLAN

3 \* \* \*

4 (f) The Department shall adopt a new Plan every ~~three~~ five years pursuant  
5 to the procedures established in subsection (e) of this section. The Plan shall  
6 outline significant deviations from the prior Plan. For good cause or upon  
7 request by a joint resolution passed by the General Assembly, an interim  
8 review and revision of any section of the Plan may be made after conducting  
9 public hearings on the interim revision. At least one hearing shall be held  
10 jointly with committees of the General Assembly designated by the General  
11 Assembly for this purpose.

12 Sec. E.236 HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION; POSITION POOL;

13 FUNDING

14 (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.236 of this act, \$130,000 General  
15 Fund shall be for a permanent, exempt Staff Attorney Investigator position to  
16 be taken from the position pool.

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

18 ADVOCATE, VERMONT LEGAL AID

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

20 (1) \$2,450,406 shall be for the contract with the Office of the Health

21 Care Advocate,

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

3 ~~(3) \$650,000 shall be for the purposes of maintaining current Vermont~~  
4 ~~Legal Aid program capacity and addressing increased requests for services,~~  
5 ~~including eviction prevention and protection from foreclosure and consumer~~  
6 ~~debt.~~

7 Sec. E.300.1 HIGH-END SYSTEM FACILITIES FOR YOUTH

8 ~~(a) Monthly from August through December 2026, the Agency of Human~~  
9 ~~Services, in consultation with the Departments for Children and Families and~~  
10 ~~of Buildings and General Services, shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee~~  
11 ~~and the Joint Legislative Justice Oversight Committee on its plan to develop~~  
12 ~~the Green Mountain Youth Campus, including its progress on a complete,~~  
13 ~~unambiguous written analysis of the estimated costs of an annual operating~~  
14 ~~budget for full utilization of the proposed 41-bed high-end system of care~~  
15 ~~consistent with 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. E.300.1.~~

16 ~~(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the~~  
17 ~~Departments for Children and Families and of Buildings and General Services~~  
18 ~~shall not expend funds for further development of the Green Mountain Youth~~  
19 ~~Campus in fiscal year 2027 until either:~~

20 ~~(1) the Joint Fiscal Committee, in consultation with the chairs of the~~  
21 ~~House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee~~

1 ~~on Institutions, approves the resumption of expenditures for the Green~~  
2 Mountain Youth Campus upon reviewing one or more of the reports received  
3 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section while the General Assembly is  
4 adjourned sine die; or

5 (2) the General Assembly authorizes resumption of spending by  
6 legislative enactment.

7 Sec. E.301 SECRETARY'S OFFICE; GLOBAL COMMITMENT

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

14 (b) In addition to the State funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act, a  
15 total estimated sum of \$28,368,715 is anticipated to be certified as State  
16 matching funds under the Global Commitment as follows:

17 (1) \$25,158,000 certified State match available from local education  
18 agencies for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services under  
19 Global Commitment. This amount, combined with \$34,842,000 of federal  
20 funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act, equals a total estimated  
21 expenditure of \$60,000,000. An amount equal to the amount of the federal

1 ~~matching funds for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services~~  
2 under Global Commitment shall be transferred from the Global Commitment  
3 Fund to the Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund created in 16 V.S.A.  
4 § 2959a.

5 (2) \$3,210,715 certified State match available from local designated  
6 mental health and developmental services agencies for eligible mental health  
7 services provided under Global Commitment.

8 (c) Up to \$4,997,210 is transferred from the Agency of Human Services  
9 Federal Receipts Holding Account to the Interdepartmental Transfer Fund  
10 consistent with the amount appropriated in Sec. B.301 (Secretary's Office;  
11 Global Commitment) of this act.

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

13 REPORT

14 (a) To facilitate fiscal year 2027 closeout, the Secretary of Human  
15 Services, with the approval of the Secretary of Administration, may make  
16 transfers among the appropriations authorized for Medicaid and Medicaid  
17 waiver program expenses, including Global Commitment appropriations  
18 outside the Agency of Human Services. At least three business days prior to  
19 any transfer, the Agency of Human Services shall submit to the Joint Fiscal  
20 Office a proposal of transfers to be made pursuant to this section. A final  
21 report on all transfers made under this section shall be made to the Joint Fiscal

1 ~~Committee for review at the Committee's September 2027 meeting. The~~  
2 purpose of this section is to provide the Agency with limited authority to  
3 modify the appropriations to comply with the terms and conditions of the  
4 Global Commitment to Health Section 1115 demonstration approved by the  
5 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under Section 1115 of the Social  
6 Security Act.

7 Sec. E.301.2 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 83, Sec. 72a, as amended by 2022  
8 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. C.105, 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec.  
9 E.301.2, 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.300.2, and 2025 Acts and  
10 Resolves No. 27, Sec. E.301.2, is further amended to read:

11 Sec. 72a. MEDICAID HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES  
12 (HCBS PLAN)

13 \* \* \*

14 (f) The Global Commitment Fund appropriated in subsection (e) of this  
15 section obligated in fiscal years 2023, 2024, 2025, ~~and 2026,~~ and 2027 for the  
16 purposes of bringing HCBS plan spending authority forward into fiscal years  
17 2024, 2025, ~~and 2026,~~ and 2027, respectively. The funds appropriated in  
18 subsections (b), (c), and (e) of this section may be transferred on a net-neutral  
19 basis in fiscal years 2023, 2024, 2025, ~~and 2026,~~ and 2027 in the same manner  
20 as the Global Commitment appropriations in 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 135,  
21 ~~Sec. E.301. The Agency shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee in~~

1 ~~September 2023, September 2024, September 2025, and September 2026, and~~  
2 September 2027, respectively, on transfers of appropriations made and final  
3 amounts expended by each department in fiscal years 2023, 2024, 2025, and  
4 2026, ~~and 2027~~, respectively, and any obligated funds carried forward to be  
5 expended in fiscal years 2024, 2025, ~~and 2026~~, and 2027, respectively.

6 Sec. E.301.3 GLOBAL COMMITMENT WAIVER AMENDMENT

7 (a) The Secretary of Human Services is authorized to seek an extension of  
8 Vermont's Global Commitment to Health Section 1115 Demonstration for the  
9 period of January 1, 2028, through December 31, 2032, from the Centers for  
10 Medicare and Medicaid Services.

11 Sec. E.306 REINSURANCE; AUTHORIZATION TO PURSUE SECTION  
12 1332 WAIVER

13 (a) The Department of Vermont Health Access, in consultation with the  
14 Department of Financial Regulation, is authorized to submit a State Innovation  
15 Waiver pursuant to Section 1332 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care  
16 Act of 2010, Pub. L. No. 111-148, as amended by the Health Care and  
17 Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, Pub. L. No. 111-152, to establish a  
18 program for reinsurance and seek federal pass-through funding of amounts  
19 ~~attributable to premium tax credits under 26 U.S.C. § 50B.~~

1 Sec. E.306.1 MEDICARE ADVOCACY PROGRAM

2 (c) Effective July 1, 2026, the Commissioner of Vermont Health Access  
3 shall terminate any contract for services for the Medicare Advocacy Program  
4 under 33 V.S.A. chapter 67 consistent with the provisions of 33 V.S.A.  
5 § 6703(b).

6 Sec. E.306.2 DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT HEALTH ACCESS;

7 POSITION POOL; FUNDING

8 (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.306 of this act, \$497,077 of  
9 General Fund and \$497,077 of federal funds shall be for the following  
10 permanent, classified positions to be taken from the position pool: one Health  
11 Care Assistant Administrator I; one Digital Communications Specialist II; one  
12 Business Project Manager; four Vermont Healthcare Service Specialists I; and  
13 five Vermont Healthcare Service Specialists II.

14 Sec. E.307 DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT HEALTH ACCESS;

15 EDUCATION MEDICAID RECEIPTS

16 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of 16 V.S.A. § 2959a to the contrary, the  
17 payments ordinarily made by the Secretary of Education pursuant to 16 V.S.A.  
18 § 2959a(c) and (d) shall instead be made by the Commissioner of Vermont  
19 Health Access.

1 ~~Sec. E.307.1 33 V.S.A. § 1900 is amended to read:~~

2 § 1900. DEFINITIONS

3 As used in this subchapter, unless otherwise indicated:

4 \* \* \*

5 (12) “Supervisory union” has the same meaning as in 16 V.S.A. § 11  
6 and includes a supervisory district.

7 Sec. E.307.2 33 V.S.A. § 1904 is added to read:

8 § 1904. MEDICAID SCHOOL-BASED SERVICES PROGRAM

9 (a)(1) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the State of Vermont  
10 maximize its receipt of federal reimbursement for medically related services  
11 provided to students who are eligible under Title XIX (Medicaid) of the Social  
12 Security Act.

13 (2) It is also the intent of the General Assembly that Vermont’s School-  
14 Based Medical Assistance Program shall comply with all federal Medicaid  
15 requirements. As the State Medicaid agency, the Agency of Human Services  
16 shall have sole responsibility for determining and maintaining program  
17 compliance.

18 (b) The Agency of Education shall be responsible for coordination of the  
19 School-Based Medical Assistance Program with statewide education policy  
20 and objectives and for communicating with supervisory unions.

1 ~~(c) The Agency of Human Services shall adopt rules in accordance with~~  
2 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 to identify the services that are available through the  
3 School-Based Medical Assistance Program and to set forth the requirements  
4 for supervisory union participation. The rules shall include State and federal  
5 requirements for

6 (1) Medicaid reimbursement;

7 (2) participation in a Random Moment Time Study and an electronic  
8 health records system;

9 (3) Medicaid cost reports;

10 (4) provider enrollment and trainings;

11 (5) service documentation;

12 (6) Medicaid eligibility; and

13 (7) any other provisions necessary for compliance with the Medicaid  
14 program.

15 (d)(1) The Agency of Human Services shall support supervisory unions by  
16 funding and providing the technical elements of the Program necessary for  
17 federal compliance.

18 (2) Supervisory unions delivering medically related services pursuant to  
19 the Medicaid School-Based Services Program shall participate in a Random  
20 moment Time Study and an electronic health records system as directed by the

1 ~~Agency of Human Services to enable Medicaid billing of direct health services~~  
2 and Medicaid administrative claiming activities.

3 Sec. E.507.3 33 V.S.A. § 1904a is added to read:

4 § 1904a. SCHOOL-BASED MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FUND

5 (a) The School-Based Medicaid Reimbursement Fund is established as a  
6 special fund to receive federal reimbursements for medically related services  
7 delivered pursuant to the Medicaid school-based services program described in  
8 section 1904 of this chapter. Monies received by the State pursuant to this  
9 section shall be transferred to the School-Based Medicaid Reimbursement  
10 Fund, which shall be administered by the Agency of Human Services, and  
11 Fund receipts shall be allocated in accordance with this section.

12 (b) The Department of Vermont Health Access shall pay 55 percent of the  
13 federal reimbursement monies generated by the medically related services  
14 delivered in each supervisory union pursuant to the Medicaid school-based  
15 services program to the supervisory union based on the Medicaid cost reports,  
16 service claims, and Medicaid administrative costs submitted by the supervisory  
17 union.

18 (c)(1) Up to 25 percent of the federal reimbursement monies generated by  
19 services delivered pursuant to the Medicaid school-based services program  
20 ~~shall be available for the administrative costs of the Agencies of Education and~~

1 ~~of Human Services related to the collection, operations, and reporting of~~  
2 school-based medical assistance programs and statewide programs.

3 (2) The Agencies shall enter into a memorandum of understanding  
4 setting forth the processes by which Medicaid reimbursement monies available  
5 for administrative costs and statewide programs are allocated to the Agencies.

6 (3) The Secretaries of Education and of Human Services shall expend  
7 monies from the Fund only as appropriated by the General Assembly.

8 (d) At the close of each fiscal year, the Commissioner of Finance and  
9 Management shall transfer to and deposit any balance remaining in the School-  
10 Based Medicaid Reimbursement Fund into the Education Fund.

11 Sec. E.307.4 33 V.S.A. § 1904a is amended to read:

12 § 1904a. SCHOOL-BASED MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FUND

13 \* \* \*

14 (c)(1) Up to ~~25~~ 20 percent of the federal reimbursement monies generated  
15 by services delivered pursuant to the Medicaid school-based services program  
16 shall be available for the administrative costs of the Agencies of Education and  
17 of Human Services related to the collection, operations, and reporting of  
18 school-based medical assistance programs and statewide programs.

19

1 ~~Sec. 2075, 16 V.S.A., § 2050a is amended to read:~~

2 § 2059a. EDUCATION MEDICAID RECEIPTS MEDICAID SCHOOL-  
3 BASED SERVICES PROGRAM; SUPERVISORY UNIONS AND  
4 SUPERVISORY DISTRICTS; LEGISLATIVE INTENT

5 (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the State of Vermont shall  
6 maximize its receipt of federal Medicaid dollars available for reimbursement  
7 of for medically related services provided to students who are Medicaid  
8 eligible under Title XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act. It is further  
9 the intent of the General Assembly that:

10 (1) each supervisory union identify special education and other students  
11 eligible for Medicaid reimbursement and, to the extent possible, submit  
12 Medicaid bills for services reimbursement Medicaid-compliant cost reports  
13 and service claims; and

14 (2) the Agencies of Education and of Human Services work with local  
15 school districts to maximize reimbursements, including services to non-IEP  
16 students.

17 (b) ~~A Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund is established within the~~  
18 ~~Agency of Education. Funds received by the State under this section shall be~~  
19 ~~transferred to the Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund. The Fund receipts~~  
20 ~~shall be allocated in accordance with this section.~~

1 ~~(c) At least annually, the Secretary of Education shall pay to each~~  
2 ~~supervisory union submitting Medicaid bills under this section 50 percent of~~  
3 ~~the reimbursed funds generated by the supervisory union's bill, excluding~~  
4 ~~claims generated by State-placed students. Unless the supervisory union has~~  
5 ~~agreed to use the funds to operate a supervisory unionwide program or to~~  
6 ~~distribute the funds in a different manner, upon receipt, the supervisory union~~  
7 ~~shall distribute the funds to its member school districts based on how the funds~~  
8 ~~were generated. The Secretary may withhold payment due a supervisory~~  
9 ~~union pursuant to section 2950 of this title for a Medicaid-eligible State-placed~~  
10 ~~student if the supervisory union has not submitted a Medicaid claim for~~  
11 ~~reimbursable services for that student.~~

12 ~~(d) If the amount of Medicaid reimbursement funds received for services~~  
13 ~~provided in the prior State fiscal year exceeds \$25,000,000.00, in addition to~~  
14 ~~the 50 percent of the funds paid to supervisory unions submitting Medicaid~~  
15 ~~bills, 25 percent of the amounts in excess of the \$25,000,000.00 shall be paid~~  
16 ~~into an incentive fund created in the Agency of Education. These funds shall~~  
17 ~~be used for an incentive payment to supervisory unions with student~~  
18 ~~participation rates of over 80 percent in accordance with a formula to be~~  
19 ~~developed by the Agency, in consultation with the Vermont Superintendents~~  
20 ~~Association. For any incentive payments made subsequent to fiscal year 2007,~~  
21 ~~the \$25,000,000.00 threshold of this subsection shall be increased by the~~

1 ~~percentage increase of the most recent New England Economic Project~~  
2 ~~Cumulative Price Index, as of November 15, for state and local government~~  
3 ~~purchases of goods and services from fiscal year 2005 through the fiscal year~~  
4 ~~for which the payment is being determined, plus an additional one-tenth of one~~  
5 ~~percent.~~

6 ~~(e) Supervisory unions shall use funds received under this section to pay~~  
7 ~~for reasonable costs of administering the Medicaid claims process, and school~~  
8 ~~districts or supervisory unions shall use funds received under this section for~~  
9 ~~prevention and intervention programs in prekindergarten through grade 12.~~  
10 ~~The programs shall be designed to facilitate early identification of and~~  
11 ~~intervention with children with disabilities, and to ensure all students achieve~~  
12 ~~rigorous and challenging standards approved and adopted by the State Board~~  
13 ~~or locally adopted standards. A supervisory union shall provide annual written~~  
14 ~~justification to the Secretary of Education on how it or its member districts~~  
15 ~~used the funds. Such annual submission shall show how the funds' use is~~  
16 ~~expressly linked to those provisions of the supervisory union's action plan that~~  
17 ~~directly relate to improving student performance. A supervisory union shall~~  
18 ~~include in its annual report the amount of the prior year's Medicaid~~  
19 ~~reimbursement revenues and the use of Medicaid funds consistent with the~~  
20 ~~purposes set forth in this subsection.~~

1 ~~(f) Up to 30 percent of Medicaid reimbursements received under this~~  
2 ~~section shall be available for administrative costs of the Agencies of Education~~  
3 ~~and of Human Services related to the collection, processing, and reporting of~~  
4 ~~education Medicaid reimbursements and statewide programs. The Secretaries~~  
5 ~~of Education and of Human Services shall expend monies from the Fund only~~  
6 ~~as appropriated by the General Assembly.~~

7 ~~(g) Remaining reimbursed funds shall be deposited into the Education~~  
8 ~~Fund.~~

9 Sec. E.307.6 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT IN IMPLEMENTATION  
10 OF CHANGES TO MEDICAID SCHOOL-BASED SERVICES  
11 PROGRAM

12 (a) The Agency of Human Services shall collaborate with the Agency of  
13 Education, Vermont Association of School Business Officials, Vermont  
14 Council of Special Education Administrators, and school district officials in  
15 implementing changes to the Medicaid school-based services program in  
16 accordance with this act, including:

17 (1) providing structured opportunities for input during the phased  
18 implementation process in order to address challenges and risks in a timely  
19 manner and minimize disruptions; and

20 (2) focusing on geographic diversity to ensure that the implementation  
21 process is responsive to regional variations in needs and capacity.

1 ~~Sec. E.307.7. SPECIAL FUND BALANCE TRANSFER~~

2 ~~(a) Any outstanding fund balances, assets, or liabilities remaining in the~~  
3 ~~Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund established pursuant to 16 V.S.A.~~  
4 ~~§ 2959a shall be transferred and added to the fund balances, assets, and~~  
5 ~~liabilities of the School-Based Medicaid Reimbursement Fund established~~  
6 ~~pursuant to 33 V.S.A. § 1904a prior to the elimination of the Medicaid~~  
7 ~~Reimbursement Special Fund by Sec. E.307.5 of this act.~~

8 Sec. E.307.8 DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT HEALTH ACCESS; FAMILY  
9 PLANNING CODE IMPLEMENTATION; REPORT

10 (a) On or before September 15, 2026, the Department of Vermont Health  
11 Access shall review its implementation of family planning codes in the  
12 Medicaid program to ensure that all expenditures for family planning services  
13 and supplies that are eligible for federal match at a 90 percent federal medical  
14 assistance percentage are receiving that enhanced rate.

15 (b) On or before October 1, 2026, the Department shall provide a progress  
16 report to the Health Reform Oversight Committee and the Joint Fiscal  
17 Committee on:

18 (1) the Department's findings to date from its review;

19 (2) an estimate of any reductions in General Fund expenditures that can  
20 be realized by maximizing usage of the family planning codes to obtain the  
21 90 percent federal match for qualifying services and supplies, and

1 ~~(3) proposals for ways in which the estimated savings can be reinvested~~  
2 into rate increases for family planning services and supplies as part of the  
3 fiscal year 2027 budget adjustment.

4 Sec. E.311 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 155, Sec. 7a, as amended by 2021  
5 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec E.311.2, is further amended to read:

6 Sec. 7a. SUNSET

7 ~~18 V.S.A. § 33 (medical students; primary care) is repealed on July 1, 2027.~~

8 [Deleted.]

9 Sec. E.312 HEALTH; PUBLIC HEALTH

10 (a) HIV/AIDS funding:

11 (1) In fiscal year 2027 and as provided in this section, the Department  
12 of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$475,000 in AIDS Medication  
13 Rebates special funds to the Vermont AIDS service and peer-support  
14 organizations for client-based support services. The Department of Health  
15 AIDS Program shall meet at least quarterly with the Community Advisory  
16 Group with current information and data relating to service initiatives. The  
17 funds shall be allocated according to a request for proposal process.

18 (2) In fiscal year 2027 and as provided by this section, the Department  
19 of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$340,000 from the General  
20 Fund for HIV and Harm Reduction Services to the following organizations.

21 ~~(A) Vermont CARES. \$165,000,~~

1 ~~(B) AIDS Project of Southern Vermont: \$115,000; and~~

2 ~~(C) HIV/HCV Resource Center: \$60,000.~~

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

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

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

1 ~~(4) In fiscal year 2027, the Department of Health shall provide grants in~~  
2 ~~the amount of \$400,000 from the General Fund for HIV and Harm Reduction~~  
3 ~~Services on or before September 1, 2026. The method by which these~~  
4 ~~prevention funds are distributed shall be determined by mutual agreement of~~  
5 ~~the Department of Health and the Vermont AIDS service organizations and~~  
6 ~~other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers.~~

7 (5) In fiscal year 2027, the Department of Health shall not reduce any  
8 grants to the Vermont AIDS service and peer-support organizations or syringe  
9 service programs from funds appropriated for HIV/AIDS services to levels  
10 below those in fiscal year 2026 without receiving prior approval from the Joint  
11 Fiscal Committee.

12 Sec. E.313 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH; OPIOID ABATEMENT

13 SPECIAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS; REVIEW

14 (a) On or before December 1, 2026, the Department of Health shall review  
15 all previous appropriations from the Opioid Abatement Special Fund and make  
16 recommendations to the Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee, the House  
17 Committee on Human Services, and the Senate Committee on Health and  
18 Welfare regarding which appropriations could be funded in future years by the  
19 Substance Misuse Prevention Special Fund established pursuant to 18 V.S.A.  
20 ~~§ 4812.~~

1 ~~Sec. E.316 REPORT; REACH UP; RATABLE REDUCTION~~

2 (a) On or before January 15, 2027, the Department for Children and  
3 Families shall submit a report to the House Committees on Appropriations and  
4 on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on  
5 Health and Welfare containing an actionable, phased plan that estimates the  
6 amount needed to remove the ratable reduction in the Reach Up program. The  
7 plan shall be designed to be phased in over a period not greater than five fiscal  
8 years and shall:

9 (1) address the financial implications posed by removing the ratable  
10 reduction;

11 (2) address any anticipated changes to the Reach Up caseload as a result  
12 of removing the ratable reduction; and

13 (3) identify any federal and State resources that may be utilized to  
14 remove the ratable reduction.

15 Sec. E.317 SUPERVISED VISITATION PROGRAMS

16 (a)(1) \$137,500 of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.317 of this  
17 act, the \$130,000 General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.1100(c)(5) of this act,  
18 and \$100,000 of the federal funds appropriation in Sec. B.319 of this act shall  
19 be distributed by the Department for Children and Families to supervised  
20 visitation programs as follows.

1 ~~(A) \$100,300 to the six existing community based supervised~~  
2 ~~visitation sites;~~

3 ~~(B) \$118,200 for start-up funding for additional sites in counties~~  
4 ~~where programs do not currently exist to ensure the programs are operational~~  
5 ~~on or before January 1, 2027; and~~

6 ~~(C) \$50,000 to the Vermont Network Against Domestic Violence and~~  
7 ~~Sexual Violence for a statewide supervised visitation coordinator who shall~~  
8 ~~initiate a needs assessment to assist in the development of a sustainable~~  
9 ~~coordinated system with equitable access to supervised visitation statewide.~~

10 ~~(2) The Department shall work with the Vermont Network Against~~  
11 ~~Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence to develop a funding formula for~~  
12 ~~supervised visitation sites, to identify the community partners to develop two~~  
13 ~~new supervised visitation sites during fiscal year 2027, and to begin planning~~  
14 ~~for the creation of four additional supervised visitation sites, two each to~~  
15 ~~become operational beginning in fiscal years 2028 and 2029.~~

16 Sec. E.322 33 V.S.A. § 2605 is amended to read:

17 § 2605. BENEFIT AMOUNTS

18 \* \* \*

19 (h) ~~Households~~ A household receiving benefits from 3SquaresVT whose  
20 ~~head of household~~ that is not otherwise eligible for a fuel benefit under this  
21 ~~section shall be eligible for a nominal annual Home Heating Fuel Assistance~~

1 ~~benefit of \$21.00 if a member of the household is elderly or disabled under the~~  
2 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program regulations.

3 Sec. E.325 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; OFFICE  
4 OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

5 (a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.325 of this act,  
6 \$38,251,696 shall be used by the Department for Children and Families'  
7 Office of Economic Opportunity to issue grants to community agencies to  
8 assist individuals experiencing homelessness by preserving existing services,  
9 increasing services, or increasing resources available statewide. These funds  
10 may be granted alone or in conjunction with federal Emergency Solutions  
11 Grants funds. Grant decisions and the administration of funds shall be done in  
12 consultation with the two U.S. Department of Housing and Urban  
13 Development recognized Continuum of Care programs.

14 Sec. E.326 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; OFFICE  
15 OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY; WEATHERIZATION  
16 ASSISTANCE

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

1 ~~Sec. 5 329. DESIGNATED AND SPECIALIZED SERVICE AGENCIES;~~

2 ~~ENGAGEMENT PROCESS; REPORT~~

3 ~~(a) On or before January 15, 2027, the Department of Disabilities, Aging~~  
4 ~~and Independent Living, in collaboration with the Departments of Health and~~  
5 ~~of Mental Health and the Office of Health Care Reform in the Agency of~~  
6 ~~Human Services, shall submit a plan to the House Committees on Health Care,~~  
7 ~~on Human Services, and on Appropriations and the Senate Committees on~~  
8 ~~Health and Welfare and on Appropriations for developing and conducting a~~  
9 ~~data-informed, patient-focused, community-inclusive engagement process for~~  
10 ~~Vermont's designated and specialized service agencies that will include:~~

11 ~~(1) hearing from and sharing data, information, trends, and insights with~~  
12 ~~communities about the current and future states of the designated and~~  
13 ~~specialized service agencies;~~

14 ~~(2) providing opportunities for meaningful participation in all stages of~~  
15 ~~the engagement process by current, former, and prospective clients of~~  
16 ~~designated and specialized service agencies; health care professionals and~~  
17 ~~health care providers, including employees of designated and specialized~~  
18 ~~service agencies; and Vermonters who are diverse with respect to race, income,~~  
19 ~~age, and disability status;~~

20 ~~(3) providing the data, information, and analysis necessary to support~~  
21 ~~the engagement process, including information and trends relating to the~~

1 ~~current and future states of the designated and specialized service agencies and~~  
2 the workforce challenges they encounter; and

3 (4) establishing ways to assess the impact of any changes to the  
4 designated and specialized service agencies on providers, including on  
5 workforce recruitment and retention.

6 (b) As part of its fiscal year 2027 budget adjustment presentation, the  
7 Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living may include a  
8 request for an appropriation to hire one or more consultants to support the  
9 engagement process recommended pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

10 Sec. E.329.1 CHOICES FOR CARE; FISCAL YEAR 2028 BUDGET

11 (a) For the fiscal year 2028 budget, the Department of Disabilities, Aging  
12 and Independent Living shall present as separate line items for the Choices for  
13 Care Program home- and community-based services and skilled nursing  
14 facility services.

15 Sec. E.329.2 DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITIES, AGING AND

16 INDEPENDENT LIVING; POSITION POOL; FUNDING

17 (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.329 of this act, \$130,000 General  
18 Fund shall be for a permanent, classified Disabilities Housing Coordinator  
19 position to be taken from the position pool.

~~Sec. E.338 CORRECTIONS; CORRECTIONAL SERVICES~~

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

Sec. E.500 AGENCY OF EDUCATION; BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

(a) As part of its fiscal year 2027 budget adjustment and fiscal year 2028 budget presentations, the Agency of Education shall include:

(1) a comprehensive account of fiscal year 2027 appropriations, including information on amounts expended or obligated at the time of the presentation's submission;

(2) a comprehensive account of anticipated fiscal year 2027 carryforward, including information on the reasons for expenditures being lower than anticipated;

(3) information on all third-party contract agreements the Agency entered into in fiscal year 2027;

(4) organizational charts reflecting the current structure of the Agency and each division within the Agency;

(5) written explanation of any changes to the Agency's organizational structure and personnel.

1 ~~(6) a comprehensive account of any vacancies within the Agency~~  
2 including information on the duration of each position vacancy and any  
3 recommendations for the elimination or redesignation of positions; and

4 (7) information on any changes to federal funding, rules, or policy that  
5 may affect the Agency and any action the Agency has taken or may take to  
6 address those changes.

7 Sec. E.500.1 EDUCATION; GLOBAL COMMITMENT

8 (a) The Global Commitment appropriation in Sec. B.501 of this act shall  
9 be used for physician claims for determining medical necessity of  
10 Individualized Education Programs. These services are intended to increase  
11 access to quality health care for uninsured persons, underinsured persons, and  
12 Medicaid beneficiaries.

13 Sec. E.500.2 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 73, Sec. 33 is amended to read:

14 Sec. 33. EDUCATION TRANSFORMATION; POOL POSITIONS

15 The General Fund appropriation in Sec. 32 of this act shall fund five ~~limited~~  
16 ~~service permanent~~ classified positions taken from the position pool. The pool  
17 positions shall be used to establish the following ~~limited-service permanent~~  
18 classified positions at the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2026 to support  
19 education transformation work:

20 (1) one Business Operations Support Specialist;

21 ~~(2) one Data Integration Support Specialist,~~

1 ~~(3) one Curriculum and Education Quality Standards Integration~~

2 Specialist;

3 ~~(4) one Learning and Teaching Integration Specialist; and~~

4 ~~(5) one School Facilities Field Support Specialist.~~

5 Sec. E.500.3 16 V.S.A. § 51 is amended to read:

6 § 51. UNIVERSAL AFTERSCHOOL AND SUMMER SPECIAL FUND

7 (a) The Universal Afterschool and Summer Special Fund is created, to be  
8 managed by the Agency of Education. The cannabis sales tax revenue shall be  
9 deposited into the Universal Afterschool and Summer Special Fund. The Fund  
10 shall be used as follows:

11 (1) To establish a grant program that supports the expansion of universal  
12 afterschool and summer programs with a focus on underserved areas of the  
13 State.

14 (2) Cannabis sales tax revenue shall be used to support a mixed delivery  
15 system for afterschool and summer programming. Eligible recipients can be  
16 public, private, or nonprofit organizations.

17 (A) Grants may be used for technical assistance, program  
18 implementation, program expansion, program sustainability, and related costs.

19 (B) Funds may be used to directly target communities with low  
20 existing capacity to serve youth in afterschool and summer settings.

1 ~~(C) The award of grants and any subsequent contract or written~~  
2 agreement issued pursuant to the award of a grant shall require that a grantee  
3 does not discriminate, and prohibits its employees, agents, subcontractors, and  
4 other service providers from discriminating, on the basis of race, creed, color,  
5 national origin, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or  
6 disability.

7 (D) The Agency may use up to ~~\$500,000.00~~ five percent of annually  
8 forecasted revenues for administrative costs to allow for the support of the  
9 grant program and technical assistance to communities. This could include  
10 subcontracts to support the grant program.

11 \* \* \*

12 Sec. E.502 EDUCATION; SPECIAL EDUCATION: FORMULA GRANTS

13 (a) Of the appropriation authorized in Sec. B.502 of this act, and  
14 notwithstanding any other provision of law, an amount not to  
15 exceed \$5,336,200 shall be used by the Agency of Education in fiscal year  
16 2027 as funding for 16 V.S.A. § 2967(b)(2)–(6). In distributing such funds,  
17 the Secretary shall not be limited by the restrictions contained within 16  
18 V.S.A. § 2969(c) and (d).

19 (b) Of the appropriation authorized in Sec. B.502 of this act, and  
20 notwithstanding any other provision of law, an amount not to  
21 exceed \$2,000,000 shall be used by the Agency of Education in fiscal year

1 ~~2027 as funding for 16 V.S.A. § 2075. In distributing such funds, the~~

2 Secretary shall not be limited by the restrictions contained within 16 V.S.A.

3 § 2969(c) and (d).

4 Sec. E.503 EDUCATION; STATE-PLACED STUDENTS

5 (a) The Independence Place Program of ANEW Place shall be considered a  
6 24-hour residential program for the purposes of reimbursement of education  
7 costs.

8 Sec. E.504 ADULT EDUCATION AND LITERACY

9 (a) Of the appropriation in Sec. B.504 of this act, \$4,349,673 General Fund  
10 shall be granted to adult education and literacy providers, pursuant to the Adult  
11 Education and Secondary Credential Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 945.

12 Sec. E.504.1 EDUCATION; FLEXIBLE PATHWAYS

13 (a) Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 4025, of the Education Fund  
14 appropriation in Sec. B.504.1 of this act, the amount of:

15 (1) \$921,500 is available for dual enrollment programs notwithstanding  
16 16 V.S.A. § 944(f)(2);

17 (2) \$2,400,000 is available to support the Vermont Virtual High School;

18 (3) \$400,000 is available for secondary school reform grants;

19 (4) \$4,200,000 is available for Early College pursuant to 16 V.S.A.

20 § 947(b), and

1 ~~(5) \$2,800,782 is available for the Adult Education and Secondary~~  
2 ~~Credential Program.~~

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

*Sec. E.504.2 16 V.S.A. § 4021 is added to read:*

*§ 4021. ADULT EDUCATION FUNDING*

*(a) Definitions. As used in this section:*

*(1) "Local adult education and literacy provider" has the same meaning as in section 942 of this title.*

*(2) "Statewide AEL student count" means the average annual number of students statewide who complete the diagnostic portions of the adult education and secondary credential program over the previous two completed fiscal years.*

*(3) "Statewide AEL student-hours" means the average annual number of student-hours of instruction provided statewide for adult education and literacy activities over the previous two completed fiscal years.*

*(b) Annual appropriation. Annually, the General Assembly shall appropriate funds to pay for adult education and literacy activities in an amount equal to 26 percent of the base education amount multiplied by the statewide AEL student count. The General Assembly shall appropriate*

~~40 percent of the funds from the Education Fund and 60 percent of the funds from the General Fund.~~

~~(c) Payment allocations.~~

~~(1) Beginning in fiscal year 2029, the Secretary shall determine payments from the appropriation under subsection (b) of this section on a per-county basis according to this subdivision.~~

~~(A) The Secretary shall first allocate \$80,000.00 to each county.~~

~~(B) The Secretary shall then allocate the remaining funds among the counties according to each county's share of the statewide AEL student count.~~

~~(2) Annually, the Secretary shall pay to each local adult education and literacy provider, as defined in section 942 of this title, that provides an adult education and secondary credential program the amount determined pursuant to this section for each county in which the local adult education and literacy provider provides the county's adult education and secondary credential program.~~

~~(3) For each of fiscal years 2027 and 2028, the Secretary shall determine payments from the appropriation under subsection (b) of this section on a per-county basis according to this subdivision.~~

~~(A) The Secretary shall first allocate \$80,000.00 to each county.~~

~~(B) The Secretary shall then allocate among the counties 85 percent of the remaining funds according to each county's share of the statewide AEL~~

~~student count and 15 percent of the remaining funds according to each county's share of the statewide AEL student-hours.~~

*Sec. E.504.3 REPEAL*

~~*16 V.S.A. § 4021(c)(3) (adult education funding transition language) is repealed on July 1, 2028.*~~

*Sec. E.504.4 16 V.S.A. § 4011(f) is amended to read:*

~~*(f) Annually, the Secretary shall pay to a local adult education and literacy provider, as defined in section 942 of this title, that provides an adult education and secondary credential program an amount equal to 26 percent of the base education amount for each student who completes the diagnostic portions of the adult education and secondary credential program, based on an average of the previous two completed fiscal years. Forty percent of the payment required under this subsection shall be from State funds appropriated from the Education Fund and 60 percent of the payment required under this subsection shall be from State funds appropriated from the General Fund. [Repealed.]*~~

*Sec. E.504.5 16 V.S.A. § 4021(b) is amended to read:*

~~*(b) Annual appropriation. Annually, the General Assembly shall appropriate funds to pay for adult education and literacy activities in an amount equal to 26 percent of the categorical base education amount multiplied by the statewide AEL student count. The General Assembly shall*~~

~~appropriate 40 percent of the funds from the Education Fund and 60 percent of  
the funds from the General Fund.~~

1 Sec. E.507.1 ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS; CATEGORICAL AID

2 (a) The funds appropriated in Sec. B.507.1 of this act shall be used to  
3 provide categorical aid to school districts for English Learner services,  
4 pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 4013.

5 Sec. E.514 VERMONT STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

6 (a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(g)(2), the annual contribution to  
7 the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System shall be \$220,905,084, of  
8 which \$212,905,084 shall be the State's contribution and \$8,000,000 shall be  
9 contributed from local school systems or educational entities pursuant to 16  
10 V.S.A. § 1944c.

11 (b) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(c)(2), of the annual contribution,  
12 \$43,739,011 is the "normal contribution," and \$177,166,073 is the "accrued  
13 liability contribution."

14 Sec. E.514.1 VERMONT STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

15 AND VERMONT PENSION INVESTMENT COMMISSION;

16 OPERATING BUDGET; SOURCE OF FUNDS

17 (a) Of the \$4,071,711 appropriated in Sec. B.514.1 of this act, \$2,824,955  
18 constitutes the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System operating budget,  
19 and \$1,246,756 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension Investment

1 ~~Commissioner's budget attributable to the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement~~  
2 ~~System.~~

3 Sec. E.515 RETIRED TEACHERS' HEALTH CARE AND MEDICAL  
4 BENEFITS

5 (a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944b(b)(2) and 16 V.S.A.  
6 § 1944b(h)(1), the annual contribution to the Retired Teachers' Health and  
7 Medical Benefits plan shall be \$90,834,595, of which \$81,834,595 shall be the  
8 State's contribution and \$9,000,000 shall be from the annual charge for teacher  
9 health care contributed by employers pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944d. Of the  
10 annual contribution, \$28,193,691 is the "normal contribution," and  
11 \$62,640,904 is the "accrued liability contribution."

12 Sec. E.600 UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

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

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

1 Sec. E.602 VERMONT STATE COLLEGES

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

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

9 Sec. E.603 VERMONT STATE COLLEGES; ALLIED HEALTH

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

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

19 Sec. E.605 VERMONT STUDENT ASSISTANCE CORPORATION

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

1 ~~(1) \$25,000 shall be deposited into the trust fund established in 16~~

2 V.S.A. § 2845;

3 (2) not more than \$400,000 may be used by the Vermont Student  
4 Assistance Corporation for a student aspirational initiative to serve one or  
5 more high schools; and

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

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

13 (c) After accounting for the expenditures set forth in subsection (a) of this  
14 section, up to seven percent of the funds appropriated to the Vermont Student  
15 Assistance Corporation in Sec. B.605 of this act or otherwise currently or  
16 previously appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation or  
17 provided to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation by an agency or  
18 department of the State for the administration of a program or initiative may  
19 be used by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for its costs of  
20 administration. The Vermont Student Assistance Corporation may recoup its  
21 reasonable costs of collecting the forgivable loans in repayment. Funds shall

1 ~~not be used for indirect costs. To the extent that any of these funds are federal~~  
2 funds, allocation for expenses associated with administering the funds shall be  
3 consistent with federal grant requirements.

4 Sec. E.605.1 NEED-BASED STIPEND FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT AND  
5 EARLY COLLEGE STUDENTS

6 (a) Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 4025, the \$41,225 Education Fund and  
7 \$41,225 General Fund appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance  
8 Corporation in Sec. B.605.1 of this act is for dual enrollment and need-based  
9 stipend purposes to fund a flat-rate, need-based stipend or voucher program for  
10 financially disadvantaged students enrolled in a dual enrollment course  
11 pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 944 or in early college pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 946 to  
12 be used for the purchase of books, cost of transportation, and payment of fees.  
13 The Vermont Student Assistance Corporation shall establish the criteria for  
14 program eligibility. Funds shall be granted to eligible students on a first-come,  
15 first-served basis until funds are depleted.

16 (b) On or before January 15, 2027, the Vermont Student Assistance  
17 Corporation shall report on the program to the House Committees on  
18 Appropriations and on Commerce and Economic Development and to the  
19 Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Economic Development,  
20 Housing and General Affairs.

1 ~~Sec. E.606 16 V.S.A. § 2885 is amended to read:~~

2 § 2885. VERMONT HIGHER EDUCATION ENDOWMENT TRUST FUND

3 (a) A Vermont Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund is established in  
4 the Office of the State Treasurer to comprise the following:

5 (1) ~~appropriations~~ transfers made by the General Assembly;

6 \* \* \*

7 Sec. E.700 3 V.S.A. § 2807 is amended to read:

8 § 2807. LANDS AND FACILITIES TRUST FUND

9 (a) Legislative purpose. The General Assembly finds and determines:

10 (1) The public lands, facilities, and recreational assets of Vermont  
11 represent both a priceless inheritance from the past and an enduring legacy for  
12 future generations.

13 (2) The lands, facilities, and recreational assets owned or managed by  
14 the ~~Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation~~ Agency of Natural Resources  
15 are held as public assets for the citizens of Vermont, and require proper  
16 management to ensure that these natural resources and facilities remain viable  
17 and available for this and all future generations.

18 (b) Definitions. As used in this section:

19 (1) ~~“Commissioner” means the Commissioner of Forests, Parks and~~  
20 ~~Recreation or the Commissioner’s designee~~ “Secretary” means the Secretary of  
21 Natural Resources or the Secretary’s designee.

1 ~~(2) "Eligible activity" means any activity undertaken, initiated, or~~  
2 supported by the ~~Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation Agency of~~  
3 ~~Natural Resources, for State lands under the ownership of the Department of~~  
4 ~~Forests, Parks and Recreation, that provides for the management of State~~  
5 ~~lands, facilities, and recreational assets, including administrative support.~~

6 "Eligible activity" ~~includes but is not limited to:~~ repair and maintenance of  
7 State parks; contract surveys and mapping; maintenance of State lands,  
8 including boundaries, roads, trails, and facilities; contract inventories of State  
9 land natural resources; repair of State-owned dams; ~~repair, replacement, and~~  
10 ~~maintenance of conservation camps, and timber management in accordance~~  
11 ~~with U.S.D.A. silvicultural guidelines; project management; contract~~  
12 ~~development and administration; and business office support.~~ "Eligible  
13 activity" does not include the acquisition of land.

14 (3) "Fund" means the Lands and Facilities Trust Fund.

15 (c) Creation and use of Fund.

16 (1) There is established in the State Treasury an income-producing fund  
17 to be known as the Lands and Facilities Trust Fund, to be managed by the  
18 State Treasurer, and from which expenditures shall be made by the  
19 ~~Commissioner~~ Secretary in accordance with appropriations by the General  
20 Assembly for the benefit of lands, facilities, and recreational assets owned or  
21 ~~managed by the Agency. Payments from the Fund may be made to meet costs~~

1 ~~for eligible activities that are not covered in operating budgets for management~~  
2 ~~of agency lands, facilities, and recreational assets.~~

3 (2) The Fund shall be administered as part of the trust investment  
4 account established in 32 V.S.A. § 434. After the first three years of the  
5 Fund's existence, on July 1 of each year, the Treasurer shall distribute from the  
6 Fund ~~five~~ eight percent of the moving average of the market value of the Fund  
7 over the prior 12 quarters, with the approval of the House and Senate.

8 Notwithstanding the foregoing, during the first three years of the Fund's  
9 existence, expenditures for immediate needs, not to exceed five percent of the  
10 principal, may be authorized by the ~~Commissioner~~ Secretary, provided that  
11 such expenditures are consistent with the priorities established by the  
12 ~~Commissioner~~ Secretary, pursuant to this section, and shall be subject to the  
13 approval of the General Assembly.

14 (3) ~~Annual expenditures from the Fund shall be limited to projects~~  
15 ~~approved by the Commissioner and shall be in accordance with appropriations~~  
16 ~~of the General Assembly. Project priorities shall be determined in accordance~~  
17 ~~with criteria established by the Commissioner and shall include consideration~~  
18 ~~of at least the following: The Secretary may make expenditures from the Fund~~  
19 ~~for eligible projects with a consideration towards cost; availability of funds,~~  
20 ~~condition of the resource, facility, or infrastructure, level of use, level of~~

1 ~~public need; the stated intent of the donor, when donated property is involved;~~  
2 and the ability to protect or enhance a public investment or public resource.

3 (4) There shall be deposited in the Fund monies received by the Agency  
4 that are related to management and administrative support of Agency lands,  
5 facilities, and recreational assets and that are received from a variety of public  
6 and private sources pertinent to the purposes of the Fund, including donations;  
7 grants; special use permits; federal funds specifically designated for uses  
8 compatible with the intent of the fund; timber sale receipts received after June  
9 30, 2001, from State forestland and all Agency lands otherwise not restricted;  
10 and such sums as may be appropriated to the Fund by the General Assembly.  
11 The Agency may solicit and accept aid or contributions consistent with the  
12 stated intent of the donor and deposited with the State Treasurer. Income  
13 earned by the Fund shall be deposited into the Fund, and all balances in the  
14 Fund at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward and remain part of  
15 the Fund.

16 \* \* \*

17 Sec. E.700.1 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Section C.110 is  
18 amended to read:

19 Sec. C.110 IMPLEMENTATION OF PRELIMINARY

20 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE VERMONT CLIMATE

21 ACTION COMMISSION

1  
2 (4) Recommendations of the Commission and actions taken on them  
3 include.

4 \* \* \*

5 ~~(5) Electrify the transportation system: The direction concerning the use~~  
6 ~~of Environmental Mitigation Trust monies resulting from the Volkswagen~~  
7 ~~litigation set forth in Section E.700 of this act is designed to increase~~  
8 ~~electrification of transportation.~~

9 Sec. E.700.2 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Section E.700 is  
10 amended to read:

11 Sec. E.700 VOLKSWAGEN LITIGATION; ENVIRONMENTAL  
12 MITIGATION TRUST FOR STATE BENEFICIARIES

13 (a) As used in this section:

14 (1) "Appendix D-2" means Appendix D-2 to the Environmental  
15 Mitigation Trust, entitled "Eligible Mitigation Actions and Mitigation Action  
16 Expenditures."

17 (2) "Environmental Mitigation Trust" or "Trust" means the  
18 Environmental Mitigation Trust Agreement for State Beneficiaries Filed on  
19 October 2, 2017 in In re: Volkswagen "Clean Diesel" Marketing, Sales  
20 Practices, and Products Liability Litigation, 3:16-CV-00295-CRB, MDL No.  
21 2072 CRB (JSC) (N.D. Cal.).

1 ~~(2) "Mobile source" means any vehicle, freight switcher, ferry, tug,~~  
2 vessel, or equipment that qualifies under an eligible mitigation action listed in  
3 Appendix D-2.

4 (b) The Secretary of Natural Resources shall administer Environmental  
5 Mitigation Trust monies pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 554(15) ~~and, in administering~~  
6 ~~the Trust monies appropriated under Sec. B.710 of this act, shall:~~

7 ~~(1) Dedicate at least 15 percent of those monies for the purchase of light~~  
8 ~~duty electric supply equipment and associated allowable administrative costs~~  
9 ~~in accordance with Appendix D-2.~~

10 ~~(2) Dedicate the remainder of the monies to the replacement of mobile~~  
11 ~~sources that consume fossil fuels with all-electric mobile sources or the~~  
12 ~~repowering of mobile sources that consume fossil fuels with all-electric~~  
13 ~~engines, or both, and associated allowable administrative costs. The~~  
14 expenditures shall be in accordance with the requirements of Appendix D-2.

15 Sec. E.700.3 AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES; POSITION POOL;

16 FUNDING

17 (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.700 of this act, \$300,000 General  
18 Fund shall be for two permanent, classified positions to be taken from the  
19 position pool. ~~two Environmental Engineers.~~

1 ~~Sec. E.923.1 19 V.S.A. § 11 is amended to read:~~

2 § 11. TRANSPORTATION FUND

3 The Transportation Fund shall comprise the following:

4 \* \* \*

5 (8) other miscellaneous sources, including the sale of maps, plans, and  
6 reports; fees collected by the Travel Information Council; leases for property  
7 at State-owned airports and railroads; proceeds from the sale of State surplus  
8 property under the provisions of 29 V.S.A. §§ 1556 and 1557; and proceeds  
9 from the sale of recycled materials; and

10 (9) all interest earned in accordance with 32 V.S.A. § 308a(e) and  
11 interest earned upon the nondedicated component of the Transportation Fund.

12 Sec. E.923.1 19 V.S.A. § 11a is amended to read:

13 § 11a. TRANSPORTATION FUND APPROPRIATIONS

14 No transportation funds shall be appropriated for the support of government  
15 other than for the Agency, the Board, Transportation Pay Act Funds,  
16 construction of transportation capital facilities, transportation debt service, the  
17 purchase of level 1 and 2 electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE) charging  
18 ports by the Department of Housing and Community Development for the  
19 purposes provided in 23 V.S.A. § 361, and the operation of information centers  
20 by the Department of Buildings and General Services.

*Collective Bargaining Agreements, Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028*

*Sec. F100 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS; FISCAL  
YEARS 2027 AND 2028*

*(a) Fiscal year 2027. This act fully funds the first year of the collective bargaining agreements between the State and the Vermont State Employees' Association and the State and the Vermont Troopers' Association for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. The collective bargaining agreements for most classified employees provide in fiscal year 2027 an average 1.9 percent step increase and a 2 percent across-the-board increase on July 12, 2026, and a 2 percent across-the-board increase on January 10, 2027, for a total of a 5.9 percent increase.*

*(b) Fiscal year 2028. This act fully funds the second year of the collective bargaining agreements between the State and the Vermont State Employees' Association and the State and the Vermont Troopers' Association for the period of July 1, 2027, through June 30, 2028. The collective bargaining agreements for most classified employees provide in fiscal year 2028 an average 1.9 percent step increase and a 3.0 percent across-the-board increase for a total of a 4.9 percent increase.*

*Exempt Employees, Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028*

*Sec. F.101 EXEMPT EMPLOYEES; PERMITTED SALARY INCREASES;  
FISCAL YEARS 2027 AND 2028*

*(a) Fiscal year 2027. The Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Branches may extend the fiscal year 2027 provisions of the collective bargaining agreements that are funded by this act to employees not covered by the bargaining agreements as they determine to be appropriate and in accordance with the appropriations provided to each branch.*

*(b) Fiscal year 2028. The Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Branches may extend the fiscal year 2028 provisions of the collective bargaining agreements that are funded by this act to employees not covered by the bargaining agreements as they determine to be appropriate and in accordance with the appropriations provided to each branch.*

*Sec. F.102 EXECUTIVE BRANCH; EXEMPT AGENCY AND  
DEPARTMENT HEADS, DEPUTIES, AND EXECUTIVE  
ASSISTANTS; ANNUAL SALARY ADJUSTMENT AND  
SPECIAL SALARY INCREASE OR BONUS*

*(a) Fiscal year 2027. For purposes of determining annual salary adjustments, special salary increases, and bonuses under 32 V.S.A. §§ 1003(b) and 1020(b), the average rate of adjustment available to most classified*

~~employees under the collective bargaining agreement” shall be, in fiscal year  
2027, 5.9 percent.~~

~~(b) Fiscal year 2028. For purposes of determining annual salary  
adjustments, special salary increases, and bonuses under 32 V.S.A. §§ 1003(b)  
and 1020(b), the average rate of adjustment available to most classified  
employees under the collective bargaining agreement” shall be, in fiscal year  
2028, 4.9 percent.~~

~~\*\*\* Executive Branch; Miscellaneous Statutory Salaries;~~

~~Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 \*\*\*~~

~~Sec. F.103 32 V.S.A. § 1003 is amended to read:~~

~~§ 1003. STATE OFFICERS~~

~~(a) Each elective officer of the Executive Department is entitled to an  
annual salary as follows:~~

	<del>Annual</del>	<del>Annual</del>
	<del>Salary</del>	<del>Salary</del>
	<del>as of</del>	<del>as of</del>
	<del>July 14,</del>	<del>July 13,</del>
	<del>2024</del>	<del>2025</del>
<del>(1) Governor</del>	<del>\$222,371</del>	<del>\$234,379</del>
<del>(2) Lieutenant Governor</del>	<del>\$94,392</del>	<del>\$99,489</del>
<del>(3) Secretary of State</del>	<del>\$141,003</del>	<del>\$146,017</del>

<del>(4) State Treasurer</del>	<del>\$141,003</del>	<del>\$148,617</del>	<del>\$148,617</del>
<del>(5) Auditor of Accounts</del>	<del>\$141,003</del>	<del>\$148,617</del>	<del>\$148,617</del>
<del>(6) Attorney General</del>	<del>\$168,837</del>	<del>\$177,954</del>	<del>\$177,954</del>
	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>
	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>
	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>
	<u>July 12,</u>	<u>January 10,</u>	<u>July 11,</u>
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2027</u>
<u>(1) Governor</u>	<u>\$243,520</u>	<u>\$248,390</u>	<u>\$260,561</u>
<u>(2) Lieutenant Governor</u>	<u>\$103,369</u>	<u>\$105,436</u>	<u>\$110,602</u>
<u>(3) Secretary of State</u>	<u>\$154,413</u>	<u>\$157,501</u>	<u>\$165,219</u>
<u>(4) State Treasurer</u>	<u>\$154,413</u>	<u>\$157,501</u>	<u>\$165,219</u>
<u>(5) Auditor of Accounts</u>	<u>\$154,413</u>	<u>\$157,501</u>	<u>\$165,219</u>
<u>(6) Attorney General</u>	<u>\$184,894</u>	<u>\$188,592</u>	<u>\$197,833</u>

(b) The Governor may appoint each officer of the Executive Branch listed in this subsection at a starting salary ranging from the base salary stated for that position to a salary that does not exceed the maximum salary unless otherwise authorized by this subsection. The maximum salary for each appointive officer shall be 50 percent above the base salary. Annually, the Governor may grant to each of those officers an annual salary adjustment ~~subject to the maximum salary. The annual salary adjustment granted to~~

~~officers under this subsection shall not exceed the average rate of adjustment available to most classified employees under the collective bargaining agreement then in effect. In addition to the annual salary adjustment specified in this subsection, the Governor may grant a special salary increase subject to the maximum salary, or a bonus, to any officer listed in this subsection whose job duties have significantly increased, or whose contributions to the State in the preceding year are deemed especially significant. Special salary increases or bonuses granted to any individual shall not exceed the average rate of adjustment available to most classified employees under the collective bargaining agreement then in effect.~~

~~(1) Heads of the following Departments and Agencies:~~

	<del>Base</del>	<del>Base</del>
	<del>Salary</del>	<del>Salary</del>
	<del>as of</del>	<del>as of</del>
	<del>July 14,</del>	<del>July 13,</del>
	<del>2024</del>	<del>2025</del>
<del>(A) Administration</del>	<del>\$134,466</del>	<del>\$141,727</del>
<del>(B) Agriculture,</del>		
<del>Food and</del>		
<del>Markets</del>	<del>\$134,466</del>	<del>\$141,727</del>
<del>(C) Financial</del>		

<del>Regulation</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(D) Buildings and General Services</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(E) Children and Families</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(F) Commerce and Community Development</del>	<del>\$134,466</del>	<del>\$141,727</del>
<del>(G) Corrections</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(H) Defender General</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(I) Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(J) Economic Development</del>	<del>\$114,031</del>	<del>\$120,189</del>
<del>(K) Education</del>	<del>\$134,466</del>	<del>\$141,727</del>
<del>(L) Environmental Conservation</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(M) Finance and</del>		

<del>Management</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(N) Fish and Wildlife</del>	<del>\$114,031</del>	<del>\$120,189</del>
<del>(O) Forests, Parks and Recreation</del>	<del>\$114,031</del>	<del>\$120,189</del>
<del>(P) Health</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(Q) Housing and Community Development</del>	<del>\$114,031</del>	<del>\$120,189</del>
<del>(R) Human Resources</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(S) Human Services</del>	<del>\$134,466</del>	<del>\$141,727</del>
<del>(T) Digital Services</del>	<del>\$134,466</del>	<del>\$141,727</del>
<del>(U) Labor</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(V) Libraries</del>	<del>\$114,031</del>	<del>\$120,189</del>
<del>(W) Liquor and Lottery</del>	<del>\$114,031</del>	<del>\$120,189</del>
<del>(X) [Repealed.]</del>		
<del>(Y) Mental Health</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(Z) Military</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(AA) Motor</del>		

<del>Vehicles</del>	<del>\$114,031</del>	<del>\$120,189</del>
<del>(BB) Natural Resources</del>	<del>\$134,466</del>	<del>\$141,727</del>
<del>(CC) Land Use Review Board Chair</del>	<del>\$114,031</del>	<del>\$120,189</del>
<del>(DD) Public Safety</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(EE) Public Service</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(FF) Taxes</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(GG) Tourism and Marketing</del>	<del>\$114,031</del>	<del>\$120,189</del>
<del>(HH) Transportation</del>	<del>\$134,466</del>	<del>\$141,727</del>
<del>(II) Vermont Health Access</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(JJ) Veterans' Home</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
	<u>Base</u>	<u>Base</u>
	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>
	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>
	<u>July 12,</u>	<u>January 10,</u>
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<del>(A) Administration</del>	<del>\$147,254</del>	<del>\$157,559</del>

<del>(B) <u>Agriculture</u></del>			
<del>    <u>Food and</u></del>			
<del>        <u>Markets</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,254</u></del>	<del><u>\$150,199</u></del>	<del><u>\$157,559</u></del>
<del>(C) <u>Financial</u></del>			
<del>    <u>Regulation</u></del>	<del><u>\$137,661</u></del>	<del><u>\$140,414</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,294</u></del>
<del>(D) <u>Buildings and</u></del>			
<del>    <u>General Services</u></del>	<del><u>\$137,661</u></del>	<del><u>\$140,414</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,294</u></del>
<del>(E) <u>Children and</u></del>			
<del>    <u>Families</u></del>	<del><u>\$137,661</u></del>	<del><u>\$140,414</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,294</u></del>
<del>(F) <u>Commerce and</u></del>			
<del>    <u>Community</u></del>			
<del>        <u>Development</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,254</u></del>	<del><u>\$150,199</u></del>	<del><u>\$157,559</u></del>
<del>(G) <u>Corrections</u></del>	<del><u>\$137,661</u></del>	<del><u>\$140,414</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,294</u></del>
<del>(H) <u>Defender</u></del>			
<del>    <u>General</u></del>	<del><u>\$137,661</u></del>	<del><u>\$140,414</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,294</u></del>
<del>(I) <u>Disabilities,</u></del>			
<del>    <u>Aging, and</u></del>			
<del>    <u>Independent</u></del>			
<del>        <u>Living</u></del>	<del><u>\$137,661</u></del>	<del><u>\$140,414</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,294</u></del>
<del>(J) <u>Economic</u></del>			
<del>    <u>Development</u></del>	<del><u>\$124,876</u></del>	<del><u>\$127,374</u></del>	<del><u>\$133,615</u></del>

<del>(K) Education</del>	<del>\$147,254</del>	<del>\$150,199</del>	<del>\$157,559</del>
<del>(L) Environmental</del>			
<del>    Conservation</del>	<del>\$137,661</del>	<del>\$140,414</del>	<del>\$147,294</del>
<del>(M) Finance and</del>			
<del>    Management</del>	<del>\$137,661</del>	<del>\$140,414</del>	<del>\$147,294</del>
<del>(N) Fish and</del>			
<del>    Wildlife</del>	<del>\$124,876</del>	<del>\$127,374</del>	<del>\$133,615</del>
<del>(O) Forests, Parks</del>			
<del>    and Recreation</del>	<del>\$124,876</del>	<del>\$127,374</del>	<del>\$133,615</del>
<del>(P) Health</del>	<del>\$137,661</del>	<del>\$140,414</del>	<del>\$147,294</del>
<del>(Q) Housing and</del>			
<del>    Community</del>			
<del>    Development</del>	<del>\$124,876</del>	<del>\$127,374</del>	<del>\$133,615</del>
<del>(R) Human</del>			
<del>    Resources</del>	<del>\$137,661</del>	<del>\$140,414</del>	<del>\$147,294</del>
<del>(S) Human Services</del>	<del>\$147,254</del>	<del>\$150,199</del>	<del>\$157,559</del>
<del>(T) Digital Services</del>	<del>\$147,254</del>	<del>\$150,199</del>	<del>\$157,559</del>
<del>(U) Labor</del>	<del>\$137,661</del>	<del>\$140,414</del>	<del>\$147,294</del>
<del>(V) Libraries</del>	<del>\$124,876</del>	<del>\$127,374</del>	<del>\$133,615</del>
<del>(W) Liquor and</del>			
<del>    Lottery</del>	<del>\$124,876</del>	<del>\$127,374</del>	<del>\$133,615</del>

<del>(Y) [Repealed.]</del>			
<del>(Y) <u>Mental Health</u></del>	<del><u>\$137,661</u></del>	<del><u>\$140,414</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,294</u></del>
<del>(Z) <u>Military</u></del>	<del><u>\$137,661</u></del>	<del><u>\$140,414</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,294</u></del>
<del>(AA) <u>Motor</u></del>			
<del>    <u>Vehicles</u></del>	<del><u>\$124,876</u></del>	<del><u>\$127,374</u></del>	<del><u>\$133,615</u></del>
<del>(BB) <u>Natural</u></del>			
<del>    <u>Resources</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,254</u></del>	<del><u>\$150,199</u></del>	<del><u>\$157,559</u></del>
<del>(CC) <u>Land Use Review</u></del>			
<del>    <u>Board Chair</u></del>	<del><u>\$124,876</u></del>	<del><u>\$127,374</u></del>	<del><u>\$133,615</u></del>
<del>(DD) <u>Public Safety</u></del>	<del><u>\$137,661</u></del>	<del><u>\$140,414</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,294</u></del>
<del>(EE) <u>Public Service</u></del>	<del><u>\$137,661</u></del>	<del><u>\$140,414</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,294</u></del>
<del>(FF) <u>Taxes</u></del>	<del><u>\$137,661</u></del>	<del><u>\$140,414</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,294</u></del>
<del>(GG) <u>Tourism and</u></del>			
<del>    <u>Marketing</u></del>	<del><u>\$124,876</u></del>	<del><u>\$127,374</u></del>	<del><u>\$133,615</u></del>
<del>(HH) <u>Transportation</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,254</u></del>	<del><u>\$150,199</u></del>	<del><u>\$157,559</u></del>
<del>(II) <u>Vermont Health</u></del>			
<del>    <u>Access</u></del>	<del><u>\$137,661</u></del>	<del><u>\$140,414</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,294</u></del>
<del>(JJ) <u>Veterans' Home</u></del>	<del><u>\$137,661</u></del>	<del><u>\$140,414</u></del>	<del><u>\$147,294</u></del>
<del>(Z) [Repealed.]</del>			

~~(3) If the Chair of the Land Use Review Board is employed on less than a full-time basis, the hiring and salary maximums for that position shall be reduced proportionately.~~

~~(4) When a permanent employee is appointed to an exempt position, the Governor may authorize such employee to retain the present salary even though it is in excess of any salary maximum provided in statute.~~

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~~(d) Notwithstanding the maximum salary established in subsection (b) of this section, the Defender General shall not receive compensation in excess of the compensation established for the Attorney General in this section.~~

~~(e) Notwithstanding the maximum salary established in subsection (b) of this section, the maximum salary for the Commissioner of Health shall not exceed 100 percent above the base salary for this position.~~

~~\* \* \* Judicial Branch; Statutory Salaries; Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 \* \* \*~~  
~~Sec. F.104 32 V.S.A. § 1003(c) is amended to read:~~

~~(c) The officers of the Judicial Branch named in this subsection shall be entitled to annual salaries as follows:~~

<del>Annual</del>	<del>Annual</del>
<del>Salary</del>	<del>Salary</del>
<del>as of</del>	<del>as of</del>
<del>July 14,</del>	<del>July 13,</del>

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
<del>(1) Chief Justice of Supreme Court</del>	<del>\$214,024</del>	<del>\$225,581</del>
<del>(2) Each Associate Justice</del>	<del>\$204,264</del>	<del>\$215,294</del>
<del>(3) Chief Superior Judge</del>	<del>\$204,264</del>	<del>\$215,294</del>
<del>(4) Each Superior Judge</del>	<del>\$194,185</del>	<del>\$204,671</del>
<del>(5) [Repealed.]</del>		
<del>(6) Each Magistrate</del>	<del>\$146,413</del>	<del>\$154,319</del>
<del>(7) Each Judicial Bureau hearing officer</del>	<del>\$146,413</del>	<del>\$154,319</del>
	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>
	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>
	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>
	<u>July 12,</u>	<u>January 10,</u>
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>

~~(1) Chief Justice of~~

~~Supreme Court            \$234,379        \$239,067        \$250,781~~

~~(2) Each Associate~~

~~Justice                    \$223,690        \$228,164        \$239,344~~

~~(3) Chief Superior~~

~~Judge                     \$223,690        \$228,164        \$239,344~~

~~(4) Each Superior~~

~~Judge                     \$212,653        \$216,906        \$227,534~~

~~(5) [Repealed.]~~

~~(6) Each~~

~~Magistrate               \$160,337        \$163,544        \$171,558~~

~~(7) Each Judicial~~

~~Bureau hearing~~

~~officer                    \$160,337        \$163,544        \$171,558~~

*Sec. F.105 32 V.S.A. § 1141 is amended to read:*

*§ 1141. ASSISTANT JUDGES*

*(a)(1) Each assistant judge of the Superior Court shall be entitled to receive compensation in the amount of ~~\$224.47 a day as of July 14, 2024 and \$236.59 a day as of July 13, 2025~~ \$245.82 a day as of July 12, 2026, \$250.74 a day as of January 10, 2027, and \$263.03 a day as of July 11, 2027, for time ~~spent in the performance of official duties and necessary expenses as allowed~~*

~~to classified State employees. Compensation under this section shall be based on a two-hour minimum and hourly thereafter.~~

~~(2)(A) The compensation paid to an assistant judge pursuant to this section shall be paid by the State except as provided in subdivision (B) of this subdivision (2).~~

~~(B) The compensation paid to an assistant judge pursuant to this section shall be paid by the county at the State rate established in subdivision (a)(1) of this section when an assistant judge is sitting with a presiding Superior judge in the Civil or Family Division of the Superior Court.~~

~~(b) Assistant judges of the Superior Court shall be entitled to receive pay for such days as they attend court when it is in actual session or during a court recess when engaged in the special performance of official duties.~~

~~Sec. F.106 32 V.S.A. § 1142 is amended to read:~~

~~§ 1142. PROBATE JUDGES~~

~~(a) The Probate judges in the several Probate Districts shall be entitled to receive the following annual salaries, which shall be paid by the State in lieu of all fees or other compensation:~~

<del>Annual</del>	<del>Annual</del>
<del>Salary</del>	<del>Salary</del>
<del>as of</del>	<del>as of</del>
<del>July 14,</del>	<del>July 13,</del>

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>
<del>(1) Addison</del>	<del>\$76,555</del>	<del>\$80,689</del>
<del>(2) Bennington</del>	<del>\$96,776</del>	<del>\$102,002</del>
<del>(3) Caledonia</del>	<del>\$67,891</del>	<del>\$71,557</del>
<del>(4) Chittenden</del>	<del>\$161,506</del>	<del>\$170,227</del>
<del>(5) Essex</del>	<del>\$18,966</del>	<del>\$19,990</del>
<del>(6) Franklin</del>	<del>\$76,555</del>	<del>\$80,689</del>
<del>(7) Grand Isle</del>	<del>\$18,966</del>	<del>\$19,990</del>
<del>(8) Lamoille</del>	<del>\$53,443</del>	<del>\$56,329</del>
<del>(9) Orange</del>	<del>\$63,554</del>	<del>\$66,986</del>
<del>(10) Orleans</del>	<del>\$62,110</del>	<del>\$65,464</del>
<del>(11) Rutland</del>	<del>\$137,221</del>	<del>\$144,631</del>
<del>(12) Washington</del>	<del>\$105,441</del>	<del>\$111,135</del>
<del>(13) Windham</del>	<del>\$85,221</del>	<del>\$89,823</del>
<del>(14) Windsor</del>	<del>\$115,555</del>	<del>\$121,795</del>
	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>
	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>
	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>
	<u>July 12,</u>	<u>January 10,</u>
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
<del>(1) Addison</del>	<del>\$83,856</del>	<del>\$89,765</del>

<del>(2) Bennington</del>	<del>\$105,080</del>	<del>\$108,100</del>	<del>\$112,207</del>
(3) Caledonia	\$74,348	\$75,835	\$79,551
(4) Chittenden	\$176,866	\$180,403	\$189,243
(5) Essex	\$20,770	\$21,185	\$22,223
(6) Franklin	\$83,836	\$85,513	\$89,703
(7) Grand Isle	\$20,770	\$21,185	\$22,223
(8) Lamoille	\$58,526	\$59,697	\$62,622
(9) Orange	\$69,598	\$70,990	\$74,469
(10) Orleans	\$68,017	\$69,377	\$72,776
(11) Rutland	\$150,272	\$153,277	\$160,788
(12) Washington	\$115,469	\$117,778	\$123,549
(13) Windham	\$93,326	\$95,193	\$99,857
(14) Windsor	\$126,545	\$129,076	\$135,401

*(b) Probate judges shall be entitled to be paid by the State for their actual and necessary expenses under the rules pertaining to classified State employees. The compensation for the Probate judge of the Chittenden District shall be for full-time service.*

*(c) All Probate judges, regardless of the number of hours worked annually, shall be eligible to participate in all employee benefits that are available to exempt employees of the Judicial Department.*

~~§ 1181. SHERIFFS; STATUTORY SALARIES; FISCAL YEARS 2027 AND 2028~~

~~Sec. F.107 32 V.S.A. § 1182 is amended to read:~~

~~§ 1182. SHERIFFS~~

~~(a) The sheriffs of all counties except Chittenden shall be entitled to receive salaries in the amount of \$104,010.00 as of July 14, 2024 and \$109,627.00 as of July 13, 2025 \$113,902.00 as of July 12, 2026, \$116,180.00 as of January 10, 2027, and \$122,875.00 as of July 11, 2027. The Sheriff of Chittenden County shall be entitled to an annual salary in the amount of ~~\$110,070.00 as of July 14, 2024 and \$116,014.00 as of July 13, 2025~~ \$120,539.00 as of July 12, 2026, \$122,950.00 as of January 10, 2027, and \$128,975.00 as of July 11, 2027.~~

~~(b) Compensation under subsection (a) of this section shall be reduced by 10 percent for any sheriff who has Level II but not obtained Level III law enforcement officer certification under 20 V.S.A. § 2358.~~

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~~\*\*\* State's Attorneys; Statutory Salaries; Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 \*\*\*~~

~~Sec. F.108 32 V.S.A. § 1183 is amended to read:~~

~~§ 1183. STATE'S ATTORNEYS~~

~~(a) The State's Attorneys shall be entitled to receive annual salaries as follows.~~

	<i>Annual</i>	<i>Annual</i>
	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>
	<i>as of</i>	<i>as of</i>
	<i>July 14,</i>	<i>July 13,</i>
	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>
<del>(1) Addison County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(2) Bennington County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(3) Caledonia County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(4) Chittenden County</del>	<del>\$147,087</del>	<del>\$155,030</del>
<del>(5) Essex County</del>	<del>\$105,521</del>	<del>\$111,219</del>
<del>(6) Franklin County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(7) Grand Isle County</del>	<del>\$105,521</del>	<del>\$111,219</del>
<del>(8) Lamoille County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(9) Orange County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(10) Orleans County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(11) Rutland County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(12) Washington County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(13) Windham County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(14) Windsor County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>

	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>
	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>
	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>
	<u>July 12,</u>	<u>January 10,</u>	<u>July 11,</u>
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2027</u>
<u>(1) Addison County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(2) Bennington</u>			
<u>County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(3) Caledonia County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(4) Chittenden County</u>	<u>\$161,076</u>	<u>\$164,298</u>	<u>\$172,349</u>
<u>(5) Essex County</u>	<u>\$115,557</u>	<u>\$117,868</u>	<u>\$123,644</u>
<u>(6) Franklin County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(7) Grand Isle County</u>	<u>\$115,557</u>	<u>\$117,868</u>	<u>\$123,644</u>
<u>(8) Lamoille County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(9) Orange County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(10) Orleans County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(11) Rutland County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(12) Washington</u>			
<u>County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(13) Windham County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(14) Windsor County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>

~~(b) In settlement of their accounts, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall allow the State's Attorneys the expense of printing briefs in cases in which the State's Attorney has represented the State and their necessary and actual expenses under the rules pertaining to classified State employees.~~

~~\*\*\* Appropriations \*\*\*~~

~~Sec. F.109 PAY ACT APPROPRIATIONS; FISCAL YEARS 2027 AND  
2028~~

~~(a) Executive Branch. The first and second years of the two-year agreements between the State of Vermont and the Vermont State Employees' Association for the Defender General, Non-Management, Supervisory, and Corrections bargaining units, and, for the purpose of appropriation, the State's Attorneys' offices bargaining unit, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028; the collective bargaining agreement with the Vermont Troopers' Association for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028; and salary increases for employees in the Executive Branch not covered by the bargaining agreements shall be funded as follows:~~

~~(1) Fiscal year 2027.~~

~~(A) General Fund. The amount of \$23,918,820.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Secretary of Administration for distribution to~~

~~departments to fund the fiscal year 2027 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act.~~

~~(B) Transportation Fund. The amount of \$3,000,000.00 is appropriated from the Transportation Fund to the Secretary of Administration for distribution to the Agency of Transportation and the Department of Public Safety to fund the fiscal year 2027 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act.~~

~~(C) Other funds. The Administration shall provide additional spending authority to departments through the existing process of excess receipts to fund the fiscal year 2027 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act. The estimated amounts are \$27,184,607.00 from a special fund, federal funds, and other sources.~~

~~(D) Transfers. With due regard to the possible availability of other funds, for fiscal year 2027, the Secretary of Administration may transfer from the various appropriations and various funds and from the receipts of the Liquor Control Board such sums as the Secretary may determine to be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act to the various agencies supported by State funds.~~

~~(2) Fiscal year 2028.~~

~~(A) General Fund. The amount of \$24,974,632.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Secretary of Administration for distribution to~~

~~departments to fund the fiscal year 2028 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act.~~

~~(B) Transportation Fund. The amount of \$3,000,000.00 is appropriated from the Transportation Fund to the Secretary of Administration for distribution to the Agency of Transportation and the Department of Public Safety to fund the fiscal year 2028 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act.~~

~~(C) Other funds. The Administration shall provide additional spending authority to departments through the existing process of excess receipts to fund the fiscal year 2028 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act. The estimated amounts are \$28,362,343.00 from a special fund, federal funds, and other sources.~~

~~(D) Transfers. With due regard to the possible availability of other funds, for fiscal year 2028, the Secretary of Administration may transfer from the various appropriations and various funds and from the receipts of the Liquor Control Board such sums as the Secretary may determine to be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act to the various agencies supported by State funds.~~

~~(3) This section shall include sufficient funding to ensure administration of exempt pay plans authorized by 52 V.S.A. § 1020(C).~~

(b) Judicial Branch

(1) The Chief Justice of the Vermont Supreme Court may extend the provisions of the Judiciary's collective bargaining agreement to Judiciary employees who are not covered by the bargaining agreement.

(2) Fiscal year 2027. The first year of the two-year agreements between the State of Vermont and the Vermont State Employees' Association for the judicial bargaining unit for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, and salary increases for employees in the Judicial Branch not covered by the bargaining agreements shall be funded as follows: the amount of \$3,800,867.00 is appropriated from the General Fund and the amount of \$277,316.00 is provided from other sources to the Judiciary to fund the fiscal year 2027 collective bargaining agreement and the requirements of this act.

(3) Fiscal year 2028. The second year of the two-year agreements between the State of Vermont and the Vermont State Employees' Association for the judicial bargaining unit for the period of July 1, 2027, through June 30, 2028, and salary increases for employees in the Judicial Branch not covered by the bargaining agreements shall be funded as follows: the amount of \$2,466,396.00 is appropriated from the General Fund and the amount of \$179,952.00 is provided from other sources to the Judiciary to fund the fiscal year 2028 collective bargaining agreement and the requirements of this act.

(e) Legislative Branch

(1) For the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, the General Assembly, including all Legislative Branch employees, shall be funded as follows: the amount of \$914,634.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Legislative Branch.

(2) For the period of July 1, 2027, through June 30, 2028, the General Assembly, including all Legislative Branch employees, shall be funded as follows: the amount of \$778,939.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Legislative Branch.

\* \* \* Effective Dates \* \* \*

Sec. F.100 EFFECTIVE DATES

(a) This section and Secs. C.100, C.101, C.102, C.103, C.104, and C.105 shall take effect on passage.

(b) Secs. E.307.1, E.307.2, E.307.3, and E.307.5 shall take effect on October 1, 2026.

(c) Secs. E.307.4 and E.923 shall take effect on July 1, 2027.

(d) All other sections shall take effect on July 1, 2026.

Sec. G.100 EFFECTIVE DATES

(a) This section and Secs. C.100, C.101, C.102, C.103, C.104, C.105, E.304.2, E.304.3, and E.304.4 shall take effect on passage.

~~(b) Secs. E.307.1, E.307.2, E.307.3, and E.307.5 shall take effect on  
October 1, 2026.~~

~~(c) Secs. E.307.4 and E.923 shall take effect on July 1, 2027.~~

~~(d) Sec. E.504.5 (16 V.S.A. § 4021(b)) shall take effect upon the occurrence  
of the contingencies set forth in 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 73, Sec. 70(f).~~

~~(e) All other sections shall take effect on July 1, 2026.~~

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

*Sec. A.100 SHORT TITLE*

*(a) This bill may be referred to as the “BIG BILL – Fiscal Year 2027  
Appropriations Act.”*

*Sec. A.101 PURPOSE*

*(a) The purpose of this act is to provide appropriations for the operations  
of State government and for capital appropriations not funded with bond  
proceeds during fiscal year 2027. It is the express intent of the General  
Assembly that activities of the various agencies, departments, divisions,  
boards, offices, and commissions be limited to those that can be supported by  
funds appropriated in this act or other acts passed prior to June 30, 2026.  
Agency and department heads are directed to implement staffing and service  
levels at the beginning of fiscal year 2027 so as to meet this condition unless  
otherwise directed by specific language in this act or other acts of the General  
Assembly.*

*Sec. A.102 APPROPRIATIONS*

*(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that this act serves as the primary source and reference for appropriations for the operations of State government and for capital appropriations not funded with bond proceeds in fiscal year 2027.*

*(b) The sums herein stated are appropriated for the purposes specified in the following sections of this act. When no time is expressly stated during which any of the operating appropriations are to continue, the appropriations are single-year appropriations and only for the purpose indicated and shall be paid from funds shown as the source of funds. Capital appropriations funded from the Capital Infrastructure Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments shall be subject to the provisions of 32 V.S.A. § 1001b(e). If in this act there is an error in either addition or subtraction, the totals shall be adjusted accordingly. Apparent errors in referring to section numbers of statutory titles within this act may be disregarded by the Commissioner of Finance and Management.*

*(c) Unless codified or otherwise specified, all narrative portions of this act apply only to the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2027.*

*Sec. A.103 DEFINITIONS*

(a) As used in this act:

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

(2) “Encumbrances” means a portion of spending authority reserved for the subsequent payment of existing travel authorizations, purchase orders, grants, or contracts. The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall make final decisions on the appropriateness of encumbrances.

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

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

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

*Sec. A.104 RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING LAWS*

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

*Sec. A.105 OFFSETTING APPROPRIATIONS*

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

*Sec. A.106 FEDERAL FUNDS*

*(a) In fiscal year 2027, the Governor, with the approval of the General Assembly or the Joint Fiscal Committee if the General Assembly is not in session, may accept federal funds available to the State of Vermont, including block grants in lieu of, or in addition to, funds herein designated as federal. The Governor, with the approval of the General Assembly or the Joint Fiscal Committee if the General Assembly is not in session, may allocate all or any portion of such federal funds for any purpose consistent with the purposes for which the basic appropriations in this act have been made.*

*(b) If, during fiscal year 2027, federal funds available to the State and designated as federal in this and other acts of the 2026 session of the General Assembly are converted into block grants or are abolished under their current title in federal law and reestablished under a new title in federal law, the Governor may continue to accept such federal funds for any purpose consistent*

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

*Sec. A.107 NEW POSITIONS*

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the total number of authorized State positions, both classified and exempt, excluding temporary positions as defined in 3 V.S.A. § 311(a)(11), shall not be increased during fiscal year 2027 except for new positions authorized by the General Assembly during the 2026 session. Limited service positions approved pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 5 shall not be subject to this restriction.

*Sec. A.108 LEGEND*

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

B.100–B.199 and E.100–E.199

General Government

B.200–B.299 and E.200–E.299

Protection to Persons and

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

(b) The C sections contain any amendments to the current fiscal year; the D sections contain fund allocations, transfers, reversions, and reservations for the upcoming budget year; the F sections contain the Pay Act; and the G section contains effective dates applicable to the act itself or specific sections within this act.

*\* \* \* Fiscal Year 2027 Base Appropriations \* \* \**

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,506,216</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>266,559</i>

*Grants* 125,000

*Total* 2,897,775

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 1,861,224

*Special funds* 125,000

*Interdepartmental transfers* 911,551

*Total* 2,897,775

*Sec. B.100.1 Secretary of administration - office of racial equity*

*Personal services* 1,568,041

*Operating expenses* 95,802

*Total* 1,663,843

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 1,113,347

*Internal service funds* 550,496

*Total* 1,663,843

*Sec. B.101 Secretary of administration - finance*

*Personal services* 1,557,057

*Operating expenses* 185,178

*Total* 1,742,235

*Source of funds*

*Interdepartmental transfers* 1,742,235

<i>Total</i>	<i>1,742,235</i>
<i>Sec. B.102 Secretary of administration - workers' compensation insurance</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>896,646</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>104,349</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,000,995</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>1,000,995</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,000,995</i>
<i>Sec. B.103 Secretary of administration - general liability insurance</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>417,351</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>68,210</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>485,561</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>485,561</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>485,561</i>
<i>Sec. B.104 Secretary of administration - all other insurance</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>301,453</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>57,383</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>358,836</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>358,836</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>358,836</i>
<i>Sec. B.104.1 Retired state employees pension plus funding</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>15,000,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>15,000,000</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>15,000,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>15,000,000</i>
<i>Sec. B.105 Agency of digital services - communications and information technology</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>33,055,594</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>16,188,998</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>49,244,592</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>9,317,892</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>1,031,998</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>38,894,702</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>49,244,592</i>
<i>Sec. B.105.1 Agency of digital services - demand driven services</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>32,005,770</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>15,300,212</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>47,305,982</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Internal service funds</i>	<u>47,305,982</u>
<i>Total</i>	47,305,982

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

<i>Personal services</i>	1,726,678
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>376,867</u>
<i>Total</i>	2,103,545

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	1,320,303
<i>Internal service funds</i>	517,237
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>266,005</u>
<i>Total</i>	2,103,545

*Sec. B.107 Finance and management - financial operations*

<i>Personal services</i>	3,263,811
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>835,537</u>
<i>Total</i>	4,099,348

*Source of funds*

<i>Internal service funds</i>	3,880,186
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>219,162</u>
<i>Total</i>	4,099,348

*Sec. B.108 Human resources - operations*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>12,618,652</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,683,153</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>14,301,805</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,009,464</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>180,668</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>11,149,163</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>962,510</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>14,301,805</i>

*Sec. B.108.1 Human resources - VTHR operations*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,495,563</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>989,816</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,485,379</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>3,335,155</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>150,224</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,485,379</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,470,728</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>765,201</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>2,235,929</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<u><i>2,235,929</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,235,929</i>
<i>Sec. B.110 Libraries</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,142,573</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>548,504</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<u><i>238,660</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,929,737</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,470,909</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>87,178</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,241,835</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u><i>129,815</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,929,737</i>
<i>Sec. B.111 Tax - administration/collection</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>30,878,080</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u><i>7,323,104</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>38,201,184</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>25,818,400</i>

<i>Special funds</i>	<i>12,332,784</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>50,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>38,201,184</i>

*Sec. B.112 Buildings and general services - administration*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,090,871</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>228,872</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,319,743</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,319,743</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,319,743</i>

*Sec. B.113 Buildings and general services - engineering*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>102,231</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,114,195</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,216,426</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>1,216,426</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,216,426</i>

*Sec. B.113.1 Buildings and general services engineering - capital projects*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,489,916</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>500,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,989,916</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,351,480</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>638,436</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,989,916</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,684,847</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>2,228,705</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,913,552</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>723,210</i>
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>4,710,621</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>479,721</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,913,552</i>

*Sec. B.115 Buildings and general services - purchasing*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,189,478</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>266,883</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,456,361</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,727,877</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>1,386,959</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>341,525</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>3,456,361</i>
<i>Sec. B.116 Buildings and general services - postal services</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>892,320</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>173,126</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,065,446</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>96,479</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>968,967</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,065,446</i>
<i>Sec. B.117 Buildings and general services - copy center</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>992,680</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>217,022</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,209,702</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>1,209,702</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,209,702</i>
<i>Sec. B.118 Buildings and general services - fleet management services</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,086,176</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>251,051</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,337,227</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>1,238,057</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>99,170</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,337,227</i>

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

<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>4,427</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,427</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<i><u>4,427</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,427</i>

*Sec. B.120 Buildings and general services - state surplus property*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>389,970</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>167,097</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>557,067</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>557,067</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>557,067</i>

*Sec. B.121 Buildings and general services - property management*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,250,068</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>722,602</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,972,670</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>1,830,898</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>141,772</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,972,670</i>

*Sec. B.122 Buildings and general services - fee for space*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>23,787,396</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>17,757,907</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>41,545,303</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>41,545,303</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>41,545,303</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,087,428</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>571,877</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,659,305</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,086,338</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>572,967</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,659,305</i>

*Sec. B.125 Legislative counsel*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,562,384</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>305,246</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,867,630</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>5,867,630</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,867,630</i>

*Sec. B.126 Legislature*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>6,319,895</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>5,653,460</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,973,355</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>11,973,355</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,973,355</i>

*Sec. B.126.1 Legislative information technology*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,589,468</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>940,400</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,529,868</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>2,529,868</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,529,868</i>

*Sec. B.127 Joint fiscal committee*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,218,498</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>203,144</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,421,642</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>3,421,642</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,421,642</i>

*Sec. B.128 Sergeant at arms*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,738,030</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>215,269</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,953,299</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>1,953,299</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,953,299</i>

*Sec. B.129 Lieutenant governor*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>256,396</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>65,515</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>321,911</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>321,911</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>321,911</i>

*Sec. B.130 Auditor of accounts*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>4,914,039</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>159,245</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,073,284</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>289,054</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>53,145</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>4,731,085</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,073,284</i>

*Sec. B.131 State treasurer*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>7,459,970</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>378,493</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>7,838,463</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,744,590</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>4,713,210</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>380,663</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>7,838,463</i>

*Sec. B.132 State treasurer - unclaimed property*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>980,240</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>669,064</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>1,649,304</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Private purpose trust funds</i>	<u><i>1,649,304</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,649,304</i>
<i>Sec. B.133 Vermont state retirement system</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>287,163</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u><i>3,480,963</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,768,126</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Pension trust funds</i>	<u><i>3,768,126</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,768,126</i>
<i>Sec. B.134 Municipal employees' retirement system</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>234,016</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u><i>1,973,853</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,207,869</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Pension trust funds</i>	<u><i>2,207,869</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,207,869</i>
<i>Sec. B.134.1 Vermont pension investment commission</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,696,175</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u><i>286,820</i></u>

<i>Total</i>	<i>2,982,995</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Special funds</i>	<u><i>2,982,995</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,982,995</i>
<i>Sec. B.135 State labor relations board</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>435,622</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u><i>85,406</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>521,028</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>507,202</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>11,038</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u><i>2,788</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>521,028</i>
<i>Sec. B.136 VOSHA review board</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>114,314</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u><i>27,965</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>142,279</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>91,275</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u><i>51,004</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>142,279</i>

*Sec. B.136.1 Ethics commission*

*Personal services* 364,306

*Operating expenses* 36,234

*Total* 400,540

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 150,000

*Internal service funds* 250,540

*Total* 400,540

*Sec. B.137 Homeowner rebate*

*Grants* 17,500,000

*Total* 17,500,000

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 17,500,000

*Total* 17,500,000

*Sec. B.138 Renter rebate*

*Grants* 15,500,000

*Total* 15,500,000

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 15,500,000

*Total* 15,500,000

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

*Grants* 3,410,000

*Total* 3,410,000

*Source of funds*

*Special funds* 3,410,000

*Total* 3,410,000

*Sec. B.140 Municipal current use*

*Grants* 21,650,000

*Total* 21,650,000

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 21,650,000

*Total* 21,650,000

*Sec. B.142 Payments in lieu of taxes*

*Grants* 12,200,000

*Total* 12,200,000

*Source of funds*

*Special funds* 12,200,000

*Total* 12,200,000

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

*Grants* 40,000

*Total* 40,000

*Source of funds*

<i>Special funds</i>	<u>40,000</u>
<i>Total</i>	40,000

*Sec. B.145 Total general government*

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	152,613,175
<i>Transportation fund</i>	4,710,621
<i>Special funds</i>	37,647,737
<i>Federal funds</i>	1,241,835
<i>Internal service funds</i>	163,432,820
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	7,979,570
<i>Enterprise funds</i>	4,427
<i>Pension trust funds</i>	5,975,995
<i>Private purpose trust funds</i>	<u>1,649,304</u>
<i>Total</i>	375,255,484

*Sec. B.200 Attorney general*

<i>Personal services</i>	17,117,330
<i>Operating expenses</i>	2,045,972
<i>Grants</i>	<u>20,000</u>
<i>Total</i>	19,183,302

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	8,947,036
<i>Special funds</i>	2,976,044
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	434,660
<i>Federal funds</i>	1,956,258
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>4,869,304</u>
<i>Total</i>	19,183,302

*Sec. B.201 Vermont court diversion*

<i>Personal services</i>	1,250
<i>Grants</i>	<u>5,012,871</u>
<i>Total</i>	5,014,121

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	4,756,124
<i>Special funds</i>	<u>257,997</u>
<i>Total</i>	5,014,121

*Sec. B.202 Defender general - public defense*

<i>Personal services</i>	20,439,822
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>1,855,610</u>
<i>Total</i>	22,295,432

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	21,705,779
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*Special funds* 589,653

*Total* 22,295,432

*Sec. B.203 Defender general - assigned counsel*

*Personal services* 8,277,975

*Operating expenses* 64,500

*Total* 8,342,475

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 8,342,475

*Total* 8,342,475

*Sec. B.204 Judiciary*

*Personal services* 67,540,550

*Operating expenses* 14,904,686

*Grants* 121,030

*Total* 82,566,266

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 76,767,361

*Special funds* 1,970,905

*Federal funds* 1,580,000

*Interdepartmental transfers* 2,248,000

*Total* 82,566,266

*Sec. B.205 State's attorneys*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>19,675,456</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>2,818,379</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>22,493,835</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>21,865,234</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>31,000</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>597,601</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>22,493,835</i>

*Sec. B.206 Special investigative unit*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>151,063</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>34,335</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>2,174,400</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,359,798</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>2,359,798</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,359,798</i>

*Sec. B.206.1 Crime victims advocates*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,733,421</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>104,756</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,838,177</i>

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 3,838,177

*Total* 3,838,177

*Sec. B.207 Sheriffs*

*Personal services* 6,738,595

*Operating expenses* 475,338

*Total* 7,213,933

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 7,213,933

*Total* 7,213,933

*Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration*

*Personal services* 6,697,580

*Operating expenses* 6,307,218

*Grants* 278,285

*Total* 13,283,083

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 7,978,921

*Special funds* 162,545

*Federal funds* 1,108,908

*Interdepartmental transfers* 4,032,709

*Total* 13,283,083

*Sec. B.209 Public safety - state police*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>85,401,432</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>21,768,293</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>5,105,175</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>112,274,900</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>92,333,444</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>3,272,346</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>15,200,575</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,468,535</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>112,274,900</i>

*Sec. B.210 Public safety - criminal justice services*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,274,841</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>2,267,161</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>47,775</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>7,589,777</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,140,979</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>3,502,099</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>946,699</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>7,589,777</i>

*Sec. B.211 Public safety - emergency management*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>6,727,689</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,030,786</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>62,267,474</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>70,025,949</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,717,693</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>710,000</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>67,578,256</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>20,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>70,025,949</i>

*Sec. B.212 Public safety - fire safety*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>10,703,913</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>4,581,165</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>55,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>15,340,078</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,339,163</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>11,259,010</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,696,905</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>45,000</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>15,340,078</i>
<i>Sec. B.213 Public safety - forensic laboratory</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>4,643,753</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,465,076</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,108,829</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>4,435,869</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>70,131</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,087,429</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>515,400</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,108,829</i>
<i>Sec. B.215 Military - administration</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,179,336</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>916,266</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,219,834</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,315,436</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>3,315,436</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,315,436</i>
<i>Sec. B.216 Military - air service contract</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>12,390,019</i>

*Operating expenses* 1,476,497

*Total* 13,866,516

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 846,658

*Federal funds* 13,019,858

*Total* 13,866,516

*Sec. B.217 Military - army service contract*

*Personal services* 45,572,956

*Operating expenses* 8,116,785

*Total* 53,689,741

*Source of funds*

*Federal funds* 53,689,741

*Total* 53,689,741

*Sec. B.218 Military - building maintenance*

*Personal services* 1,215,984

*Operating expenses* 773,080

*Total* 1,989,064

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 1,926,564

*Special funds* 62,500

*Total* 1,989,064

*Sec. B.219 Military - veterans' affairs*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,462,774</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>189,912</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>37,500</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,690,186</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,511,104</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>52,149</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>126,933</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,690,186</i>

*Sec. B.220 Center for crime victim services*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,391,977</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>349,027</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>8,450,425</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,191,429</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,662,398</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>3,765,489</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>5,763,542</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,191,429</i>

*Sec. B.221 Criminal justice council*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,691,167</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,987,866</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,679,033</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>4,331,708</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>347,325</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,679,033</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,612,905</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>462,506</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,075,411</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,650,272</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>1,919,780</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>497,859</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>7,500</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,075,411</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>6,110,557</i>
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<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,310,703</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>2,780,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>10,201,260</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>4,235,750</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>3,830,620</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>2,122,890</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>12,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>10,201,260</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,031,439</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>720,667</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>16,318,200</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>20,070,306</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,232,484</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>683,149</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>16,103,955</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>50,718</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>20,070,306</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,112,283</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>916,568</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>555,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,583,851</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>808,770</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>2,977,583</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>411,751</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>385,747</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,583,851</i>

*Sec. B.225.1 Agriculture, food and markets - Vermont agriculture and  
environmental lab*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,118,554</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,425,694</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,544,248</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,657,622</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>1,799,983</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>86,643</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>3,544,248</i>
<i>Sec. B.225.2 Agriculture, food and markets - clean water</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>4,302,930</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>596,899</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>13,704,381</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>18,604,210</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,040,981</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>13,143,719</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>899,994</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>2,519,516</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>18,604,210</i>
<i>Sec. B.226 Financial regulation - administration</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,191,764</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>119,849</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>100,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,411,613</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>3,411,613</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,411,613</i>

*Sec. B.227 Financial regulation - banking*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,626,530</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>489,061</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,115,591</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>3,115,591</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,115,591</i>

*Sec. B.228 Financial regulation - insurance*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>6,081,320</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>726,826</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,808,146</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>6,808,146</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,808,146</i>

*Sec. B.229 Financial regulation - captive insurance*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,852,030</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>485,166</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,337,196</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>6,337,196</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,337,196</i>

*Sec. B.230 Financial regulation - securities*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,484,957</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>236,805</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,721,762</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>1,721,762</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,721,762</i>

*Sec. B.232 Secretary of state*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>22,771,803</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>3,553,687</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,800,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>28,125,490</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,800,000</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>21,682,168</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>4,643,322</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>28,125,490</i>

*Sec. B.233 Public service - regulation and energy*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>13,710,252</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>2,748,196</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>16,375,000</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>32,833,448</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>12,654,322</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>18,595,869</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>1,568,571</i>
<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<i><u>14,686</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>32,833,448</i>
<i>Sec. B.233.1 VT Community broadband board</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,453,429</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>816,431</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>43,000,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>46,269,860</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>882,735</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>45,387,125</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>46,269,860</i>
<i>Sec. B.234 Public utility commission</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>4,685,041</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>604,301</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,289,342</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	

*Special funds* 5,289,342

*Total* 5,289,342

*Sec. B.235 Enhanced 9-1-1 board*

*Personal services* 4,854,520

*Operating expenses* 704,797

*Total* 5,559,317

*Source of funds*

*Special funds* 5,559,317

*Total* 5,559,317

*Sec. B.236 Human rights commission*

*Personal services* 1,352,987

*Operating expenses* 178,128

*Total* 1,531,115

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 1,531,115

*Total* 1,531,115

*Sec. B.236.1 Liquor and lottery commission*

*Personal services* 11,295,690

*Operating expenses* 5,914,352

*Total* 17,210,042

*Source of funds*

<i>Special funds</i>	<i>125,000</i>
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>252,863</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>70,000</i>
<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<i><u>16,762,179</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>17,210,042</i>

*Sec. B.240 Cannabis control board*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>4,669,174</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>2,456,952</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>15,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>7,141,126</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>4,576,032</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>2,565,094</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>7,141,126</i>

*Sec. B.241 Total protection to persons and property*

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>302,868,880</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>123,157,988</i>
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>687,523</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>252,448,869</i>

<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>18,844,569</i>
<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<i><u>16,776,865</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>714,784,694</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>18,803,543</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>8,491,902</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>3,257,864</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>30,553,309</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>12,150,921</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>135,517</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>15,052,120</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>2,875,929</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>338,822</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>30,553,309</i>

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

<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>2,273,186,435</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,273,186,435</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>743,900,289</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>31,874,504</i>

<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>21,049,373</i>
<i>State health care resources fund</i>	<i>31,074,772</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,440,101,602</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>5,185,895</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,273,186,435</i>

*Sec. B.303 Developmental disabilities council*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>536,809</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>91,194</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>191,595</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>819,598</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>819,598</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>819,598</i>

*Sec. B.304 Human services board*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>837,298</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>103,145</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>940,443</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>550,413</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>390,030</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>940,443</i>

*Sec. B.305 AHS - administrative fund*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>330,000</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>13,170,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>13,500,000</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>13,500,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>13,500,000</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>147,234,611</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>47,892,588</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>3,112,301</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>198,239,500</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>43,531,984</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>11,408,238</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>135,473,624</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>4,814,385</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>3,011,269</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>198,239,500</i>

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

*Grants* 1,018,891,468

*Total* 1,018,891,468

*Source of funds*

*Global Commitment fund* 1,018,891,468

*Total* 1,018,891,468

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

*Grants* 87,719,396

*Total* 87,719,396

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 62,223,167

*Special funds* 20,025,000

*Global Commitment fund* 5,471,229

*Total* 87,719,396

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

*Grants* 53,713,422

*Total* 53,713,422

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>13,976,890</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>39,736,532</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>53,713,422</i>

*Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>9,530,484</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>9,699,306</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>0</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>19,229,790</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,988,804</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>1,584,462</i>
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>70,101</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>9,440,311</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>4,018,122</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>127,990</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>19,229,790</i>

*Sec. B.312 Health - public health*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>74,383,408</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>9,332,917</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>50,181,945</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>133,898,270</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>16,942,106</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>28,928,042</i>
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>1,022,514</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>64,633,236</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>19,796,403</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>2,550,969</i>
<i>Permanent trust funds</i>	<u><i>25,000</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>133,898,270</i>

*Sec. B.313 Health - substance use programs*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>6,228,331</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,597,360</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<u><i>62,950,881</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>70,776,572</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>4,597,402</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>11,594,473</i>
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>949,917</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>16,490,182</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<u><i>37,144,598</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>70,776,572</i>

*Sec. B.314 Mental health - mental health*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>15,045,226</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>3,284,381</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>284,925,309</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>303,254,916</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>16,159,945</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>1,006,836</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>13,679,245</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>271,143,986</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,264,904</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>303,254,916</i>

*Sec. B.315 Department of mental health - mental health facilities*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>42,645,892</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>3,453,114</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>46,099,006</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>23,627,954</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>1,711,833</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>20,759,219</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>46,099,006</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>53,504,671</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>21,318,873</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>5,311,047</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>80,134,591</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>54,056,305</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>2,695,360</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>20,162,623</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>2,593,300</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>627,003</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>80,134,591</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>53,086,776</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>5,608,679</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>101,038,145</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>159,733,600</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>68,388,078</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>729,150</i>

<i>Federal funds</i>	37,280,968
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	53,320,404
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>15,000</u>
<i>Total</i>	159,733,600

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

<i>Personal services</i>	7,080,069
<i>Operating expenses</i>	1,017,973
<i>Grants</i>	<u>225,731,684</u>
<i>Total</i>	233,829,726

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	71,876,506
<i>Special funds</i>	104,967,803
<i>Federal funds</i>	42,948,970
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<u>14,036,447</u>
<i>Total</i>	233,829,726

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

<i>Personal services</i>	14,842,317
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>3,753,380</u>
<i>Total</i>	18,595,697

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	5,841,149
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<i>Special funds</i>	<i>453,110</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>11,913,838</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>387,600</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>18,595,697</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,611,765</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>10,283,881</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,895,646</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>7,452,643</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>5,443,003</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,895,646</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>15,000</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>11,190,819</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,205,819</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>11,004,245</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>11,098</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>190,476</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>11,205,819</i>
<i>Sec. B.322 Department for children and families - 3SquaresVT</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>53,077,812</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>53,077,812</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>53,077,812</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>53,077,812</i>
<i>Sec. B.323 Department for children and families - reach up</i>	
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>23,821</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>32,466,947</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>32,490,768</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>17,904,212</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>6,106,068</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>4,953,062</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>3,527,426</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>32,490,768</i>
<i>Sec. B.324 Department for children and families - home heating fuel assistance/LIHEAP</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>20,730,395</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>20,730,395</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Special funds</i>	<i>1,480,395</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>19,250,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>20,730,395</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,872,257</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>188,231</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>55,272,640</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>57,333,128</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>48,486,907</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>83,135</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>5,139,585</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>3,623,501</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>57,333,128</i>

*Sec. B.326 Department for children and families - OEO - weatherization  
assistance*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>473,291</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>277,072</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>16,147,885</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>16,898,248</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>7,733,295</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>9,164,953</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>16,898,248</i>
<i>Sec. B.327 Department for children and families - secure residential treatment</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>258,100</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>38,870</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>4,476,862</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,773,832</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>4,743,832</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>30,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,773,832</i>
<i>Sec. B.328 Department for children and families - disability determination services</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>8,771,035</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>632,678</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>9,403,713</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>141,599</i>

*Federal funds* 9,262,114

*Total* 9,403,713

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

*Personal services* 53,613,657

*Operating expenses* 7,899,745

*Total* 61,513,402

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 28,240,734

*Special funds* 2,601,056

*Federal funds* 29,054,031

*Global Commitment fund* 110,000

*Interdepartmental transfers* 1,507,581

*Total* 61,513,402

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

*Grants* 27,332,274

*Total* 27,332,274

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 8,769,909

*Federal funds* 10,541,896

*Global Commitment fund* 8,020,469

*Total* 27,332,274

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

*Grants* 3,557,604

*Total* 3,557,604

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 639,154

*Special funds* 223,450

*Federal funds* 2,390,000

*Global Commitment fund* 305,000

*Total* 3,557,604

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

*Grants* 10,145,384

*Total* 10,145,384

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 371,845

*Federal funds* 9,616,000

*Interdepartmental transfers* 157,539

*Total* 10,145,384

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

<i>Grants</i>	<u><i>361,412,468</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>361,412,468</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>132,732</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>15,463</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>200,000</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>360,997,607</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u><i>66,666</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>361,412,468</i>

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

<i>Grants</i>	<u><i>7,617,804</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>7,617,804</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<u><i>7,617,804</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>7,617,804</i>

*Sec. B.334.1 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - long term care*

<i>Grants</i>	<u><i>363,402,885</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>363,402,885</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	

<i>General fund</i>	<i>498,579</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>2,450,000</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>360,454,306</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>363,402,885</i>

*Sec. B.335 Corrections - administration*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>6,294,173</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>269,950</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,564,123</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>6,564,123</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,564,123</i>

*Sec. B.336 Corrections - parole board*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>546,911</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>60,112</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>607,023</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>607,023</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>607,023</i>

*Sec. B.337 Corrections - correctional education*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>4,229,246</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>255,064</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>4,484,310</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>4,335,526</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>148,784</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,484,310</i>
<i>Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>185,053,487</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>28,640,294</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>801,823</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>214,495,604</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>205,731,635</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>935,963</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>581,790</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>6,849,901</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>396,315</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>214,495,604</i>
<i>Sec. B.338.1 Corrections - justice reinvestment II</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>11,189,702</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,189,702</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>8,625,161</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>2,564,541</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,189,702</i>

*Sec. B.339 Corrections - correctional services - out of state beds*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i><u>4,130,378</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,130,378</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>4,130,378</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,130,378</i>

*Sec. B.340 Corrections - correctional facilities - recreation*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>694,135</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>457,555</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,151,690</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>1,151,690</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,151,690</i>

*Sec. B.341 Corrections - Vermont offender work program*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>515,893</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>160,570</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>676,463</i>

*Source of funds*

*Internal service funds* 676,463

*Total* 676,463

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

*Personal services* 24,295,479

*Operating expenses* 7,265,907

*Total* 31,561,386

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 10,370,653

*Special funds* 12,153,730

*Federal funds* 9,037,003

*Total* 31,561,386

*Sec. B.343 Commission on women*

*Personal services* 446,911

*Operating expenses* 93,377

*Total* 540,288

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 536,228

*Special funds* 4,060

*Total* 540,288

*Sec. B.344 Retired senior volunteer program*

*Grants* 169,909

*Total* 169,909

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 169,909

*Total* 169,909

*Sec. B.345 Green mountain care board*

*Personal services* 10,791,488

*Operating expenses* 585,144

*Total* 11,376,632

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 4,403,223

*Special funds* 6,973,409

*Total* 11,376,632

*Sec. B.346 Office of the child, youth, and family advocate*

*Personal services* 407,107

*Operating expenses* 85,059

*Total* 492,166

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 492,166

*Total* 492,166

*Sec. B.347 Total human services*

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,516,164,329</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>256,576,042</i>
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>23,091,905</i>
<i>State health care resources fund</i>	<i>31,074,772</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>2,012,852,223</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>2,214,599,524</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>676,463</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>29,286,337</i>
<i>Permanent trust funds</i>	<i><u>25,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,084,346,595</i>

*Sec. B.400 Labor - programs*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>37,245,562</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>5,944,271</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,632,900</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>44,822,733</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>11,854,490</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>10,685,153</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>22,188,227</i>

*Interdepartmental transfers* 94,863

*Total* 44,822,733

*Sec. B.401 Total labor*

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 11,854,490

*Special funds* 10,685,153

*Federal funds* 22,188,227

*Interdepartmental transfers* 94,863

*Total* 44,822,733

*Sec. B.500 Education - education services*

*Personal services* 34,311,091

*Operating expenses* 6,389,982

*Grants* 188,531,318

*Total* 229,232,391

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 20,194,009

*Special funds* 2,111,117

*Tobacco fund* 750,388

*Education fund* 3,937,725

*Federal funds* 200,665,386

*Global Commitment fund* 260,000

<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>1,313,766</u>
<i>Total</i>	229,232,391
<i>Sec. B.502 Education - special education: formula grants</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	1,083,000
<i>Grants</i>	<u>275,642,100</u>
<i>Total</i>	276,725,100
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Education fund</i>	<u>276,725,100</u>
<i>Total</i>	276,725,100
<i>Sec. B.503 Education - state-placed students</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<u>18,286,500</u>
<i>Total</i>	18,286,500
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Education fund</i>	<u>18,286,500</u>
<i>Total</i>	18,286,500
<i>Sec. B.504 Education - adult education and literacy</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<u>5,290,338</u>
<i>Total</i>	5,290,338
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	4,349,673
<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>940,665</u>

<i>Total</i>	<i>5,290,338</i>
<i>Sec. B.504.1 Education - Flexible Pathways</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>11,742,782</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,742,782</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>921,500</i>
<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>10,821,282</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>11,742,782</i>
<i>Sec. B.505 Education - adjusted education payment</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>2,067,557,580</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,067,557,580</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>2,067,557,580</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>2,067,557,580</i>
<i>Sec. B.506 Education - transportation</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>26,925,382</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>26,925,382</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>26,925,382</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>26,925,382</i>

*Sec. B.507 Education - merger support grants*

*Grants* 1,800,000

*Total* 1,800,000

*Source of funds*

*Education fund* 1,800,000

*Total* 1,800,000

*Sec. B.507.1 Education - EL categorical aid*

*Grants* 2,500,000

*Total* 2,500,000

*Source of funds*

*Education fund* 2,500,000

*Total* 2,500,000

*Sec. B.508 Education - nutrition*

*Grants* 18,300,000

*Total* 18,300,000

*Source of funds*

*Education fund* 18,300,000

*Total* 18,300,000

*Sec. B.509 Education - afterschool grant program*

*Personal services* 484,293

*Operating expenses* 20,707

<i>Grants</i>	<u>9,595,000</u>
<i>Total</i>	10,100,000
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Special funds</i>	<u>10,100,000</u>
<i>Total</i>	10,100,000
<i>Sec. B.510 Education - essential early education grant</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<u>9,552,240</u>
<i>Total</i>	9,552,240
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Education fund</i>	<u>9,552,240</u>
<i>Total</i>	9,552,240
<i>Sec. B.511 Education - technical education</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<u>19,636,750</u>
<i>Total</i>	19,636,750
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Education fund</i>	<u>19,636,750</u>
<i>Total</i>	19,636,750
<i>Sec. B.511.1 State board of education</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	184,208
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>16,500</u>
<i>Total</i>	200,708

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 200,708

*Total* 200,708

*Sec. B.513 Retired teachers pension plus funding*

*Grants* 15,000,000

*Total* 15,000,000

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 15,000,000

*Total* 15,000,000

*Sec. B.514 State teachers' retirement system*

*Grants* 212,905,084

*Total* 212,905,084

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 170,750,066

*Education fund* 42,155,018

*Total* 212,905,084

*Sec. B.514.1 State teachers' retirement system administration*

*Personal services* 428,408

*Operating expenses* 3,750,161

*Total* 4,178,569

*Source of funds*

*Pension trust funds* 4,178,569

*Total* 4,178,569

*Sec. B.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits*

*Grants* 90,834,595

*Total* 90,834,595

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 62,640,904

*Education fund* 28,193,691

*Total* 90,834,595

*Sec. B.516 Total general education*

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 274,056,860

*Special funds* 12,211,117

*Tobacco fund* 750,388

*Education fund* 2,526,391,268

*Federal funds* 201,606,051

*Global Commitment fund* 260,000

*Interdepartmental transfers* 1,313,766

*Pension trust funds* 4,178,569

*Total* 3,020,768,019

*Sec. B.600 University of Vermont*

*Grants* 59,099,447

*Total* 59,099,447

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 59,099,447

*Total* 59,099,447

*Sec. B.602 Vermont state colleges*

*Grants* 54,042,753

*Total* 54,042,753

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 54,042,753

*Total* 54,042,753

*Sec. B.603 Vermont state colleges - allied health*

*Grants* 1,806,000

*Total* 1,806,000

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 306,000

*Global Commitment fund* 1,500,000

*Total* 1,806,000

*Sec. B.605 Vermont student assistance corporation*

*Grants* 27,897,494

<i>Total</i>	<i>27,897,494</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>27,897,494</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>27,897,494</i>
<i>Sec. B.605.1 VSAC - flexible pathways stipend</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>82,450</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>82,450</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>41,225</i>
<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>41,225</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>82,450</i>
<i>Sec. B.606 New England higher education compact</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>86,520</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>86,520</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>86,520</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>86,520</i>
<i>Sec. B.607 Total higher education</i>	
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>141,473,439</i>
<i>Education fund</i>	<i>41,225</i>

*Global Commitment fund* 1,500,000

*Total* 143,014,664

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

*Personal services* 6,881,451

*Operating expenses* 1,291,376

*Grants* 5,000

*Total* 8,177,827

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 5,628,757

*Special funds* 687,843

*Interdepartmental transfers* 1,861,227

*Total* 8,177,827

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

*Operating expenses* 2,711,643

*Total* 2,711,643

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 2,290,143

*Interdepartmental transfers* 421,500

*Total* 2,711,643

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

*Personal services* 25,124,512

<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>7,287,815</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>824,803</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>33,237,130</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>10,313,811</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>379,405</i>
<i>Fish and wildlife fund</i>	<i>10,864,047</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>10,133,967</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,545,900</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>33,237,130</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,644,130</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,807,698</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,451,828</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,207,811</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>138,261</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>105,756</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,451,828</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>10,669,963</i>
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<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,397,258</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>2,517,648</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>14,584,869</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>7,196,482</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>1,553,980</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>5,657,787</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>176,620</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>14,584,869</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>14,447,858</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>4,775,590</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>598,307</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>19,821,755</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,774,736</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>18,047,019</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>19,821,755</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>8,459,029</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>4,627,930</i>

<i>Grants</i>	<u>2,469,865</u>
<i>Total</i>	15,556,824

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	1,403,261
<i>Special funds</i>	2,430,801
<i>Federal funds</i>	11,180,116
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>542,646</u>
<i>Total</i>	15,556,824

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

<i>Personal services</i>	130,000
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>99,925</u>
<i>Total</i>	229,925

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<u>229,925</u>
<i>Total</i>	229,925

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

<i>Personal services</i>	10,017,955
<i>Operating expenses</i>	5,850,830
<i>Grants</i>	<u>191,597</u>
<i>Total</i>	16,060,382

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,207,896</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>1,593,728</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>2,948,598</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>9,310,160</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>16,060,382</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>15,391,418</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>5,574,446</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>7,623,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>28,588,864</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,476,577</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>20,742,337</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>6,202,095</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>167,855</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>28,588,864</i>

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>43,817,953</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>9,017,743</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>104,714,537</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>157,550,233</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>13,321,778</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>34,702,513</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>108,412,378</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,113,564</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>157,550,233</i>
<i>Sec. B.713 Land use review board</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,298,333</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>598,682</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,897,015</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>4,364,343</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>1,532,672</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,897,015</i>
<i>Sec. B.714 Total natural resources</i>	
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>53,415,520</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>81,808,559</i>
<i>Fish and wildlife fund</i>	<i>10,864,047</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>144,640,697</i>

*Interdepartmental transfers* 15,139,472

*Total* 305,868,295

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

*Personal services* 2,617,789

*Operating expenses* 921,911

*Grants* 424,320

*Total* 3,964,020

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 3,964,020

*Total* 3,964,020

*Sec. B.801 Economic development*

*Personal services* 3,221,256

*Operating expenses* 1,306,125

*Grants* 6,506,544

*Total* 11,033,925

*Source of funds*

*General fund* 6,105,922

*Special funds* 3,314,565

*Federal funds* 1,613,438

*Total* 11,033,925

*Sec. B.802 Housing and community development*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>6,568,853</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>2,253,786</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>45,303,523</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>54,126,162</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>12,002,421</i>
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>1,000,000</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>10,679,645</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>30,444,096</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>54,126,162</i>

*Sec. B.806 Tourism and marketing*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,284,798</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,785,851</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,020,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,090,649</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>5,090,649</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>5,090,649</i>

*Sec. B.808 Vermont council on the arts*

<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,071,800</u></i>
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<i>Total</i>	<i>1,071,800</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>1,071,800</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,071,800</i>
<i>Sec. B.809 Vermont symphony orchestra</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>158,795</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>158,795</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>158,795</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>158,795</i>
<i>Sec. B.810 Vermont historical society</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,245,583</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,245,583</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>1,245,583</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,245,583</i>
<i>Sec. B.811 Vermont housing and conservation board</i>	
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>100,358,842</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>100,358,842</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,680,529</i>

<i>Special funds</i>	<i>39,341,857</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>59,336,456</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>100,358,842</i>

*Sec. B.812 Vermont humanities council*

<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>327,818</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>327,818</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>327,818</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>327,818</i>

*Sec. B.813 Total commerce and community development*

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i>31,647,537</i>
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>1,000,000</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>53,336,067</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>91,393,990</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>177,377,594</i>

*Sec. B.900 Transportation - finance and administration*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>19,147,814</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>6,291,478</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>50,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>25,489,292</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>24,169,252</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>1,320,040</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>25,489,292</i>

*Sec. B.901 Transportation - aviation*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,289,467</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>7,691,413</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,980,880</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>6,710,146</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>6,270,734</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,980,880</i>

*Sec. B.902 Transportation - buildings*

<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,700,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,700,000</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i><u>1,700,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,700,000</i>

*Sec. B.903 Transportation - program development*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>109,305,403</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>304,422,913</i>

<i>Grants</i>	<u>51,321,428</u>
<i>Total</i>	465,049,744

*Source of funds*

<i>Transportation fund</i>	66,875,701
<i>TIB fund</i>	14,575,436
<i>Special funds</i>	280,000
<i>Federal funds</i>	363,035,876
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	10,331,303
<i>Local match</i>	<u>9,951,428</u>
<i>Total</i>	465,049,744

*Sec. B.904 Transportation - rest areas construction*

<i>Personal services</i>	180,000
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>270,000</u>
<i>Total</i>	450,000

*Source of funds*

<i>Transportation fund</i>	45,000
<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>405,000</u>
<i>Total</i>	450,000

*Sec. B.905 Transportation - maintenance state system*

<i>Personal services</i>	52,774,612
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>59,752,063</u>

<i>Total</i>	<i>112,526,675</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>109,994,661</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>2,432,014</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>100,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>112,526,675</i>
<i>Sec. B.906 Transportation - policy and planning</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,368,645</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>299,526</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>10,254,679</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>13,922,850</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>2,378,766</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>11,444,134</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>99,950</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>13,922,850</i>
<i>Sec. B.906.1 Transportation - environmental policy and sustainability</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>14,855,456</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>89,082</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>14,944,538</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>371,589</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>11,025,693</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>1,141,695</i>
<i>Local match</i>	<i><u>2,405,561</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>14,944,538</i>

*Sec. B.907 Transportation - rail*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>8,671,804</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>51,567,606</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>50,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>60,289,410</i>

*Source of funds*

<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>12,548,774</i>
<i>TIB fund</i>	<i>1,000,000</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>34,688,907</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>6,854,052</i>
<i>Local match</i>	<i><u>5,197,677</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>60,289,410</i>

*Sec. B.907.1 Transportation - Rail Trails Program*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,577,763</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>57,266</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>3,635,029</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>478,272</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,769,326</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,387,431</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,635,029</i>
<i>Sec. B.908 Transportation - public transit</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>136,840</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>71,582</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>57,646,725</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>57,855,147</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>9,947,447</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>46,607,700</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,300,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>57,855,147</i>
<i>Sec. B.909 Transportation - central garage</i>	
<i>Personal services</i>	<i>6,345,376</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>19,725,126</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>26,070,502</i>

*Source of funds*

*Internal service funds* 26,070,502

*Total* 26,070,502

*Sec. B.910 Department of motor vehicles*

*Personal services* 39,906,668

*Operating expenses* 11,738,708

*Total* 51,645,376

*Source of funds*

*Transportation fund* 46,545,599

*Federal funds* 4,978,081

*Interdepartmental transfers* 121,696

*Total* 51,645,376

*Sec. B.911 Transportation - town highway structures*

*Grants* 7,394,400

*Total* 7,394,400

*Source of funds*

*Transportation fund* 7,394,400

*Total* 7,394,400

*Sec. B.912 Transportation - town highway local technical assistance program*

*Personal services* 439,752

*Operating expenses* 28,700

*Grants* 13,000

*Total* 481,452

*Source of funds*

*Transportation fund* 121,452

*Federal funds* 360,000

*Total* 481,452

*Sec. B.913 Transportation - town highway class 2 roadway*

*Grants* 8,832,200

*Total* 8,832,200

*Source of funds*

*Transportation fund* 8,832,200

*Total* 8,832,200

*Sec. B.914 Transportation - town highway bridges*

*Personal services* 9,168,000

*Operating expenses* 19,830,382

*Grants* 1,280,000

*Total* 30,278,382

*Source of funds*

*TIB fund* 2,774,564

*Federal funds* 25,604,186

*Interdepartmental transfers* 255,672

*Local match* 1,643,960

*Total* 30,278,382

*Sec. B.915 Transportation - town highway aid program*

*Grants* 31,240,042

*Total* 31,240,042

*Source of funds*

*Transportation fund* 31,240,042

*Total* 31,240,042

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

*Grants* 128,750

*Total* 128,750

*Source of funds*

*Transportation fund* 128,750

*Total* 128,750

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

*Grants* 1,150,000

*Total* 1,150,000

*Source of funds*

*Transportation fund* 1,150,000

*Total* 1,150,000

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

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>500,000</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>50,000</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>3,450,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,000,000</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>4,000,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,000,000</i>

*Sec. B.919 Transportation - municipal mitigation assistance program*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>137,500</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>310,500</i>
<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>5,695,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,143,000</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>715,000</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>4,000,000</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>1,428,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>6,143,000</i>

*Sec. B.921 Transportation board*

<i>Personal services</i>	<i>176,096</i>
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>19,208</u></i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>195,304</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<u><i>195,304</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>195,304</i>
<i>Sec. B.922 Total transportation</i>	
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>331,542,355</i>
<i>TIB fund</i>	<i>18,350,000</i>
<i>Special funds</i>	<i>4,280,000</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>515,369,691</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>26,070,502</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>21,591,799</i>
<i>Local match</i>	<u><i>19,198,626</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>936,402,973</i>
<i>Sec. B.1000 Debt service</i>	
<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u><i>675,000</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>675,000</i>
<i>Source of funds</i>	
<i>General fund</i>	<u><i>675,000</i></u>
<i>Total</i>	<i>675,000</i>

*Sec. B.1001 Total debt service*

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>675,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>675,000</i>

*\* \* \* Fiscal Year 2027 One-Time Appropriations \* \* \**

*Sec. B.1100 MISCELLANEOUS FISCAL YEAR 2027 ONE-TIME*

*APPROPRIATIONS*

*(a) Agency of Administration Secretary's office. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:*

*(1) \$110,000 General Fund for the Office of Racial Equity to continue for an additional year the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Action, Leadership Vermont program.*

*(2) \$900,000 General Fund to complete the work of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.*

*(b) Department of Vermont Health Access. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:*

*(1) \$300,000 General Fund and \$2,700,000 federal funds for information technology updates resulting from the 2025 federal H.R.1 Medicaid changes.*

*(2) \$1,210,000 General Fund for Provider Stabilization Grants.*

(3) \$3,708,562 Global Commitment for enhanced rates to primary care providers pursuant to Sec. E.306.3 of this act.

(c) Department for Children and Families. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$21,183,809 General Fund for the provision of services, implementation of the Vermont Homelessness Response Continuum, shelter development and operation, emergency housing in hotels and motels, grants to municipalities, emergency cold weather shelters, and supportive services, including case management, staffing, grants, and contracts to be allocated as follows:

(A) \$14,118,880 for emergency housing in hotels and motels;

(B) \$2,064,929 for staffing, grants, and contracts;

(C) \$3,000,000 for shelter development;

(D) \$500,000 for grants to municipalities pursuant to 33 V.S.A. § 2209(a); and

(E) \$1,500,000 for emergency cold-weather shelters.

(2) \$164,500 General Fund and \$29,873 Global Commitment for a grant to Prevent Child Abuse Vermont for nurturing parenting programs.

(3) \$180,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Parent Child Center Network for concrete supports programs.

(4) \$200,000 General Fund for a grant to End Homelessness Vermont to continue providing statewide housing navigation, case management, service coordination, technical assistance, appeals, and permanent housing support for individuals living with complex needs and disabilities who are experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity.

(5) \$130,000 General Fund for distribution to supervised visitation programs pursuant to Sec. E.317 of this act.

(6) \$4,000,000 General Fund for a temporary secure treatment facility for youth.

(7) \$550,000 General Fund for direct aid to the Vermont Foodbank's network partners through an equitable statewide distribution of food or subgrants, or both.

(8) \$293,866 Global Commitment for post permanency adoption services.

(d) Agency of Human Services Secretary's office. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$200,000 General Fund for a grant to Vermont Legal Aid for an immigration attorney.

(2) \$500,000 General Fund and \$692,464 federal funds for the Global Commitment appropriation in subdivision (k)(2) of this section to support Meals on Wheels programs.

(3) \$12,526 General Fund and \$17,347 federal funds for the Global Commitment appropriation in subdivision (c)(2) of this section for a grant to Prevent Child Abuse Vermont for nurturing parenting programs.

(4) \$1,555,000 General Fund and \$2,153,562 federal funds for the Global Commitment appropriation in subdivision (b)(3) of this section for enhanced rates to primary care providers pursuant to Sec. E.306.3 of this act.

(5) \$123,218 General Fund and \$170,648 federal funds for the Global Commitment appropriation in subdivision (c)(8) of this section for post permanency adoption services.

(6) \$56,000 General Fund, \$44,000 federal funds, and \$100,000 Global Commitment for a grant to Vermont Legal Aid for the Vermont Legal Aid Helpline.

(e) Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$200,000 General Fund for Vermont Outdoor Recreation Economic Collaborative grants.

(2) \$300,000 General Fund for the Serve Learn Earn Program.

(f) Department of Housing and Community Development. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$800,000 General Fund for the Manufactured Home Improvement and Repair Program.

(2) \$1,000,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont State Housing Authority for the Rent Arrears Assistance Fund established by 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 47, Sec. 45.

(3) \$100,000 General Fund for the Vermont Housing Finance Agency First Generation Homebuyer Program.

(4) \$25,000 General Fund for a grant to the South Hero Service Committee to design and construct a building.

(5) \$50,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont 250th Anniversary Commission for the 250th celebration.

(6) \$250,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Council on Rural Development for municipal technical assistance.

(g) Department of Economic Development. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$150,000 General Fund for maintaining the current contract with the Canadian International Economic Development Partnership to provide in-market services to Montreal-based businesses seeking to expand into Vermont.

(2) \$75,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Professionals of Color Network.

(3) \$2,000,000 General Fund for the Rural Industry Development Program.

(4) \$100,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Law and Graduate School for its public education offerings and free legal support to small businesses through its Vermont Small Business Law Center.

(5) \$150,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Small Business Development Center to support the continuation of its work in helping Vermonters start, acquire, and grow businesses and to increase business advising and educational workshops to meet increasing demands of entrepreneurs and small business owners post pandemic.

(h) Agency of Transportation. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$1,360,069 Transportation Fund for the FEMA 428 project relocating the Central Garage to Paine Turnpike in Berlin.

(2) \$1,347,107 PILOT Special Fund, notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 3709(a), for grants to municipalities that would have otherwise been eligible for federal aid if a presidential disaster declaration had been approved for damage incurred in Caledonia County during July 2025. Grants shall be provided on a reimbursement basis for actual costs incurred under the following conditions:

(A) Awards shall be for repairs made to infrastructure included in damage estimates conducted by the Agency of Transportation in March 2026 for the July 2025 disaster.

(B) Awards shall be for up to 50 percent of the repair costs estimated by the Agency of Transportation in March 2026.

(C) The repair conducted is compliant with all applicable Vermont statutes and regulations.

(D) The recipient agrees to maintain documentation as required by the Agency of Transportation.

(E) The recipient accepts other award terms and conditions as determined by the Agency of Transportation and required by Agency of Administration Bulletin 5 to ensure the funds are spent appropriately and effectively.

(3) \$300,000 General Fund for supplemental nonemergency medical transportation funding.

(4) \$3,000,000 PILOT Special Fund, notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 3709(a), to provide additional grants through the general State aid to town highways program pursuant to 19 V.S.A. § 306(a). The amount appropriated pursuant to this subdivision shall be supplemental to and shall not supplant or decrease any amounts appropriated pursuant to the provisions of 19 V.S.A. § 306(a) in fiscal year 2027.

(i) Department of Health. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$140,000 General Fund for the Vermont State Youth Council.

(2) \$150,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Language Justice Project to prepare informational materials for Vermonters who speak languages other than English in the event of a disease outbreak, natural disaster, or other public health emergency.

(j) Department of Mental Health. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$160,000 General Fund for a grant to the Howard Center for the Community Outreach Program.

(k) Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$235,000 General Fund for a grant to HomeShare Vermont.

(2) \$1,192,464 Global Commitment to support Meals on Wheels programs.

(3) \$100,000 General Fund for a grant to support the start-up costs of a new adult day program in Washington or Rutland county or to support the cost of an existing adult day program to expand its capacity to serve more individuals.

(l) Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$350,000 General Fund for a grant to the Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont for the Crop Cash, Crop Cash Plus, and Farm Share programs.

(2) \$300,000 General Fund for grants to Vermont's 14 Natural Resource Conservation Districts.

(3) \$250,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Foodbank for the Vermonters Feeding Vermonters Program.

(m) Office of the Secretary of State. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$90,000 General Fund for the Vermont Access Network Community Radio Program.

(2) \$450,000 General Fund to support the costs of elections in calendar year 2026.

(3) \$50,000 General Fund for awards to support local civic journalism.

(n) Department of Labor. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$200,000 General Fund for a grant to Advance Vermont.

(o) Agency of Education. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$157,000 General Fund to provide healthy meals and snacks to children and adults receiving supervised care services.

(2) \$150,000 General Fund for automated external defibrillators and cardiopulmonary resuscitation training in schools.

(3) \$700,000 General Fund for the Read Vermont Program.

(p) [Deleted.]

(q) Vermont Student Assistance Corporation. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 2885, \$2,320,000 Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund, which shall be considered a reduction to the principal for the purposes of the calculations in 16 V.S.A. § 2885(c) and (d), for Freedom and Unity grants.

(r) Office of the State Treasurer. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$150,000 General Fund for the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program.

(2) \$75,000 General Fund for costs associated with the Pension and Benefits Funding Task Force.

(s) General Assembly. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$15,000 General Fund to support the work of the County and Regional Governance Study Committee.

(t) Vermont State Colleges. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 2885, \$600,000 Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund, which shall be considered a reduction to the principal for the purposes of the calculations in 16 V.S.A. § 2885(c) and (d), for the development of the new 30-unit, three-story housing complex on the Johnson Campus.

(u) [Deleted.]

(v) [Deleted.]

(w) [Deleted.]

(x) University of Vermont. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1)(A) Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 2885, \$2,000,000 Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund, which shall be considered a reduction to the principal for the purposes of the calculations in 16 V.S.A. § 2885(c) and (d), and \$10,000,000 General Fund for the Multi-Purpose Center Project approved by the Board of Trustees in 2019.

(B) Any contract awarded for construction that is paid for with this spending authority shall adhere to the higher of:

(i) the prevailing wage requirements established in 29 V.S.A. § 161(b); or

(ii) the prevailing local wage requirements as determined by the U.S. Department of Labor under the Davis-Bacon Act or related federal acts or regulations.

(C) It is the intent of the General Assembly that this appropriation be a contribution to the remaining fundraising effort, estimated to be a total of \$101,000,000, for the project. If the University of Vermont has not received new donations for the project totaling \$89,000,000 or more between July 1, 2026, and July 1, 2029, it is the intent of the General Assembly that future appropriations beginning in fiscal year 2030 be reduced over a reasonable number of fiscal years to recoup an amount equal to this appropriation and any interest accrued without causing undue financial harm to the institution.

(D)(i) In fiscal years 2027, 2028, and 2029, as part of its budget presentation and as requested, to the extent that the fundraising effort for the project is ongoing, the University of Vermont shall report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on the status of the fundraising effort.

(ii) In fiscal years 2027, 2028, and 2029, to the extent that the fundraising effort for the project is ongoing, the University of Vermont shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee at its July meeting and as requested on the status of the fundraising effort.

(y) Department of Corrections. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$50,000 General Fund for a grant to Jenna's Promise to support reentry services.

(z) Center for Crime Victim Services. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

(1) \$350,000 Domestic and Sexual Violence Special Fund for grants to the member organizations of the Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence.

*Sec. B.1101 FISCAL YEAR 2026 CLOSEOUT; FISCAL YEAR 2027*

#### *CONTINGENT TRANSACTIONS*

(a) As part of the fiscal year 2026 closeout, the Department of Finance and Management shall execute the requirements of 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. D.103(a)(1)(D), as amended by 2026 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 55 and further amended by Sec. C.102 of this act; 32 V.S.A. § 308; and 32 V.S.A. § 308f. The Department of Finance and Management shall then, notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 308c, calculate the maximum number of contingent transactions that can be funded, in the order provided in subsection (b) of this section, and reserve that money for such purpose in fiscal year 2027. Any residual balance shall be reserved in accordance with 32 V.S.A. § 308c.

(b) In fiscal year 2027, any contingent reserve established per subsection (a) of this section shall be unreserved and the following transactions shall be executed in the following order. In the event that the contingent reserve is

insufficient to fully fund the following transactions, the Department of Finance and Management shall execute the transactions to the greatest extent possible, including partial funding:

(1) \$9,547,596.39 is transferred to the Technology Modernization Special Fund (#21951).

(2) \$30,000,000 is reserved for future appropriation or transfer by the General Assembly for addressing federal funding shortfalls, Vermont Medicaid and other human services needs, property tax relief, permanent housing initiatives, or any other uses determined to be in the best interests of the public.

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

*INVESTMENTS; FISCAL YEAR 2027 ONE-TIME CAPITAL*

*APPROPRIATIONS*

(a) In fiscal year 2027, \$23,418,454.70 is appropriated from the Capital Infrastructure Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments for the following:

(1) Department of Buildings and General Services:

(A) \$1,781,173.60 for statewide major maintenance;

(B) \$225,000 for statewide physical security enhancements;

(C) \$3,600,000 for Asa Bloomer roof replacement;

(D) \$900,000 for Rutland multimodal garage renovation;

(E) \$3,000,000 for Burlington, 32 Cherry St. parking garage repairs;

(F) \$1,050,000 for the Agency of Human Services for HVAC upgrades at correctional facilities;

(G) \$225,000 for the Agency of Human Services for statewide correctional facilities security upgrades;

(H) \$2,700,000 for the Agency of Human Services for St. Johnsbury, Northeast Correctional Complex (NECC) door control system replacements;

(I) \$1,000,000 for the Agency of Human Services for the Northern State Correctional Facility boiler replacement;

(J) \$500,000 for the Agency of Human Services for Newport, Northern State Correctional Facility sprinkler system upgrades;

(K) \$500,000 for the Agency of Human Services for maintenance, replacement, and renovations at the Chittenden Regional Correctional Facility or other correctional facilities utilized in response to overcrowding for the incarcerated women's population;

(L) \$772,557.10 for the Agency of Human Services for the Department for Children and Families' youth short-term stabilization facility;

(M) \$500,000 for the Department of Public Safety for an Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) facility; and

(N) \$1,600,000 for the Judiciary for renovations at the White River Junction courthouse.

(2) Department of Environmental Conservation:

(A) \$2,498,000 for the State match for federal Drinking Water State Revolving Fund; and

(B) \$150,000 for Waterbury Dam Penstock project cost overruns.

(3) Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation:

(A) \$400,000 for park infrastructure and rehabilitation, improvement, and three-acre rule compliance.

(4) Department of Fish and Wildlife:

(A) \$200,000 for dam maintenance and safety planning.

(5) Judiciary:

(A) \$500,000 for the Essex County Courthouse connector project.

(6) Vermont Historical Society:

(A) \$566,724 for the replacement of a climate control unit.

(7) Department of Corrections:

(A) \$750,000 to work with the Agency of Digital Services to develop a plan for providing network connectivity in State correctional facilities that modernizes processes and reduces reliance on paper; improves staff efficiency and addresses workforce challenges, such as staff retention; supports real-time data-driven operations; lays the foundation for future capabilities, such as wearable technology and mobile device-supported operations; and ensures secure, compliance connectivity in key facilities, each as outlined in the

Business Transformation Project Recommendations Report issued by the Agency.

*Sec. B.1104 MEDICAID AND SNAP BENEFIT ASSISTANCE GRANTS*

(a) Notwithstanding 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. B.1101(b)(3), in fiscal year 2027, \$3,500,000 of the amount reserved in the General Fund pursuant to 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. B.1101(b)(3) shall be unreserved and an equal amount shall be appropriated to the Agency of Human Services for a grant program for benefit assistance services provided by community-based organizations throughout the State, including by the parent child centers, community action agencies, recovery centers, Vermont 211, area agencies on aging, and designated and specialized service agencies. In developing this grant program, the Agency shall collaborate with Hunger Free Vermont and the Office of the Health Care Advocate on program design and the selection of the community-based organizations receiving grants. The Agency shall provide an update on program design and grant recipient selection at the Joint Fiscal Committee's July 2026 meeting. The Agency shall distribute grants on or before September 1, 2026.

(b)(1) Funds appropriated in this section shall be used to issue new or augment existing or planned grants to organizations to assist clients with navigating Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Medicaid eligibility, application processes, and benefit maintenance, respectively,

through the use of benefit assisters. The Agency shall ensure that benefit assisters at the grant recipient organizations are providing accurate information. Vermont 211 shall conduct outreach to all organizations receiving a grant pursuant to this section to ensure that appropriate referrals are made and information about benefit assistance services is available to the public.

(2) The Agency shall work with organizations receiving a grant pursuant to this section to develop communications and outreach strategies to proactively connect with households. Such strategies shall include plain language mailings, phone and text message scripts, email scripts, and press release communications. The Agency shall work with organizations receiving a grant pursuant to this section to reduce the administrative burden on applicants and participants by sharing information when permissible to verify SNAP and Medicaid requirements.

(3) Beginning in September 2026 through June 2027, the organizations receiving a grant pursuant to this section shall submit quarterly reports to the House Committees on Health Care and on Human Services, the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare, and the Agency regarding:

(A) the number of organization employees trained as benefit assisters to assist with navigating SNAP or Medicaid requirements, respectively;

(B) the total number of eligible individuals who received assistance from benefit assisters each quarter, including those receiving repeat application assistance, repeat benefit maintenance assistance, and enrollment assistance;

(C) the number of individuals referred to other service providers or enrolled in other State or federal benefit programs as a result of an interaction with a benefit assister; and

(D) qualitative information regarding how outreach is conducted to inform individuals that benefit assistance services are available.

(4) Beginning in September 2026 through June 2027, Vermont 211 shall submit quarterly reports to the House Committees on Health Care and on Human Services and to the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare regarding its outreach efforts and the number of referrals made to the organizations receiving a grant pursuant to this section.

(c) Any spending authority designated for the purpose provided in this section that remains unexpended at the end of fiscal year 2027 shall be carried forward for the same purpose for which it was originally designated.

*\* \* \* Fiscal Year 2026 Adjustments, Appropriations, and Amendments \* \* \**

*Sec. C.100 2026 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 83(e) is amended to read:*

*(e) If funds previously appropriated to the Agency of Human Services are insufficient to provide the State match needed to make the payment adjustment*

*in subsection (a) of this section, notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 308b, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall unreserve an amount of funds equal to the deficiency from the Human Services Caseload Reserve and, notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 706, transfer an amount of funds equal to the deficiency shall be appropriated to the Agency of Human Services.*

*Sec. C.101 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. E.325(b), as amended by 2026 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 81, is further amended to read:*

*(b) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.325 of this act, \$1,322,141 General Fund shall be used by the Department for Children and Families' Office of Economic Opportunity for distribution to community partners providing services to prevent and address homelessness for the purpose of restoring these community partners to their fiscal year 2025 appropriation level. The \$1,322,141 shall be allocated as follows:*

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*Sec. C.102 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. D.103, as amended by 2026 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 55, is further amended to read:*

*Sec. D.103 RESERVES*

*(a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2026, the following reserve transactions shall be implemented for the funds provided:*

*(1) General Fund.*

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*(D) The first ~~\$74,908,097~~ \$78,037,622 of any fiscal year-end balance otherwise subject to the requirements of 32 V.S.A. § 308c(a) shall, instead, be reserved for addressing federal funding shortfalls, property tax relief, or any other uses determined to be in the best interests of the public in the subsequent fiscal year. Any proceeds reserved in accordance with the requirements of this subdivision (D) shall automatically be unreserved for use on July 1 of the subsequent fiscal year.*

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*Sec. C.103 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 73, Sec. 32 is amended to read:*

*Sec. 32. AGENCY OF EDUCATION; TRANSFORMATION*

*APPROPRIATION; TRANSITION GRANTS*

*(a) The sum of ~~\$2,865,000.00~~ \$3,647,000.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2026 to support education transformation work as follows:*

*(1) \$200,000.00 \$982,000.00 for the purpose of awarding transition grants to support school boards transitioning the work required to transition to new governance and administrative models as contemplated in this act pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, and in light of the continued analysis*

of the work necessary in the field to transition to new, operational school districts;

(2) \$562,500.00 for positions established in Sec. 33 of this act; and

(3) \$2,102,500.00 for contracted services, subject to the restrictions contained in subsection (c) of this section, to support facilitate school districts boards to study the advisability of forming union school districts, as well as to support districts with administrative activities relating to consolidation, including accounting, budget and operational practice, and to support education quality activities including the alignment of curricula, instructional materials, and teaching activities.

(b) The Agency shall use the funds appropriated in subdivision (a)(1) of this section to award transition facilitation grants to support the work required to transition to new governance and administrative models.

(c) The appropriation contained in subdivision (a)(3) of this section shall be subject to the following restrictions:

(1) While this appropriation may be used to contract for data analysis necessary to support school districts with the administrative activities related to consolidation, it shall also be used for developing data analysis tools to support merger committees in consultation with the Department of Taxes.

(2) This appropriation shall be used to provide direct support to school boards for the business processes that are required to be completed before new

school districts become operational. Support and training for school business officials and other school district personnel shall be funded solely through the appropriation contained in subdivision (a)(1) of this section and the corresponding grants created in subsection (b) of this section.

(3) This appropriation may be used to support the special education strategic plan required pursuant to Sec. 30 of this act. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the strategic plan addresses the supports and processes needed to be in place for the transition to the weighted funding model for special education as such funding model is contemplated in this act and as may be further amended by an act of the General Assembly after consideration of the report required pursuant to Sec. 45a of this act. Any work or analysis done by the Agency regarding alternatives to the base amount or weights contained in this act shall not be funded from this appropriation.

Sec. C.104 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. E.127.2 is amended to read:

*Sec. E.127.2 FEDERAL FUNDING; CALCULATION OF*

*APPROPRIATION REDUCTION; SECRETARY OF*

*ADMINISTRATION; JOINT FISCAL COMMITTEE*

*(a) As used in this section:*

*(1) "Unduplicated function total" means the individual function totals set forth in this act excluding Global Commitment funds, Interdepartmental Transfer funds, and Internal Service funds. For purposes of this section, the*

*determination of an unduplicated function total shall not include Education Funds.*

*(2) "Governmental function unit" refers to the governmental function areas set forth in Sec. A.108 of this act.*

*(b) In fiscal years 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029, in each instance that a reduction in federal revenues to the State results in a decrease of the unduplicated function total for any governmental function unit by:*

*(1) Less than 0.5 percent of the unduplicated function total or \$2,000,000, whichever threshold amount is greater, the Secretary of Administration shall notify the Joint Fiscal Committee and may prepare and implement a spending authority reduction plan without the approval of the Joint Fiscal Committee, provided that any total reductions in appropriations and transfers of funds are not greater than the reduction in the federal revenues. If the Secretary's plan consists of reductions greater than five percent to the total amount appropriated in any section or subsection of any appropriations act, such plan shall only be implemented in the manner provided for in 32 V.S.A. § 704(b)(2).*

*(2) Greater than \$2,000,000 and 0.5 percent of the unduplicated function total for any governmental function unit, but less than 25 percent or \$50,000,000, whichever threshold amount is lower:*

*(A) the Secretary of Administration shall prepare a spending authority reduction and transfer plan for consideration and approval by the Joint Fiscal Committee pursuant to the same process established in 32 V.S.A. § 704(e), notwithstanding the reference to subdivision (b)(1) of this section, provided that the total reductions to federal spending authority are not greater than the reductions in federal revenues; and*

*(B) to maintain a balanced State budget, to minimize the impact to Vermonters and to abide by the legislative intent set forth by the General Assembly in this act or future fiscal year appropriations acts, or both, the Joint Fiscal Committee may make a recommendation to the Emergency Board to:*

*(i) utilize the appropriation in Sec. B.1101(b)(2) of this act to support impacted programs at not more than the current fiscal year funding level until the General Assembly is in session;*

*(ii) revert any unexpended and unobligated funds; and*

*(iii) make such reductions or transfers in appropriations necessary to support the priorities of the General Assembly.*

*(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, for the purpose of calculating any appropriation reduction that triggers the actions set forth in this section, the baseline federal funding amounts shall be the federal funding set forth in ~~this act~~ the general appropriations act for the fiscal year in which the reduction occurs. The Secretary of Administration shall monitor any*

*changes in federal funding as the difference between the baseline federal funding amount for use in fiscal year 2026 and any updated State federal funds revenue forecast adopted by the Emergency Board and shall calculate the percent reduction of the unduplicated function totals for each governmental function unit.*

*Sec. C.105 3 V.S.A. § 118 is amended to read:*

*§ 118. COLLECTION AND DISPOSITION OF REVENUE*

*(a) There is hereby created a Secretary of State Services Fund. The Fund shall be used to provide appropriations for the operations of the Office of the Secretary of State, with the exception of those operations provided for in chapter 5, subchapter 3 of this title. The Fund shall be administered as a special fund pursuant to 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5. ~~At the end of each fiscal year, the unobligated balance in this Fund shall be transferred to the General Fund.~~*

*(b) All revenues collected by the Secretary of State shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Services Fund except for the following revenues:*

*(1) any revenues collected by the Office of Professional Regulation set forth in chapter 5, subchapter 3 of this title; and*

*(2) any revenues collected pursuant to subsection 117(k) of this title.*

*(c) The Secretary of State shall have the authority to collect and deposit into the Secretary of State Services Fund revenues generated from optional*

*services offered in the normal course of business, including for one-time or periodic sales of data by subscription or other contractual basis.*

*(d) The Secretary of State or designee shall report annually to the Joint Fiscal Committee at its September meeting on the prior fiscal year Fund balance at closeout. The report shall include projected revenues to and expenditures from the Fund in future fiscal years.*

*Sec. C.106 2026 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 79 is amended to read:*

*Sec. 79. HOUSING ASSISTANCE*

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*(d) A housing authority shall notify the Department for Children and Families of its intent to request funds and submit a report on its financial need, including evidence that the request conforms to applicable HUD requirements and is a necessary and proper expense, to the Department ~~on or before April 15, 2026~~ within 10 business days after receiving official notice from HUD of its federal fiscal year 2026 funding amount.*

*(e) ~~On or before May 1, 2026~~ Not more than 20 business days after official notice from HUD of federal fiscal year 2026 funding amounts for housing authorities in Vermont, the Department for Children and Families, in consultation with the Department of Housing and Community Development, shall:*

*(1) establish procedures for validating that such expenditures conform to applicable HUD requirements and are a necessary and proper expense prior to issuing funds; and*

*(2) establish guidelines to ensure that funds are distributed based upon need.*

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*Sec. C.107 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.1102(c) is amended to read:*

*(c) In fiscal year 2024, the amount of \$50,000,000 General Fund is appropriated to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board (VHCB):*

*(1) \$10,000,000 to provide support and enhance capacity for emergency shelter and permanent homes for those experiencing homelessness or who need supportive housing. The funds shall be used to expand Vermont's shelter capacity, provide homes for those experiencing homelessness, create housing for individuals eligible to receive Medicaid-funded developmental disabilities services, and decrease reliance on the General Assistance Emergency Housing hotel and motel program. The Vermont Housing and Conservation Board shall consult with the Agency of Human Services to ensure new investments in homes and shelters are paired with appropriate support services for residents, including services supported through Medicaid. Funded projects may utilize a range of housing options, including the expansion of shelter capacity, the*

*conversion of hotels to housing, the creation of permanent supportive housing,  
and the utilization of manufactured homes on infill sites.*

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*Sec. C.108 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. C.110, as amended by 2025  
Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. C.105, is further amended to read:*

*Sec. C.110 EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;*

*REVERSION AND REALLOCATION*

*(a) The Secretary of Administration may reimburse up to \$14,300,000 of  
prior fiscal year federal funds expended through the Emergency Rental  
Assistance Program, as approved by the Joint Fiscal Committee pursuant to  
Grant Request #3034 with new General Fund or Other Infrastructure,  
Essential Investments, and Reserves Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital  
and Essential Investments appropriations transferred from existing State  
programs that meet the eligibility criteria established by the U.S. Treasury.  
These programs shall receive an amount of spending authority from the  
Emergency Rental Assistance Program 2 Fund equal to the amount of General  
Fund or Other Infrastructure, Essential Investments, and Reserves Subaccount  
in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments appropriation  
transferred.*

*(b) To the extent that qualifying General Fund or Other Infrastructure,  
Essential Investments, and Reserves Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital*

*and Essential Investments* expenditures already incurred are transferred onto the spending authority established in subsection (a) of this section, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall, notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 706, transfer an equivalent amount of General Fund or Other Infrastructure, Essential Investments, and Reserves Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments spending authority to support programs established through Grant Request #3034 and subsequent Emergency Rental Assistance Program grant approvals by the Joint Fiscal Committee.

Sec. C.109 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. B.1100, as amended by 2026 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 51, is further amended to read:

Sec. B.1100 MISCELLANEOUS FISCAL YEAR 2026 ONE-TIME

APPROPRIATIONS

(a) Agency of Administration Secretary's Office. In fiscal year 2026, funds are appropriated for the following:

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(4) \$3,000,000 General Fund to ensure the appropriation made in Sec. B.514 of this act is sufficient to meet 100 percent of the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System Actuarially Determined Employer Contribution. The appropriation made in Sec. B.513 of this act pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944(c)(13) shall not be considered for the purposes of determining whether the appropriation made in Sec. B.514 of this act is sufficient to ensure that the

*Actuarially Determined Employer Contribution requirement is funded at 100 percent in fiscal year 2026. Any remaining funds may be used, if necessary, to ensure that the Actuarially Determined Employer Contribution for the Vermont State Employees' Retirement System is 100 percent funded in fiscal year 2026. The appropriation made in Sec. B.104.1 of this act pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 473(c)(8) shall not be considered for the purposes of determining whether fiscal year 2026 appropriations are sufficient to ensure that the Actuarially Determined Employer Contribution requirement is funded at 100 percent in fiscal year 2026. These funds shall carry forward each fiscal year until fully expended or reverted by an act of the General Assembly.*

*Sec. C.110 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 73, Sec. 3 is amended to read:*

*Sec. 3. SCHOOL DISTRICT REDISTRICTING TASK FORCE; REPORT*

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*(i) Appropriations.*

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*(2) The sum of ~~\$100,000.00~~ \$28,310.70 is appropriated to the Agency of Digital Services from the General Fund in fiscal year 2026 to cover costs associated with supporting the Task Force, or, if necessary, for the purposes of hiring one or more consultants to provide support to the Task Force.*

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*Sec. C.111 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. B.338, as amended by 2026  
Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 41, is further amended to read:*

*Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services*

<i>Personal services</i>	<del>184,910,113</del>	184,260,113
<i>Operating expenses</i>	26,227,109	26,227,109
<i>Grants</i>	<u>801,823</u>	<u>801,823</u>
<i>Total</i>	<del>211,939,045</del>	211,289,045

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<del>203,987,089</del>	203,337,089
<i>Special funds</i>	990,963	990,963
<i>Federal funds</i>	516,600	516,600
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	6,048,078	6,048,078
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>396,315</u>	<u>396,315</u>
<i>Total</i>	<del>211,939,045</del>	211,289,045

*Sec. C.112 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. B.347, as amended by 2026  
Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 44, is further amended to read:*

*Sec. B.347 Total human services*

*Source of funds*

<i>General fund</i>	<del>1,461,126,849</del>	1,460,476,849
<i>Special funds</i>	232,655,939	232,655,939
<i>Tobacco fund</i>	23,088,208	23,088,208

<i>State health care resources fund</i>	<i>31,074,772</i>	<i>31,074,772</i>
<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,993,089,108</i>	<i>1,993,089,108</i>
<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>2,213,122,801</i>	<i>2,213,122,801</i>
<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>403,853</i>	<i>403,853</i>
<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>32,694,090</i>	<i>32,694,090</i>
<i>Permanent trust funds</i>	<i><u>25,000</u></i>	<i><u>25,000</u></i>
<i>Total</i>	<i><del>5,987,280,620</del></i>	<i>5,986,630,620</i>

*Sec. C.113 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. B.1100, as amended by 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. C.115 and 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 49, is further amended to read:*

*Sec. B.1100 FISCAL YEAR 2023 ONE-TIME GENERAL FUND*

*APPROPRIATIONS*

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*(b) \$11,000,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety for regional dispatch funding. The funds are subject to the following conditions:*

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*(3)(A) \$2,490,000 shall be immediately available to the Department of Public Safety for a grant to create and implement the Regional Communications System Upgrade Project to enable the Capital Fire simulcast*

dispatch cell as shown in the Vermont Public Safety Communications System Design Concept and Recommendations report of January 2026.

(B) The grant shall only be issued to the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission and as the fiscal agent for the Capital Fire simulcast dispatch cell if, in the determination of the Department of Public Safety and the Public Safety Communications Task Force, the pilot project shall position the State positively for implementing a statewide simulcast emergency communications system and shall allow the State to prove that the desired vision is not only possible but also practical and serves to gain stakeholder buy-in when implementing change on a larger scale. The pilot project shall enable the standards authority to make iterative improvements and adjust option parameters based on lessons learned during the pilot project, increasing the odds for long-term success.

(C) To obtain the grant funding described in this subdivision (3), the Planning Commission shall first submit a pilot project proposal on or before October 2, 2026, that includes, to the satisfaction of the Department and Task Force:

(i) full designs and engineering plans for an initial construction date in 2027;

(ii) detailed descriptions of project phases, goals, and benchmarks, and how these are met;

(iii) detailed descriptions of project budgeting, including mechanisms for tracking of expenses, record maintenance, and auditing of project finances, a cost quote from a qualified contractor as part of the budget, and a showing of how the cost-sharing requirement described in subdivision (D) of this subdivision (3) will be met; and

(iv) an explanation of how the pilot project aligns with and furthers the development of a statewide public safety communications system as reported by the Public Safety Communications Task Force, as established by 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. C.114.

(D) To obtain the grant funding described in this subdivision (3), the Planning Commission shall first agree that it will be responsible for 30 percent of the project costs and provide proper documentation that it is able to finance its share of project costs, in its entirety, prior to commencing any phase of the project or expending any grant funds awarded by the Department.

(E) \$50,000 shall be immediately available to the Department of Public Safety to hire a technical consultant to evaluate the pilot project proposal requirements described in subdivision (C) of this subdivision (3).

(F) If the Planning Commission satisfies the conditions of subdivisions (B)–(E) of this subdivision (3), the Department shall issue the grant to the Planning Commission on or before November 2, 2026.

(G) The Department shall report on or before January 31, 2027, and again on or before January 31, 2028, to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Government Operations and Military Affairs and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Government Operations with details pertaining to the progress of the project, including grant funds dispensed, and detailed descriptions of project phases, goals, and benchmarks, and how these have or have not been met.

(H) It is the intent of the General Assembly that this Regional Communications System Upgrade Project be a pilot project that shall enable the State to determine an effective and efficient manner in which to implement similar projects in other regions of the State, with the ultimate goal of building a statewide public safety communications system.

(4) Any remaining amounts not obligated pursuant to subdivisions (1) and (2), and (3) of this subsection shall remain unobligated and unexpended until approval to expend the funds is authorized by further enactment of the General Assembly.

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*Sec. C.114 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 79, Sec. 13, as amended by 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 120, Sec. A.8, 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 44, Sec. 2, and 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. E.136.1, is further amended to read:*

*Sec. 13. STATE ETHICS COMMISSION FUNDING SOURCE*

*SURCHARGE; REPEAL*

*(a) Surcharge.*

*(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of 3 V.S.A. § 2283(c) setting forth the purpose and rate of charges collected in the Human Resource Services Internal Service Fund, in fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, a surcharge of up to 2.3 percent, but no greater than the cost of the activities of the State Ethics Commission set forth in Sec. 7 of this act, on the per-position portion of the charges authorized in 3 V.S.A. § 2283(c)(2) shall be assessed to all Executive Branch agencies, departments, and offices and shall be paid by all assessed entities solely with State funds.*

*(2) The amount collected shall be accounted for within the Human Resource Services Internal Service Fund and used solely for the purposes of funding the activities of the State Ethics Commission set forth in Sec. 7 of this act.*

*(b) Repeal. This section shall be repealed on ~~July 1, 2025~~ July 1, 2027.*  
*Sec. C.115 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. D.101(b), as amended by 2026 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 53, is further amended to read:*

*(b) The following transfers shall be in accordance with the citations provided. Transfer estimates are for purposes of developing the fiscal year 2026 budget and do not supersede the actual year-end transfer amounts.*

*(1) To the General Fund (#10000) from the:*

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*(C) 27 V.S.A. § 1543. Unclaimed Property Fund (#62100):  
\$8,994,314 \$16,144,149.*

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*\* \* \* Fiscal Year 2027 Fund Transfers and Reserve Allocations \* \* \**

*Sec. D.100 PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX ALLOCATIONS*

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

*(1) The sum of \$608,137 is allocated from the Current Use Administration Special Fund to the Department of Taxes for administration of the Use Tax Reimbursement Program. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 9610(c), amounts in excess of \$608,137 from the property transfer tax deposited into the Current Use Administration Special Fund shall be transferred to the General Fund.*

*(2) Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 312, amounts in excess of \$37,653,750 from the property transfer tax and the surcharge established by 32 V.S.A. § 9602a deposited into the Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund shall be transferred to the General Fund.*

(A) The dedication of \$2,500,000 in revenue from the property transfer tax pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 9610(d) for the debt payments on the affordable housing bond (10 V.S.A. § 314) shall be offset by the reduction of \$1,500,000 in the appropriation to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board and \$1,000,000 from the surcharge established by 32 V.S.A. § 9602a. The fiscal year 2027 appropriation of \$37,653,750 to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board reflects the \$1,500,000 reduction. The affordable housing bond and related property transfer tax and surcharge provisions are repealed after the life of the bond on July 1, 2039. Once the bond is retired, the \$1,500,000 reduction in the appropriation to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board shall be restored.

(3) Notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a)(2), amounts in excess of \$10,179,975 from the property transfer tax deposited into the Municipal and Regional Planning and Resilience Fund shall be transferred into the General Fund. Notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a)(3), the \$10,179,975 shall be allocated as follows:

(A) \$7,838,580 for disbursement to regional planning commissions in a manner consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b);

(B) \$1,323,397 for disbursement to municipalities in a manner consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b); and

(C) \$1,017,998 to the Agency of Digital Services for the Vermont Center for Geographic Information.

*Sec. D.101 FUND TRANSFERS*

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

(1) From the General Fund (#10000) to the:

(A) General Obligation Bonds Debt Service Fund (#35100): \$73,797,962.

(B) Capital Infrastructure Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments (#21952): \$17,016,160.

(C) Tax Computer System Modernization Fund (#21909): \$4,650,000.

(D) Education Fund (#20205): \$100,908,097.

(E) Vermont State Police Radio Equipment and Firearm Replacement Special Fund: \$500,000.

(F) Domestic and Sexual Violence Special Fund (#21926): \$350,000.

(2) From the Transportation Fund (#20105) to the:

(A) General Obligation Bonds Debt Service Fund (#35100): \$294,775.

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

(3) From the Education Fund (#20205) to the:

(A) Tax Computer System Modernization Fund (#21909):  
\$1,550,000.

(4) From the Clean Water Fund (#21932) to the:

(A) Agricultural Water Quality Special Fund (#21933): \$11,897,381.

(B) Lake in Crisis Response Program Special Fund (#21938):  
\$120,000.

(5) From the Agency of Human Services Central Office Earned Federal  
Receipts (#22005) to the:

(A) General Fund (#10000): \$5,000,000.

(6) From the AG-Fees and Reimbursement-Court Order Special Fund  
(#21638) to the:

(A) General Fund (#10000): \$2,000,000.

(B) Miscellaneous Fines & Penalties Fund (#21054): \$1,538,600.

(7) From the Insurance Reserve Fund (#21335) to the:

(A) Transportation Fund (#20105): \$1,360,069, notwithstanding  
32 V.S.A. § 135.

(8) From the State PACE Reserve Fund (#21943) to the:

(A) General Fund (#10000): \$60,806.73, notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 3270.

(9) From the Technology Modernization Special Fund (#21951) to the:

(A) General Fund (#10000): \$9,547,596.39, notwithstanding 3 V.S.A. § 3306.

(b) The following transfers shall be in accordance with the citations provided. Transfer estimates are for purposes of developing the fiscal year 2027 budget and do not supersede the actual fiscal year-end transfer amounts.

(1) To the General Fund (#10000) from the:

(A) 8 V.S.A. § 80(d). Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund (#21075): \$42,837,511.

(B) 9 V.S.A. § 5613(c). Securities Regulatory and Supervision Fund (#21085): \$23,762,455.

(C) 27 V.S.A. § 1543. Unclaimed Property Fund (#62100): \$10,464,702.

(2) 8 V.S.A. § 6017(b). To the Captive Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund (#21085) from the:

(A) General Fund (#10000): \$143,318.

(c) Transfers from the following enterprise funds to the General Fund (#10000), shall not exceed the actual fiscal year-end profits earned by the

enterprise net of any amount necessary to absolve the fund of a deficit. The following estimated transfers are for purposes of developing the fiscal year 2027 budget only.

(1) From the Sports Wagering Enterprise Fund (#50250): \$6,700,000.

(2) From the Liquor Control Fund (#50300): \$20,871,297.

*Sec. D.102 REVERSIONS*

(a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2027, the following amounts shall revert to the General Fund from the accounts indicated:

<u>1100892208</u>	<u>AOA-VT Housing Finance Agency</u>	<u>1,000,000.00</u>
<u>1100892310</u>	<u>AOA-FEMA COVID Match</u>	<u>890,937.34</u>
<u>1100892402</u>	<u>AOA-High-Risk FEMA Denial Resv</u>	<u>5,184,452.41</u>
<u>1100892401</u>	<u>AOA-ORE-Language Access Plan</u>	<u>150,000.00</u>
<u>2200892301</u>	<u>AAFM-Ecosystems Services</u>	<u>100,000.00</u>
<u>2200892307</u>	<u>AAFM-Conservation Districts</u>	<u>16,513.42</u>
<u>2200892408</u>	<u>AAFM-Dairy Risk Mgmt</u>	<u>35,496.73</u>
<u>2240892204</u>	<u>PSD-Affordable Comm Scale Ren</u>	<u>200,000.00</u>
<u>2240892404</u>	<u>PSD-SHARE</u>	<u>195,000.00</u>
<u>3150892302</u>	<u>DMH-Howard Center</u>	<u>790.68</u>
<u>3400892204</u>	<u>AHSCO-Workforce Retention</u>	<u>300,000.00</u>
<u>3400892304</u>	<u>AHS-Nurse Preceptor Grants</u>	<u>189,984.00</u>

<u>3410892502</u>	<u>DVHA-Technical Analysis</u>	<u>21,601.25</u>
<u>3440891905</u>	<u>Child Dev Assoc Credential</u>	<u>29,752.09</u>
<u>3440892401</u>	<u>DCF-Reach Ahead 2 Year Pilot</u>	<u>498.63</u>
<u>3480892501</u>	<u>DOC-Data Contract</u>	<u>300,000.00</u>
<u>5100892308</u>	<u>AOE-Universal Income Dec.</u>	<u>99,990.00</u>
<u>6140892402</u>	<u>DEC-Emissions Repair Program</u>	<u>362,416.60</u>
<u>7110892406</u>	<u>HCD-Mobile Home Condemnation</u>	<u>831,043.50</u>
<u>7110892106</u>	<u>HCD - Tech Serv Local Gov</u>	<u>1,056.73</u>
<u>7110892306</u>	<u>HCD-Designated Area Report</u>	<u>5,342.36</u>
<u>7120892204</u>	<u>ACCD-Technology Related Grants</u>	<u>100,000.00</u>

*Sec. D.103 RESERVES*

(a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2027, the following reserve transactions shall be implemented for the funds provided:

(1) General Fund.

(A) The General Fund 27/53 Reserve shall be adjusted in accordance with 32 V.S.A. § 308e. For purposes of developing this budget, \$6,550,000 is expected to be reserved in fiscal year 2027.

(B) The \$30,000,000 General Fund reserved pursuant to 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. B.1101(b)(4) is unreserved.

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*Sec. E.100 POSITIONS*

*(a) The establishment of six permanent positions is authorized in fiscal year 2027 for the following:*

*(1) Permanent classified positions:*

*(A) Office of the State Treasurer:*

*(i) one Program Technician III; and*

*(ii) one Policy and Research Manager.*

*(B) Vermont Pension Investment Commission:*

*(i) one Financial Director III.*

*(C) Office of the Secretary of State:*

*(i) one RIM Specialist; and*

*(ii) one Business Services Administrator.*

*(2) Permanent exempt positions:*

*(A) Vermont Labor Relations Board:*

*(i) one Mediator.*

*(b) The establishment of one limited service exempt Staff Attorney position is authorized at the State Ethics Commission in fiscal year 2027.*

*(c) The conversion of four limited service positions to permanent classified status is authorized in fiscal year 2027 as follows:*

(1) Office of the Attorney General:

(A) one Assistant Director of Court Diversion and Pretrial Services;

and

(B) one Home Improvement Specialist.

(2) Office of the Secretary of State:

(A) one Administrative Services Coordinator IV.

(3) Department of Public Service:

(A) one Financial Director IV.

(d) The conversion of 26 limited service positions to permanent exempt status is authorized in fiscal year 2027 as follows:

(1) Judiciary:

(A) one Database Administrator;

(B) two IT Help Desk Analysts;

(C) two Centralized Service Analysts;

(D) 10 Judicial Assistants; and

(E) 11 Judicial Officer II's.

*Sec. E.100.1 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. E.100.3 is amended to read:*

*Sec. E.100.3 AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; CORONAVIRUS*

*STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND APPROPRIATIONS;*

*REPORTING*

*(a) In fiscal year years 2026 and 2027, the Secretary of Administration shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee on a quarterly basis, and upon the request of the Committee, on the status of appropriations made from the American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund.*

*(1) Reports shall include information on:*

*(A) the original amounts appropriated;*

*(B) outstanding obligations against appropriations; and*

*(C) any remaining spending authority.*

*(b) In fiscal year years 2026, 2027, and 2028, the Secretary of Administration shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee on a quarterly basis, and upon the request of the Committee, on the status of any spending authority established pursuant to 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.106.*

*(1) Reports shall include information on:*

*(A) the original amounts appropriated;*

*(B) outstanding obligations against appropriations; and*

*(C) any remaining spending authority.*

*(c) Any spending authority established pursuant to 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.106(a) ~~and (e)~~ that remains unexpended and unencumbered on December 31, 2027, shall revert to the General Fund. Any unallocated balance resulting from this reversion shall be reserved in the General Fund Balance Reserve.*

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*Sec. E.100.2 SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION; REPORT ON  
STATUS OF FEDERAL FUNDS*

*(a) The Secretary of Administration shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee at its July, September, and November 2026 meetings, and at other meetings as requested, on any reductions to federal revenues to the State and the status of any appropriations impacted by such reductions.*

*Sec. E.100.3 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 9, Sec. 5 is amended to read:*

*Sec. 5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF RACIAL EQUITY; RACIAL  
EQUITY ADVISORY PANEL; FUNDING SOURCE;  
SURCHARGE; REPEAL*

*(a) Surcharge.*

*(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of 3 V.S.A. § 2283(c) setting forth the purpose and rate of charges collected in the Human Resource Services Internal Service Fund, in fiscal year 2019, a surcharge of up to 1.65 percent, and in fiscal year 2020 and thereafter, a surcharge of up to 3.3 percent, but not greater than the cost of both the Racial Equity Advisory Panel and the position of Executive Director activities of the Office of Racial Equity set forth in Sec. 3 of this act, on the ~~perposition~~ per-position portion of the charges authorized in 3 V.S.A. § 2283(c)(2) shall be assessed to all Executive Branch agencies,*

*departments, and offices and shall be paid by all assessed entities solely with State funds.*

*(2) The amount collected shall be accounted for within the Human Resource Services Internal Service Fund and used solely for the purposes of funding the Racial Equity Advisory Panel and the position of the Executive Director of Racial Equity set forth in Sec. 3 of this act.*

*(b) Repeal. This section shall be repealed on ~~June 30, 2024~~ July 1, 2027.*

*Sec. E.105.1 AGENCY OF DIGITAL SERVICES; INFORMATION*

*TECHNOLOGY INTERNAL SERVICE FUND; DEFICIT*

*MITIGATION PLAN*

*(a) On or before January 15, 2027, the Agency of Digital Services shall, in consultation with the Department of Finance and Management, provide a written plan to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Energy and Digital Infrastructure and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Institutions on how to reduce the fund deficit in the Information Technology Internal Service Fund established by 3 V.S.A. § 3304, including any recommended changes to Fund sources, uses, and transfers. The report shall include information on revenues to and expenditures from the Fund and the Fund's balance at the fiscal year closeout for the previous 10 fiscal years. The report shall also include the most current available information Fund sources,*

uses, transfers, and the estimated Fund balance at the fiscal year 2027 closeout.

(b) On or before February 15, 2027, the Agency of Digital Services shall, in consultation with the Department of Finance and Management, provide a report to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Energy and Digital Infrastructure and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Institutions on the approach and assumptions used for estimating sources and uses for the Core Enterprise Services Fund (#58100), Enterprise Offerings Fund (#58110), Professional Services Fund (#58120), and Customized Services Fund (#58130) for the purposes of building the fiscal year 2027 budget. The report shall include information on the Agency's adaptation to and compliance with new procedures on the part of various State agencies and departments and any managerial or organizational advantages to the fiscal year 2027 budgeting approach.

(c) On or before February 15, 2027, the Department of Finance and Management shall provide a report to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Energy and Digital Infrastructure and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Institutions on the establishment and consistent use of the State's Chart of Accounts to uniformly track expenditures associated with major IT projects by agency and department. It is the intent of the General Assembly that project-level tracking include contracts with IT

implementation vendors, business process contracts that support project delivery, and internal staffing and operating costs.

*Sec. E.106 32 V.S.A. § 307(b) is amended to read:*

*(b) The budget shall also include in detail definite recommendations of the Governor relative to the amounts that should be appropriated to each of the activities referred to under this section. It shall also include definite recommendations of the Governor relative to the financing of the expenditures recommended and the appropriate amounts to be raised from ordinary revenue, direct taxes, bonds, or loans. The financing of the expenditures recommended, as proposed by the Governor, shall not include the funds from the Budget Stabilization Reserve as established in section 308 of this title. With the budget, the Governor shall submit to the General Assembly such messages, statements, or supplemental data with reference to the same, as the Governor may deem expedient; however, budget documentation shall include to the extent possible the following:*

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*(5) A document outlining reversions and approved carryforward by appropriation for those funds subject to the Secretary of Administration's carryforward authority or containing automatic carryforward provisions as designated by the General Assembly.*

*Sec. E.108 STATE EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION STUDY;*

*DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES; REPORT*

*(a) On or before January 15, 2027, the Department of Human Resources shall submit a written report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, the House Committee on Government Operations and Military Affairs, and the Senate Committee on Government Operations with its findings and any recommendations for legislative action on how and whether to amend the statutes governing State employee compensation, including what State employee salary information should be set forth in statute and the method of determining appropriate pay increases for State employees. The report and recommendations shall be based on the Department's review and analysis of the following:*

*(1) those exempt position titles that set forth the associated salary in statute and the exempt position titles that do not set forth salary in statute;*

*(2) how the annual rate of adjustment is determined and applied for exempt employee salaries and how it compares to the annual rate of adjustment determination and application for classified employee salaries; and*

*(3) the salary advancement structure for exempt employees as compared to the salary advancement structure for classified employees.*

*Sec. E.108.1 3 V.S.A. § 2283 is amended to read:*

*§ 2283. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES*

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*(c)(1) There is established in the Department of Human Resources a Human Resource Services Internal Service Fund to consist of revenues from charges to agencies, departments, and similar units of Vermont State government and to be available to fund the costs of the consolidated human resource, Office of Racial Equity, and State Ethics Commission services in the Department of Human Resources.*

*(2) The rate of the charges shall be proposed by the Commissioner of Human Resources, subject to the approval of the Secretary of Administration. Proposed rates of charges shall be based upon the cost of operations associated with human resource, Office of Racial Equity, and State Ethics Commission services provided to agencies, departments, and similar units of Vermont State government.*

*Sec. E.111 DEPARTMENT OF TAXES; POSITION POOL;*

*FUNDING*

*(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.111 of this act, \$135,000 General Fund shall be for a permanent, classified Business Analyst position to be taken from the position pool.*

*Sec. E.127 JOINT FISCAL OFFICE; SPECIAL FUNDS REPORT*

*(a) The Joint Fiscal Office shall, in consultation with the Department of Finance and Management, provide a report with a general overview of special funds and their uses to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on or before December 15, 2026.*

*(b) In addition to the report outlined in subsection (a) of this section, the Joint Fiscal Office shall, in consultation with the Office of Legislative Counsel and the Department of Finance and Management, submit the following reports to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations:*

*(1) A report with detailed information on all special funds in existence the prior fiscal year that fall within function areas of government identified by the Department of Finance and Management's accounting system as "general government," "labor," "general education," "commerce and community development," and "transportation." The report shall be submitted on or before December 15, 2026.*

*(2) A report with detailed information on all special funds in existence the prior fiscal year that fall within function areas of government identified by the Department of Finance and Management's accounting system as "human services" and "natural resources." The report shall be submitted on or before December 15, 2027.*

(3) A report with detailed information on all special funds in existence the prior fiscal year that fall within function areas of government identified by the Department of Finance and Management's accounting system as "protection to persons and property." The report shall be submitted on or before December 15, 2028.

(4) A report with detailed information on all special funds in existence the prior fiscal year that did not fall within any function areas of government identified in subdivisions (1)–(3) of this subsection or that would fall within those function areas of government but were established after the relevant report was submitted. The report shall be submitted on or before December 15, 2029.

(c) The reports required by subsection (b) of this section shall include, for each special fund identified, the following information, if available:

(1) the authorizing statute for the fund, its date of enactment, and any amendments to the statute;

(2) a description of sources, uses, transfers, and reservations, including stated purposes of uses, transfers, and reservations;

(3) the prior fiscal year fund balance at closeout; and

(4) other relevant information on the general management and oversight of the fund.

*Sec. E.127.1 FISCAL YEAR 2027 FEE REPORT; HUMAN SERVICES;*

*NATURAL RESOURCES*

*(a) Fiscal year 2027 fee information. Agencies, departments, boards, and offices that receive appropriations in Secs. B.300–399 and B.700–799 of this act shall, in collaboration with the Joint Fiscal Office, prepare a comprehensive fee report for each fee that is in effect in fiscal year 2027. The fee report shall contain the following information for each fee:*

*(1) the statutory authorization and termination date, if any;*

*(2) the current rate or amount of the fee and the date the fee was last set or adjusted by the General Assembly or Joint Fiscal Committee;*

*(3) the Fund into which the fee revenues are deposited;*

*(4) the amount of the revenues derived from the fee in each of the five fiscal years preceding fiscal year 2027;*

*(5) the number of times that the fee was paid in each of the two fiscal years preceding fiscal year 2027;*

*(6) a projection of the fee revenues in fiscal years 2027 and 2028;*

*(7) a description of the service or product provided or the regulatory function performed by the agency, department, board, or office supported by the fee;*

*(8) the amount of the fee if adjusted for inflation from the last time the fee amount was modified using an appropriate index chosen in consultation*

with the Joint Fiscal Office. The inflation adjustment shall be calculated as the percentage change between the value of the index in the July of the year the fee was last adjusted by the General Assembly and July 2026;

(9) if any portion of the fee revenue is deposited into a special fund, the percentage of the special fund's revenues that the fee represents;

(10) any available information regarding comparable fees in other jurisdictions;

(11) any policies or trends that might affect the viability of the fee amount; and

(12) any other relevant considerations for setting the fee amount.

(b) Reports.

(1) The Joint Fiscal Office shall provide guidance as necessary to the agencies, departments, boards, and offices described in subsection (a) of this section on the methodology to be used for compiling the information requested in the fee reports. On or before October 15, 2026, the agencies, departments, boards, and offices described in subsection (a) of this section shall submit a draft report of the information required in subdivisions (a)(1)–(12) of this section to the Joint Fiscal Office for review. Agencies, departments, boards, and offices shall work with the Joint Fiscal Office to finalize the report before submitting the report described in subdivision (2) of this subsection.

(2) On or before December 15, 2026, the agencies, departments, boards, and offices described in subsection (a) of this section shall submit a final report to the Joint Fiscal Office.

(3) On or before January 15, 2027, the Joint Fiscal Office shall submit a consolidated report consisting of the final reports submitted pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Ways and Means and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Finance.

(4) If any of the information requested in this section cannot be provided for any reason, the agencies, departments, boards, and offices described in subsection (a) of this section shall include in both the draft and final reports a written explanation for why the information cannot be provided.

(c) As used in this section, as it pertains to Executive Branch agencies, departments, boards, and offices, “fee” means any source of State revenue classified by the Department of Finance and Management Accounting System as “fees,” “business licenses,” “nonbusiness licenses,” and “fines and penalties.”

(d) Executive Branch fee report moratorium. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 605, in fiscal year 2027, the Governor shall not be required to submit the consolidated Executive Branch fee annual report and request to the General Assembly.

*Sec. E.131 HIGHER EDUCATION ENDOWMENT TRUST FUND; USES;*

*REPORT*

*(a) In calendar year 2026, as part of the annual financial report on the Vermont Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund required by 16 V.S.A. § 2885(e), the Office of the State Treasurer shall, in consultation with the Vermont Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund Council and the respective student government associations of the University of Vermont, Community College of Vermont, and Vermont State University, on each item listed below, include recommendations on the following:*

*(1) any changes to Fund sources, uses, and transfers, including any expanded uses of the Fund and adjustments to the current statutory allocation structure;*

*(2) mechanisms, including requiring consultation with the Vermont Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund Council, for ensuring appropriate fiduciary oversight of the use of the Fund to ensure that the endowed funds, including principal and interest earnings, are available for the intended purpose of providing scholarships to Vermont students;*

*(3) how to expand or modify the membership of the Council to include student representatives of the recipient institutions of higher education; and*

(4) how to expand the scope of scholarship awards, including award amounts, types of degrees covered, and institutions of higher education included in the scholarship program.

*Sec. E.131.1 STATE PACE RESERVE FUND; REPEAL*

(a) 24 V.S.A. § 3270 (State PACE Reserve Fund) is repealed and any balance remaining shall be transferred to the General Fund.

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

(a) Of the \$3,768,126 appropriated in Sec. B.133 of this act, \$2,526,938 constitutes the Vermont State Employees' Retirement System operating budget, and \$1,241,188 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension Investment Commission's budget attributable to the Vermont State Employees' Retirement System.

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

(a) Of the \$2,207,869 appropriated in Sec. B.134 of this act, \$1,765,361 constitutes the Vermont Municipal Employees' Retirement System operating budget, and \$442,508 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension

Investment Commission's budget attributable to the Vermont Municipal Employees' Retirement System.

Sec. E.135 3 V.S.A. § 922 is amended to read:

§ 922. OFFICE SPACE; EMPLOYEES; MEDIATOR

(a) The Secretary of Administration shall, upon request by the State Labor Relations Board, allow the Board the responsible use of public buildings under his or her the Secretary's control and furnish heat, light, and furniture for any meeting or hearing called by the Board.

(b) The Board may employ such employees and agents as it deems necessary and may employ a reporter for taking and transcribing testimony in hearing before it.

(c)(1) The Board may employ a mediator to provide free mediation services to public and private sector collective bargaining units and employers upon reaching an impasse during collective bargaining.

(2) If the mediator has capacity, the mediator may provide free mediation services to public and private sector collective bargaining units and employers on grievances and unfair labor practice charges.

(3) The Board shall develop policies and procedures to ensure that all confidential mediation information is maintained separately and insulated from access by members of the Board or other employees of the State Labor Relations Board so as to protect the integrity of the mediation process.

*Sec. E.136.1 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION; REPORT*

*(a) On or before January 15, 2027, the State Ethics Commission shall report to the House Committee on Government Operations and Military Affairs, the Senate Committee on Government Operations, and the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on its organizational structure, workload, and capacity.*

*(b) The report shall include information on the Commission's:*

*(1) current personnel and management structure with two full-time equivalents; and*

*(2) recommendations for reducing or eliminating duties given to it through prior legislative enactment to align its workload with its fiscal year 2027 personnel capacity.*

*Sec. E.136.2 STATE ETHICS COMMISSION; POSITION FUNDING*

*(a) The \$150,000 General Fund and \$214,306 internal service fund appropriated in Sec. B.136.1 of this act may be used by the State Ethics Commission for personal services costs for up to two full-time equivalents to fund positions established at the Commission, including the Executive Director and the Staff Attorney established by Sec. E.100 of this act.*

*Sec. E.136.3 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 171 (2024 Ethics Act), Sec. 24, as amended by 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 44, Sec. 4, is further amended to read:*

*Sec. 24. EFFECTIVE DATES*

*This act shall take effect on passage, except that:*

*(1) Sec. 13 (adding 3 V.S.A. § 1230, Commission procedure, rulemaking) shall take effect on July 1, ~~2027~~ 2028, except that the Commission may adopt rules under 3 V.S.A. § 1230(b) prior to July 1, 2028;*

*(2) Sec. 22 (creating Municipal Code of Ethics) shall take effect on January 1, 2025;*

*(3) Sec. 7 (amending 3 V.S.A. § 1221(a), describing expansion of Commission powers) shall take effect on ~~September 1, 2027~~ July 1, 2028;*

*(4) Sec. 8 (amending 3 V.S.A. § 1222; title redesignation) shall take effect on July 1, 2025;*

*(5) Sec. 9 (amending 3 V.S.A. § 1223, Commission procedure for accepting and referring complaints) shall take effect on September 1, 2025;*

*(6) Secs. 10 (adding 3 V.S.A. § 1227, Commission investigations), 11 (adding 3 V.S.A. § 1228, Commission hearings), 12 (adding 3 V.S.A. § 1229, Commission warnings, reprimands, recommended actions, and agreements), and 14 (adding 3 V.S.A. § 1231, Commission public records regarding complaints) shall take effect on ~~September 1, 2027~~ July 1, 2028; and*

*(7) Sec. 1 (amending 17 V.S.A. § 2414, candidate disclosures) shall take effect on January 1, 2026.*

*Sec. E.136.4 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 44, Sec. 5 is amended to read:*

*Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATES*

*This act shall take effect on passage, except that:*

*(1) Sec. 1 (amending 3 V.S.A. § 1223, Commission procedure for accepting and referring complaints) shall take effect on September 1, 2025, and shall supersede those provisions of 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 171, Sec. 9 that amended 3 V.S.A. § 1223 and that conflict with the language in this act;*

*(2) Sec. 2 (amending future version of 3 V.S.A. § 1223) shall take effect on ~~September 1, 2027~~ July 1, 2028; and*

*(3) Sec. 3 (amending 3 V.S.A. § 1231, Commission public records regarding complaints) shall take effect on ~~September 1, 2027~~ July 1, 2028, and shall supersede those provisions of 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 171, Sec. 14 that amended 3 V.S.A. § 1231 and that conflict with the language in this act.*

*Sec. E.138 RENTER REBATE FISCAL YEAR 2027 BASE INCREASE;*

*ONE-TIME*

*(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the \$4,000,000 increase to the appropriation in Sec. B.138 of this act be a one-time increase in fiscal year 2027 that shall not recur in future fiscal years.*

*Sec. E.139 GRAND LIST LITIGATION ASSISTANCE*

*(a) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 3709(a), of the appropriation in Sec. B.139 of this act, \$70,000 shall be provided to the Department of Taxes' Division of Property Valuation and Review and used with any remaining funds from the amount previously transferred for final payment of expenses incurred by the Department or towns in defense of grand list appeals regarding the reappraisals of the hydroelectric plants and other expenses incurred to undertake utility property appraisals in Vermont.*

*Sec. E.139.1 TAX DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION; PILOT FUND*

*(a) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 3709(a) or any other provision of law to the contrary, the appropriation in Sec. B.139 of this act shall be made from the PILOT Special Fund.*

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

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

*Sec. E.144 PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES; CORRECTIONAL*

*FACILITIES*

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

*Sec. E.200 ATTORNEY GENERAL*

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

*(b) Of the revenue available to the Attorney General under 9 V.S.A. § 2458(b)(4), \$2,263,600 is appropriated in Sec. B.200 of this act.*

*Sec. E.208 PUBLIC SAFETY; ADMINISTRATION*

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

*Sec. E.209 PUBLIC SAFETY; STATE POLICE*

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

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

*(c) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.209 of this act, \$2,100,000 is allocated exclusively for the purchase, outfitting, assignment, and disposal of State Police vehicles.*

*Sec. E.209.1 20 V.S.A. § 1913a is added to read:*

§ 1913a. VERMONT STATE POLICE RADIO EQUIPMENT AND

FIREARM REPLACEMENT SPECIAL FUND

(a) Creation. There is created the Vermont State Police Radio Equipment and Firearm Replacement Special Fund, to be administered by the Department of Public Safety in accordance with 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5. Monies in the Fund shall be used for the purchase of Vermont State Police radio equipment and firearms in accordance with the life cycle replacement schedule as approved by the Commissioner of Public Safety.

(b) Funds. The Fund shall consist of:

(1) any amounts transferred to it by the General Assembly; and

(2) the proceeds from the sale of any existing radio equipment and firearms.

(c) Fund balance. Any balance remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in the Fund.

(d) Receipts. The Commissioner of Finance and Management may anticipate receipts to this Fund and issue warrants based thereon.

*Sec. E.212 PUBLIC SAFETY; FIRE SAFETY*

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

*Sec. E.215 MILITARY; ADMINISTRATION*

*(a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.215 of this act, \$1,219,834 shall be disbursed to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for the Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 2857.*

*Sec. E.217 MILITARY; POSITION POOL; FEDERAL FUNDING*

*(a) Of the federal funds appropriated in Sec. B.217 of this act, \$442,247 shall be the 75 percent federal share for the following six classified limited service positions to be taken from the position pool: four Military Maintenance Specialists II; one Military Building Construction Specialist; and one Military Storekeeper.*

*Sec. E.218 MILITARY; POSITION POOL; STATE FUNDING*

*(a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.218 of this act, \$147,411 shall be the 25 percent State share for the following six classified limited service positions to be taken from the position pool: four Military Maintenance Specialists II; one Military Building Construction Specialist; and one Military Storekeeper.*

*Sec. E.219 MILITARY; VETERANS' AFFAIRS*

*(a) Of the General Fund appropriated in Sec. B.219 of this act, \$1,000 shall be used for continuation of the Vermont Medal Program; \$2,000 shall be used for the expenses of the Governor's Veterans Advisory Council; \$7,500*

shall be used for the Veterans Day parade; \$10,000 shall be granted to the American Legion for the Green Mountain Boys' State and Green Mountain Girls' State programs; and \$10,000 shall be used for the USS Vermont Support Group.

Sec. E.232 SECRETARY OF STATE; VERMONT ACCESS NETWORK

BUDGET

(a) The Secretary of State shall grant the \$1,800,000 General Fund appropriation provided in Sec. B.232 of this act to the Vermont Access Network to maintain current operations and programming.

Sec. E.233 30 V.S.A. § 202d is amended to read:

§ 202d. TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLAN

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(f) The Department shall adopt a new Plan every ~~three~~ five years pursuant to the procedures established in subsection (e) of this section. The Plan shall outline significant deviations from the prior Plan. For good cause or upon request by a joint resolution passed by the General Assembly, an interim review and revision of any section of the Plan may be made after conducting public hearings on the interim revision. At least one hearing shall be held jointly with committees of the General Assembly designated by the General Assembly for this purpose.

*Sec. E.233.1 30 V.S.A. § 209 is amended to read:*

*§ 209. JURISDICTION; GENERAL SCOPE*

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*(e) Thermal energy and process fuel efficiency funding.*

*(1) Each of the following shall be used to deliver thermal energy and process fuel energy efficiency services in accordance with this section for unregulated fuels to Vermont consumers of such fuels. In addition, the Commission may authorize an entity appointed to deliver such services under subdivision (d)(2)(B) of this section to use monies subject to this subsection for the engineering, design, and construction of facilities for the conversion of thermal energy customers using fossil fuels to district heat if the majority of the district's energy is from biomass sources, the district's distribution system is highly energy efficient, and such conversion is cost effective.*

*(A) Net revenues above costs associated with payments from the New England Independent System Operator (ISO-NE) for capacity savings resulting from the activities of the energy efficiency utility designated under subdivision (2)(A) of this subsection (e) that are not transferred to the State PACE Reserve Fund under 24 V.S.A. § 3270(e). These revenues shall be deposited into the Electric Efficiency Fund established by this section. In delivering services with respect to heating systems using the revenues subject to this subdivision (A), the entity shall give priority to incentives for the installation of high*

*efficiency biomass heating systems and shall have a goal of offering an incentive that is equal to 25 percent of the installed cost of such a system. Provision of an incentive under this subdivision (A) for a biomass heating system shall not be contingent on the making of other energy efficiency improvements at the property on which the system will be installed.*

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*Sec. E.234 REPORT ON REGIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY MARKET  
CONDITIONS; PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION*

*(a) On or before January 15, 2027, the Public Utility Commission shall prepare a written report on projected regional renewable electric generation market conditions. In developing the report, the Commission shall examine the cost and availability of new regional renewable electric generation resources during the years 2027–2035.*

*(b) In preparing the report, the Commission shall provide an opportunity for written input from interested stakeholders, including retail electricity providers, renewable energy developers, regional transmission organizations, consumer advocates, and any other members of the public. In addition, the Commission may consult with the Department of Public Service and other relevant state, regional, or federal entities, as the Commission deems appropriate. Preparation of the report is not subject to the contested case procedures established under 3 V.S.A. chapter 25.*

(c) The Commission shall submit the report to the House Committees on Environment and on Energy and Digital Infrastructure and the Senate Committees on Finance and on Natural Resources and Energy.

*Sec. E.236 HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION; POSITION POOL;*

*FUNDING*

(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.236 of this act, \$130,000 General Fund shall be for a permanent, exempt Staff Attorney Investigator position to be taken from the position pool.

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

*ADVOCATE, VERMONT LEGAL AID*

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

(1) \$2,450,406 shall be for the contract with the Office of the Health Care Advocate;

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

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

*Sec. E.300.1 HIGH-END SYSTEM FACILITIES FOR YOUTH*

(a) At the August, October, and December 2026 meetings of the Joint Legislative Justice Oversight Committee, the Departments for Children and Families and of Buildings and General Services shall report on their plan to develop the Green Mountain Youth Facility.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, before the Departments for Children and Families and of Buildings and General Services approve design documents for construction and prior to approval of the lease for the facility, the Department of Buildings and General Services shall submit their approved design to the House Committees on Corrections and Institutions and on Human Services and the Senate Committees on Institutions and on Health and Welfare. At the same time, the Department for Children and Families shall submit a draft operating budget.

*Sec. E.301 SECRETARY'S OFFICE; GLOBAL COMMITMENT*

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

(b) In addition to the State funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act, a total estimated sum of \$28,368,715 is anticipated to be certified as State matching funds under the Global Commitment as follows:

(1) \$25,158,000 certified State match available from local education agencies for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services under Global Commitment. This amount, combined with \$34,842,000 of federal funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act, equals a total estimated expenditure of \$60,000,000. An amount equal to the amount of the federal matching funds for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services under Global Commitment shall be transferred from the Global Commitment Fund to the School-Based Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund created in 33 V.S.A. § 1904a.

(2) \$3,210,715 certified State match available from local designated mental health and developmental services agencies for eligible mental health services provided under Global Commitment.

(c) Up to \$4,997,210 is transferred from the Agency of Human Services Federal Receipts Holding Account to the Interdepartmental Transfer Fund consistent with the amount appropriated in Sec. B.301 (Secretary's Office; Global Commitment) of this act.

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

*REPORT*

*(a) To facilitate fiscal year 2027 closeout, the Secretary of Human Services, with the approval of the Secretary of Administration, may make transfers among the appropriations authorized for Medicaid and Medicaid waiver program expenses, including Global Commitment appropriations outside the Agency of Human Services. At least three business days prior to any transfer, the Agency of Human Services shall submit to the Joint Fiscal Office a proposal of transfers to be made pursuant to this section. A final report on all transfers made under this section shall be made to the Joint Fiscal Committee for review at the Committee's September 2027 meeting. The purpose of this section is to provide the Agency with limited authority to modify the appropriations to comply with the terms and conditions of the Global Commitment to Health Section 1115 demonstration approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under Section 1115 of the Social Security Act.*

*Sec. E.301.2 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 83, Sec. 72a, as amended by 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. C.105, 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. E.301.2, 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.300.2, and 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. E.301.2, is further amended to read:*

*Sec. 72a. MEDICAID HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES  
(HCBS PLAN)*

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*(f) The Global Commitment Fund appropriated in subsection (e) of this section obligated in fiscal years 2023, 2024, 2025, ~~and 2026~~, and 2027 for the purposes of bringing HCBS plan spending authority forward into fiscal years 2024, 2025, ~~and 2026~~, and 2027, respectively. The funds appropriated in subsections (b), (c), and (e) of this section may be transferred on a net-neutral basis in fiscal years 2023, 2024, 2025, ~~and 2026~~, and 2027 in the same manner as the Global Commitment appropriations in 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. E.301. The Agency shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee in September 2023, September 2024, September 2025, ~~and September 2026~~, and September 2027, respectively, on transfers of appropriations made and final amounts expended by each department in fiscal years 2023, 2024, 2025, ~~and 2026~~, and 2027, respectively, and any obligated funds carried forward to be expended in fiscal years 2024, 2025, ~~and 2026~~, and 2027, respectively.*

*Sec. E.301.3 GLOBAL COMMITMENT WAIVER AMENDMENT*

*(a) The Secretary of Human Services is authorized to seek an extension of Vermont's Global Commitment to Health Section 1115 Demonstration for the period of January 1, 2028, through December 31, 2032, from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.*

*Sec. E.306.1 MEDICARE ADVOCACY PROGRAM*

*(a) Effective July 1, 2026, the Commissioner of Vermont Health Access shall terminate any contract for services for the Medicare Advocacy Program under 33 V.S.A. chapter 67 consistent with the provisions of 33 V.S.A. § 6703(b).*

*Sec. E.306.2 DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT HEALTH ACCESS;*

*POSITION POOL; FUNDING*

*(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.306 of this act, \$497,077 of General Fund and \$497,077 of federal funds shall be for the following permanent, classified positions to be taken from the position pool: one Health Care Assistant Administrator I; one Digital Communications Specialist II; one Business Project Manager; four Vermont Healthcare Service Specialist I's; and five Vermont Healthcare Service Specialist II's.*

*Sec. E.306.3 DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT HEALTH ACCESS;*

*PAYMENTS TO PROVIDERS IN PRIMARY CARE PLUS*

*PROGRAM*

*(a) In order to preserve access to primary care services, the Department of Vermont Health Access shall provide enhanced primary care rates and enhanced encounter rates, as applicable, to primary care providers in fiscal year 2027.*

*Sec. E.307 DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT HEALTH ACCESS;*

*EDUCATION MEDICAID RECEIPTS*

*(a) Notwithstanding any provision of 16 V.S.A. § 2959a to the contrary, the payments ordinarily made by the Secretary of Education pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 2959a(c) and (d) shall instead be made by the Commissioner of Vermont Health Access.*

*Sec. E.307.1 33 V.S.A. § 1900 is amended to read:*

*§ 1900. DEFINITIONS*

*As used in this subchapter, unless otherwise indicated:*

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*(12) “Supervisory union” has the same meaning as in 16 V.S.A. § 11 and includes a supervisory district.*

*Sec. E.307.2 33 V.S.A. § 1904 is added to read:*

*§ 1904. MEDICAID SCHOOL-BASED SERVICES PROGRAM*

*(a)(1) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the State of Vermont maximize its receipt of federal reimbursement for medically related services provided to students who are eligible under Title XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act.*

*(2) It is also the intent of the General Assembly that Vermont’s School-Based Medical Assistance Program shall comply with all federal Medicaid requirements. As the State Medicaid agency, the Agency of Human Services*

shall have sole responsibility for determining and maintaining program compliance.

(b) The Agency of Education shall be responsible for coordination of the School-Based Medical Assistance Program with statewide education policy and objectives and for communicating with supervisory unions.

(c) The Agency of Human Services shall adopt rules in accordance with 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 to identify the services that are available through the School-Based Medical Assistance Program and to set forth the requirements for supervisory union participation. The rules shall include State and federal requirements for:

(1) Medicaid reimbursement;

(2) participation in a Random Moment Time Study and an electronic health records system;

(3) Medicaid cost reports;

(4) provider enrollment and trainings;

(5) service documentation;

(6) Medicaid eligibility; and

(7) any other provisions necessary for compliance with the Medicaid program.

(d)(1) The Agency of Human Services shall support supervisory unions by funding and providing the technical elements of the Program necessary for federal compliance.

(2) Supervisory unions delivering medically related services pursuant to the Medicaid School-Based Services Program shall participate in a Random Moment Time Study and an electronic health records system as directed by the Agency of Human Services to enable Medicaid billing of direct health services and Medicaid administrative claiming activities.

*Sec. E.307.3 33 V.S.A. § 1904a is added to read:*

§ 1904a. SCHOOL-BASED MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FUND

(a) The School-Based Medicaid Reimbursement Fund is established as a special fund to receive federal reimbursements for medically related services delivered pursuant to the Medicaid school-based services program described in section 1904 of this chapter. Monies received by the State pursuant to this section shall be transferred to the School-Based Medicaid Reimbursement Fund, which shall be administered by the Agency of Human Services, and Fund receipts shall be allocated in accordance with this section.

(b) The Department of Vermont Health Access shall pay 55 percent of the federal reimbursement monies generated by the medically related services delivered in each supervisory union pursuant to the Medicaid school-based services program to the supervisory union based on the Medicaid cost reports,

service claims, and Medicaid administrative costs submitted by the supervisory union.

(c)(1) Up to 25 percent of the federal reimbursement monies generated by services delivered pursuant to the Medicaid school-based services program shall be available for the administrative costs of the Agencies of Education and of Human Services related to the collection, operations, and reporting of school-based medical assistance programs and statewide programs.

(2) The Agencies shall enter into a memorandum of understanding setting forth the processes by which Medicaid reimbursement monies available for administrative costs and statewide programs are allocated to the Agencies.

(3) The Secretaries of Education and of Human Services shall expend monies from the Fund only as appropriated by the General Assembly. The provisions of 32 V.S.A. § 511 shall not apply to this Fund.

(d) At the close of each fiscal year, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall transfer to and deposit any unencumbered available cash balance remaining in the School-Based Medicaid Reimbursement Fund net of accounts payable into the Education Fund.

Sec. E.307.4 33 V.S.A. § 1904a is amended to read:

§ 1904a. SCHOOL-BASED MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FUND

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*(c)(1) Up to ~~25~~ 20 percent of the federal reimbursement monies generated by services delivered pursuant to the Medicaid school-based services program shall be available for the administrative costs of the Agencies of Education and of Human Services related to the collection, operations, and reporting of school-based medical assistance programs and statewide programs.*

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*Sec. E.307.5 16 V.S.A. § 2959a is amended to read:*

*§ 2959a. ~~EDUCATION MEDICAID RECEIPTS~~ MEDICAID SCHOOL-BASED SERVICES PROGRAM; SUPERVISORY UNIONS AND SUPERVISORY DISTRICTS; LEGISLATIVE INTENT*

*(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the State of Vermont shall maximize its receipt of federal Medicaid dollars available for reimbursement of for medically related services provided to students who are Medicaid eligible under Title XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act. It is further the intent of the General Assembly that:*

*(1) each supervisory union identify special education and other students eligible for Medicaid reimbursement and, to the extent possible, submit Medicaid bills for services reimbursement Medicaid-compliant cost reports and service claims; and*

*(2) the Agencies of Education and of Human Services work with local school districts to maximize reimbursements, including services to non-IEP students.*

*~~(b) A Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund is established within the Agency of Education. Funds received by the State under this section shall be transferred to the Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund. The Fund receipts shall be allocated in accordance with this section.~~*

*~~(c) At least annually, the Secretary of Education shall pay to each supervisory union submitting Medicaid bills under this section 50 percent of the reimbursed funds generated by the supervisory union's bill, excluding claims generated by State-placed students. Unless the supervisory union has agreed to use the funds to operate a supervisory unionwide program or to distribute the funds in a different manner, upon receipt, the supervisory union shall distribute the funds to its member school districts based on how the funds were generated. The Secretary may withhold payment due a supervisory union pursuant to section 2950 of this title for a Medicaid-eligible State-placed student if the supervisory union has not submitted a Medicaid claim for reimbursable services for that student.~~*

*~~(d) If the amount of Medicaid reimbursement funds received for services provided in the prior State fiscal year exceeds \$25,000,000.00, in addition to the 50 percent of the funds paid to supervisory unions submitting Medicaid~~*

~~bills, 25 percent of the amounts in excess of the \$25,000,000.00 shall be paid into an incentive fund created in the Agency of Education. These funds shall be used for an incentive payment to supervisory unions with student participation rates of over 80 percent in accordance with a formula to be developed by the Agency, in consultation with the Vermont Superintendents Association. For any incentive payments made subsequent to fiscal year 2007, the \$25,000,000.00 threshold of this subsection shall be increased by the percentage increase of the most recent New England Economic Project Cumulative Price Index, as of November 15, for state and local government purchases of goods and services from fiscal year 2005 through the fiscal year for which the payment is being determined, plus an additional one-tenth of one percent.~~

~~(e) Supervisory unions shall use funds received under this section to pay for reasonable costs of administering the Medicaid claims process, and school districts or supervisory unions shall use funds received under this section for prevention and intervention programs in prekindergarten through grade 12. The programs shall be designed to facilitate early identification of and intervention with children with disabilities and to ensure all students achieve rigorous and challenging standards approved and adopted by the State Board or locally adopted standards. A supervisory union shall provide annual written justification to the Secretary of Education on how it or its member~~

~~districts used the funds. Such annual submission shall show how the funds' use is expressly linked to those provisions of the supervisory union's action plan that directly relate to improving student performance. A supervisory union shall include in its annual report the amount of the prior year's Medicaid reimbursement revenues and the use of Medicaid funds consistent with the purposes set forth in this subsection.~~

~~(f) Up to 30 percent of Medicaid reimbursements received under this section shall be available for administrative costs of the Agencies of Education and of Human Services related to the collection, processing, and reporting of education Medicaid reimbursements and statewide programs. The Secretaries of Education and of Human Services shall expend monies from the Fund only as appropriated by the General Assembly.~~

~~(g) Remaining reimbursed funds shall be deposited into the Education Fund.~~

*Sec. E.307.6 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT IN IMPLEMENTATION*

*OF CHANGES TO MEDICAID SCHOOL-BASED SERVICES*

*PROGRAM*

~~(a) The Agency of Human Services shall collaborate with the Agency of Education, Vermont Association of School Business Officials, Vermont Council of Special Education Administrators, and school district officials in~~

implementing changes to the Medicaid school-based services program in accordance with this act, including:

(1) providing structured opportunities for input during the phased implementation process in order to address challenges and risks in a timely manner and minimize disruptions; and

(2) focusing on geographic diversity to ensure that the implementation process is responsive to regional variations in needs and capacity.

*Sec. E.307.7 SPECIAL FUND BALANCE TRANSFER*

(a) Any outstanding fund balances, assets, or liabilities remaining in the Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund established pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 2959a shall be transferred to the School-Based Medicaid Reimbursement Fund established pursuant to 33 V.S.A. § 1904a prior to the elimination of the Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund by Sec. E.307.5 of this act.

*Sec. E.307.8 DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT HEALTH ACCESS; FAMILY*

*PLANNING CODE IMPLEMENTATION; REPORT*

(a) On or before September 15, 2026, the Department of Vermont Health Access shall review its implementation of family planning codes in the Medicaid program to ensure that all expenditures for family planning services and supplies that are eligible for federal match at a 90 percent federal medical assistance percentage are receiving that enhanced rate.

(b) On or before October 1, 2026, the Department shall provide a progress report to the Health Reform Oversight Committee and the Joint Fiscal Committee on:

(1) the Department's findings to date from its review;

(2) an estimate of any reductions in General Fund expenditures that can be realized by maximizing usage of the family planning codes to obtain the 90 percent federal match for qualifying services and supplies; and

(3) proposals for ways in which the estimated savings can be reinvested into rate increases for family planning services and supplies as part of the fiscal year 2027 budget adjustment.

*Sec. E.311 2020 Acts and Resolves No. 155, Sec. 7a, as amended by 2021 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec E.311.2, is further amended to read:*

*Sec. 7a. SUNSET*

*18 V.S.A. § 33 (medical students; primary care) is repealed on July 1, 2027.*

*[Deleted.]*

*Sec. E.312 HEALTH; PUBLIC HEALTH*

(a) HIV/AIDS funding:

(1) In fiscal year 2027 and as provided in this section, the Department of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$475,000 in AIDS Medication Rebates special funds to the Vermont AIDS service and peer-support organizations for client-based support services. The Department of Health

AIDS Program shall meet at least quarterly with the Community Advisory Group with current information and data relating to service initiatives. The funds shall be allocated according to a request for proposal process.

(2) In fiscal year 2027 and as provided by this section, the Department of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$340,000 from the General Fund for HIV and Harm Reduction Services to the following organizations:

(A) Vermont CARES: \$165,000;

(B) AIDS Project of Southern Vermont: \$115,000; and

(C) HIV/HCV Resource Center: \$60,000.

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

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

(B) As provided in this section, the Secretary of Human Services shall work in collaboration with the Vermont Medication Assistance Program

Advisory Committee, which shall be composed of not less than 50 percent of members who are living with HIV/AIDS. If a modification to the Program's eligibility requirements or benefit coverage is considered, the Committee shall make recommendations regarding the Program's formulary of approved medication, related laboratory testing, nutritional supplements, and eligibility for the Program.

(4) In fiscal year 2027, the Department of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$400,000 from the General Fund for HIV and Harm Reduction Services on or before September 1, 2026. The method by which these prevention funds are distributed shall be determined by mutual agreement of the Department of Health and the Vermont AIDS service organizations and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers.

(5) In fiscal year 2027, the Department of Health shall not reduce any grants to the Vermont AIDS service and peer-support organizations or syringe service programs from funds appropriated for HIV/AIDS services to levels below those in fiscal year 2026 without receiving prior approval from the Joint Fiscal Committee.

*Sec. E.313 18 V.S.A. § 4812 is amended to read:*

**§ 4812. SUBSTANCE MISUSE PREVENTION SPECIAL FUND**

*(a) The Substance Misuse Prevention Special Fund is established and managed by the Vermont Department of Health in accordance with 32 V.S.A.*

chapter 7, subchapter 5 for the purpose of funding substance misuse prevention programming, including school-based prevention programming.

*(b) Thirty percent of the revenues raised by the cannabis excise tax imposed pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 7902, not to exceed \$10,000,000.00 per fiscal year, shall be deposited into this fund ~~for substance misuse prevention costs.~~*

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*Sec. E.313.1 REPORT; RECOVERY RESIDENCES AND RECOVERY  
CENTERS; INFLATION*

*(a) As part of its fiscal year 2028 budget presentation, the Department of Health shall present the following information to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare:*

*(1) base appropriations to recovery residences and recovery centers during the previous 10 fiscal years; and*

*(2) what each of those base appropriations would have been had each kept up with inflation.*

*Sec. E.316 REPORT; REACH UP*

*(a) On or before January 15, 2027, the Department for Children and Families shall submit a written report to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare evaluating the Reach Up Program,*

including any inefficiencies or gaps in services; an actionable, phased plan that estimates the amount needed to remove the ratable reduction in the Reach Up program; and any recommendations for legislative action.

Sec. E.316.1 33 V.S.A. § 3702 is amended to read:

§ 3702. FUNDING

(a) *The Secretary of Human Services shall disperse a joint allocation for all parent child center services to the Parent Child Center Network, which shall distribute funding to each authorized parent child center.*

(b) *The Agency shall consult with the Parent Child Center Network to develop appropriate measures and methods of accountability for authorized members of the Network. The Network and authorized parent child centers shall provide any previously agreed upon information to enable the Secretary to evaluate the services provided through grant funds, the effect of services on consumers, and an accounting of the expenditure of grant funds.*

(c) *Annually, as part of its budget presentation, the Agency shall inform the House Committees on Appropriations and on Human Services and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare of the cost of adding a one percent base increase over the previous fiscal year's base appropriation for the Parent Child Center Network.*

*Sec. E.316.2 REPORT; PARENT CHILD CENTERS; INFLATION*

*(a) As part of its fiscal year 2028 budget presentation, the Department for Children and Families shall present the following information to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare:*

*(1) base appropriations to the Parent Child Center Network during the previous 10 fiscal years; and*

*(2) what each of those base appropriations would have been had each kept up with inflation.*

*Sec. E.316.3 SNAP AND MEDICAID REQUIREMENTS; REPORTING*

*(a) In fiscal year 2027, the Agency of Human Services shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee on the implementation of federal H.R.1 SNAP work requirements and, to the extent applicable, Medicaid work requirements.*

*(1) On or before September 15, 2026, with regard to SNAP benefits, the Agency shall submit a report that includes to the extent practicable:*

*(A) the number of individuals who have become ineligible for benefits or experienced a loss or reduction in benefits due to federal changes to work requirements, including specifically by adults between 55 and 64 years of age, individuals experiencing homelessness, and adults with a child between 14 and 18 years of age;*

(B) the number of individuals who lost benefits due to federal changes to work requirements and immediately reapplied for benefits and any related administrative costs;

(C) the estimated total amount of benefit loss to individuals due to federal changes to work requirements;

(D) the reasons individuals are determined ineligible for benefits;

(E) the Agency's use of discretionary exemptions, including those expiring in September 2026, and the remaining balance to offset benefit loss and reductions;

(F) the number of individuals who received assistance from the Agency due to federal changes to work requirements, including the number of individuals who did not lose or experience a reduction in benefits after receiving assistance from the Agency;

(G) payment error rate percentages for the current federal fiscal year, including an analysis on Agency and client errors; and

(H) any other pertinent information.

(2) On or before March 1, 2027, with regard to Medicaid, the Agency shall submit a report that includes to the extent practicable:

(A) the number of individuals who are subject to work requirements due to federal changes;

(B) the number of individuals each month who were required to re-enroll from January through June of 2026;

(C) the number of individuals each month who will be required to re-enroll from January through June of 2027;

(D) an outline of the Agency's plan for automating data-matching for eligibly redeterminations and assessing compliance with work requirements;  
and

(E) a summary of the two-year plan to recertify Vermont Medicaid providers, including a list and timeline for providers requiring recertification and any changes in Vermont Medicaid.

(3) Both reports shall also include:

(A) information regarding outreach, stakeholder coordination, and other efforts undertaken to support impacted households and community partners in assisting households to obtain and maintain benefits, including the provision of sample notices, automated calls, text scripts, and other communications with individuals; and

(B) the number of applications supported by outreach partners, benefit assisters, or other community service providers.

(4) In calendar years 2027 and 2028, the Agency shall, on a quarterly basis, provide an update to the reports required by this subsection to the House Committees on Appropriations, on Health Care, and on Human Services and

the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare while the General Assembly is in session and to the Joint Fiscal Committee while the General Assembly is not in session.

Sec. E.316.4 33 V.S.A. § 1703 is amended to read:

§ 1703. CHANGES TO PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

~~(a)(1)~~ The Department shall report to the Chairs of the House Committee on Human Services and the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare and, community partners under contract with the Department to provide outreach services, federally authorized retailers operating in Vermont, any other interested stakeholders, and, if the General Assembly is adjourned, the Joint Fiscal Committee, within 30 days after any substantive change in the federal law governing SNAP that:

~~(A)(1)~~ restricts or improves eligibility;

~~(B)(2)~~ increases or reduces barriers or creates or eliminates hardships to access; or

~~(3)~~ identifies anticipated impacts on the administrative burden or costs to the Department, community partners under contract with the Department to provide outreach services, or federally authorized retailers operating in Vermont; or

~~(C)(4)~~ inhibits or increases benefit usage.

~~(2)(b) Within Not less than 90 days after prior to the implementation of a substantive voluntary change described pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection to Vermont's SNAP program, the Department shall provide an analysis to the Chairs of any anticipated administrative costs to the Department and any impacts on SNAP applicants and participants as a result of the change.:~~

~~(1) convene a meeting with community partners under contract with the Department to provide outreach services, federally authorized retailers operating in Vermont, and any other interested stakeholders to describe the proposed change to Vermont's SNAP program, including the anticipated impact on eligibility, benefit level, administrative burden or costs, and any other relevant impact of the proposed change; and~~

~~(2) consult with and consider input from community partners under contract with the Department to provide outreach services, federally authorized retailers operating in Vermont, and any other interested stakeholders on the impacts of the Department's voluntary change to Vermont's SNAP program.~~

~~(b) The Commissioner may convene a meeting of interested stakeholders to discuss a change listed in subsection (a) of this section.~~

*Sec. E.316.5 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES*

*ADMINISTRATION; VERMONT HOMELESSNESS*

*RESPONSE CONTINUUM BASE FUNDING*

(a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.316 of this act, \$1,100,000 shall be for staffing, grants, and contracts relating to the implementation of the Vermont Homelessness Response Continuum.

(b) Any spending authority designated for the purposes provided in subsection (a) of this section that remains unexpended at the end of fiscal year 2027 shall be carried forward for the same purpose for which it was originally designated.

*Sec. E.317 SUPERVISED VISITATION PROGRAMS*

(a)(1) \$137,500 of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.317 of this act, the \$130,000 General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.1100(c)(5) of this act, and \$100,000 of the federal funds appropriation in Sec. B.317 of this act shall be granted by the Department for Children and Families to supervised visitation programs as follows:

(A) \$367,500 to the six existing community-based supervised visitation sites.

(2) The Department shall work with the Vermont Network Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence to develop a funding formula for supervised visitation sites, to identify the community partners to develop two

new supervised visitation sites during fiscal year 2027, and to begin planning for the creation of four additional supervised visitation sites, two each to become operational beginning in fiscal years 2028 and 2029.

*Sec. E.318 CHILD CARE; TUITION RATES*

(a) Notwithstanding 33 V.S.A. § 3517, in fiscal year 2027, the Commissioner for Children and Families may authorize a nonprofit child care provider that did not rebase tuition rates pursuant to 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 76 to increase annual tuition in excess of 1.5 times the most recent annual increase in NAICS Code 611, Educational Services, upon a finding of financial hardship. Prior to authorization, the Commissioner shall determine that the child care provider has experienced a loss of revenue and is reasonably likely to continue to experience a loss of revenue absent the requested tuition increase. The child care provider shall furnish any information requested by the Commissioner in support of such a determination.

*Sec. E.321 END HOMELESSNESS VERMONT; GRANT;*

*HOMELESSNESS RESPONSE CONTINUUM*

(a) The General Assembly finds that:

(1) Vermont ranks fourth per capita in the United States for homelessness;

(2) Vermont's unhoused population has risen dramatically since the COVID-19 pandemic;

(3) Vermont's shelter, housing, and supportive services capacity is insufficient to meet the needs of its unhoused population;

(4) repeated changes in program scope and eligibility requirements for programs, including emergency housing provided through General Assistance program, have made it difficult for Vermonters seeking housing assistance to access and maintain support;

(5) the Vermont Homelessness Response Continuum may not be fully implemented in fiscal year 2027; and

(6) End Homelessness Vermont has provided essential services to unhoused Vermonters, including service navigation and coordination from crisis through housing stability, technical assistance, and concrete supports.

(b) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the grant to End Homelessness Vermont in Sec. B.1100(c)(4) of this act support its continued statewide work of providing essential services to individuals living with complex needs and disabilities who are experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity.

Sec. E.321.1 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

GENERAL ASSISTANCE; VERMONT HOMELESSNESS

RESPONSE CONTINUUM BASE FUNDING

(a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.321 of this act, \$9,251,120 shall be for emergency housing in hotels and motels relating to the implementation of the Vermont Homelessness Response Continuum.

(b) Any spending authority designated for the purposes provided in subsection (a) of this section that remains unexpended at the end of fiscal year 2027 shall be carried forward for the same purpose for which it was originally designated.

(c) Any spending authority designated for General Assistance emergency housing that remains unexpended at the end of fiscal year 2026 shall be carried forward for investment in the Vermont Homelessness Response Continuum in fiscal year 2027.

Sec. E.322 33 V.S.A. § 2605 is amended to read:

§ 2605. BENEFIT AMOUNTS

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(h) ~~Households~~ A household receiving benefits from 3SquaresVT whose head-of-household that is not otherwise eligible for a fuel benefit under this section shall be eligible for a nominal annual Home Heating Fuel Assistance benefit of \$21.00 if a member of the household is elderly or disabled under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program regulations.

Sec. E.323 REACH FIRST; REPEAL

(a) 33 V.S.A. chapter 10 (Reach First) is repealed.

*Sec. E.325 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; OFFICE  
OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY*

*(a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.325 of this act, \$38,251,696 shall be used by the Department for Children and Families' Office of Economic Opportunity to issue grants to community agencies to assist individuals experiencing homelessness by preserving existing services, increasing services, or increasing resources available statewide. These funds may be granted alone or in conjunction with federal Emergency Solutions Grants funds. Grant decisions and the administration of funds shall be done in consultation with the two U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development-recognized Continuum of Care programs.*

*Sec. E.325.1 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES OFFICE  
OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY; VERMONT  
HOMELESSNESS RESPONSE CONTINUUM BASE  
FUNDING*

*(a) Of the appropriations in Sec. B.325 of this act, \$38,251,696 General Fund, \$830,422 federal funds, and \$202,488 Global Commitment shall be for Housing Opportunity Grant Program operations, \$778,987 General Fund and \$3,421,013 Global Commitment shall be for permanent supportive housing and family supportive housing, \$500,000 General Fund shall be for the Community Resource Center, \$2,400,000 General Fund shall be for case*

management, \$3,000,000 General Fund shall be for rental assistance, \$1,400,000 General Fund shall be for shelter development, and \$314,618 federal funds shall be for other expenses relating to the implementation of the Vermont Homelessness Response Continuum.

(b) Any spending authority designated for the purposes provided in subsection (a) of this section that remains unexpended at the end of fiscal year 2027 shall be carried forward for the same purpose for which it was originally designated.

(c) Any spending authority designated for the Housing Opportunity Grant Program that remains unexpended at the end of fiscal year 2026 shall be carried forward for investment in the Vermont Homelessness Response Continuum in fiscal year 2027.

*Sec. E.326 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; OFFICE  
OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY; WEATHERIZATION  
ASSISTANCE*

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

*Sec. E.329 DESIGNATED AND SPECIALIZED SERVICE AGENCIES;  
WORKING GROUP; ENGAGEMENT PROCESS; REPORT*

(a) In fiscal year 2027, the Agency of Human Services, in collaboration with Vermont Care Partners, shall convene a working group to support the

ongoing coordination and a shared understanding of the designated and specialized service agency support system, including the system's functioning and capacity. The Agency, Vermont Care Partners, and the working group shall meet at least twice during fiscal year 2027. The Agency and Vermont Care Partners shall jointly develop the agenda in advance of each meeting.

(1) The meetings may include a discussion of State and federal requirements, system operations and service delivery, workforce and provider capacity, fiscal pressures, administrative burden, the definition of essential services, and the extent to which evolving community needs and system reforms have affected the responsibilities and long-term sustainability of designated and specialized service agencies.

(2) At the first meeting, the Agency and Vermont Care Partners shall develop a transparent process to communicate about and implement changes necessitated by State or federal requirements, including changes related to funding, staffing, operational feasibility, and service delivery.

(3) The working group shall discuss alignment with the State's health care delivery system planning efforts, including ongoing hospital and health system transformation work.

(4) On or before January 15, 2027, the Agency of Human Services, in collaboration with Vermont Care Partners, shall provide an update to the House Committees on Appropriations, on Health Care, and on Human

Services and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare regarding the activities of the working group.

(b) On or before January 15, 2028, the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living, in consultation with the Departments of Health and of Mental Health and the Office of Health Care Reform, shall submit a plan to the House Committees on Appropriations, on Health Care, and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare for developing and conducting a data-informed, patient-focused, community-inclusive engagement process for Vermont's designated and specialized service agencies that conforms with the Statewide Health Delivery Strategic Plan developed pursuant to 18 V.S.A. § 9403. Development of the plan shall include participation by individuals who reflect Vermont's diversity with regard to race, income, age, and disability status. Specifically, the plan shall include:

(1) hearing from and sharing data, information, trends, and insights with communities about the current and future states of the designated and specialized service agencies;

(2) providing opportunities for meaningful participation in all stages of the engagement process by current, former, and prospective clients of the designated and specialized service agencies and health care providers, including employees of designated and specialized service agencies;

(3) providing the data, information, and analysis necessary to support the engagement process, including information and trends relating to the current and future states of the designated and specialized service agencies and the workforce challenges encountered by the agencies; and

(4) establishing mechanisms to assess the impact of any changes on the designated and specialized service agencies, including on workforce recruitment and retention initiatives.

(c) As part of its fiscal year 2027 budget adjustment presentation, the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living may include a request for an appropriation to hire one or more consultants to support the engagement process recommended pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

*Sec. E.329.1 CHOICES FOR CARE; FISCAL YEAR 2028 BUDGET*

(a) As part of its fiscal year 2028 budget presentation, the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living shall report to the House Committee on Human Services, the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare, and the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on appropriations for the Choices for Care Program in the prior five fiscal years, including detailed information on expenditures for home- and community-based services and skilled nursing facility services.

*Sec. E.329.2 DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITIES, AGING, AND*

*INDEPENDENT LIVING; POSITION POOL; FUNDING*

*(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.329 of this act, \$130,000 General Fund shall be for a permanent, classified Disabilities Housing Coordinator position to be taken from the position pool.*

*Sec. E.338 CORRECTIONS; CORRECTIONAL SERVICES*

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

*Sec. E.500 AGENCY OF EDUCATION; BUDGET PRESENTATIONS*

*(a) As part of its fiscal year 2027 budget adjustment and fiscal year 2028 budget presentations, the Agency of Education shall include:*

*(1) a comprehensive account of fiscal year 2027 appropriations, including information on amounts expended or obligated at the time of the presentation's submission;*

*(2) a comprehensive account of anticipated fiscal year 2027 carryforward, including information on the reasons for expenditures being lower than anticipated;*

*(3) information on all third-party contract agreements the Agency entered into in fiscal year 2027;*

(4) organizational charts reflecting the current structure of the Agency and each division within the Agency;

(5) written explanation of any changes to the Agency's organizational structure and personnel;

(6) a comprehensive account of any vacancies within the Agency, including information on the duration of each position vacancy and any recommendations for the elimination or redesignation of positions; and

(7) information on any changes to federal funding, rules, or policy that may affect the Agency and any action the Agency has taken or may take to address those changes.

*Sec. E.500.1 EDUCATION; GLOBAL COMMITMENT*

(a) The Global Commitment appropriation in Sec. B.500 of this act shall be used for physician claims for determining medical necessity of Individualized Education Programs. These services are intended to increase access to quality health care for uninsured persons, underinsured persons, and Medicaid beneficiaries.

*Sec. E.500.2 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 73, Sec. 33 is amended to read:*

*Sec. 33. EDUCATION TRANSFORMATION; POOL POSITIONS*

*The General Fund appropriation in Sec. 32 of this act shall fund five ~~limited-service permanent~~ classified positions taken from the position pool. The pool positions shall be used to establish the following ~~limited-service~~*

*permanent classified positions at the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2026 to support education transformation work:*

- (1) one Business Operations Support Specialist;*
- (2) one Data Integration Support Specialist;*
- (3) one Curriculum and Education Quality Standards Integration Specialist;*
- (4) one Learning and Teaching Integration Specialist; and*
- (5) one School Facilities Field Support Specialist.*

*Sec. E.500.3 16 V.S.A. § 51 is amended to read:*

*§ 51. UNIVERSAL AFTERSCHOOL AND SUMMER SPECIAL FUND*

*(a) The Universal Afterschool and Summer Special Fund is created, to be managed by the Agency of Education. The cannabis sales tax revenue shall be deposited into the Universal Afterschool and Summer Special Fund. The Fund shall be used as follows:*

- (1) To establish a grant program that supports the expansion of universal afterschool and summer programs with a focus on underserved areas of the State.*
- (2) Cannabis sales tax revenue shall be used to support a mixed delivery system for afterschool and summer programming. Eligible recipients can be public, private, or nonprofit organizations.*

*(A) Grants may be used for technical assistance, program implementation, program expansion, program sustainability, and related costs.*

*(B) Funds may be used to directly target communities with low existing capacity to serve youth in afterschool and summer settings.*

*(C) The award of grants and any subsequent contract or written agreement issued pursuant to the award of a grant shall require that a grantee does not discriminate, and prohibits its employees, agents, subcontractors, and other service providers from discriminating, on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability.*

*(D) The Agency may use up to ~~\$500,000.00~~ five percent of annually forecasted revenues for administrative costs to allow for the support of the grant program and technical assistance to communities. This could include subcontracts to support the grant program.*

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*Sec. E.502 EDUCATION; SPECIAL EDUCATION; FORMULA GRANTS*

*(a) Of the appropriation authorized in Sec. B.502 of this act, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, an amount not to exceed \$5,336,200 shall be used by the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2027 as funding for 16 V.S.A. § 2967(b)(2)–(6). In distributing such funds, the*

Secretary shall not be limited by the restrictions contained within 16 V.S.A. § 2969(c) and (d).

(b) Of the appropriation authorized in Sec. B.502 of this act, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 shall be used by the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2027 as funding for 16 V.S.A. § 2975. In distributing such funds, the Secretary shall not be limited by the restrictions contained within 16 V.S.A. § 2969(c) and (d).

*Sec. E.503 EDUCATION; STATE-PLACED STUDENTS*

(a) The Independence Place Program of ANEW Place shall be considered a 24-hour residential program for the purposes of reimbursement of education costs.

*Sec. E.504 ADULT EDUCATION AND LITERACY*

(a) Of the appropriation in Sec. B.504 of this act, \$4,349,673 General Fund shall be granted to adult education and literacy providers, pursuant to the Adult Education and Secondary Credential Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 945.

*Sec. E.504.1 EDUCATION; FLEXIBLE PATHWAYS*

(a) Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 4025, of the Education Fund appropriation in Sec. B.504.1 of this act, the amount of:

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

(2) \$2,400,000 is available to support the Vermont Virtual High School;

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

(4) \$4,200,000 is available for Early College pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 947(b); and

(5) \$2,899,782 is available for the Adult Education and Secondary Credential Program.

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

Sec. E.504.2 16 V.S.A. § 4021 is added to read:

§ 4021. ADULT EDUCATION FUNDING

(a) Definitions. As used in this section:

(1) “Local adult education and literacy provider” has the same meaning as in section 942 of this title.

(2) “Statewide AEL student count” means the average annual number of students statewide who complete the diagnostic portions of the adult education and secondary credential program over the previous two completed fiscal years.

(3) “Statewide AEL student-hours” means the average annual number of student-hours of instruction provided statewide for adult education and literacy activities over the previous two completed fiscal years.

(b) Annual appropriation. Annually, the General Assembly shall appropriate funds to pay for adult education and literacy activities in an amount equal to 26 percent of the base education amount multiplied by the statewide AEL student count. The General Assembly shall appropriate 40 percent of the funds from the Education Fund and 60 percent of the funds from the General Fund.

(c) Payment allocations.

(1) Beginning in fiscal year 2029, the Secretary shall determine payments from the appropriation under subsection (b) of this section on a per-county basis according to this subdivision.

(A) The Secretary shall first allocate \$80,000.00 to each county.

(B) The Secretary shall then allocate the remaining funds among the counties according to each county’s share of the statewide AEL student count.

(2) Annually, the Secretary shall pay to each local adult education and literacy provider, as defined in section 942 of this title, that provides an adult education and secondary credential program the amount determined pursuant to this section for each county in which the local adult education and literacy

provider provides the county's adult education and secondary credential program.

(3) For each of fiscal years 2027 and 2028, the Secretary shall determine payments from the appropriation under subsection (b) of this section on a per-county basis according to this subdivision.

(A) The Secretary shall first allocate \$80,000.00 to each county.

(B) The Secretary shall then allocate among the counties 85 percent of the remaining funds according to each county's share of the statewide AEL student count and 15 percent of the remaining funds according to each county's share of the statewide AEL student-hours.

Sec. E.504.3 REPEAL

(a) 16 V.S.A. § 4021(c)(3) (adult education funding transition language) is repealed on July 1, 2028.

Sec. E.504.4 16 V.S.A. § 4011(f) is amended to read:

(f) ~~Annually, the Secretary shall pay to a local adult education and literacy provider, as defined in section 942 of this title, that provides an adult education and secondary credential program an amount equal to 26 percent of the base education amount for each student who completes the diagnostic portions of the adult education and secondary credential program, based on an average of the previous two completed fiscal years. Forty percent of the payment required under this subsection shall be from State funds appropriated from the~~

~~Education Fund and 60 percent of the payment required under this subsection shall be from State funds appropriated from the General Fund. [Repealed.]~~

*Sec. E.504.5 16 V.S.A. § 4021(b) is amended to read:*

*(b) Annual appropriation. Annually, the General Assembly shall appropriate funds to pay for adult education and literacy activities in an amount equal to 26 percent of the categorical base ~~education~~ amount multiplied by the statewide AEL student count. The General Assembly shall appropriate 40 percent of the funds from the Education Fund and 60 percent of the funds from the General Fund.*

*Sec. E.507.1 ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS; CATEGORICAL AID*

*(a) The funds appropriated in Sec. B.507.1 of this act shall be used to provide categorical aid to school districts for English Learner services, pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 4013.*

*Sec. E.511.1 STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION; POSITION POOL;*

*FUNDING*

*(a) Of the General Fund appropriated in Sec. B.511.1 of this act, \$130,000 shall be for a limited service exempt position to be taken from the position pool.*

*Sec. E.514 VERMONT STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM*

*(a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(g)(2), the annual contribution to the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System shall be \$220,905,084, of*

which \$212,905,084 shall be the State's contribution and \$8,000,000 shall be contributed from local school systems or educational entities pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944c.

(b) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(c)(2), of the annual contribution, \$43,739,011 is the "normal contribution," and \$177,166,073 is the "accrued liability contribution."

*Sec. E.514.1 VERMONT STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM*

*AND VERMONT PENSION INVESTMENT COMMISSION;*

*OPERATING BUDGET; SOURCE OF FUNDS*

(a) Of the \$4,178,569 appropriated in Sec. B.514.1 of this act, \$2,879,269 constitutes the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System operating budget, and \$1,299,300 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension Investment Commission's budget attributable to the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System.

*Sec. E.515 RETIRED TEACHERS' HEALTH CARE AND MEDICAL*

*BENEFITS*

(a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944b(b)(2) and 16 V.S.A. § 1944b(h)(1), the annual contribution to the Retired Teachers' Health and Medical Benefits plan shall be \$99,834,595, of which \$90,834,595 shall be the State's contribution and \$9,000,000 shall be from the annual charge for teacher health care contributed by employers pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944d.

Of the annual contribution, \$30,987,156 is the “normal contribution,” and \$68,847,439 is the “accrued liability contribution.”

*Sec. E.600 UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT*

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

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

*Sec. E.602 VERMONT STATE COLLEGES*

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

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

*Sec. E.603 VERMONT STATE COLLEGES; ALLIED HEALTH*

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

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

*Sec. E.605 VERMONT STUDENT ASSISTANCE CORPORATION*

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

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

(2) not more than \$400,000 may be used by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for a student aspirational initiative to serve one or more high schools; and

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

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

(c) After accounting for the expenditures set forth in subsection (a) of this section, up to seven percent of the funds appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation in Sec. B.605 of this act or otherwise currently or previously appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation or provided to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation by an agency or department of the State for the administration of a program or initiative may be used by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for its costs of administration. The Vermont Student Assistance Corporation may recoup its reasonable costs of collecting the forgivable loans in repayment. Funds shall not be used for indirect costs. To the extent that any of these funds are federal funds, allocation for expenses associated with administering the funds shall be consistent with federal grant requirements.

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

(a) Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 4025, the \$41,225 Education Fund and \$41,225 General Fund appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation in Sec. B.605.1 of this act is for dual enrollment and need-based

stipend purposes to fund a flat-rate, need-based stipend or voucher program for financially disadvantaged students enrolled in a dual enrollment course pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 944 or in early college pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 946 to be used for the purchase of books, cost of transportation, and payment of fees. The Vermont Student Assistance Corporation shall establish the criteria for program eligibility. Funds shall be granted to eligible students on a first-come, first-served basis until funds are depleted.

(b) On or before January 15, 2027, the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation shall report on the program to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Commerce and Economic Development and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.

Sec. E.606 16 V.S.A. § 2885 is amended to read:

§ 2885. VERMONT HIGHER EDUCATION ENDOWMENT TRUST FUND

(a) A Vermont Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund is established in the Office of the State Treasurer to comprise the following:

(1) ~~appropriations~~ transfers made by the General Assembly;

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Sec. E.700 3 V.S.A. § 2807 is amended to read:

§ 2807. LANDS AND FACILITIES TRUST FUND

(a) Legislative purpose. The General Assembly finds and determines:

*(1) The public lands, facilities, and recreational assets of Vermont represent both a priceless inheritance from the past and an enduring legacy for future generations.*

*(2) The lands, facilities, and recreational assets owned or managed by the ~~Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation~~ Agency of Natural Resources are held as public assets for the citizens of Vermont, and require proper management to ensure that these natural resources and facilities remain viable and available for this and all future generations.*

*(b) Definitions. As used in this section:*

*(1) ~~“Commissioner” means the Commissioner of Forests, Parks and Recreation or the Commissioner’s designee~~ “Secretary” means the Secretary of Natural Resources or the Secretary’s designee.*

*(2) “Eligible activity” means any activity undertaken, initiated, or supported by the ~~Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation~~ Agency of Natural Resources, for State lands under the ownership of the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation, that provides for the management of State lands, facilities, and recreational assets, including administrative support.*

*“Eligible activity” includes but is not limited to: repair and maintenance of State parks; contract surveys and mapping; maintenance of State lands, including boundaries, roads, trails, and facilities; contract inventories of State land natural resources; repair of State-owned dams; ~~repair, replacement, and~~*

~~maintenance of conservation camps; and timber management in accordance with U.S.D.A. silvicultural guidelines; project management; contract development and administration; and business office support.~~ “Eligible activity” does not include the acquisition of land.

(3) “Fund” means the Lands and Facilities Trust Fund.

(c) Creation and use of Fund.

(1) There is established in the State Treasury an income-producing fund to be known as the Lands and Facilities Trust Fund, to be managed by the State Treasurer, and from which expenditures shall be made by the ~~Commissioner~~ Secretary in accordance with appropriations by the General Assembly for the benefit of lands, facilities, and recreational assets owned or managed by the Agency. Payments from the Fund may be made to meet costs for eligible activities ~~that are not covered in operating budgets for management of Agency lands, facilities, and recreational assets.~~

(2) The Fund shall be administered as part of the trust investment account established in 32 V.S.A. § 434. After the first three years of the Fund’s existence, on July 1 of each year, the Treasurer shall may distribute from the Fund five up to eight percent of the moving average of the market value of the Fund over the prior 12 quarters with the approval of the House and Senate, provided that the Fund balance does not go below the prior fiscal year’s ending fund balance. Notwithstanding the foregoing, during the first three

*years of the Fund's existence, expenditures for immediate needs, not to exceed five percent of the principal, may be authorized by the ~~Commissioner~~ Secretary, provided that such expenditures are consistent with the priorities established by the ~~Commissioner~~ Secretary, pursuant to this section, and shall be subject to the approval of the General Assembly.*

*(3) ~~Annual expenditures from the Fund shall be limited to projects approved by the Commissioner and shall be in accordance with appropriations of the General Assembly. Project priorities shall be determined in accordance with criteria established by the Commissioner and shall include consideration of at least the following: The Secretary may make expenditures from the Fund for eligible projects with a consideration towards cost; availability of funds; condition of the resource, facility, or infrastructure; level of use; level of public need; the stated intent of the donor, when donated property is involved; and the ability to protect or enhance a public investment or public resource.~~*

*(4) There shall be deposited in the Fund monies received by the Agency that are related to management and administrative support of Agency lands, facilities, and recreational assets and that are received from a variety of public and private sources pertinent to the purposes of the Fund, including donations; grants; special use permits; federal funds specifically designated for uses compatible with the intent of the fund; timber sale receipts received after June 30, 2001, from State forestland and all Agency lands otherwise not restricted;*

*and such sums as may be ~~appropriated~~ transferred to the Fund by the General Assembly. The Agency may solicit and accept aid or contributions consistent with the stated intent of the donor and deposited with the State Treasurer. Income earned by the Fund shall be deposited into the Fund, and all balances in the Fund at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward and remain part of the Fund.*

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*Sec. E.700.1 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Section C.110 is amended to read:*

*Sec. C.110 IMPLEMENTATION OF PRELIMINARY*

*RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE VERMONT CLIMATE*

*ACTION COMMISSION*

\* \* \*

*(b) Recommendations of the Commission and actions taken on them include:*

\* \* \*

*~~(5) Electrify the transportation system: The direction concerning the use of Environmental Mitigation Trust monies resulting from the Volkswagen litigation set forth in Sec. E.700 of this act is designed to increase electrification of transportation.~~*

*Sec. E.700.2 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Section E.700 is amended to read:*

*Sec. E.700 VOLKSWAGEN LITIGATION; ENVIRONMENTAL  
MITIGATION TRUST FOR STATE BENEFICIARIES*

*(a) As used in this section:*

*(1) "Appendix D-2" means Appendix D-2 to the Environmental Mitigation Trust, entitled "Eligible Mitigation Actions and Mitigation Action Expenditures."*

*(2) "Environmental Mitigation Trust" or "Trust" means the Environmental Mitigation Trust Agreement for State Beneficiaries filed on October 2, 2017 in In re: Volkswagen "Clean Diesel" Marketing, Sales Practices, and Products Liability Litigation, 3:16-CV-00295-CRB, MDL No. 2672 CRB (JSC) (N.D. Cal.).*

*(3) "Mobile source" means any vehicle, freight switcher, ferry, tug, vessel, or equipment that qualifies under an eligible mitigation action listed in Appendix D-2.*

*(b) The Secretary of Natural Resources shall administer Environmental Mitigation Trust monies pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 554(15) and, ~~in administering the Trust monies appropriated under Sec. B.710 of this act, shall:~~*

~~(1) Dedicate at least 15 percent of those monies for the purchase of light duty electric supply equipment and associated allowable administrative costs in accordance with Appendix D-2.~~

~~(2) Dedicate the remainder of the monies to the replacement of mobile sources that consume fossil fuels with all-electric mobile sources or the repowering of mobile sources that consume fossil fuels with all-electric engines, or both, and associated allowable administrative costs. The expenditures shall be in accordance with the requirements of Appendix D-2.~~

~~Sec. E.702 DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE; EQUIPMENT~~

~~REPLACEMENT FUNDING; FISCAL YEAR 2028 BUDGET~~

~~PRESENTATION~~

~~(a) As part of its fiscal year 2028 budget presentation, the Department of Fish and Wildlife shall include information on the cost and schedule of radio equipment and firearm life cycle replacement and any recommendations for future funding, including the establishment of a designated special fund for that purpose.~~

~~Sec. E.711 AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES; POSITION POOL;~~

~~FUNDING~~

~~(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.711 of this act, \$300,000 General Fund shall be for two permanent, classified Environmental Analysts to be~~

taken from the position pool to support the work required pursuant to 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 121.

*Sec. E.801 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. F.8 is amended to read:*

*Sec. F.8 ~~RURAL INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM~~*

*~~(a) Creation; purpose.~~*

*~~(1) A Rural Industry Development Grant Program is created within the Agency of Commerce and Community Development to provide grant funding through local development corporations for business relocation and expansion efforts, including the purchase, demolition, and renovation of property for industrial use.~~*

*~~(2)(A) To the extent funding is appropriated, the Agency shall make grants through the Program to assist local development corporations with business relocation and expansion efforts throughout Vermont.~~*

*~~(B) The Agency shall ensure an accounting of the respective State and Grantee shares of investment in any property be maintained to refund to the State an appropriate share of any net proceeds resulting from future sale or transfer of such property acquired or improved through a grant awarded under this program.~~*

*~~(b) Grant considerations. In making grant awards, the Agency shall consider:~~*

~~(1) the real estate needs of growing and relocating businesses, including nonprofit organizations, in the applicant's region;~~

~~(2) the ability of the proposed project to meet the site-specific needs of businesses considering whether to expand or locate in this State;~~

~~(3) the funding that the applicant has identified, or secured, to leverage a grant award; and~~

~~(4) the readiness of an applicant to move a project forward.~~

~~(c) Eligible applicants; priority.~~

~~(1) To be eligible for a grant, an applicant must be a local development corporation, as defined in subdivision 212(10) of this title, located within this State.~~

~~(2) The Secretary of Commerce and Community Development may designate projects and agreements as first priority based on rural communities that continue to experience insufficient economic and grand list growth.~~

~~(d) Eligible activities. A grant recipient may use funding for the following:~~

~~(1) to purchase land for potential industrial use;~~

~~(2) for the costs of site development, permitting, or providing infrastructure for property the recipient owns;~~

~~(3) for the equity investment required for a loan transaction through the Vermont Economic Development Authority under 10 V.S.A. chapter 12, subchapter 3; or~~

~~(4) for the matching requirement of another State or federal grant consistent with this section.~~

~~(e) Application; market assessment.~~

~~(1) An applicant shall include in its application a local and regional market assessment that demonstrates reasonable need for the proposed development and identifies imminent, potential, or existing business growth opportunities.~~

~~(2) An applicant shall submit the following to demonstrate a readiness to begin and complete the proposed project:~~

~~(A) community and regional support for the project;~~

~~(B) that grant funding is needed to complete the proposed project;~~

~~(C) an ability to manage the project, with requisite experience and a plan for fiscal viability; and~~

~~(D) a description of the permitting required to proceed with the project and a plan for obtaining the permits.~~

~~(f) Awards; amount.~~

~~(1) An award shall not exceed the lesser of \$1,000,000 or 20 percent of the total project cost.~~

~~(2) A recipient may combine grant funds with funding from other sources.~~

~~(3) The Agency shall release grant funds upon determining that the applicant has met all application conditions and requirements.~~

~~(4) A grant recipient may apply for additional grant funds if future amounts are appropriated for the Program and the funds are for a separate but eligible use.~~

~~(g) Deed restrictions; property sales. The Agency shall include deed restrictions that require the return of the principal amount to the state and may require the payment of a percentage of the sales profit. [Repealed.]~~

~~Sec. E.801.1 10 V.S.A. § 6 is added to read:~~

~~§ 6. RURAL INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM~~

~~(a) Creation; purpose.~~

~~(1) The Rural Industry Development Grant Program is created within the Agency of Commerce and Community Development to provide grant funding through local development corporations for the purpose of business relocation and expansion activities set forth in subsection (d) of this section.~~

~~(2) To the extent funding is appropriated, the Agency shall make grants through the Program fund to assist local development corporations with business relocation and expansion efforts throughout Vermont.~~

~~(3) As used in this section, “federally impacted property” means real property that is:~~

(A) owned by the United States or by any federal agency or an instrumentality thereof; or

(B) under the custody or control of a federally appointed receiver, trustee, or conservator, and includes property subject to federal court jurisdiction.

(b) Grant considerations. In making grant awards, the Agency shall consider:

(1) the real estate needs of growing and relocating businesses, including nonprofit organizations, in the applicant's region;

(2) the ability of the proposed project to meet the site-specific needs of businesses considering whether to expand or locate in this State;

(3) the funding that the applicant has identified, or secured, to leverage a grant award; and

(4) the readiness of an applicant to move a project forward.

(c) Eligible applicants; priority.

(1) To be eligible for a grant, an applicant must be a local development corporation, as defined in subdivision 212(10) of this title, located within this State.

(2) The Secretary of Commerce and Community Development may designate projects and agreements as first priority based on rural communities that continue to experience insufficient economic and grand list growth.

(d) Eligible activities. A grant recipient shall use any funding provided through this section only for the following:

(1) to purchase real property for potential industrial, commercial, or, in the case of a federally impacted property, residential use;

(2) for the costs of site development, permitting, or providing infrastructure for property the recipient owns;

(3) for a project that supports future commercial or industrial development as outlined in a development agreement;

(4) for the equity investment required for a loan transaction through the Vermont Economic Development Authority under 10 V.S.A. chapter 12, subchapter 3;

(5) for the matching requirement of another State or federal grant consistent with this section; or

(6) for the purchasing, holding, and renovation of property for the repurposing or redevelopment of a federally impacted property.

(e) Application; market assessment.

(1) An applicant shall include in its application a local and regional market assessment that demonstrates reasonable need for the proposed development and identifies imminent, potential, or existing business growth opportunities.

(2) An applicant shall submit the following to demonstrate a readiness to begin and complete the proposed project:

(A) community and regional support for the project;

(B) that grant funding is needed to complete the proposed project;

(C) an ability to manage the project, with requisite experience and a plan for fiscal viability; and

(D) a description of the permitting required to proceed with the project and a plan for obtaining the permits.

(f) Awards; amount.

(1)(A) An award shall not exceed the lesser of \$1,000,000.00 or 50 percent of the total project cost, subject to the exception in subdivision (B) of this subdivision (1).

(B) An award may exceed \$1,000,000.00 but shall not exceed \$2,000,000.00 if the property is classified as a federally impacted property and the Secretary certifies that the project is located in:

(i) a designated downtown development district; and

(ii) a rural economic area partnership program (REAP Zone); or

(iii) a federally declared natural disaster area, provided the declaration was made not more than five years from the application date.

(2) A recipient may combine grant funds with funding from other sources.

(3) The Agency shall release grant funds upon determining that the applicant has met all application conditions and requirements.

(4) A grant recipient may apply for additional grant funds if future amounts are appropriated for the Program and the funds are for a separate but eligible use.

(g) Deed restrictions. Any deed restriction requiring a Rural Industry Development Grant Program award recipient to return to the State the principal amount of the grant or a percentage of the sales profit is void and shall not be enforced.

*Sec. E.801.2 INTENT AND RETROACTIVITY*

(a) The intent of Secs. E.801 and E.801.1 of this act is to move the Rural Industry Development Grant Program from its original placement in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. F.8 to Title 10 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated. The move is intended to increase the visibility of the Program. Any applicant that was awarded a grant through the Program before the effective date of this act shall:

(1) not have its award rescinded solely due to the Program language being moved to Title 10;

(2) if the award has not been fully paid out, be eligible to have the applicant's invoices that are submitted on or after the effective date of this act to the Agency reimbursed at a rate of 50 percent; and

(3) not be eligible for an increased total award amount.

*Sec. E.915 32 V.S.A. § 3709 is amended to read:*

*§ 3709. PILOT SPECIAL FUND*

*(a) There is hereby established a PILOT Special Fund consisting of local option tax revenues paid to the State Treasurer pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 138. This Fund shall be managed by the Commissioner of Taxes pursuant to chapter 7, subchapter 5 of this title. Notwithstanding subdivision 588(3) of this title, all interest earned on the Fund shall be retained in the Fund for use in meeting future obligations. The Fund shall be exclusively for payments required under ~~chapter 123, subchapters 4 and 4C of this title~~ chapter, and for any additional State payments in lieu of taxes for correctional facilities, and as provided in subsection (c) of this section. The Commissioner of Finance and Management may draw warrants for disbursements from this Fund in anticipation of receipts.*

\* \* \*

*(c) If the local option tax cash receipts deposited in the PILOT Special Fund, pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 138, in any State fiscal year exceed the sum of all cash disbursements made under subchapters 4 and 4C of this chapter; payments in lieu of taxes for correctional facilities; and grand list and appraisal assistance during that same fiscal year, then an amount of PILOT Special Funds equal to three-fourths of the surplus annual operating cash*

receipts shall be transferred by the Commissioner of Finance and Management to the Local Option Municipal Transportation Special Fund, established pursuant to 19 V.S.A. § 306b, as part of the annual fiscal year close out process.

Sec. E.915.1 19 V.S.A. § 306b is added to read:

§ 306b. LOCAL OPTION MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION SPECIAL

FUND

(a) The Local Option Municipal Transportation Special Fund is established in the Agency of Transportation and shall be managed in accordance with 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5. The purpose of the Fund is to provide additional State aid for town highways pursuant to the provisions of section 306 of this chapter.

(b) The Fund shall consist of:

(1) transfers from the PILOT Special Fund pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 3709(c);

(2) any gifts, grants, or contributions made to the Fund;

(3) any amounts transferred to the Fund by the General Assembly; and

(4) all interest earned on Fund balances.

(c)(1) The Secretary may seek and accept gifts, donations, and grants from any source, public or private, for deposit into the Fund.

(2) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall anticipate receipts to the Fund and shall issue warrants based on the anticipated amounts.

(3)(A) The Fund shall be used solely to provide State aid to municipalities pursuant to subsections 306(a), (e), and (h) of this chapter and for any administrative costs of administering the Fund.

(B) Notwithstanding any provision of subsections 306(a), (e), and (h) of this chapter to the contrary, the aggregate amount of appropriations from the Fund pursuant to those subsections in any given State fiscal year shall not exceed 95 percent of the anticipated cash receipts to the Fund for that fiscal year.

*Sec. E.915.2 19 V.S.A. § 306 is amended to read:*

*§ 306. APPROPRIATION; STATE AID FOR TOWN HIGHWAYS*

*(a) General State aid to town highways.*

*(1) An annual appropriation to class 1, 2, and 3 town highways shall be made. This appropriation shall increase over the previous fiscal year's appropriation by the same percentage change as the following, whichever is less, or shall remain at the previous fiscal year's appropriation if either of the following are negative or zero:*

*\* \* \**

*(3) The funds appropriated shall be distributed to towns as follows:*

*(A) Six percent of the State's annual town highway appropriation shall be apportioned to class 1 town highways. The apportionment for each town shall be that town's percentage of class 1 town highways of the total class 1 town highway mileage in the State.*

*(B) Forty-four percent of the State's annual town highway appropriation shall be apportioned to class 2 town highways. The apportionment for each town shall be that town's percentage of class 2 town highways of the total class 2 town highway mileage in the State.*

*(C) Fifty percent of the State's annual town highway appropriation shall be apportioned to class 3 town highways. The apportionment for each town shall be that town's percentage of class 3 town highways of the total class 3 town highway mileage in the State.*

*(D) Monies apportioned under subdivisions (1), (2), and (3) of this subsection (a) shall be distributed to each town in quarterly payments beginning July 15 in each year.*

*(E) Each town shall use the monies apportioned to it solely for town highway construction, improvement, and maintenance purposes or as the nonfederal share for public transit assistance. These funds may also be used for the establishment and maintenance of bicycle routes and sidewalks. The members of the selectboard shall be personally liable to the State, in a civil*

*action brought by the Attorney General, for making any unauthorized expenditures from money apportioned to the town under this section.*

*(4)(A) In addition to the amounts appropriated pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection (a), a portion of the Local Option Municipal Transportation Special Fund may be appropriated for class 1, 2, and 3 town highways in each State fiscal year in an amount that is consistent with the provisions of subdivision 306b(c)(3) of this chapter. Amounts appropriated shall be apportioned, distributed, and used in the same manner as provided pursuant to subdivision (3) of this subsection (a).*

*(B) Amounts appropriated pursuant to this subdivision (4) shall be supplemental to and shall not supplant or decrease the amount appropriated pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection (a) or be subject to the annual inflationary adjustment provided for in subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection (a).*

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*(e) State aid for town highway structures.*

*(1) There shall be an annual appropriation for grants to municipalities for maintenance ~~(, including actions to extend life expectancy),~~ and for construction of bridges and culverts; for maintenance and construction of other structures, including causeways and retaining walls, intended to preserve the integrity of the traveled portion of class 1, 2, and 3 town highways; and for*

*alternatives that eliminate the need for a bridge, culvert, or other structure, such as the construction or reconstruction of a highway, the purchase of parcels of land that would be landlocked by closure of a bridge, the payment of damages for loss of highway access, and the substitution of other means of access. This appropriation shall increase over the previous fiscal year's appropriation by the same percentage change as the following, whichever is less, or shall remain at the previous fiscal year's appropriation if either of the following are negative or zero:*

*\* \* \**

*(5) Funds received as grants for State aid for town highway structures may be used by a municipality to satisfy a portion of the matching requirements for federal earmarks, subject to subsection 309b(c) of this title.*

*(6)(A) In addition to the amounts appropriated pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection (e), a portion of the Local Option Municipal Transportation Special Fund may be appropriated for town highway structures in each State fiscal year in an amount that is consistent with the provisions of subdivision 306b(c)(3) of this chapter. Amounts appropriated shall be used in the same manner and for the same purposes as provided pursuant to subdivisions (1) and (5) of this subsection (e).*

*(B) Amounts appropriated pursuant to this subdivision (6) shall be supplemental to and shall not supplant or decrease the amount appropriated*

pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection (e) or be subject to the annual inflationary adjustment provided for in subdivisions (1)–(3) of this subsection (e).

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*(h) Class 2 Town Highway Roadway Program.*

*(1) There shall be an annual appropriation for grants to municipalities for resurfacing, rehabilitation, or reconstruction of paved or unpaved class 2 town highways. Municipalities that have no State highways or class 1 town highways within their borders may use the grants for such activities with respect to both class 2 and class 3 town highways. This appropriation shall increase over the previous fiscal year's appropriation by the same percentage change as the following, whichever is less, or shall remain at the previous fiscal year's appropriation if either of the following are negative or zero:*

\* \* \*

*(4) In a given fiscal year, should expenditures in the Class 2 Town Highway Roadway Program exceed the amount appropriated, the Agency shall advise the Governor of the need to request a supplemental appropriation from the General Assembly to fund the additional project cost, provided that the Agency has previously committed to completing those projects.*

*(5) Funds received as grants for State aid under the Class 2 Town Highway Roadway Program may be used by a municipality to satisfy a portion*

*of the matching requirements for federal earmarks, subject to subsection 309b(c) of this title.*

*(6)(A) In addition to the amounts appropriated pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection (h), a portion of the Local Option Municipal Transportation Special Fund may be appropriated for town highway structures in each State fiscal year in an amount that is consistent with the provisions of subdivision 306b(c)(3) of this chapter. Amounts appropriated shall be used in the same manner and for the same purposes as provided pursuant to subdivisions (1) and (5) of this subsection (h).*

*(B) Amounts appropriated pursuant to this subdivision (6) shall be supplemental to and shall not supplant or decrease the amount appropriated pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection (h) or be subject to the annual inflationary adjustment provided for in subdivisions (1)–(3) of this subsection (h).*

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*Sec. E.923 19 V.S.A. § 11 is amended to read:*

*§ 11. TRANSPORTATION FUND*

*The Transportation Fund shall comprise the following:*

\* \* \*

*(8) other miscellaneous sources, including the sale of maps, plans, and reports; fees collected by the Travel Information Council; leases for property*

*at State-owned airports and railroads; proceeds from the sale of State surplus property under the provisions of 29 V.S.A. §§ 1556 and 1557; and proceeds from the sale of recycled materials; and*

*(9) all interest earned in accordance with 32 V.S.A. § 308a(e) and interest earned upon the nondedicated component of the Transportation Fund.*  
*Sec. E.923.1 19 V.S.A. § 11a is amended to read:*

*§ 11a. TRANSPORTATION FUND APPROPRIATIONS*

*No transportation funds shall be appropriated for the support of government other than for the Agency, the Board, Transportation Pay Act Funds, construction of transportation capital facilities, transportation debt service, the purchase of level 1 and 2 electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE) charging ports by the Department of Housing and Community Development for the purposes provided in 23 V.S.A. § 361, and the operation of information centers by the Department of Buildings and General Services.*

*\* \* \* Pay Act \* \* \**

*Sec. F.100 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS; FISCAL*

*YEARS 2027 AND 2028*

*(a) Fiscal year 2027. This act fully funds the first year of the collective bargaining agreements between the State and the Vermont State Employees' Association and the State and the Vermont Troopers' Association for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. The collective bargaining agreements*

for most classified employees provide in fiscal year 2027 an average 1.9 percent step increase and a 2 percent across-the-board increase on July 12, 2026, and a 2 percent across-the-board increase on January 10, 2027, for a total average increase of 5.9 percent for those employees receiving step increases during the fiscal year.

(b) Fiscal year 2028. This act fully funds the second year of the collective bargaining agreements between the State and the Vermont State Employees' Association and the State and the Vermont Troopers' Association for the period of July 1, 2027, through June 30, 2028. The collective bargaining agreements for most classified employees provide in fiscal year 2028 an average 1.9 percent step increase and a 3.0 percent across-the-board increase for a total average increase of 4.9 percent for those employees receiving step increases during the fiscal year.

*\* \* \* Exempt Employees; Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 \* \* \**

*Sec. F.101 EXEMPT EMPLOYEES; PERMITTED SALARY INCREASES;*

*FISCAL YEARS 2027 AND 2028*

(a) Fiscal year 2027. The Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Branches may extend the fiscal year 2027 provisions of the collective bargaining agreements that are funded by this act to employees not covered by the bargaining agreements as they determine to be appropriate and in accordance with the appropriations provided to each branch.

(b) Fiscal year 2028. The Executive, Judicial, and Legislative Branches may extend the fiscal year 2028 provisions of the collective bargaining agreements that are funded by this act to employees not covered by the bargaining agreements as they determine to be appropriate and in accordance with the appropriations provided to each branch.

*Sec. F.102 EXECUTIVE BRANCH; EXEMPT AGENCY AND*

*DEPARTMENT HEADS, DEPUTIES, AND EXECUTIVE  
ASSISTANTS; ANNUAL SALARY ADJUSTMENT AND  
SPECIAL SALARY INCREASE OR BONUS*

(a) Fiscal year 2027. For purposes of determining annual salary adjustments, special salary increases, and bonuses under 32 V.S.A. §§ 1003(b) and 1020(b), “the average rate of adjustment available to most classified employees under the collective bargaining agreement” shall be, in fiscal year 2027, 5.9 percent.

(b) Fiscal year 2028. For purposes of determining annual salary adjustments, special salary increases, and bonuses under 32 V.S.A. §§ 1003(b) and 1020(b), “the average rate of adjustment available to most classified employees under the collective bargaining agreement” shall be, in fiscal year 2028, 4.9 percent.

*\* \* \* Executive Branch; Miscellaneous Statutory Salaries;*

*Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 \* \* \**

*Sec. F.103 32 V.S.A. § 1003 is amended to read:*

*§ 1003. STATE OFFICERS*

*(a) Each elective officer of the Executive Department is entitled to an annual salary as follows:*

	<i>Annual</i>	<i>Annual</i>
	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>
	<i>as of</i>	<i>as of</i>
	<i>July 14,</i>	<i>July 13,</i>
	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>
<i>(1) Governor</i>	<i>\$222,371</i>	<i>\$234,379</i>
<i>(2) Lieutenant Governor</i>	<i>\$94,392</i>	<i>\$99,489</i>
<i>(3) Secretary of State</i>	<i>\$141,003</i>	<i>\$148,617</i>
<i>(4) State Treasurer</i>	<i>\$141,003</i>	<i>\$148,617</i>
<i>(5) Auditor of Accounts</i>	<i>\$141,003</i>	<i>\$148,617</i>
<i>(6) Attorney General</i>	<i>\$168,837</i>	<i>\$177,954</i>

<i>Annual</i>	<i>Annual</i>	<i>Annual</i>
<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>
<i>as of</i>	<i>as of</i>	<i>as of</i>
<i>July 12,</i>	<i>January 10,</i>	<i>July 11,</i>

	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2027</u>
<u>(1) Governor</u>	<u>\$243,520</u>	<u>\$248,390</u>	<u>\$260,561</u>
<u>(2) Lieutenant Governor</u>	<u>\$103,369</u>	<u>\$105,436</u>	<u>\$110,602</u>
<u>(3) Secretary of State</u>	<u>\$154,413</u>	<u>\$157,501</u>	<u>\$165,219</u>
<u>(4) State Treasurer</u>	<u>\$154,413</u>	<u>\$157,501</u>	<u>\$165,219</u>
<u>(5) Auditor of Accounts</u>	<u>\$154,413</u>	<u>\$157,501</u>	<u>\$165,219</u>
<u>(6) Attorney General</u>	<u>\$184,894</u>	<u>\$188,592</u>	<u>\$197,833</u>

*(b) The Governor may appoint each officer of the Executive Branch listed in this subsection at a starting salary ranging from the base salary stated for that position to a salary that does not exceed the maximum salary unless otherwise authorized by this subsection. The maximum salary for each appointive officer shall be 50 percent above the base salary. Annually, the Governor may grant to each of those officers an annual salary adjustment subject to the maximum salary. The annual salary adjustment granted to officers under this subsection shall not exceed the average rate of adjustment available to most classified employees under the collective bargaining agreement then in effect. In addition to the annual salary adjustment specified in this subsection, the Governor may grant a special salary increase subject to the maximum salary, or a bonus, to any officer listed in this subsection whose job duties have significantly increased, or whose contributions to the State in the preceding year are deemed especially significant. Special salary increases*

*or bonuses granted to any individual shall not exceed the average rate of adjustment available to most classified employees under the collective bargaining agreement then in effect.*

*(1) Heads of the following Departments and Agencies:*

	<i>Base</i>	<i>Base</i>
	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>
	<i>as of</i>	<i>as of</i>
	<i>July 14,</i>	<i>July 13,</i>
	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>
<i>(A) Administration</i>	<i>\$134,466</i>	<i>\$141,727</i>
<i>(B) Agriculture,</i>		
<i>Food and</i>		
<i>Markets</i>	<i>\$134,466</i>	<i>\$141,727</i>
<i>(C) Financial</i>		
<i>Regulation</i>	<i>\$125,706</i>	<i>\$132,494</i>
<i>(D) Buildings and</i>		
<i>General Services</i>	<i>\$125,706</i>	<i>\$132,494</i>
<i>(E) Children and</i>		
<i>Families</i>	<i>\$125,706</i>	<i>\$132,494</i>
<i>(F) Commerce and</i>		
<i>Community</i>		

<i>Development</i>	<i>\$134,466</i>	<i>\$141,727</i>
<del><i>(G) Corrections</i></del>	<del><i>\$125,706</i></del>	<del><i>\$132,494</i></del>
<del><i>(H) Defender</i></del>		
<i>General</i>	<i>\$125,706</i>	<i>\$132,494</i>
<del><i>(I) Disabilities,</i></del>		
<del><i>Aging, and</i></del>		
<del><i>Independent</i></del>		
<del><i>Living</i></del>	<del><i>\$125,706</i></del>	<del><i>\$132,494</i></del>
<del><i>(J) Economic</i></del>		
<del><i>Development</i></del>	<del><i>\$114,031</i></del>	<del><i>\$120,189</i></del>
<del><i>(K) Education</i></del>	<del><i>\$134,466</i></del>	<del><i>\$141,727</i></del>
<del><i>(L) Environmental</i></del>		
<del><i>Conservation</i></del>	<del><i>\$125,706</i></del>	<del><i>\$132,494</i></del>
<del><i>(M) Finance and</i></del>		
<del><i>Management</i></del>	<del><i>\$125,706</i></del>	<del><i>\$132,494</i></del>
<del><i>(N) Fish and</i></del>		
<del><i>Wildlife</i></del>	<del><i>\$114,031</i></del>	<del><i>\$120,189</i></del>
<del><i>(O) Forests, Parks</i></del>		
<del><i>and Recreation</i></del>	<del><i>\$114,031</i></del>	<del><i>\$120,189</i></del>
<del><i>(P) Health</i></del>	<del><i>\$125,706</i></del>	<del><i>\$132,494</i></del>
<del><i>(Q) Housing and</i></del>		

<i>Community</i>		
<i>Development</i>	<del>\$114,031</del>	<del>\$120,189</del>
<del>(R) Human</del>		
<i>Resources</i>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(S) Human Services</del>	<del>\$134,466</del>	<del>\$141,727</del>
<del>(T) Digital Services</del>	<del>\$134,466</del>	<del>\$141,727</del>
<del>(U) Labor</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(V) Libraries</del>	<del>\$114,031</del>	<del>\$120,189</del>
<del>(W) Liquor and</del>		
<i>Lottery</i>	<del>\$114,031</del>	<del>\$120,189</del>
<del>(X) [Repealed.]</del>		
<del>(Y) Mental Health</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(Z) Military</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(AA) Motor</del>		
<i>Vehicles</i>	<del>\$114,031</del>	<del>\$120,189</del>
<del>(BB) Natural</del>		
<i>Resources</i>	<del>\$134,466</del>	<del>\$141,727</del>
<del>(CC) Land Use Review</del>		
<i>Board Chair</i>	<del>\$114,031</del>	<del>\$120,189</del>
<del>(DD) Public Safety</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>
<del>(EE) Public Service</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>

<del>(FF) Taxes</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>	
<del>(GG) Tourism and</del>			
<del>Marketing</del>	<del>\$114,031</del>	<del>\$120,189</del>	
<del>(HH) Transportation</del>	<del>\$134,466</del>	<del>\$141,727</del>	
<del>(II) Vermont Health</del>			
<del>Access</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>	
<del>(JJ) Veterans' Home</del>	<del>\$125,706</del>	<del>\$132,494</del>	
	<u>Base</u>	<u>Base</u>	<u>Base</u>
	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>
	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>
	<u>July 12,</u>	<u>January 10,</u>	<u>July 11,</u>
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2027</u>
<u>(A) Administration</u>	<u>\$147,254</u>	<u>\$150,199</u>	<u>\$157,559</u>
<u>(B) Agriculture,</u>			
<u>Food and</u>			
<u>Markets</u>	<u>\$147,254</u>	<u>\$150,199</u>	<u>\$157,559</u>
<u>(C) Financial</u>			
<u>Regulation</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
<u>(D) Buildings and</u>			
<u>General Services</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>

<u>(E) Children and</u>			
<u>Families</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
<u>(F) Commerce and</u>			
<u>Community</u>			
<u>Development</u>	<u>\$147,254</u>	<u>\$150,199</u>	<u>\$157,559</u>
<u>(G) Corrections</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
<u>(H) Defender</u>			
<u>General</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
<u>(I) Disabilities,</u>			
<u>Aging, and</u>			
<u>Independent</u>			
<u>Living</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
<u>(J) Economic</u>			
<u>Development</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>
<u>(K) Education</u>	<u>\$147,254</u>	<u>\$150,199</u>	<u>\$157,559</u>
<u>(L) Environmental</u>			
<u>Conservation</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
<u>(M) Finance and</u>			
<u>Management</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
<u>(N) Fish and</u>			
<u>Wildlife</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>

<u>(O) Forests, Parks</u>			
<u>and Recreation</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>
<u>(P) Health</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
<u>(Q) Housing and</u>			
<u>Community</u>			
<u>Development</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>
<u>(R) Human</u>			
<u>Resources</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
<u>(S) Human Services</u>	<u>\$147,254</u>	<u>\$150,199</u>	<u>\$157,559</u>
<u>(T) Digital Services</u>	<u>\$147,254</u>	<u>\$150,199</u>	<u>\$157,559</u>
<u>(U) Labor</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
<u>(V) Libraries</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>
<u>(W) Liquor and</u>			
<u>Lottery</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>
<u>(X) [Repealed.]</u>			
<u>(Y) Mental Health</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
<u>(Z) Military</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
<u>(AA) Motor</u>			
<u>Vehicles</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>
<u>(BB) Natural</u>			
<u>Resources</u>	<u>\$147,254</u>	<u>\$150,199</u>	<u>\$157,559</u>

(CC) Land Use Review

Board Chair            \$124,876        \$127,374        \$133,615

(DD) Public Safety        \$137,661        \$140,414        \$147,294

(EE) Public Service        \$137,661        \$140,414        \$147,294

(FF) Taxes                \$137,661        \$140,414        \$147,294

(GG) Tourism and

Marketing                \$124,876        \$127,374        \$133,615

(HH) Transportation        \$147,254        \$150,199        \$157,559

(II) Vermont Health

Access                    \$137,661        \$140,414        \$147,294

(JJ) Veterans' Home        \$137,661        \$140,414        \$147,294

(2) [Repealed.]

(3) *If the Chair of the Land Use Review Board is employed on less than a full-time basis, the hiring and salary maximums for that position shall be reduced proportionately.*

(4) *When a permanent employee is appointed to an exempt position, the Governor may authorize such employee to retain the present salary even though it is in excess of any salary maximum provided in statute.*

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*(d) Notwithstanding the maximum salary established in subsection (b) of this section, the Defender General shall not receive compensation in excess of the compensation established for the Attorney General in this section.*

*(e) Notwithstanding the maximum salary established in subsection (b) of this section, the maximum salary for the Commissioner of Health shall not exceed 100 percent above the base salary for this position.*

*\* \* \* Judicial Branch; Statutory Salaries; Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 \* \* \**

*Sec. F.104 32 V.S.A. § 1003(c) is amended to read:*

*(c) The officers of the Judicial Branch named in this subsection shall be entitled to annual salaries as follows:*

	<i>Annual</i>	<i>Annual</i>
	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>
	<i>as-of</i>	<i>as-of</i>
	<i>July 14,</i>	<i>July 13,</i>
	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>
<i>(1) Chief Justice of</i>		
<i>Supreme Court</i>	<i>\$214,024</i>	<i>\$225,581</i>
<i>(2) Each Associate</i>		
<i>Justice</i>	<i>\$204,264</i>	<i>\$215,294</i>
<i>(3) Chief Superior</i>		
<i>Judge</i>	<i>\$204,264</i>	<i>\$215,294</i>

~~(4) Each Superior~~

<del>Judge</del>	<del>\$194,185</del>	<del>\$204,671</del>
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~~(5) [Repealed.]~~

~~(6) Each~~

<del>Magistrate</del>	<del>\$146,413</del>	<del>\$154,319</del>
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~~(7) Each Judicial~~

~~Bureau hearing~~

<del>officer</del>	<del>\$146,413</del>	<del>\$154,319</del>
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<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>
<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>
<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>
<u>July 12,</u>	<u>January 10,</u>	<u>July 11,</u>
<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2027</u>

(1) Chief Justice of

<u>Supreme Court</u>	<u>\$234,379</u>	<u>\$239,067</u>	<u>\$250,781</u>
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(2) Each Associate

<u>Justice</u>	<u>\$223,690</u>	<u>\$228,164</u>	<u>\$239,344</u>
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(3) Chief Superior

<u>Judge</u>	<u>\$223,690</u>	<u>\$228,164</u>	<u>\$239,344</u>
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(4) Each Superior

<u>Judge</u>	<u>\$212,653</u>	<u>\$216,906</u>	<u>\$227,534</u>
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(5) [Repealed.]

(6) Each

<u>Magistrate</u>	<u>\$160,337</u>	<u>\$163,544</u>	<u>\$171,558</u>
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(7) Each Judicial

Bureau hearing

<u>officer</u>	<u>\$160,337</u>	<u>\$163,544</u>	<u>\$171,558</u>
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*Sec. F.105 32 V.S.A. § 1141 is amended to read:*

*§ 1141. ASSISTANT JUDGES*

*(a)(1) Each assistant judge of the Superior Court shall be entitled to receive compensation in the amount of ~~\$224.47 a day as of July 14, 2024 and \$236.59 a day as of July 13, 2025~~ \$245.82 a day as of July 12, 2026, \$250.74 a day as of January 10, 2027, and \$263.03 a day as of July 11, 2027, for time spent in the performance of official duties and necessary expenses as allowed to classified State employees. Compensation under this section shall be based on a two-hour minimum and hourly thereafter.*

*(2)(A) The compensation paid to an assistant judge pursuant to this section shall be paid by the State except as provided in subdivision (B) of this subdivision (2).*

*(B) The compensation paid to an assistant judge pursuant to this section shall be paid by the county at the State rate established in subdivision*

*(a)(1) of this section when an assistant judge is sitting with a presiding Superior judge in the Civil or Family Division of the Superior Court.*

*(b) Assistant judges of the Superior Court shall be entitled to receive pay for such days as they attend court when it is in actual session or during a court recess when engaged in the special performance of official duties.*

*Sec. F.106 32 V.S.A. § 1142 is amended to read:*

*§ 1142. PROBATE JUDGES*

*(a) The Probate judges in the several Probate Districts shall be entitled to receive the following annual salaries, which shall be paid by the State in lieu of all fees or other compensation:*

	<i>Annual</i>	<i>Annual</i>
	<i>Salary</i>	<i>Salary</i>
	<i>as-of</i>	<i>as-of</i>
	<i>July 14,</i>	<i>July 13,</i>
	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>
<i>(1) Addison</i>	<i>\$76,555</i>	<i>\$80,689</i>
<i>(2) Bennington</i>	<i>\$96,776</i>	<i>\$102,002</i>
<i>(3) Caledonia</i>	<i>\$67,891</i>	<i>\$71,557</i>
<i>(4) Chittenden</i>	<i>\$161,506</i>	<i>\$170,227</i>
<i>(5) Essex</i>	<i>\$18,966</i>	<i>\$19,990</i>
<i>(6) Franklin</i>	<i>\$76,555</i>	<i>\$80,689</i>

<del>(7) Grand Isle</del>	<del>\$18,966</del>	<del>\$19,990</del>
<del>(8) Lamoille</del>	<del>\$53,443</del>	<del>\$56,329</del>
<del>(9) Orange</del>	<del>\$63,554</del>	<del>\$66,986</del>
<del>(10) Orleans</del>	<del>\$62,110</del>	<del>\$65,464</del>
<del>(11) Rutland</del>	<del>\$137,221</del>	<del>\$144,631</del>
<del>(12) Washington</del>	<del>\$105,441</del>	<del>\$111,135</del>
<del>(13) Windham</del>	<del>\$85,221</del>	<del>\$89,823</del>
<del>(14) Windsor</del>	<del>\$115,555</del>	<del>\$121,795</del>

	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>
	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>
	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>
	<u>July 12,</u>	<u>January 10,</u>	<u>July 11,</u>
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2027</u>
<u>(1) Addison</u>	<u>\$83,836</u>	<u>\$85,513</u>	<u>\$89,703</u>
<u>(2) Bennington</u>	<u>\$105,980</u>	<u>\$108,100</u>	<u>\$113,397</u>
<u>(3) Caledonia</u>	<u>\$74,348</u>	<u>\$75,835</u>	<u>\$79,551</u>
<u>(4) Chittenden</u>	<u>\$176,866</u>	<u>\$180,403</u>	<u>\$189,243</u>
<u>(5) Essex</u>	<u>\$20,770</u>	<u>\$21,185</u>	<u>\$22,223</u>
<u>(6) Franklin</u>	<u>\$83,836</u>	<u>\$85,513</u>	<u>\$89,703</u>
<u>(7) Grand Isle</u>	<u>\$20,770</u>	<u>\$21,185</u>	<u>\$22,223</u>
<u>(8) Lamoille</u>	<u>\$58,526</u>	<u>\$59,697</u>	<u>\$62,622</u>

<u>(9) Orange</u>	<u>\$69,598</u>	<u>\$70,990</u>	<u>\$74,469</u>
<u>(10) Orleans</u>	<u>\$68,017</u>	<u>\$69,377</u>	<u>\$72,776</u>
<u>(11) Rutland</u>	<u>\$150,272</u>	<u>\$153,277</u>	<u>\$160,788</u>
<u>(12) Washington</u>	<u>\$115,469</u>	<u>\$117,778</u>	<u>\$123,549</u>
<u>(13) Windham</u>	<u>\$93,326</u>	<u>\$95,193</u>	<u>\$99,857</u>
<u>(14) Windsor</u>	<u>\$126,545</u>	<u>\$129,076</u>	<u>\$135,401</u>

*(b) Probate judges shall be entitled to be paid by the State for their actual and necessary expenses under the rules pertaining to classified State employees. The compensation for the Probate judge of the Chittenden District shall be for full-time service.*

*(c) All Probate judges, regardless of the number of hours worked annually, shall be eligible to participate in all employee benefits that are available to exempt employees of the Judicial Department.*

*\* \* \* Sheriffs; Statutory Salaries; Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 \* \* \**

*Sec. F.107 32 V.S.A. § 1182 is amended to read:*

*§ 1182. SHERIFFS*

*(a) The sheriffs of all counties except Chittenden shall be entitled to receive salaries in the amount of ~~\$104,010.00 as of July 14, 2024 and \$109,627.00 as of July 13, 2025~~ \$113,902.00 as of July 12, 2026, \$116,180.00 as of January 10, 2027, and \$122,873.00 as of July 11, 2027. The Sheriff of Chittenden County shall be entitled to an annual salary in the amount of ~~\$110,070.00 as~~*

of July 14, 2024 and \$116,014.00 as of July 13, 2025 \$120,539.00 as of July 12, 2026, \$122,950.00 as of January 10, 2027, and \$128,975.00 as of July 11, 2027.

(b) Compensation under subsection (a) of this section shall be reduced by 10 percent for any sheriff who has Level II but not obtained Level III law enforcement officer certification under 20 V.S.A. § 2358.

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\* \* \* State's Attorneys; Statutory Salaries; Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 \* \* \*

Sec. F.108 32 V.S.A. § 1183 is amended to read:

§ 1183. STATE'S ATTORNEYS

(a) The State's Attorneys shall be entitled to receive annual salaries as follows:

	<i>Annual Salary as of July 14, 2024</i>	<i>Annual Salary as of July 13, 2025</i>
<i>(1) Addison County</i>	<i>\$140,691</i>	<i>\$148,288</i>
<i>(2) Bennington County</i>	<i>\$140,691</i>	<i>\$148,288</i>
<i>(3) Caledonia County</i>	<i>\$140,691</i>	<i>\$148,288</i>

<del>(4) Chittenden County</del>	<del>\$147,087</del>	<del>\$155,030</del>
<del>(5) Essex County</del>	<del>\$105,521</del>	<del>\$111,219</del>
<del>(6) Franklin County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(7) Grand Isle County</del>	<del>\$105,521</del>	<del>\$111,219</del>
<del>(8) Lamoille County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(9) Orange County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(10) Orleans County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(11) Rutland County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(12) Washington</del>		
<del>County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(13) Windham County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>
<del>(14) Windsor County</del>	<del>\$140,691</del>	<del>\$148,288</del>

	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>
	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>
	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>
	<u>July 12,</u>	<u>January 10,</u>	<u>July 11,</u>
	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2027</u>
<u>(1) Addison County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(2) Bennington</u>			
<u>County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(3) Caledonia County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>

<u>(4) Chittenden County</u>	<u>\$161,076</u>	<u>\$164,298</u>	<u>\$172,349</u>
<u>(5) Essex County</u>	<u>\$115,557</u>	<u>\$117,868</u>	<u>\$123,644</u>
<u>(6) Franklin County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(7) Grand Isle County</u>	<u>\$115,557</u>	<u>\$117,868</u>	<u>\$123,644</u>
<u>(8) Lamoille County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(9) Orange County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(10) Orleans County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(11) Rutland County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(12) Washington</u>			
<u>County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(13) Windham County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
<u>(14) Windsor County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>

*(b) In settlement of their accounts, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall allow the State's Attorneys the expense of printing briefs in cases in which the State's Attorney has represented the State and their necessary and actual expenses under the rules pertaining to classified State employees.*

*Sec. F.108.1 32 V.S.A. § 1183 is amended to read:*

*§ 1183. STATE'S ATTORNEYS*

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(c) Compensation under subsection (a) of this section shall be reduced by 30 percent for any State's Attorney who is not licensed or authorized to practice law in the State pursuant to the administrative orders issued by the Vermont Supreme Court.

*\* \* \* Appropriations \* \* \**

*Sec. F.109 PAY ACT APPROPRIATIONS; FISCAL YEARS 2027 AND*

*2028*

(a) Executive Branch. The first and second years of the two-year agreements between the State of Vermont and the Vermont State Employees' Association for the Defender General, Non-Management, Supervisory, and Corrections bargaining units, and, for the purpose of appropriation, the State's Attorneys' offices bargaining unit, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028; the collective bargaining agreement with the Vermont Troopers' Association for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028; and salary increases for employees in the Executive Branch not covered by the bargaining agreements shall be funded as follows:

(1) Fiscal year 2027.

(A) General Fund. The amount of \$23,918,820.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Secretary of Administration for distribution to departments to fund the fiscal year 2027 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act.

(B) Transportation Fund. The amount of \$3,000,000.00 is appropriated from the Transportation Fund to the Secretary of Administration for distribution to the Agency of Transportation to fund the fiscal year 2027 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act.

(C) Other funds. The Administration shall provide additional spending authority to departments through the existing process of excess receipts to fund the fiscal year 2027 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act. The estimated amounts are \$27,184,607.00 from a special fund, federal funds, and other sources.

(D) Transfers. With due regard to the possible availability of other funds, for fiscal year 2027, the Secretary of Administration may transfer from the various appropriations and various funds and from the receipts of the Liquor Control Board such sums as the Secretary may determine to be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act to the various agencies supported by State funds.

(2) Fiscal year 2028.

(A) General Fund. The amount of \$24,974,632.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Secretary of Administration for distribution to departments to fund the fiscal year 2028 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act.

(B) Transportation Fund. The amount of \$3,000,000.00 is appropriated from the Transportation Fund to the Secretary of Administration for distribution to the Agency of Transportation to fund the fiscal year 2028 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act.

(C) Other funds. The Administration shall provide additional spending authority to departments through the existing process of excess receipts to fund the fiscal year 2028 collective bargaining agreements and the requirements of this act. The estimated amounts are \$28,362,343.00 from a special fund, federal funds, and other sources.

(D) Transfers. With due regard to the possible availability of other funds, for fiscal year 2028, the Secretary of Administration may transfer from the various appropriations and various funds and from the receipts of the Liquor Control Board such sums as the Secretary may determine to be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act to the various agencies supported by State funds.

(3) This section shall include sufficient funding to ensure administration of exempt pay plans authorized by 32 V.S.A. § 1020(c).

(b) Judicial Branch.

(1) The Chief Justice of the Vermont Supreme Court may extend the provisions of the Judiciary's collective bargaining agreement to Judiciary employees who are not covered by the bargaining agreement.

(2) Fiscal year 2027. The first year of the two-year agreements between the State of Vermont and the Vermont State Employees' Association for the judicial bargaining unit for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, and salary increases for employees in the Judicial Branch not covered by the bargaining agreements shall be funded as follows: the amount of \$3,800,867.00 is appropriated from the General Fund and the amount of \$277,316.00 is provided from other sources to the Judiciary to fund the fiscal year 2027 collective bargaining agreement and the requirements of this act.

(3) Fiscal year 2028. The second year of the two-year agreements between the State of Vermont and the Vermont State Employees' Association for the judicial bargaining unit for the period of July 1, 2027, through June 30, 2028, and salary increases for employees in the Judicial Branch not covered by the bargaining agreements shall be funded as follows: the amount of \$2,466,396.00 is appropriated from the General Fund and the amount of \$179,952.00 is provided from other sources to the Judiciary to fund the fiscal year 2028 collective bargaining agreement and the requirements of this act.

(c) Legislative Branch.

(1) For the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, the General Assembly, including all Legislative Branch employees, shall be funded as follows: the amount of \$914,634.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Legislative Branch.

(2) For the period of July 1, 2027, through June 30, 2028, the General Assembly, including all Legislative Branch employees, shall be funded as follows: the amount of \$778,939.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Legislative Branch.

*\* \* \* Effective Dates \* \* \**

*Sec. G.100 EFFECTIVE DATES*

(a) This section and Secs. C.100, C.101, C.102, C.103, C.104, C.105, C.106, C.107, C.108, C.109, C.110, C.111, C.112, C.113, C.114, C.115, E.504.2, E.504.3, E.504.4, E.801, E.801.1, E.801.2, E.915, and F.108.1 shall take effect on passage.

(b) Secs. E.307.1, E.307.2, E.307.3, and E.307.5 shall take effect on October 1, 2026.

(c) Secs. E.307.4 and E.923 shall take effect on July 1, 2027.

(d) Sec. E.504.5 shall take effect upon the occurrence of the contingencies set forth in 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 73, Sec. 70(f).

(e) Sec. E.100.3 shall take effect retroactively on June 30, 2024.

(f) All other sections shall take effect on July 1, 2026.