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H.951

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

3 The Senate proposes to the House to amend the bill by striking out all after

4 the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

5 * * * Purpose, Definitions, Legend * * *

6 Sec. A.100 SHORT TITLE

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

9 Sec. A.101 PURPOSE

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

19 Sec. A.102 APPROPRIATIONS

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

1 government and for capital appropriations not funded with bond proceeds in
2 fiscal year 2027.

3 (b) The sums herein stated are appropriated for the purposes specified in
4 the following sections of this act. When no time is expressly stated during
5 which any of the operating appropriations are to continue, the appropriations
6 are single-year appropriations and only for the purpose indicated and shall be
7 paid from funds shown as the source of funds. Capital appropriations funded
8 from the Capital Infrastructure Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital and
9 Essential Investments shall be subject to the provisions of 32 V.S.A.
10 § 1001b(e). If in this act there is an error in either addition or subtraction, the
11 totals shall be adjusted accordingly. Apparent errors in referring to section
12 numbers of statutory titles within this act may be disregarded by the
13 Commissioner of Finance and Management.

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

16 Sec. A.103 DEFINITIONS

17 (a) As used in this act:

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

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

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

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

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

16 Sec. A.104 RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING LAWS

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

1 Sec. A.105 OFFSETTING APPROPRIATIONS

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

5 Sec. A.106 FEDERAL FUNDS

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

14 (b) If, during fiscal year 2027, federal funds available to the State and
15 designated as federal in this and other acts of the 2026 session of the General
16 Assembly are converted into block grants or are abolished under their current
17 title in federal law and reestablished under a new title in federal law, the
18 Governor may continue to accept such federal funds for any purpose consistent
19 with the purposes for which the federal funds were appropriated. The
20 Governor may spend such funds for such purposes for not more than 45 days
21 prior to General Assembly or Joint Fiscal Committee approval. Notice shall be

1 given to the Joint Fiscal Committee without delay if the Governor intends to
2 use the authority granted by this section, and the Joint Fiscal Committee shall
3 meet in an expedited manner to review the Governor's request for approval.

4 Sec. A.107 NEW POSITIONS

5 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the total number of
6 authorized State positions, both classified and exempt, excluding temporary
7 positions as defined in 3 V.S.A. § 311(a)(11), shall not be increased during
8 fiscal year 2027 except for new positions authorized by the General Assembly
9 during the 2026 session. Limited service positions approved pursuant to
10 32 V.S.A. § 5 shall not be subject to this restriction.

11 Sec. A.108 LEGEND

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

17 <u>B.100–B.199 and E.100–E.199</u>	<u>General Government</u>
18 <u>B.200–B.299 and E.200–E.299</u>	<u>Protection to Persons and</u>
19	<u>Property</u>
20 <u>B.300–B.399 and E.300–E.399</u>	<u>Human Services</u>
21 <u>B.400–B.499 and E.400–E.499</u>	<u>Labor</u>

1	<u>B.500–B.599 and E.500–E.599</u>	<u>General Education</u>
2	<u>B.600–B.699 and E.600–E.699</u>	<u>Higher Education</u>
3	<u>B.700–B.799 and E.700–E.799</u>	<u>Natural Resources</u>
4	<u>B.800–B.899 and E.800–E.899</u>	<u>Commerce and</u>
5		<u>Community Development</u>
6	<u>B.900–B.999 and E.900–E.999</u>	<u>Transportation</u>
7	<u>B.1000–B.1099 and E.1000–E.1099</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>
8	<u>B.1100–B.1199 and E.1100–E.1199</u>	<u>One-time and other</u>
9		<u>appropriation actions</u>

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

15 * * * Fiscal Year 2027 Base Appropriations * * *

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

17	Personal services	2,506,216
18	Operating expenses	266,559
19	Grants	<u>125,000</u>
20	Total	2,897,775
21	Source of funds	

1	General fund	1,861,224
2	Special funds	125,000
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>911,551</u>
4	Total	2,897,775
5	Sec. B.100.1 Secretary of administration - office of racial equity	
6	Personal services	1,568,041
7	Operating expenses	<u>95,802</u>
8	Total	1,663,843
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	1,113,347
11	Internal service funds	<u>550,496</u>
12	Total	1,663,843
13	Sec. B.101 Secretary of administration - finance	
14	Personal services	1,557,057
15	Operating expenses	<u>185,178</u>
16	Total	1,742,235
17	Source of funds	
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,742,235</u>
19	Total	1,742,235

1	Sec. B.102 Secretary of administration - workers' compensation insurance	
2	Personal services	896,646
3	Operating expenses	<u>104,349</u>
4	Total	1,000,995
5	Source of funds	
6	Internal service funds	<u>1,000,995</u>
7	Total	1,000,995
8	Sec. B.103 Secretary of administration - general liability insurance	
9	Personal services	417,351
10	Operating expenses	<u>68,210</u>
11	Total	485,561
12	Source of funds	
13	Internal service funds	<u>485,561</u>
14	Total	485,561
15	Sec. B.104 Secretary of administration - all other insurance	
16	Personal services	301,453
17	Operating expenses	<u>57,383</u>
18	Total	358,836
19	Source of funds	
20	Internal service funds	<u>358,836</u>
21	Total	358,836

1	Sec. B.104.1 Retired state employees pension plus funding	
2	Grants	<u>15,000,000</u>
3	Total	15,000,000
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	<u>15,000,000</u>
6	Total	15,000,000
7	Sec. B.105 Agency of digital services - communications and information	
8	technology	
9	Personal services	33,055,594
10	Operating expenses	<u>16,188,998</u>
11	Total	49,244,592
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	9,317,892
14	Special funds	1,031,998
15	Internal service funds	<u>38,894,702</u>
16	Total	49,244,592
17	Sec. B.105.1 Agency of digital services - demand driven services	
18	Personal services	32,005,770
19	Operating expenses	<u>15,300,212</u>
20	Total	47,305,982
21	Source of funds	

1	Internal service funds	<u>47,305,982</u>
2	Total	47,305,982
3	Sec. B.106 Finance and management - budget and management	
4	Personal services	1,726,678
5	Operating expenses	<u>376,867</u>
6	Total	2,103,545
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	1,320,303
9	Internal service funds	517,237
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>266,005</u>
11	Total	2,103,545
12	Sec. B.107 Finance and management - financial operations	
13	Personal services	3,263,811
14	Operating expenses	<u>835,537</u>
15	Total	4,099,348
16	Source of funds	
17	Internal service funds	3,880,186
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>219,162</u>
19	Total	4,099,348

1	Sec. B.108 Human resources - operations	
2	Personal services	12,618,652
3	Operating expenses	<u>1,683,153</u>
4	Total	14,301,805
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	2,009,464
7	Special funds	180,668
8	Internal service funds	11,149,163
9	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>962,510</u>
10	Total	14,301,805
11	Sec. B.108.1 Human resources - VTHR operations	
12	Personal services	2,495,563
13	Operating expenses	<u>989,816</u>
14	Total	3,485,379
15	Source of funds	
16	Internal service funds	3,335,155
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>150,224</u>
18	Total	3,485,379
19	Sec. B.109 Human resources - employee benefits & wellness	
20	Personal services	1,470,728
21	Operating expenses	<u>765,201</u>

1	Total	2,235,929
2	Source of funds	
3	Internal service funds	<u>2,235,929</u>
4	Total	2,235,929
5	Sec. B.110 Libraries	
6	Personal services	3,142,573
7	Operating expenses	548,504
8	Grants	<u>238,660</u>
9	Total	3,929,737
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	2,470,909
12	Special funds	87,178
13	Federal funds	1,241,835
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>129,815</u>
15	Total	3,929,737
16	Sec. B.111 Tax - administration/collection	
17	Personal services	30,878,080
18	Operating expenses	<u>7,323,104</u>
19	Total	38,201,184
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	25,818,400

1	Special funds	12,332,784
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>50,000</u>
3	Total	38,201,184
4	Sec. B.112 Buildings and general services - administration	
5	Personal services	1,090,871
6	Operating expenses	<u>228,872</u>
7	Total	1,319,743
8	Source of funds	
9	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,319,743</u>
10	Total	1,319,743
11	Sec. B.113 Buildings and general services - engineering	
12	Personal services	102,231
13	Operating expenses	<u>1,114,195</u>
14	Total	1,216,426
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	<u>1,216,426</u>
17	Total	1,216,426
18	Sec. B.113.1 Buildings and general services engineering - capital projects	
19	Personal services	3,489,916
20	Operating expenses	<u>500,000</u>
21	Total	3,989,916

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	3,351,480
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>638,436</u>
4	Total	3,989,916
5	Sec. B.114 Buildings and general services - information centers	
6	Personal services	3,684,847
7	Operating expenses	<u>2,228,705</u>
8	Total	5,913,552
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	723,210
11	Transportation fund	4,710,621
12	Special funds	<u>479,721</u>
13	Total	5,913,552
14	Sec. B.115 Buildings and general services - purchasing	
15	Personal services	3,189,478
16	Operating expenses	<u>266,883</u>
17	Total	3,456,361
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	1,727,877
20	Internal service funds	1,386,959

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>341,525</u>
2	Total	3,456,361
3	Sec. B.116 Buildings and general services - postal services	
4	Personal services	892,320
5	Operating expenses	<u>173,126</u>
6	Total	1,065,446
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	96,479
9	Internal service funds	<u>968,967</u>
10	Total	1,065,446
11	Sec. B.117 Buildings and general services - copy center	
12	Personal services	992,680
13	Operating expenses	<u>217,022</u>
14	Total	1,209,702
15	Source of funds	
16	Internal service funds	<u>1,209,702</u>
17	Total	1,209,702
18	Sec. B.118 Buildings and general services - fleet management services	
19	Personal services	1,086,176
20	Operating expenses	<u>251,051</u>
21	Total	1,337,227

1	Source of funds	
2	Internal service funds	1,238,057
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>99,170</u>
4	Total	1,337,227
5	Sec. B.119 Buildings and general services - federal surplus property	
6	Operating expenses	<u>4,427</u>
7	Total	4,427
8	Source of funds	
9	Enterprise funds	<u>4,427</u>
10	Total	4,427
11	Sec. B.120 Buildings and general services - state surplus property	
12	Personal services	389,970
13	Operating expenses	<u>167,097</u>
14	Total	557,067
15	Source of funds	
16	Internal service funds	<u>557,067</u>
17	Total	557,067
18	Sec. B.121 Buildings and general services - property management	
19	Personal services	1,250,068
20	Operating expenses	<u>722,602</u>
21	Total	1,972,670

1	Source of funds	
2	Internal service funds	1,830,898
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>141,772</u>
4	Total	1,972,670
5	Sec. B.122 Buildings and general services - fee for space	
6	Personal services	23,787,396
7	Operating expenses	<u>17,757,907</u>
8	Total	41,545,303
9	Source of funds	
10	Internal service funds	<u>41,545,303</u>
11	Total	41,545,303
12	Sec. B.124 Executive office - governor's office	
13	Personal services	2,087,428
14	Operating expenses	<u>571,877</u>
15	Total	2,659,305
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	2,086,338
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>572,967</u>
19	Total	2,659,305

1	Sec. B.125 Legislative counsel	
2	Personal services	5,562,384
3	Operating expenses	<u>305,246</u>
4	Total	5,867,630
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>5,867,630</u>
7	Total	5,867,630
8	Sec. B.126 Legislature	
9	Personal services	6,319,895
10	Operating expenses	<u>5,653,460</u>
11	Total	11,973,355
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	<u>11,973,355</u>
14	Total	11,973,355
15	Sec. B.126.1 Legislative information technology	
16	Personal services	1,589,468
17	Operating expenses	<u>940,400</u>
18	Total	2,529,868
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	<u>2,529,868</u>
21	Total	2,529,868

1	Sec. B.127 Joint fiscal committee	
2	Personal services	3,218,498
3	Operating expenses	<u>203,144</u>
4	Total	3,421,642
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	<u>3,421,642</u>
7	Total	3,421,642
8	Sec. B.128 Sergeant at arms	
9	Personal services	1,738,030
10	Operating expenses	<u>215,269</u>
11	Total	1,953,299
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	<u>1,953,299</u>
14	Total	1,953,299
15	Sec. B.129 Lieutenant governor	
16	Personal services	256,396
17	Operating expenses	<u>65,515</u>
18	Total	321,911
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	<u>321,911</u>
21	Total	321,911

1	Sec. B.130 Auditor of accounts	
2	Personal services	4,914,039
3	Operating expenses	<u>159,245</u>
4	Total	5,073,284
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	289,054
7	Special funds	53,145
8	Internal service funds	<u>4,731,085</u>
9	Total	5,073,284
10	Sec. B.131 State treasurer	
11	Personal services	7,459,970
12	Operating expenses	<u>378,493</u>
13	Total	7,838,463
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	2,744,590
16	Special funds	4,713,210
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>380,663</u>
18	Total	7,838,463
19	Sec. B.132 State treasurer - unclaimed property	
20	Personal services	980,240
21	Operating expenses	<u>669,064</u>

1	Total	1,649,304
2	Source of funds	
3	Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,649,304</u>
4	Total	1,649,304
5	Sec. B.133 Vermont state retirement system	
6	Personal services	231,345
7	Operating expenses	<u>3,536,781</u>
8	Total	3,768,126
9	Source of funds	
10	Pension trust funds	<u>3,768,126</u>
11	Total	3,768,126
12	Sec. B.134 Municipal employees' retirement system	
13	Personal services	234,016
14	Operating expenses	<u>1,980,939</u>
15	Total	2,214,955
16	Source of funds	
17	Pension trust funds	<u>2,214,955</u>
18	Total	2,214,955
19	Sec. B.134.1 Vermont pension investment commission	
20	Personal services	2,696,175
21	Operating expenses	<u>286,820</u>

1	Total	2,982,995
2	Source of funds	
3	Special funds	<u>2,982,995</u>
4	Total	2,982,995
5	Sec. B.135 State labor relations board	
6	Personal services	305,622
7	Operating expenses	<u>85,406</u>
8	Total	391,028
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	377,202
11	Special funds	11,038
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,788</u>
13	Total	391,028
14	Sec. B.136 VOSHA review board	
15	Personal services	114,314
16	Operating expenses	<u>27,965</u>
17	Total	142,279
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	91,275
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>51,004</u>
21	Total	142,279

1	Sec. B.136.1 Ethics commission	
2	Personal services	214,306
3	Operating expenses	<u>36,234</u>
4	Total	250,540
5	Source of funds	
6	Internal service funds	<u>250,540</u>
7	Total	250,540
8	Sec. B.137 Homeowner rebate	
9	Grants	<u>17,500,000</u>
10	Total	17,500,000
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	<u>17,500,000</u>
13	Total	17,500,000
14	Sec. B.138 Renter rebate	
15	Grants	<u>15,500,000</u>
16	Total	15,500,000
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	<u>15,500,000</u>
19	Total	15,500,000

1	Sec. B.139 Tax department - reappraisal and listing payments	
2	Grants	<u>3,410,000</u>
3	Total	3,410,000
4	Source of funds	
5	Special funds	<u>3,410,000</u>
6	Total	3,410,000
7	Sec. B.140 Municipal current use	
8	Grants	<u>21,650,000</u>
9	Total	21,650,000
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	<u>21,650,000</u>
12	Total	21,650,000
13	Sec. B.142 Payments in lieu of taxes	
14	Grants	<u>12,200,000</u>
15	Total	12,200,000
16	Source of funds	
17	Special funds	<u>12,200,000</u>
18	Total	12,200,000
19	Sec. B.144 Payments in lieu of taxes - correctional facilities	
20	Grants	<u>40,000</u>
21	Total	40,000

1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	<u>40,000</u>
3	Total	40,000
4	Sec. B.145 Total general government	
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	152,333,175
7	Transportation fund	4,710,621
8	Special funds	37,647,737
9	Federal funds	1,241,835
10	Internal service funds	163,432,820
11	Interdepartmental transfers	7,979,570
12	Enterprise funds	4,427
13	Pension trust funds	5,983,081
14	Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,649,304</u>
15	Total	374,982,570
16	Sec. B.200 Attorney general	
17	Personal services	17,117,330
18	Operating expenses	2,045,972
19	Grants	<u>20,000</u>
20	Total	19,183,302
21	Source of funds	

1	General fund	8,947,036
2	Special funds	2,976,044
3	Tobacco fund	434,660
4	Federal funds	1,956,258
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,869,304</u>
6	Total	19,183,302
7	Sec. B.201 Vermont court diversion	
8	Personal services	1,250
9	Grants	<u>5,012,871</u>
10	Total	5,014,121
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	4,756,124
13	Special funds	<u>257,997</u>
14	Total	5,014,121
15	Sec. B.202 Defender general - public defense	
16	Personal services	20,439,822
17	Operating expenses	<u>1,855,610</u>
18	Total	22,295,432
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	21,705,779

1	Special funds	<u>589,653</u>
2	Total	22,295,432
3	Sec. B.203 Defender general - assigned counsel	
4	Personal services	8,277,975
5	Operating expenses	<u>64,500</u>
6	Total	8,342,475
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	<u>8,342,475</u>
9	Total	8,342,475
10	Sec. B.204 Judiciary	
11	Personal services	67,540,550
12	Operating expenses	14,904,686
13	Grants	<u>121,030</u>
14	Total	82,566,266
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	76,767,361
17	Special funds	1,970,905
18	Federal funds	1,580,000
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,248,000</u>
20	Total	82,566,266

1	Sec. B.205 State's attorneys	
2	Personal services	19,675,456
3	Operating expenses	<u>2,818,379</u>
4	Total	22,493,835
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	21,865,234
7	Federal funds	31,000
8	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>597,601</u>
9	Total	22,493,835
10	Sec. B.206 Special investigative unit	
11	Personal services	151,063
12	Operating expenses	34,335
13	Grants	<u>2,174,400</u>
14	Total	2,359,798
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	<u>2,359,798</u>
17	Total	2,359,798
18	Sec. B.206.1 Crime victims advocates	
19	Personal services	3,733,421
20	Operating expenses	<u>104,756</u>
21	Total	3,838,177

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	<u>3,838,177</u>
3	Total	3,838,177
4	Sec. B.207 Sheriffs	
5	Personal services	6,738,595
6	Operating expenses	<u>475,338</u>
7	Total	7,213,933
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	<u>7,213,933</u>
10	Total	7,213,933
11	Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration	
12	Personal services	6,697,580
13	Operating expenses	6,307,218
14	Grants	<u>278,285</u>
15	Total	13,283,083
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	7,978,921
18	Special funds	162,545
19	Federal funds	1,108,908
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,032,709</u>
21	Total	13,283,083

1	Sec. B.209 Public safety - state police	
2	Personal services	85,401,432
3	Operating expenses	21,768,293
4	Grants	<u>5,105,175</u>
5	Total	112,274,900
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	92,333,444
8	Special funds	3,272,346
9	Federal funds	15,200,575
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,468,535</u>
11	Total	112,274,900
12	Sec. B.210 Public safety - criminal justice services	
13	Personal services	5,274,841
14	Operating expenses	2,267,161
15	Grants	<u>47,775</u>
16	Total	7,589,777
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	3,140,979
19	Special funds	3,502,099
20	Federal funds	<u>946,699</u>
21	Total	7,589,777

1	Sec. B.211 Public safety - emergency management	
2	Personal services	6,727,689
3	Operating expenses	1,030,786
4	Grants	<u>62,267,474</u>
5	Total	70,025,949
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	1,717,693
8	Special funds	710,000
9	Federal funds	67,578,256
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>20,000</u>
11	Total	70,025,949
12	Sec. B.212 Public safety - fire safety	
13	Personal services	10,703,913
14	Operating expenses	4,581,165
15	Grants	<u>55,000</u>
16	Total	15,340,078
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	2,339,163
19	Special funds	11,259,010
20	Federal funds	1,696,905

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>
2	Total	15,340,078
3	Sec. B.213 Public safety - forensic laboratory	
4	Personal services	4,643,753
5	Operating expenses	<u>1,465,076</u>
6	Total	6,108,829
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	4,435,869
9	Special funds	70,131
10	Federal funds	1,087,429
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>515,400</u>
12	Total	6,108,829
13	Sec. B.215 Military - administration	
14	Personal services	1,179,336
15	Operating expenses	916,266
16	Grants	<u>1,219,834</u>
17	Total	3,315,436
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	<u>3,315,436</u>
20	Total	3,315,436

1	Sec. B.216 Military - air service contract	
2	Personal services	12,390,019
3	Operating expenses	<u>1,476,497</u>
4	Total	13,866,516
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	846,658
7	Federal funds	<u>13,019,858</u>
8	Total	13,866,516
9	Sec. B.217 Military - army service contract	
10	Personal services	45,572,956
11	Operating expenses	<u>8,116,785</u>
12	Total	53,689,741
13	Source of funds	
14	Federal funds	<u>53,689,741</u>
15	Total	53,689,741
16	Sec. B.218 Military - building maintenance	
17	Personal services	1,215,984
18	Operating expenses	<u>773,080</u>
19	Total	1,989,064
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	1,926,564

1	Special funds	<u>62,500</u>
2	Total	1,989,064
3	Sec. B.219 Military - veterans' affairs	
4	Personal services	1,462,774
5	Operating expenses	189,912
6	Grants	<u>37,500</u>
7	Total	1,690,186
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	1,511,104
10	Special funds	52,149
11	Federal funds	<u>126,933</u>
12	Total	1,690,186
13	Sec. B.220 Center for crime victim services	
14	Personal services	2,291,977
15	Operating expenses	349,027
16	Grants	<u>8,450,425</u>
17	Total	11,091,429
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	1,562,398
20	Special funds	3,765,489

1	Federal funds	<u>5,763,542</u>
2	Total	11,091,429
3	Sec. B.221 Criminal justice council	
4	Personal services	2,691,167
5	Operating expenses	<u>1,987,866</u>
6	Total	4,679,033
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	4,331,708
9	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>347,325</u>
10	Total	4,679,033
11	Sec. B.222 Agriculture, food and markets - administration	
12	Personal services	3,612,905
13	Operating expenses	<u>462,506</u>
14	Total	4,075,411
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	1,650,272
17	Special funds	1,919,780
18	Federal funds	497,859
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>7,500</u>
20	Total	4,075,411

1	Sec. B.223 Agriculture, food and markets - food safety and consumer	
2	protection	
3	Personal services	6,110,557
4	Operating expenses	1,310,703
5	Grants	<u>2,780,000</u>
6	Total	10,201,260
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	4,235,750
9	Special funds	3,830,620
10	Federal funds	2,122,890
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>12,000</u>
12	Total	10,201,260
13	Sec. B.224 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural development	
14	Personal services	3,031,439
15	Operating expenses	720,667
16	Grants	<u>16,318,200</u>
17	Total	20,070,306
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	3,232,484
20	Special funds	683,149
21	Federal funds	16,103,955

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>50,718</u>
2	Total	20,070,306
3	Sec. B.225 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural resource management	
4	and environmental stewardship	
5	Personal services	3,112,283
6	Operating expenses	916,568
7	Grants	<u>555,000</u>
8	Total	4,583,851
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	808,770
11	Special funds	2,977,583
12	Federal funds	411,751
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>385,747</u>
14	Total	4,583,851
15	Sec. B.225.1 Agriculture, food and markets - Vermont agriculture and	
16	environmental lab	
17	Personal services	2,118,554
18	Operating expenses	<u>1,425,694</u>
19	Total	3,544,248
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	1,657,622

1	Special funds	1,799,983
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>86,643</u>
3	Total	3,544,248
4	Sec. B.225.2 Agriculture, food and markets - clean water	
5	Personal services	4,302,930
6	Operating expenses	596,899
7	Grants	<u>13,704,381</u>
8	Total	18,604,210
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	2,040,981
11	Special funds	13,143,719
12	Federal funds	899,994
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,519,516</u>
14	Total	18,604,210
15	Sec. B.226 Financial regulation - administration	
16	Personal services	3,191,764
17	Operating expenses	119,849
18	Grants	<u>100,000</u>
19	Total	3,411,613
20	Source of funds	

1	Special funds	<u>3,411,613</u>
2	Total	3,411,613
3	Sec. B.227 Financial regulation - banking	
4	Personal services	2,626,530
5	Operating expenses	<u>489,061</u>
6	Total	3,115,591
7	Source of funds	
8	Special funds	<u>3,115,591</u>
9	Total	3,115,591
10	Sec. B.228 Financial regulation - insurance	
11	Personal services	6,081,320
12	Operating expenses	<u>726,826</u>
13	Total	6,808,146
14	Source of funds	
15	Special funds	<u>6,808,146</u>
16	Total	6,808,146
17	Sec. B.229 Financial regulation - captive insurance	
18	Personal services	5,852,030
19	Operating expenses	<u>485,166</u>
20	Total	6,337,196
21	Source of funds	

1	Special funds	<u>6,337,196</u>
2	Total	6,337,196
3	Sec. B.230 Financial regulation - securities	
4	Personal services	1,484,957
5	Operating expenses	<u>236,805</u>
6	Total	1,721,762
7	Source of funds	
8	Special funds	<u>1,721,762</u>
9	Total	1,721,762
10	Sec. B.232 Secretary of state	
11	Personal services	23,036,803
12	Operating expenses	3,553,687
13	Grants	<u>1,800,000</u>
14	Total	28,390,490
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	2,065,000
17	Special funds	21,682,168
18	Federal funds	<u>4,643,322</u>
19	Total	28,390,490

1	Sec. B.233 Public service - regulation and energy	
2	Personal services	13,710,252
3	Operating expenses	2,748,196
4	Grants	<u>16,375,000</u>
5	Total	32,833,448
6	Source of funds	
7	Special funds	12,654,322
8	Federal funds	18,595,869
9	Interdepartmental transfers	1,568,571
10	Enterprise funds	<u>14,686</u>
11	Total	32,833,448
12	Sec. B.233.1 VT Community broadband board	
13	Personal services	2,453,429
14	Operating expenses	816,431
15	Grants	<u>43,000,000</u>
16	Total	46,269,860
17	Source of funds	
18	Special funds	882,735
19	Federal funds	<u>45,387,125</u>
20	Total	46,269,860

1	Sec. B.234 Public utility commission	
2	Personal services	4,685,041
3	Operating expenses	<u>604,301</u>
4	Total	5,289,342
5	Source of funds	
6	Special funds	<u>5,289,342</u>
7	Total	5,289,342
8	Sec. B.235 Enhanced 9-1-1 board	
9	Personal services	4,854,520
10	Operating expenses	<u>704,797</u>
11	Total	5,559,317
12	Source of funds	
13	Special funds	<u>5,559,317</u>
14	Total	5,559,317
15	Sec. B.236 Human rights commission	
16	Personal services	1,352,987
17	Operating expenses	<u>178,128</u>
18	Total	1,531,115
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	<u>1,531,115</u>
21	Total	1,531,115

1	Sec. B.236.1 Liquor and lottery commission	
2	Personal services	11,295,690
3	Operating expenses	<u>5,914,352</u>
4	Total	17,210,042
5	Source of funds	
6	Special funds	125,000
7	Tobacco fund	252,863
8	Interdepartmental transfers	70,000
9	Enterprise funds	<u>16,762,179</u>
10	Total	17,210,042
11	Sec. B.240 Cannabis control board	
12	Personal services	4,669,174
13	Operating expenses	2,456,952
14	Grants	<u>15,000</u>
15	Total	7,141,126
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	4,576,032
18	Special funds	<u>2,565,094</u>
19	Total	7,141,126

1	Sec. B.241 Total protection to persons and property	
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	303,033,880
4	Special funds	123,157,988
5	Tobacco fund	687,523
6	Federal funds	252,448,869
7	Interdepartmental transfers	18,844,569
8	Enterprise funds	<u>16,776,865</u>
9	Total	714,949,694
10	Sec. B.300 Human services - agency of human services - secretary's office	
11	Personal services	18,803,543
12	Operating expenses	8,491,902
13	Grants	<u>3,257,864</u>
14	Total	30,553,309
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	12,150,921
17	Special funds	135,517
18	Federal funds	15,052,120
19	Global Commitment fund	2,875,929
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>338,822</u>
21	Total	30,553,309

1	Sec. B.301 Secretary's office - global commitment	
2	Grants	<u>2,273,020,435</u>
3	Total	2,273,020,435
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	743,830,685
6	Special funds	31,874,504
7	Tobacco fund	21,049,373
8	State health care resources fund	31,074,772
9	Federal funds	1,440,005,206
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>5,185,895</u>
11	Total	2,273,020,435
12	Sec. B.303 Developmental disabilities council	
13	Personal services	536,809
14	Operating expenses	91,194
15	Grants	<u>191,595</u>
16	Total	819,598
17	Source of funds	
18	Federal funds	<u>819,598</u>
19	Total	819,598

1	Sec. B.304 Human services board	
2	Personal services	837,298
3	Operating expenses	<u>103,145</u>
4	Total	940,443
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	550,413
7	Federal funds	<u>390,030</u>
8	Total	940,443
9	Sec. B.305 AHS - administrative fund	
10	Personal services	330,000
11	Operating expenses	<u>13,170,000</u>
12	Total	13,500,000
13	Source of funds	
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>13,500,000</u>
15	Total	13,500,000
16	Sec. B.306 Department of Vermont health access - administration	
17	Personal services	147,234,611
18	Operating expenses	47,892,588
19	Grants	<u>3,112,301</u>
20	Total	198,239,500
21	Source of funds	

1	General fund	43,531,984
2	Special funds	11,408,238
3	Federal funds	135,473,624
4	Global Commitment fund	4,814,385
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>3,011,269</u>
6	Total	198,239,500
7	Sec. B.307 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - global	
8	commitment	
9	Grants	<u>1,018,891,468</u>
10	Total	1,018,891,468
11	Source of funds	
12	Global Commitment fund	<u>1,018,891,468</u>
13	Total	1,018,891,468
14	Sec. B.309 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - state	
15	only	
16	Grants	<u>87,719,396</u>
17	Total	87,719,396
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	62,223,167
20	Special funds	20,025,000

1	Global Commitment fund	<u>5,471,229</u>
2	Total	87,719,396
3	Sec. B.310 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid non-waiver	
4	matched	
5	Grants	<u>53,713,422</u>
6	Total	53,713,422
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	13,976,890
9	Federal funds	<u>39,736,532</u>
10	Total	53,713,422
11	Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support	
12	Personal services	9,530,484
13	Operating expenses	9,699,306
14	Total	19,229,790
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	3,988,804
17	Special funds	1,584,462
18	Tobacco fund	70,101
19	Federal funds	9,440,311
20	Global Commitment fund	4,018,122

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>127,990</u>
2	Total	19,229,790
3	Sec. B.312 Health - public health	
4	Personal services	74,383,408
5	Operating expenses	9,332,917
6	Grants	<u>50,136,945</u>
7	Total	133,853,270
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	16,897,106
10	Special funds	28,928,042
11	Tobacco fund	1,022,514
12	Federal funds	64,633,236
13	Global Commitment fund	19,796,403
14	Interdepartmental transfers	2,550,969
15	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
16	Total	133,853,270
17	Sec. B.313 Health - substance use programs	
18	Personal services	6,228,331
19	Operating expenses	1,597,360
20	Grants	<u>62,995,881</u>
21	Total	70,821,572

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	4,642,402
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	70,821,572
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	Sec. B.315 Department of mental health - mental health facilities	
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	Sec. B.316 Department for children and families - administration & support	
11	services	
12	Personal services	53,504,671
13	Operating expenses	21,318,873
14	Grants	<u>5,145,047</u>
15	Total	79,968,591
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	54,056,305
18	Special funds	2,695,360
19	Federal funds	20,162,623
20	Global Commitment fund	2,427,300

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>627,003</u>
2	Total	79,968,591
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	
9	General fund	68,388,078
10	Special funds	729,150
11	Federal funds	37,280,968
12	Global Commitment fund	53,320,404
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>15,000</u>
14	Total	159,733,600
15	Sec. B.318 Department for children and families - child development	
16	Personal services	7,080,069
17	Operating expenses	1,017,973
18	Grants	<u>225,731,684</u>
19	Total	233,829,726
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	71,876,506

1	Special funds	104,967,803
2	Federal funds	42,948,970
3	Global Commitment fund	<u>14,036,447</u>
4	Total	233,829,726
5	Sec. B.319 Department for children and families - office of child support	
6	Personal services	14,842,317
7	Operating expenses	<u>3,753,380</u>
8	Total	18,595,697
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	5,841,149
11	Special funds	453,110
12	Federal funds	11,913,838
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>387,600</u>
14	Total	18,595,697
15	Sec. B.320 Department for children and families - aid to aged, blind and	
16	disabled	
17	Personal services	2,611,765
18	Grants	<u>10,283,881</u>
19	Total	12,895,646
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	7,452,643

1	Global Commitment fund	<u>5,443,003</u>
2	Total	12,895,646
3	Sec. B.321 Department for children and families - general assistance	
4	Personal services	15,000
5	Grants	<u>11,690,819</u>
6	Total	11,705,819
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	11,504,245
9	Federal funds	11,098
10	Global Commitment fund	<u>190,476</u>
11	Total	11,705,819
12	Sec. B.322 Department for children and families - 3SquaresVT	
13	Grants	<u>53,077,812</u>
14	Total	53,077,812
15	Source of funds	
16	Federal funds	<u>53,077,812</u>
17	Total	53,077,812
18	Sec. B.323 Department for children and families - reach up	
19	Operating expenses	23,821
20	Grants	<u>32,466,947</u>
21	Total	32,490,768

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	17,904,212
3	Special funds	6,106,068
4	Federal funds	4,953,062
5	Global Commitment fund	<u>3,527,426</u>
6	Total	32,490,768
7	Sec. B.324 Department for children and families - home heating fuel	
8	assistance/LIHEAP	
9	Grants	<u>20,730,395</u>
10	Total	20,730,395
11	Source of funds	
12	Special funds	1,480,395
13	Federal funds	<u>19,250,000</u>
14	Total	20,730,395
15	Sec. B.325 Department for children and families - office of economic	
16	opportunity	
17	Personal services	1,872,257
18	Operating expenses	188,231
19	Grants	<u>54,772,640</u>
20	Total	56,833,128
21	Source of funds	

1	General fund	47,986,907
2	Special funds	83,135
3	Federal funds	5,139,585
4	Global Commitment fund	<u>3,623,501</u>
5	Total	56,833,128
6	Sec. B.326 Department for children and families - OEO - weatherization	
7	assistance	
8	Personal services	473,291
9	Operating expenses	277,072
10	Grants	<u>16,147,885</u>
11	Total	16,898,248
12	Source of funds	
13	Special funds	7,733,295
14	Federal funds	<u>9,164,953</u>
15	Total	16,898,248
16	Sec. B.327 Department for children and families - secure residential treatment	
17	Personal services	258,100
18	Operating expenses	38,870
19	Grants	<u>4,476,862</u>
20	Total	4,773,832
21	Source of funds	

1	General fund	4,743,832
2	Global Commitment fund	<u>30,000</u>
3	Total	4,773,832
4	Sec. B.328 Department for children and families - disability determination	
5	services	
6	Personal services	8,771,035
7	Operating expenses	<u>632,678</u>
8	Total	9,403,713
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	141,599
11	Federal funds	<u>9,262,114</u>
12	Total	9,403,713
13	Sec. B.329 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - administration &	
14	support	
15	Personal services	54,488,657
16	Operating expenses	<u>7,899,745</u>
17	Total	62,388,402
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	28,240,734
20	Special funds	3,476,056
21	Federal funds	29,054,031

1	Global Commitment fund	110,000
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,507,581</u>
3	Total	62,388,402
4	Sec. B.330 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - advocacy and	
5	independent living grants	
6	Grants	<u>27,332,274</u>
7	Total	27,332,274
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	8,769,909
10	Federal funds	10,541,896
11	Global Commitment fund	<u>8,020,469</u>
12	Total	27,332,274
13	Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - blind and visually	
14	impaired	
15	Grants	<u>3,557,604</u>
16	Total	3,557,604
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	639,154
19	Special funds	223,450
20	Federal funds	2,390,000

1	Global Commitment fund	<u>305,000</u>
2	Total	3,557,604
3	Sec. B.332 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - vocational	
4	rehabilitation	
5	Grants	<u>10,145,384</u>
6	Total	10,145,384
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	371,845
9	Federal funds	9,616,000
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>157,539</u>
11	Total	10,145,384
12	Sec. B.333 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - developmental services	
13	Grants	<u>361,412,468</u>
14	Total	361,412,468
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	132,732
17	Special funds	15,463
18	Federal funds	200,000
19	Global Commitment fund	360,997,607
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>66,666</u>
21	Total	361,412,468

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

1	General fund	<u>6,564,123</u>
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	Grants	<u>801,823</u>

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	Sec. B.340 Corrections - correctional facilities - recreation	
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	12,153,730

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	General fund	4,403,223
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	Sec. B.347 Total human services	
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	1,516,094,725
14	Special funds	257,451,042
15	Tobacco fund	23,091,905
16	State health care resources fund	31,074,772
17	Federal funds	2,012,755,827
18	Global Commitment fund	2,214,433,524
19	Internal service funds	676,463
20	Interdepartmental transfers	29,286,337

1	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
2	Total	6,084,889,595
3	Sec. B.400 Labor - programs	
4	Personal services	37,245,562
5	Operating expenses	5,944,271
6	Grants	<u>1,632,900</u>
7	Total	44,822,733
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	11,854,490
10	Special funds	10,685,153
11	Federal funds	22,188,227
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>94,863</u>
13	Total	44,822,733
14	Sec. B.401 Total labor	
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	11,854,490
17	Special funds	10,685,153
18	Federal funds	22,188,227
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>94,863</u>
20	Total	44,822,733

1	Sec. B.500 Education - education services	
2	Personal services	34,311,091
3	Operating expenses	6,389,982
4	Grants	<u>188,531,318</u>
5	Total	229,232,391
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	20,194,009
8	Special funds	2,111,117
9	Tobacco fund	750,388
10	Education fund	3,937,725
11	Federal funds	200,665,386
12	Global Commitment fund	260,000
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,313,766</u>
14	Total	229,232,391
15	Sec. B.502 Education - special education: formula grants	
16	Personal services	1,083,000
17	Grants	<u>275,642,100</u>
18	Total	276,725,100
19	Source of funds	
20	Education fund	<u>276,725,100</u>
21	Total	276,725,100

1	Sec. B.503 Education - state-placed students	
2	Grants	<u>18,286,500</u>
3	Total	18,286,500
4	Source of funds	
5	Education fund	<u>18,286,500</u>
6	Total	18,286,500
7	Sec. B.504 Education - adult education and literacy	
8	Grants	<u>5,290,338</u>
9	Total	5,290,338
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	4,349,673
12	Federal funds	<u>940,665</u>
13	Total	5,290,338
14	Sec. B.504.1 Education - Flexible Pathways	
15	Grants	<u>11,742,782</u>
16	Total	11,742,782
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	921,500
19	Education fund	<u>10,821,282</u>
20	Total	11,742,782

1	Sec. B.505 Education - adjusted education payment	
2	Grants	<u>2,070,324,298</u>
3	Total	2,070,324,298
4	Source of funds	
5	Education fund	<u>2,070,324,298</u>
6	Total	2,070,324,298
7	Sec. B.506 Education - transportation	
8	Grants	<u>26,925,382</u>
9	Total	26,925,382
10	Source of funds	
11	Education fund	<u>26,925,382</u>
12	Total	26,925,382
13	Sec. B.507 Education - merger support grants	
14	Grants	<u>1,800,000</u>
15	Total	1,800,000
16	Source of funds	
17	Education fund	<u>1,800,000</u>
18	Total	1,800,000
19	Sec. B.507.1 Education - EL categorical aid	
20	Grants	<u>2,500,000</u>
21	Total	2,500,000

1	Source of funds	
2	Education fund	<u>2,500,000</u>
3	Total	2,500,000
4	Sec. B.508 Education - nutrition	
5	Grants	<u>18,300,000</u>
6	Total	18,300,000
7	Source of funds	
8	Education fund	<u>18,300,000</u>
9	Total	18,300,000
10	Sec. B.509 Education - afterschool grant program	
11	Personal services	484,293
12	Operating expenses	20,707
13	Grants	<u>9,595,000</u>
14	Total	10,100,000
15	Source of funds	
16	Special funds	<u>10,100,000</u>
17	Total	10,100,000
18	Sec. B.510 Education - essential early education grant	
19	Grants	<u>9,552,240</u>
20	Total	9,552,240
21	Source of funds	

1	Education fund	<u>9,552,240</u>
2	Total	9,552,240
3	Sec. B.511 Education - technical education	
4	Grants	<u>19,636,750</u>
5	Total	19,636,750
6	Source of funds	
7	Education fund	<u>19,636,750</u>
8	Total	19,636,750
9	Sec. B.511.1 State board of education	
10	Personal services	54,208
11	Operating expenses	<u>16,500</u>
12	Total	70,708
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	<u>70,708</u>
15	Total	70,708
16	Sec. B.513 Retired teachers pension plus funding	
17	Grants	<u>15,000,000</u>
18	Total	15,000,000
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	<u>15,000,000</u>
21	Total	15,000,000

1	Sec. B.514 State teachers' retirement system	
2	Grants	<u>212,905,084</u>
3	Total	212,905,084
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	170,750,066
6	Education fund	<u>42,155,018</u>
7	Total	212,905,084
8	Sec. B.514.1 State teachers' retirement system administration	
9	Personal services	379,226
10	Operating expenses	<u>3,792,259</u>
11	Total	4,171,485
12	Source of funds	
13	Pension trust funds	<u>4,171,485</u>
14	Total	4,171,485
15	Sec. B.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits	
16	Grants	<u>90,834,595</u>
17	Total	90,834,595
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	62,640,904
20	Education fund	<u>28,193,691</u>
21	Total	90,834,595

1	Sec. B.516 Total general education	
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	273,926,860
4	Special funds	12,211,117
5	Tobacco fund	750,388
6	Education fund	2,529,157,986
7	Federal funds	201,606,051
8	Global Commitment fund	260,000
9	Interdepartmental transfers	1,313,766
10	Pension trust funds	<u>4,171,485</u>
11	Total	3,023,397,653
12	Sec. B.600 University of Vermont	
13	Grants	<u>59,099,447</u>
14	Total	59,099,447
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	<u>59,099,447</u>
17	Total	59,099,447
18	Sec. B.602 Vermont state colleges	
19	Grants	<u>54,042,753</u>
20	Total	54,042,753
21	Source of funds	

1	General fund	<u>54,042,753</u>
2	Total	54,042,753
3	Sec. B.603 Vermont state colleges - allied health	
4	Grants	<u>1,806,000</u>
5	Total	1,806,000
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	306,000
8	Global Commitment fund	<u>1,500,000</u>
9	Total	1,806,000
10	Sec. B.605 Vermont student assistance corporation	
11	Grants	<u>27,897,494</u>
12	Total	27,897,494
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	<u>27,897,494</u>
15	Total	27,897,494
16	Sec. B.605.1 VSAC - flexible pathways stipend	
17	Grants	<u>82,450</u>
18	Total	82,450
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	41,225

1	Education fund	<u>41,225</u>
2	Total	82,450
3	Sec. B.606 New England higher education compact	
4	Grants	<u>86,520</u>
5	Total	86,520
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	<u>86,520</u>
8	Total	86,520
9	Sec. B.607 Total higher education	
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	141,473,439
12	Education fund	41,225
13	Global Commitment fund	<u>1,500,000</u>
14	Total	143,014,664
15	Sec. B.700 Natural resources - agency of natural resources - administration	
16	Personal services	6,881,451
17	Operating expenses	1,291,376
18	Grants	<u>5,000</u>
19	Total	8,177,827
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	5,628,757

1	Special funds	687,843
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,861,227</u>
3	Total	8,177,827
4	Sec. B.701 Natural resources - state land local property tax assessment	
5	Operating expenses	<u>2,711,643</u>
6	Total	2,711,643
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	2,290,143
9	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>421,500</u>
10	Total	2,711,643
11	Sec. B.702 Fish and wildlife - support and field services	
12	Personal services	25,124,512
13	Operating expenses	7,287,815
14	Grants	<u>824,803</u>
15	Total	33,237,130
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	10,313,811
18	Special funds	379,405
19	Fish and wildlife fund	10,864,047
20	Federal funds	10,133,967

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,545,900</u>
2	Total	33,237,130
3	Sec. B.703 Forests, parks and recreation - administration	
4	Personal services	1,644,130
5	Operating expenses	<u>1,807,698</u>
6	Total	3,451,828
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	3,207,811
9	Special funds	138,261
10	Federal funds	<u>105,756</u>
11	Total	3,451,828
12	Sec. B.704 Forests, parks and recreation - forestry	
13	Personal services	10,669,963
14	Operating expenses	1,397,258
15	Grants	<u>2,517,648</u>
16	Total	14,584,869
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	7,196,482
19	Special funds	1,553,980
20	Federal funds	5,657,787

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>176,620</u>
2	Total	14,584,869
3	Sec. B.705 Forests, parks and recreation - state parks	
4	Personal services	14,447,858
5	Operating expenses	4,775,590
6	Grants	<u>598,307</u>
7	Total	19,821,755
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	1,774,736
10	Special funds	<u>18,047,019</u>
11	Total	19,821,755
12	Sec. B.706 Forests, parks and recreation - lands administration and recreation	
13	Personal services	8,459,029
14	Operating expenses	4,627,930
15	Grants	<u>2,469,865</u>
16	Total	15,556,824
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	1,403,261
19	Special funds	2,430,801
20	Federal funds	11,180,116

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>542,646</u>
2	Total	15,556,824
3	Sec. B.708 Forests, parks and recreation - forest and parks access roads	
4	Personal services	130,000
5	Operating expenses	<u>99,925</u>
6	Total	229,925
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	<u>229,925</u>
9	Total	229,925
10	Sec. B.709 Environmental conservation - management and support services	
11	Personal services	10,017,955
12	Operating expenses	5,850,830
13	Grants	<u>191,597</u>
14	Total	16,060,382
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	2,207,896
17	Special funds	1,593,728
18	Federal funds	2,948,598
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>9,310,160</u>
20	Total	16,060,382

1	Sec. B.710 Environmental conservation - air and waste management	
2	Personal services	15,391,418
3	Operating expenses	5,574,446
4	Grants	<u>7,623,000</u>
5	Total	28,588,864
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	1,476,577
8	Special funds	20,742,337
9	Federal funds	6,202,095
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>167,855</u>
11	Total	28,588,864
12	Sec. B.711 Environmental conservation - office of water programs	
13	Personal services	43,817,953
14	Operating expenses	9,017,743
15	Grants	<u>104,714,537</u>
16	Total	157,550,233
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	13,321,778
19	Special funds	34,702,513
20	Federal funds	108,412,378

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,113,564</u>
2	Total	157,550,233
3	Sec. B.713 Land use review board	
4	Personal services	5,298,333
5	Operating expenses	<u>598,682</u>
6	Total	5,897,015
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	4,364,343
9	Special funds	<u>1,532,672</u>
10	Total	5,897,015
11	Sec. B.714 Total natural resources	
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	53,415,520
14	Special funds	81,808,559
15	Fish and wildlife fund	10,864,047
16	Federal funds	144,640,697
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>15,139,472</u>
18	Total	305,868,295

1	Sec. B.800 Commerce and community development - agency of commerce and	
2	community development - administration	
3	Personal services	2,617,789
4	Operating expenses	921,911
5	Grants	<u>424,320</u>
6	Total	3,964,020
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	<u>3,964,020</u>
9	Total	3,964,020
10	Sec. B.801 Economic development	
11	Personal services	3,221,256
12	Operating expenses	1,306,125
13	Grants	<u>6,506,544</u>
14	Total	11,033,925
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	6,105,922
17	Special funds	3,314,565
18	Federal funds	<u>1,613,438</u>
19	Total	11,033,925

1	Sec. B.802 Housing and community development	
2	Personal services	6,568,853
3	Operating expenses	2,253,786
4	Grants	<u>45,303,523</u>
5	Total	54,126,162
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	12,002,421
8	Transportation fund	1,000,000
9	Special funds	10,679,645
10	Federal funds	<u>30,444,096</u>
11	Total	54,126,162
12	Sec. B.806 Tourism and marketing	
13	Personal services	2,284,798
14	Operating expenses	1,785,851
15	Grants	<u>1,020,000</u>
16	Total	5,090,649
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	<u>5,090,649</u>
19	Total	5,090,649

1	Sec. B.808 Vermont council on the arts	
2	Grants	<u>1,071,800</u>
3	Total	1,071,800
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	<u>1,071,800</u>
6	Total	1,071,800
7	Sec. B.809 Vermont symphony orchestra	
8	Grants	<u>158,795</u>
9	Total	158,795
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	<u>158,795</u>
12	Total	158,795
13	Sec. B.810 Vermont historical society	
14	Grants	<u>1,245,583</u>
15	Total	1,245,583
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	<u>1,245,583</u>
18	Total	1,245,583
19	Sec. B.811 Vermont housing and conservation board	
20	Grants	<u>100,358,842</u>
21	Total	100,358,842

1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	1,680,529
3	Special funds	39,341,857
4	Federal funds	<u>59,336,456</u>
5	Total	100,358,842
6	Sec. B.812 Vermont humanities council	
7	Grants	<u>327,818</u>
8	Total	327,818
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	<u>327,818</u>
11	Total	327,818
12	Sec. B.813 Total commerce and community development	
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	31,647,537
15	Transportation fund	1,000,000
16	Special funds	53,336,067
17	Federal funds	<u>91,393,990</u>
18	Total	177,377,594
19	Sec. B.900 Transportation - finance and administration	
20	Personal services	19,147,814
21	Operating expenses	6,291,478

1	Grants	<u>50,000</u>
2	Total	25,489,292
3	Source of funds	
4	Transportation fund	24,169,252
5	Federal funds	<u>1,320,040</u>
6	Total	25,489,292
7	Sec. B.901 Transportation - aviation	
8	Personal services	5,289,467
9	Operating expenses	<u>7,691,413</u>
10	Total	12,980,880
11	Source of funds	
12	Transportation fund	6,710,146
13	Federal funds	<u>6,270,734</u>
14	Total	12,980,880
15	Sec. B.902 Transportation - buildings	
16	Operating expenses	<u>1,700,000</u>
17	Total	1,700,000
18	Source of funds	
19	Transportation fund	<u>1,700,000</u>
20	Total	1,700,000

1	Sec. B.903 Transportation - program development	
2	Personal services	109,305,403
3	Operating expenses	304,422,913
4	Grants	<u>51,321,428</u>
5	Total	465,049,744
6	Source of funds	
7	Transportation fund	66,875,701
8	TIB fund	14,575,436
9	Special funds	280,000
10	Federal funds	363,035,876
11	Interdepartmental transfers	10,331,303
12	Local match	<u>9,951,428</u>
13	Total	465,049,744
14	Sec. B.904 Transportation - rest areas construction	
15	Personal services	180,000
16	Operating expenses	<u>270,000</u>
17	Total	450,000
18	Source of funds	
19	Transportation fund	45,000
20	Federal funds	<u>405,000</u>
21	Total	450,000

1	Sec. B.905 Transportation - maintenance state system	
2	Personal services	52,774,612
3	Operating expenses	<u>59,752,063</u>
4	Total	112,526,675
5	Source of funds	
6	Transportation fund	109,994,661
7	Federal funds	2,432,014
8	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>100,000</u>
9	Total	112,526,675
10	Sec. B.906 Transportation - policy and planning	
11	Personal services	3,368,645
12	Operating expenses	299,526
13	Grants	<u>10,254,679</u>
14	Total	13,922,850
15	Source of funds	
16	Transportation fund	2,378,766
17	Federal funds	11,444,134
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>99,950</u>
19	Total	13,922,850

1	Sec. B.906.1 Transportation - environmental policy and sustainability	
2	Personal services	14,855,456
3	Operating expenses	<u>89,082</u>
4	Total	14,944,538
5	Source of funds	
6	Transportation fund	371,589
7	Federal funds	11,025,693
8	Interdepartmental transfers	1,141,695
9	Local match	<u>2,405,561</u>
10	Total	14,944,538
11	Sec. B.907 Transportation - rail	
12	Personal services	8,671,804
13	Operating expenses	51,567,606
14	Grants	<u>50,000</u>
15	Total	60,289,410
16	Source of funds	
17	Transportation fund	12,548,774
18	TIB fund	1,000,000
19	Federal funds	34,688,907
20	Interdepartmental transfers	6,854,052

1	Local match	<u>5,197,677</u>
2	Total	60,289,410
3	Sec. B.907.1 Transportation - Rail Trails Program	
4	Personal services	3,577,763
5	Operating expenses	<u>57,266</u>
6	Total	3,635,029
7	Source of funds	
8	Transportation fund	478,272
9	Federal funds	1,769,326
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,387,431</u>
11	Total	3,635,029
12	Sec. B.908 Transportation - public transit	
13	Personal services	136,840
14	Operating expenses	71,582
15	Grants	<u>57,646,725</u>
16	Total	57,855,147
17	Source of funds	
18	Transportation fund	9,947,447
19	Federal funds	46,607,700
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,300,000</u>
21	Total	57,855,147

1	Sec. B.909 Transportation - central garage	
2	Personal services	6,345,376
3	Operating expenses	<u>19,725,126</u>
4	Total	26,070,502
5	Source of funds	
6	Internal service funds	<u>26,070,502</u>
7	Total	26,070,502
8	Sec. B.910 Department of motor vehicles	
9	Personal services	39,906,668
10	Operating expenses	<u>11,738,708</u>
11	Total	51,645,376
12	Source of funds	
13	Transportation fund	46,545,599
14	Federal funds	4,978,081
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>121,696</u>
16	Total	51,645,376
17	Sec. B.911 Transportation - town highway structures	
18	Grants	<u>7,394,400</u>
19	Total	7,394,400
20	Source of funds	

1	Transportation fund	<u>7,394,400</u>
2	Total	7,394,400
3	Sec. B.912 Transportation - town highway local technical assistance program	
4	Personal services	439,752
5	Operating expenses	28,700
6	Grants	<u>13,000</u>
7	Total	481,452
8	Source of funds	
9	Transportation fund	121,452
10	Federal funds	<u>360,000</u>
11	Total	481,452
12	Sec. B.913 Transportation - town highway class 2 roadway	
13	Grants	<u>8,832,200</u>
14	Total	8,832,200
15	Source of funds	
16	Transportation fund	<u>8,832,200</u>
17	Total	8,832,200
18	Sec. B.914 Transportation - town highway bridges	
19	Personal services	9,168,000
20	Operating expenses	19,830,382
21	Grants	<u>1,280,000</u>

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

1	Sec. B.917 Transportation - town highway: state aid for nonfederal disasters	
2	Grants	<u>1,150,000</u>
3	Total	1,150,000
4	Source of funds	
5	Transportation fund	<u>1,150,000</u>
6	Total	1,150,000
7	Sec. B.918 Transportation - town highway: state aid for federal disasters	
8	Personal services	500,000
9	Operating expenses	50,000
10	Grants	<u>3,450,000</u>
11	Total	4,000,000
12	Source of funds	
13	Federal funds	<u>4,000,000</u>
14	Total	4,000,000
15	Sec. B.919 Transportation - municipal mitigation assistance program	
16	Personal services	137,500
17	Operating expenses	310,500
18	Grants	<u>5,695,000</u>
19	Total	6,143,000
20	Source of funds	
21	Transportation fund	715,000

1	Special funds	4,000,000
2	Federal funds	<u>1,428,000</u>
3	Total	6,143,000
4	Sec. B.921 Transportation board	
5	Personal services	176,096
6	Operating expenses	<u>19,208</u>
7	Total	195,304
8	Source of funds	
9	Transportation fund	<u>195,304</u>
10	Total	195,304
11	Sec. B.922 Total transportation	
12	Source of funds	
13	Transportation fund	331,542,355
14	TIB fund	18,350,000
15	Special funds	4,280,000
16	Federal funds	515,369,691
17	Internal service funds	26,070,502
18	Interdepartmental transfers	21,591,799
19	Local match	<u>19,198,626</u>
20	Total	936,402,973

1	Sec. B.1000 Debt service	
2	Operating expenses	<u>675,000</u>
3	Total	675,000
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	<u>675,000</u>
6	Total	675,000
7	Sec. B.1001 Total debt service	
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	<u>675,000</u>
10	Total	675,000
11	* * * Fiscal Year 2027 One-Time Appropriations * * *	
12	Sec. B.1100 MISCELLANEOUS FISCAL YEAR 2027 ONE-TIME	
13	APPROPRIATIONS	
14	<u>(a) Agency of Administration Secretary's Office. In fiscal year 2027,</u>	
15	<u>funds are appropriated for the following:</u>	
16	<u>(1) \$110,000 General Fund for the Office of Racial Equity to continue</u>	
17	<u>for an additional year the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Action, Leadership</u>	
18	<u>Vermont program.</u>	
19	<u>(2) \$900,000 General Fund to complete the work of the Truth and</u>	
20	<u>Reconciliation Commission.</u>	

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

3 (1) \$300,000 General Fund and \$2,700,000 federal funds for
4 information technology updates resulting from the 2025 federal H.R.1
5 Medicaid changes.

6 (2) \$1,425,000 General Fund for Provider Stabilization Grants.

7 (3) \$3,708,562 Global Commitment for the per-member, per-month
8 primary care case management payments to primary care providers pursuant to
9 Sec. E.306.3 of this act.

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

12 (1) \$21,183,809 General Fund for the provision of services,
13 implementation of the Vermont Homelessness Response Continuum, shelter
14 development and operation, emergency housing in hotels and motels, grants to
15 municipalities, emergency cold weather shelters, and supportive services,
16 including case management, staffing, grants, and contracts.

17 (2) \$164,500 General Fund and \$29,873 Global Commitment for a grant
18 to Prevent Child Abuse Vermont for nurturing parenting programs.

19 (3) \$180,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Parent Child
20 Center Network for concrete supports programs.

1 (4) \$200,000 General Fund for a grant to End Homelessness Vermont to
2 support housing navigation, case management, service coordination, technical
3 assistance, appeals, and permanent housing support for individuals living with
4 complex needs and disabilities who are experiencing homelessness or housing
5 insecurity.

6 (5) \$130,000 General Fund for distribution to supervised visitation
7 programs pursuant to Sec. E.317 of this act.

8 (6) \$4,000,000 General Fund for a temporary secure treatment facility
9 for youth.

10 (7) \$697,000 General Fund for direct aid to the Vermont Foodbank's
11 network partner food shelves and pantries through an equitable statewide
12 distribution of food or subgrants, or both.

13 (8) \$293,866 Global Commitment for post permanency adoption
14 services.

15 (d) Agency of Human Services Secretary's Office. In fiscal year 2027,
16 funds are appropriated for the following:

17 (1) \$200,000 General Fund for a grant to Vermont Legal Aid for an
18 immigration attorney.

19 (2) \$375,000 General Fund and \$519,348 federal funds for the Global
20 Commitment appropriation in subdivision (k)(2) of this section to support
21 Meals on Wheels programs.

1 (3) \$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 (4) \$1,555,000 General Fund and \$2,153,562 federal funds for the
5 Global Commitment appropriation in subdivision (b)(3) of this section for per-
6 member, per-month primary care case management payments to primary care
7 providers pursuant to Sec. E.306.3 of this act.

8 (5) \$123,218 General Fund and \$170,648 federal funds for the Global
9 Commitment appropriation in subdivision (c)(8) of this section for post
10 permanency adoption services.

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

13 (1) \$200,000 General Fund for Vermont Outdoor Recreation Economic
14 Collaborative grants.

15 (2) \$300,000 General Fund for the Serve Learn Earn Program.

16 (f) Department of Housing and Community Development. In fiscal year
17 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

18 (1) \$800,000 General Fund for the Manufactured Home Improvement
19 and Repair Program.

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

4 (3) \$100,000 General Fund for the Vermont Housing Finance Agency
5 First Generation Homebuyer Program.

6 (4) \$25,000 General Fund for a grant to the South Hero Service
7 Committee to design and construct a building.

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

10 (1) \$150,000 General Fund for maintaining the current contract with the
11 Canadian International Economic Development Partnership to provide in-
12 market services to Montreal-based businesses seeking to expand into Vermont.

13 (2) \$75,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Professionals of
14 Color Network.

15 (3) \$50,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont 250th Anniversary
16 Commission for the 250th celebration.

17 (4) \$2,000,000 General Fund for the Rural Industry Development
18 Program.

19 (5) \$100,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Law and
20 Graduate School for its public education offerings and free legal support to
21 small businesses through its Vermont Small Business Law Center.

1 (6) \$150,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Small Business
2 Development Center to support the continuation of its work in helping
3 Vermonters start, acquire, and grow businesses and to increase business
4 advising and educational workshops to meet increasing demands of
5 entrepreneurs and small business owners post pandemic.

6 (h) Agency of Transportation. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated
7 for the following:

8 (1) \$1,360,069 Transportation Fund for the FEMA 428 project
9 relocating the Central Garage to Paine Turnpike in Berlin.

10 (2) \$1,347,107 General Fund for grants to municipalities that would
11 have otherwise been eligible for federal aid if a presidential disaster declaration
12 had been approved for damage incurred in Caledonia County during July 2025.
13 Grants shall be provided on a reimbursement basis for actual costs incurred
14 under the following conditions:

15 (A) Awards shall be for repairs made to infrastructure included in
16 damage estimates conducted by the Agency of Transportation in March 2026
17 for the July 2025 disaster.

18 (B) Awards shall be for up to 50 percent of the repair costs estimated
19 by the Agency of Transportation in March 2026.

20 (C) The repair conducted is compliant with all applicable Vermont
21 statutes and regulations.

1 (D) The recipient agrees to maintain documentation as required by
2 the Agency of Transportation.

3 (E) The recipient accepts other award terms and conditions as
4 determined by the Agency of Transportation and required by Agency of
5 Administration Bulletin 5 to ensure the funds are spent appropriately and
6 effectively.

7 (3) \$300,000 General Fund for supplemental nonemergency medical
8 transportation funding.

9 (4) \$3,000,000 PILOT Special Fund, notwithstanding 32 V.S.A.
10 § 3709(a), to provide additional grants through the general State aid to town
11 highways program pursuant to 19 V.S.A. § 306(a). The amount appropriated
12 pursuant to this subdivision shall be supplemental to and shall not supplant or
13 decrease any amounts appropriated pursuant to the provisions of 19 V.S.A.
14 § 306(a) in fiscal year 2027.

15 (i) Department of Health. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for
16 the following:

17 (1) \$140,000 General Fund for the Vermont State Youth Council.

18 (2) \$150,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Language Justice
19 Project to prepare informational materials for Vermonters who speak
20 languages other than English in the event of a disease outbreak or other public
21 health emergency.

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

3 (1) \$160,000 General Fund for a grant to the Howard Center for the
4 Community Outreach Program.

5 (2) \$234,500 General Fund for a grant to the Champlain Valley Office
6 of Economic Opportunity to support operations of the Community Resource
7 Center.

8 (k) Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living. In fiscal
9 year 2027, funds are appropriated for the following:

10 (1) \$235,000 General Fund for a grant to HomeShare Vermont.

11 (2) \$894,348 Global Commitment to support Meals on Wheels
12 programs.

13 (3) \$100,000 General Fund for a grant to support the start-up costs of a
14 new adult day program in Washington or Rutland county or to support the cost
15 of an existing adult day program to expand its capacity to serve more
16 individuals.

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

19 (1) \$125,000 General Fund for a grant to the Northeast Organic Farming
20 Association of Vermont for the Crop Cash, Crop Cash Plus, and Farm Share
21 programs.

1 (2) \$300,000 General Fund for grants to Vermont's 14 Natural Resource
2 Conservation Districts.

3 (3) \$110,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Foodbank for the
4 Vermonters Feeding Vermonters Program.

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

7 (1) \$90,000 General Fund for the Vermont Access Network Community
8 Radio Program.

9 (2) \$450,000 General Fund to support the costs of elections in calendar
10 year 2026.

11 (3) \$50,000 General Fund for awards to support local civic journalism.

12 (n) Department of Labor. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for
13 the following:

14 (1) \$200,000 General Fund for a grant to Advance Vermont.

15 (o) Agency of Education. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for
16 the following:

17 (1) \$150,000 General Fund to provide healthy meals and snacks to
18 children and adults receiving supervised care services.

19 (2) \$150,000 General Fund for automated external defibrillators in
20 schools.

1 (p) Department of Financial Regulation. In fiscal year 2027, funds are
2 appropriated for the following:

3 (1) \$25,000 General Fund to support a study on the estimated amount
4 that health insurance premiums would increase if Vermont were to enact
5 legislation requiring health insurance coverage of biomarker testing.

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

8 (1) \$2,320,000 Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund,
9 notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 2885, for Freedom and Unity grants.

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

12 (1) \$150,000 General Fund for the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance
13 Program.

14 (2) \$75,000 General Fund for costs associated with the Pension and
15 Benefits Funding Task Force.

16 (3) \$50,000 General Fund to support the work of the Public Employee
17 Health Benefit Authority Study Committee, including the hiring of one or
18 more consultants or firms to assist with facilitating meetings and public
19 hearings and preparing its report.

20 (s) General Assembly. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for the
21 following:

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

3 (t) Vermont State Colleges. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for
4 the following:

5 (1) \$600,000 Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund,
6 notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 2885, for the McClelland Hall housing
7 transformation project.

8 (u) Department of Environmental Conservation. In fiscal year 2027, funds
9 are appropriated for the following:

10 (1) \$200,000 General Fund for the Chloride Contamination Reduction
11 Program.

12 (v) Land Use Review Board. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated
13 for the following:

14 (1) \$100,000 General Fund for Act 250 public outreach and engagement
15 in consultation with the Land Access and Opportunity Board.

16 (w) Department of Fish and Wildlife. In fiscal year 2027, funds are
17 appropriated for the following:

18 (1) \$25,000 General Fund for the Lake Champlain International Fishing
19 Derby.

20 (x) University of Vermont. In fiscal year 2027, funds are appropriated for
21 the following:

1 (1) \$12,000,000 Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund,
2 notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 2885, for the Multi-Purpose Center Project
3 approved by the Board of Trustees in 2019. Any contract awarded for
4 construction that is paid for with this spending authority shall adhere to the
5 higher of:

6 (A) the prevailing wage requirements established in 29 V.S.A.
7 § 161(b); or

8 (B) the prevailing local wage requirements as determined by the U.S.
9 Department of Labor under the Davis-Bacon Act or related federal acts or
10 regulations.

11 Sec. B.1101 FISCAL YEAR 2026 CLOSEOUT; FISCAL YEAR 2027

12 CONTINGENT TRANSACTIONS

13 (a) As part of the fiscal year 2026 closeout, the Department of Finance and
14 Management shall execute the requirements of 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27,
15 Sec. D.103(a)(1)(D), as amended by 2026 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 55
16 and further amended by Sec. C.102 of this act; 32 V.S.A. § 308; and 32 V.S.A.
17 § 308f. The Department of Finance and Management shall then,
18 notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 308c, calculate the maximum number of
19 contingent transactions that can be funded, in the order provided in subsection
20 (b) of this section, and designate that money to remain unallocated for such

1 purpose in fiscal year 2027. Any residual balance remaining after such
2 designations shall be reserved in accordance with 32 V.S.A. § 308c.

3 (b) In fiscal year 2027, the following contingent transactions shall be
4 executed in the following order from the designated unallocated balance as
5 determined in subsection (a) of this section:

6 (1) \$4,773,798 is transferred to the Technology Modernization Special
7 Fund (#21951).

8 (2) \$1,000,000 is transferred to the Farm and Forestry Operations
9 Security Special Fund.

10 (3) \$5,000,000 is transferred to the Human Services Caseload Reserve.

11 (4) \$30,000,000 is reserved in the General Fund for future appropriation
12 or transfer by the General Assembly for addressing federal funding shortfalls,
13 Vermont Medicaid and other human services needs, property tax relief,
14 permanent housing initiatives, or any other uses determined to be in the best
15 interests of the public.

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

17 INVESTMENTS; FISCAL YEAR 2027 ONE-TIME CAPITAL

18 APPROPRIATIONS

19 (a) In fiscal year 2027, \$23,418,455 is appropriated from the Capital

20 Infrastructure Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential

21 Investments for the following:

- 1 (1) Department of Buildings and General Services:
- 2 (A) \$1,281,174 for statewide major maintenance;
- 3 (B) \$225,000 for statewide physical security enhancements;
- 4 (C) \$1,000,000 for statewide three-acre parcel stormwater
- 5 compliance;
- 6 (D) \$3,600,000 for Asa Bloomer roof replacement;
- 7 (E) \$900,000 for Rutland multimodal garage renovation;
- 8 (F) \$3,000,000 for Burlington, 32 Cherry St. parking garage repairs;
- 9 (G) \$1,050,000 for the Agency of Human Services for HVAC
- 10 upgrades at correctional facilities;
- 11 (H) \$225,000 for the Agency of Human Services for statewide
- 12 correctional facilities security upgrades;
- 13 (I) \$2,700,000 for the Agency of Human Services for door control
- 14 upgrades at correctional facilities;
- 15 (J) \$1,000,000 for the Agency of Human Services for the Northern
- 16 State Correctional Facility boiler replacement;
- 17 (K) \$500,000 for the Agency of Human Services for Newport,
- 18 Northern State Correctional Facility sprinkler system upgrades;
- 19 (L) \$772,557 for the Agency of Human Services for the Department
- 20 for Children and Families' youth short-term stabilization facility;

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

3 (N) \$1,600,000 for the Judiciary for renovations at the White River
4 Junction courthouse; and

5 (O) \$500,000 for the Agency of Human Services for maintenance
6 and renovations at the Chittenden Regional Correctional Facility.

7 (2) Department of Environmental Conservation:

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

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

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

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

14 (4) Department of Fish and Wildlife:

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

16 (5) Judiciary:

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

18 (6) Vermont Historical Society:

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

20 (7) Department of Corrections:

1 (A) \$250,000 to work with the Agency of Digital Services to install a
2 Wi-Fi system in State correctional facilities that is appropriately designed to
3 address the safety, security, and confidentiality risks of the correctional
4 environment.

5 * * * Fiscal Year 2026 Adjustments, Appropriations, and Amendments * * *

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

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

14 Sec. C.101 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. E.325(b), as amended by
15 2026 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 81, is further amended to read:

16 (b) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.325 of this act, \$1,322,141
17 ~~General Fund~~ shall be used by the Department for Children and Families’
18 Office of Economic Opportunity for distribution to community partners
19 providing services to prevent and address homelessness ~~for the purpose of~~
20 ~~restoring these community partners to their fiscal year 2025 appropriation~~
21 ~~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

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Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 55, is further amended to read:

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Sec. D.103 RESERVES

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(a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year

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2026, the following reserve transactions shall be implemented for the funds

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provided:

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(1) General Fund.

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(D) The first ~~\$74,908,097~~ \$71,669,787 of any fiscal year-end balance

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otherwise subject to the requirements of 32 V.S.A. § 308c(a) shall, instead, be

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reserved for addressing federal funding shortfalls, property tax relief, or any

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other uses determined to be in the best interests of the public in the subsequent

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fiscal year. Any proceeds reserved in accordance with the requirements of this

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subdivision (D) shall automatically be unreserved for use on July 1 of the

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subsequent fiscal year.

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

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Sec. 32. AGENCY OF EDUCATION; TRANSFORMATION

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APPROPRIATION; TRANSITION GRANTS

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

4 (1) ~~\$200,000.00~~ \$1,452,500.00 for the purpose of awarding transition
5 grants to support school boards transitioning the work required to transition to
6 new governance and administrative models as contemplated in this act
7 pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, and in light of the continued analysis
8 of the work necessary in the field to transition to new, operational school
9 districts;

10 (2) \$562,500.00 for positions established in Sec. 33 of this act; and

11 (3) ~~\$2,102,500.00~~ \$850,000.00 for contracted services, subject to the
12 restrictions contained in subsection (c) of this section, to support facilitate
13 school districts boards to study the advisability of forming union school
14 districts, as well as to support districts with administrative activities relating to
15 consolidation, including accounting, budget and operational practice, and to
16 support education quality activities including the alignment of curricula,
17 instructional materials, and teaching activities.

18 (b) The Agency shall use the funds appropriated in subdivision (a)(1) of
19 this section to award transition facilitation grants to support the work required
20 to transition to new governance models.

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

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

7 (2) This appropriation shall be used to provide direct support to school
8 boards for the business processes that are required to be completed before new
9 school districts become operational. Support and training for school business
10 officials and other school district personnel shall be funded solely through the
11 appropriation contained in subdivision (a)(1) of this section and the
12 corresponding grants created in subsection (b) of this section.

13 (3) This appropriation may be used to support the special education
14 strategic plan required pursuant to Sec. 30 of this act. It is the intent of the
15 General Assembly that the strategic plan addresses the supports and processes
16 needed to be in place for the transition to the weighted funding model for
17 special education as such funding model is contemplated in this act and as may
18 be further amended by an act of the General Assembly after consideration of
19 the report required pursuant to Sec. 45a of this act. Any work or analysis done
20 by the Agency regarding alternatives to the base amount or weights contained
21 in this act shall not be funded from this appropriation.

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

2 Sec. E.127.2 FEDERAL FUNDING; CALCULATION OF
3 APPROPRIATION REDUCTION; SECRETARY OF
4 ADMINISTRATION; JOINT FISCAL COMMITTEE

5 (a) As used in this section:

6 (1) “Unduplicated function total” means the individual function totals
7 set forth in this act excluding Global Commitment funds, Interdepartmental
8 Transfer funds, and Internal Service funds. For purposes of this section, the
9 determination of an unduplicated function total shall not include Education
10 Funds.

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

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

16 (1) Less than 0.5 percent of the unduplicated function total or
17 \$2,000,000, whichever threshold amount is greater, the Secretary of
18 Administration shall notify the Joint Fiscal Committee and may prepare and
19 implement a spending authority reduction plan without the approval of the
20 Joint Fiscal Committee, provided that any total reductions in appropriations
21 and transfers of funds are not greater than the reduction in the federal revenues.

1 If the Secretary's plan consists of reductions greater than five percent to the
2 total amount appropriated in any section or subsection of any appropriations
3 act, such plan shall only be implemented in the manner provided for in
4 32 V.S.A. § 704(b)(2).

5 (2) Greater than \$2,000,000 and 0.5 percent of the unduplicated function
6 total for any governmental function unit, but less than 25 percent or
7 \$50,000,000, whichever threshold amount is lower:

8 (A) the Secretary of Administration shall prepare a spending
9 authority reduction and transfer plan for consideration and approval by the
10 Joint Fiscal Committee pursuant to the same process established in 32 V.S.A.
11 § 704(e), notwithstanding the reference to subdivision (b)(1) of this section,
12 provided that the total reductions to federal spending authority are not greater
13 than the reductions in federal revenues; and

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

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

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

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

3 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, for the
4 purpose of calculating any appropriation reduction that triggers the actions set
5 forth in this section, the baseline federal funding amounts shall be the federal
6 funding set forth in ~~this act~~ the general appropriations act for the fiscal year in
7 which the reduction occurs. The Secretary of Administration shall monitor any
8 changes in federal funding as the difference between the baseline federal
9 funding amount ~~for use in fiscal year 2026~~ and any updated State federal funds
10 revenue forecast adopted by the Emergency Board and shall calculate the
11 percent reduction of the unduplicated function totals for each governmental
12 function unit.

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

14 § 118. COLLECTION AND DISPOSITION OF REVENUE

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

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

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

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

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

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

14 Sec. C.106 2026 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 79 is amended to read:

15 Sec. 79. HOUSING ASSISTANCE

16 * * *

17 (d) A housing authority shall notify the Department for Children and
18 Families of its intent to request funds and submit a report on its financial need,
19 including evidence that the request conforms to applicable HUD requirements
20 and is a necessary and proper expense, to the Department ~~on or before April~~

1 ~~15, 2026~~ within 10 business days after receiving official notice from HUD of
2 its federal fiscal year 2026 funding amount.

3 (e) ~~On or before May 1, 2026~~ Not more than 20 business days after official
4 notice from HUD of federal fiscal year 2026 funding amounts for housing
5 authorities in Vermont, the Department for Children and Families, in
6 consultation with the Department of Housing and Community Development,
7 shall:

8 (1) establish procedures for validating that such expenditures conform to
9 applicable HUD requirements and are a necessary and proper expense prior to
10 issuing funds; and

11 (2) establish guidelines to ensure that funds are distributed based upon
12 need.

13 * * *

14 Sec. C.107 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.1102(c) is amended to
15 read:

16 (c) In fiscal year 2024, the amount of \$50,000,000 General Fund is
17 appropriated to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board (VHCB):

18 (1) \$10,000,000 to provide support and enhance capacity for emergency
19 shelter and permanent homes for those experiencing homelessness or who need
20 supportive housing. The funds shall be used to expand Vermont's shelter
21 capacity, provide homes for those experiencing homelessness, create housing

1 for individuals eligible to receive Medicaid-funded developmental disabilities
2 services, and decrease reliance on the General Assistance Emergency Housing
3 hotel and motel program. The Vermont Housing and Conservation Board shall
4 consult with the Agency of Human Services to ensure new investments in
5 homes and shelters are paired with appropriate support services for residents,
6 including services supported through Medicaid. Funded projects may utilize a
7 range of housing options, including the expansion of shelter capacity, the
8 conversion of hotels to housing, creation of permanent supportive housing, and
9 utilization of manufactured homes on infill sites.

10 * * *

11 Sec. C.108 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. C.110, as amended by 2025
12 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. C.105, is further amended to read:

13 Sec. C.110 EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;

14 REVERSION AND REALLOCATION

15 (a) The Secretary of Administration may reimburse up to \$14,300,000 of
16 prior fiscal year federal funds expended through the Emergency Rental
17 Assistance Program, as approved by the Joint Fiscal Committee pursuant to
18 Grant Request #3034 with new General Fund or Other Infrastructure, Essential
19 Investments, and Reserves Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital and
20 Essential Investments appropriations transferred from existing State programs
21 that meet the eligibility criteria established by the U.S. Treasury. These

1 programs shall receive an amount of spending authority from the Emergency
2 Rental Assistance Program 2 Fund equal to the amount of General Fund or
3 Other Infrastructure, Essential Investments, and Reserves Subaccount in the
4 Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments appropriation transferred.

5 (b) To the extent that qualifying General Fund or Other Infrastructure,
6 Essential Investments, and Reserves Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital
7 and Essential Investments expenditures already incurred are transferred onto
8 the spending authority established in subsection (a) of this section, the
9 Commissioner of Finance and Management shall, notwithstanding 32 V.S.A.
10 § 706, transfer an equivalent amount of General Fund or Other Infrastructure,
11 Essential Investments, and Reserves Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital
12 and Essential Investments spending authority to support programs established
13 through Grant Request #3034 and subsequent Emergency Rental Assistance
14 Program grant approvals by the Joint Fiscal Committee.

15 Sec. C.109 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. B.1100, as amended by 2026
16 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 51, is further amended to read:

17 Sec. B.1100 MISCELLANEOUS FISCAL YEAR 2026 ONE-TIME

18 APPROPRIATIONS

19 (a) Agency of Administration Secretary's Office. In fiscal year 2026,
20 funds are appropriated for the following:

21 * * *

1 Sec. C.112 2025 Acts and Resolves No. 27, Sec. B.347, as amended by 2026
2 Acts and Resolves No. 74, Sec. 44, is further amended to read:

3 Sec. B.347 Total human services

4 Source of funds

5	General fund	1,461,126,849	1,460,476,849
6	Special funds	232,655,939	232,655,939
7	Tobacco fund	23,088,208	23,088,208
8	State health care resources fund	31,074,772	31,074,772
9	Federal funds	1,993,089,108	1,993,089,108
10	Global Commitment fund	2,213,122,801	2,213,122,801
11	Internal service funds	403,853	403,853
12	Interdepartmental transfers	32,694,090	32,694,090
13	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
14	Total	5,987,280,620	5,986,630,620

15 Sec. C.113 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. B.1100, as amended by
16 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. C.115 and 2024 Acts and Resolves No.
17 87, Sec. 49, is further amended to read:

18 Sec. B.1100 FISCAL YEAR 2023 ONE-TIME GENERAL FUND

19 APPROPRIATIONS

20 * * *

1 (b) \$11,000,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department
2 of Public Safety for regional dispatch funding. The funds are subject to the
3 following conditions:

4 * * *

5 (3) \$2,540,000 shall be for a grant to the Central Vermont Regional
6 Planning Commission for the capital region communications system upgrade
7 project.

8 (4) Any remaining amounts not obligated pursuant to subdivisions (1)
9 ~~and~~, (2), and (3) of this subsection shall remain unobligated and unexpended
10 until approval to expend the funds is authorized by further enactment of the
11 General Assembly.

12 * * *

13 * * * Fiscal Year 2026 Fund Transfers and Reserve Allocations * * *

14 Sec. D.100 PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX ALLOCATIONS

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

18 (1) The sum of \$608,137 is allocated from the Current Use
19 Administration Special Fund to the Department of Taxes for administration of
20 the Use Tax Reimbursement Program. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 9610(c),
21 amounts in excess of \$608,137 from the property transfer tax deposited into the

1 Current Use Administration Special Fund shall be transferred to the General
2 Fund.

3 (2) Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 312, amounts in excess of \$37,653,750
4 from the property transfer tax and the surcharge established by 32 V.S.A.
5 § 9602a deposited into the Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund
6 shall be transferred to the General Fund.

7 (A) The dedication of \$2,500,000 in revenue from the property
8 transfer tax pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 9610(d) for the debt payments on the
9 affordable housing bond (10 V.S.A. § 314) shall be offset by the reduction of
10 \$1,500,000 in the appropriation to the Vermont Housing and Conservation
11 Board and \$1,000,000 from the surcharge established by 32 V.S.A. § 9602a.
12 The fiscal year 2027 appropriation of \$37,653,750 to the Vermont Housing and
13 Conservation Board reflects the \$1,500,000 reduction. The affordable housing
14 bond and related property transfer tax and surcharge provisions are repealed
15 after the life of the bond on July 1, 2039. Once the bond is retired, the
16 \$1,500,000 reduction in the appropriation to the Vermont Housing and
17 Conservation Board shall be restored.

18 (3) Notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a)(2), amounts in excess of
19 \$10,179,975 from the property transfer tax deposited into the Municipal and
20 Regional Planning and Resilience Fund shall be transferred into the General

1 Fund. Notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a)(3), the \$10,179,975 shall be
2 allocated as follows:

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

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

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

9 Sec. D.101 FUND TRANSFERS

10 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the following amounts
11 shall be transferred from the funds indicated:

12 (1) From the General Fund (#10000) to the:

13 (A) General Obligation Bonds Debt Service Fund (#35100):
14 \$73,797,962.

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

17 (C) Tax Computer System Modernization Fund (#21909):
18 \$4,650,000.

19 (D) Education Fund (#20205): \$100,908,097.

20 (E) Vermont State Police Radio Equipment and Firearm Replacement
21 Special Fund: \$500,000.

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

2 \$350,000.

3 (2) From the Transportation Fund (#20105) to the:

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

5 \$294,775.

6 (B) Downtown Transportation and Related Capital Improvements

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

8 (3) From the Education Fund (#20205) to the:

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

10 \$1,550,000.

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

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

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

14 \$120,000.

15 (5) From the Agency of Human Services Central Office Earned Federal

16 Receipts (#22005) to the:

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

18 (6) From the AG-Fees and Reimbursement-Court Order Special Fund

19 (#21638) to the:

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

21 (B) Miscellaneous Fines & Penalties Fund (#21054): \$1,538,600.

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 (8) From the State PACE Reserve Fund (#21943) to the:

5 (A) General Fund (#10000): \$60,806.73, notwithstanding 24 V.S.A.
6 § 3270.

7 (9) From the Technology Modernization Special Fund (#21951) to the:

8 (A) General Fund (#10000): \$9,547,596.39, notwithstanding 3
9 V.S.A. § 3306.

10 (b) The following transfers shall be in accordance with the citations
11 provided. Transfer estimates are for purposes of developing the fiscal year
12 2027 budget and do not supersede the actual fiscal year-end transfer amounts.

13 (1) To the General Fund (#10000) from the:

14 (A) 8 V.S.A. § 80(d). Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund
15 (#21075): \$42,837,511.

16 (B) 9 V.S.A. § 5613(c). Securities Regulatory and Supervision Fund
17 (#21085): \$23,762,455.

18 (C) 27 V.S.A. § 1543. Unclaimed Property Fund (#62100):
19 \$7,500,000.

20 (2) 8 V.S.A. § 6017(b). To the Captive Insurance Regulatory and
21 Supervision Fund (#21085) from the:

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

2 (c) Transfers from the following enterprise funds to the General Fund
3 (#10000), shall not exceed the actual fiscal year-end profits earned by the
4 enterprise net of any amount necessary to absolve the fund of a deficit. The
5 following estimated transfers are for purposes of developing the fiscal year
6 2027 budget only.

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

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

9 Sec. D.102 REVERSIONS

10 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
11 2027, the following amounts shall revert to the General Fund from the
12 accounts indicated:

13	<u>1100892208</u>	<u>AOA-VT Housing Finance Agency</u>	<u>1,000,000.00</u>
14	<u>1100892310</u>	<u>AOA-FEMA COVID Match</u>	<u>890,937.34</u>
15	<u>1100892402</u>	<u>AOA-High-Risk FEMA Denial Resv</u>	<u>5,184,452.41</u>
16	<u>2200892301</u>	<u>AAFM-Ecosystems Services</u>	<u>100,000.00</u>
17	<u>2200892307</u>	<u>AAFM-Conservation Districts</u>	<u>16,513.42</u>
18	<u>2200892408</u>	<u>AAFM-Dairy Risk Mgmt</u>	<u>35,496.73</u>
19	<u>2240892204</u>	<u>PSD-Affordable Comm Scale Ren</u>	<u>200,000.00</u>
20	<u>2240892404</u>	<u>PSD-SHARE</u>	<u>195,000.00</u>
21	<u>3150892302</u>	<u>DMH-Howard Center</u>	<u>790.68</u>

1	<u>3400892204</u>	<u>AHSCO-Workforce Retention</u>	<u>300,000.00</u>
2	<u>3400892304</u>	<u>AHS-Nurse Preceptor Grants</u>	<u>189,984.00</u>
3	<u>3410892502</u>	<u>DVHA-Technical Analysis</u>	<u>21,601.25</u>
4	<u>3440891905</u>	<u>Child Dev Assoc Credential</u>	<u>29,752.09</u>
5	<u>3440892401</u>	<u>DCF-Reach Ahead 2 Year Pilot</u>	<u>498.63</u>
6	<u>3480892501</u>	<u>DOC-Data Contract</u>	<u>300,000.00</u>
7	<u>5100892308</u>	<u>AOE-Universal Income Dec.</u>	<u>99,990.00</u>
8	<u>6140892402</u>	<u>DEC-Emissions Repair Program</u>	<u>362,416.60</u>
9	<u>7110892406</u>	<u>HCD-Mobile Home Condemnation</u>	<u>831,043.50</u>
10	<u>7110892106</u>	<u>HCD - Tech Serv Local Gov</u>	<u>1,056.73</u>
11	<u>7110892306</u>	<u>HCD-Designated Area Report</u>	<u>5,342.36</u>
12	<u>7120892204</u>	<u>ACCD-Technology Related Grants</u>	<u>100,000.00</u>

13 Sec. D.103 RESERVES

14 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
15 2027, the following reserve transactions shall be implemented for the funds
16 provided:

17 (1) General Fund.

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

1 (ii) one Business Services Administrator; and

2 (iii) one Executive Officer.

3 (2) Permanent exempt positions:

4 (A) Office of the Secretary of State:

5 (i) one Staff Attorney.

6 (b) The conversion of four limited service positions to permanent classified
7 status is authorized in fiscal year 2026 as follows:

8 (1) Office of the Attorney General:

9 (A) one Assistant Director of Court Diversion and Pretrial Services;

10 and

11 (B) one Home Improvement Specialist.

12 (2) Office of the Secretary of State:

13 (A) one Administrative Services Coordinator IV.

14 (3) Department of Public Service:

15 (A) one Financial Director IV.

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

18 (1) Judiciary:

19 (A) one Database Administrator;

20 (B) two IT Help Desk Analysts;

21 (C) two Centralized Service Analysts;

1 (D) 10 Judicial Assistants; and

2 (E) 11 Judicial Officer II's.

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

4 Sec. E.100.3 AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; CORONAVIRUS

5 STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND APPROPRIATIONS;

6 REPORTING

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

11 (1) Reports shall include information on:

12 (A) the original amounts appropriated;

13 (B) outstanding obligations against appropriations; and

14 (C) any remaining spending authority.

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

19 (1) Reports shall include information on:

20 (A) the original amounts appropriated;

21 (B) outstanding obligations against appropriations; and

1 (C) any remaining spending authority.

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

7 * * *

8 Sec. E.100.2 SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION; REPORT ON
9 STATUS OF FEDERAL FUNDS

10 (a) The Secretary of Administration shall report to the Joint Fiscal
11 Committee at its July, September, and November 2026 meetings, and at other
12 meetings as requested, on any reductions to federal revenues to the State and
13 the status of any appropriations impacted by such reductions.

14 Sec. E.105.1 AGENCY OF DIGITAL SERVICES; INFORMATION
15 TECHNOLOGY INTERNAL SERVICE FUND; DEFICIT
16 MITIGATION PLAN

17 (a) On or before January 15, 2027, the Agency of Digital Services shall, in
18 consultation with the Department of Finance and Management, provide a
19 written plan to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Energy and
20 Digital Infrastructure and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on
21 Institutions on how to reduce the fund deficit in the Information Technology

1 Internal Service Fund established by 3 V.S.A. § 3304, including any
2 recommended changes to revenue sources to and expenditures from the Fund.
3 The report shall include information on revenues to and expenditures from the
4 Fund and the Fund's balance at fiscal year closeout for the previous 10 fiscal
5 years. The report shall also include the most current available information on
6 revenues to and expenditures from the Fund and the estimated Fund balance at
7 fiscal year 2027 closeout.

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

9 (b) The budget shall also include in detail definite recommendations of the
10 Governor relative to the amounts that should be appropriated to each of the
11 activities referred to under this section. It shall also include definite
12 recommendations of the Governor relative to the financing of the expenditures
13 recommended and the appropriate amounts to be raised from ordinary revenue,
14 direct taxes, bonds, or loans. The financing of the expenditures recommended,
15 as proposed by the Governor, shall not include the funds from the Budget
16 Stabilization Reserve as established in section 308 of this title. With the
17 budget, the Governor shall submit to the General Assembly such messages,
18 statements, or supplemental data with reference to the same, as the Governor
19 may deem expedient; however, budget documentation shall include to the
20 extent possible the following:

21 * * *

1 (5) A document outlining reversions and approved carryforward by
2 appropriation.

3 Sec. E.108 STATE EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION STUDY;

4 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES; REPORT

5 (a) On or before January 15, 2027, the Department of Human Resources
6 shall submit a written report to the House and Senate Committees on
7 Appropriations, the House Committee on Government Operations and Military
8 Affairs, and the Senate Committee on Government Operations with its findings
9 and any recommendations for legislative action on how and whether to amend
10 the statutes governing State employee compensation, including what State
11 employee salary information should be set forth in statute and the method of
12 determining appropriate pay increases for State employees. The report and
13 recommendations shall be based on the Department's review and analysis of
14 the following:

15 (1) those exempt position titles that set forth the associated salary in
16 statute and the exempt position titles that do not set forth salary in statute;

17 (2) how the annual rate of adjustment is determined and applied for
18 exempt employee salaries and how it compares to the annual rate of adjustment
19 determination and application for classified employee salaries; and

20 (3) the salary advancement structure for exempt employees as compared
21 to the salary advancement structure for classified employees.

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

2 FUNDING

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

6 Sec. E.111.1 32 V.S.A. § 435 is amended to read:

7 § 435. GENERAL FUND

8 (a) There is established the General Fund, which shall be the basic
9 operating fund of the State. The General Fund shall be used to finance all
10 expenditures for which no special revenues have otherwise been provided by
11 law.

12 (b) The General Fund shall be composed of revenues from the following
13 sources:

14 (1) alcoholic beverage tax levied pursuant to 7 V.S.A. chapter 15;

15 (2) 50 percent of the revenue from the cannabis excise tax levied

16 pursuant to section 7902 of this title;

17 * * *

18 Sec. E.111.2 16 V.S.A. § 2885(a) is amended to read:

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

21 (1) appropriations made by the General Assembly;

1 (2) in any fiscal year in which a General Fund surplus exists and the
2 General Fund Stabilization Reserve is funded to its required statutory level,
3 funds raised by the estate tax levied under 32 V.S.A. chapter 190 that are more
4 than 125 percent of the amount projected by the Emergency Board in the July
5 annual forecast made pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 305a; ~~and~~

6 (3) 20 percent of the revenue from the cannabis excise tax levied
7 pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 7902; and

8 (4) contributions from any other sources.

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

10 (a) The Joint Fiscal Office shall, in consultation with the Department of
11 Finance and Management, provide a report with a general overview of special
12 funds and their uses to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on
13 or before December 15, 2026.

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

18 (1) A report with detailed information on all special funds in existence
19 the prior fiscal year that fall within function areas of government identified by
20 the Department of Finance and Management’s accounting system as “general
21 government,” “labor,” “general education,” “commerce and community

1 development,” and “transportation.” The report shall be submitted on or
2 before December 15, 2026.

3 (2) A report with detailed information on all special funds in existence
4 the prior fiscal year that fall within function areas of government identified by
5 the Department of Finance and Management’s accounting system as “human
6 services” and “natural resources.” The report shall be submitted on or before
7 December 15, 2027.

8 (3) A report with detailed information on all special funds in existence
9 the prior fiscal year that fall within function areas of government identified by
10 the Department of Finance and Management’s accounting system as
11 “protection to persons and property.” The report shall be submitted on or
12 before December 15, 2028.

13 (4) A report with detailed information on all special funds in existence
14 the prior fiscal year that did not fall within any function areas of government
15 identified in subdivisions (1)–(3) of this subsection or that would fall within
16 those function areas of government but were established after the relevant
17 report was submitted. The report shall be submitted on or before December
18 15, 2029.

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

- 1 (1) the authorizing statute for the fund, its date of enactment, and any
2 amendments to the statute;
3 (2) a description of revenue sources and expenditures, including stated
4 purposes of expenditures;
5 (3) the prior fiscal year fund balance at closeout; and
6 (4) other relevant information on the general management and oversight
7 of the fund.

8 Sec. E.127.1 FISCAL YEAR 2027 FEE REPORT; HUMAN SERVICES;

9 NATURAL RESOURCES

10 (a) Fiscal year 2027 fee information. Agencies, departments, boards, and
11 offices that receive appropriations in Secs. B.300–399 and B.700–799 of this
12 act shall, in collaboration with the Joint Fiscal Office, prepare a comprehensive
13 fee report for each fee that is in effect in fiscal year 2027. The fee report shall
14 contain the following information for each fee:

- 15 (1) the statutory authorization and termination date, if any;
16 (2) the current rate or amount of the fee and the date the fee was last set
17 or adjusted by the General Assembly or Joint Fiscal Committee;
18 (3) the Fund into which the fee revenues are deposited;
19 (4) the amount of the revenues derived from the fee in each of the five
20 fiscal years preceding fiscal year 2027;

1 (5) the number of times that the fee was paid in each of the two fiscal
2 years preceding fiscal year 2027;

3 (6) a projection of the fee revenues in fiscal years 2027 and 2028;

4 (7) a description of the service or product provided or the regulatory
5 function performed by the agency, department, board, or office supported by
6 the fee;

7 (8) the amount of the fee if adjusted for inflation from the last time the
8 fee amount was modified using an appropriate index chosen in consultation
9 with the Joint Fiscal Office. The inflation adjustment shall be calculated as the
10 percentage change between the value of the index in the July of the year the fee
11 was last adjusted by the General Assembly and July 2026;

12 (9) if any portion of the fee revenue is deposited into a special fund, the
13 percentage of the special fund's revenues that the fee represents;

14 (10) any available information regarding comparable fees in other
15 jurisdictions;

16 (11) any policies or trends that might affect the viability of the fee
17 amount; and

18 (12) any other relevant considerations for setting the fee amount.

19 (b) Reports.

20 (1) The Joint Fiscal Office shall provide guidance as necessary to the
21 agencies, departments, boards, and offices described in subsection (a) of this

1 section on the methodology to be used for compiling the information requested
2 in the fee reports. On or before October 15, 2026, the agencies, departments,
3 boards, and offices described in subsection (a) of this section shall submit a
4 draft report of the information required in subdivisions (a)(1)–(12) of this
5 section to the Joint Fiscal Office for review. Agencies, departments, boards,
6 and offices shall work with the Joint Fiscal Office to finalize the report before
7 submitting the report described in subdivision (2) of this subsection.

8 (2) On or before December 15, 2026, the agencies, departments, boards,
9 and offices described in subsection (a) of this section shall submit a final report
10 to the Joint Fiscal Office.

11 (3) On or before January 15, 2027, the Joint Fiscal Office shall submit a
12 consolidated report consisting of the final reports submitted pursuant to
13 subdivision (2) of this subsection to the House Committees on Appropriations
14 and on Ways and Means and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on
15 Finance.

16 (4) If any of the information requested in this section cannot be provided
17 for any reason, the agencies, departments, boards, and offices described in
18 subsection (a) of this section shall include in both the draft and final reports a
19 written explanation for why the information cannot be provided.

20 (c) As used in this section, as it pertains to Executive Branch agencies,
21 departments, boards, and offices, “fee” means any source of State revenue

1 classified by the Department of Finance and Management Accounting System
2 as “fees,” “business licenses,” “nonbusiness licenses,” and “fines and
3 penalties.”

4 (d) Executive Branch fee report moratorium. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A.
5 § 605, in fiscal year 2027, the Governor shall not be required to submit the
6 consolidated Executive Branch fee annual report and request to the General
7 Assembly.

8 Sec. E.131 HIGHER EDUCATION ENDOWMENT TRUST FUND; USES;
9 REPORT

10 (a) In calendar year 2026, as part of the annual financial report on the
11 Vermont Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund required by 16 V.S.A.
12 § 2885(e), the Office of the State Treasurer shall, in consultation with the
13 Vermont Higher Education Endowment Trust Fund Council, include
14 recommendations on any changes to revenue sources to or expenditures from
15 the Fund, including any expanded uses of the fund and adjustments to the
16 current statutory allocation structure.

17 Sec. E.131.1 STATE PACE RESERVE FUND; REPEAL

18 (a) 24 V.S.A. § 3270 (state PACE reserve fund) is repealed.

19 Sec. E.133 VERMONT STATE EMPLOYEES’ RETIREMENT SYSTEM
20 AND VERMONT PENSION INVESTMENT COMMISSION;
21 OPERATING BUDGET; SOURCE OF FUNDS

1 (a) Of the \$3,768,126 appropriated in Sec. B.133 of this act, \$2,526,938
2 constitutes the Vermont State Employees' Retirement System operating
3 budget, and \$1,241,188 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension
4 Investment Commission's budget attributable to the Vermont State
5 Employees' Retirement System.

6 Sec. E.134 VERMONT MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT
7 SYSTEM AND VERMONT PENSION INVESTMENT

8 COMMISSION; OPERATING BUDGET; SOURCE OF FUNDS

9 (a) Of the \$2,214,955 appropriated in Sec. B.134 of this act, \$1,772,446
10 constitutes the Vermont Municipal Employees' Retirement System operating
11 budget, and \$442,509 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension
12 Investment Commission's budget attributable to the Vermont Municipal
13 Employees' Retirement System.

14 Sec. E.138 RENTER REBATE FISCAL YEAR 2027 BASE INCREASE;
15 ONE-TIME

16 (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the \$4,000,000 increase to
17 the appropriation in Sec. B.138 of this act be a one-time increase in fiscal year
18 2027 that shall not recur in future fiscal years.

19 Sec. E.139 GRAND LIST LITIGATION ASSISTANCE

20 (a) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 3709(a), of the appropriation in Sec.
21 B.139 of this act, \$70,000 shall be provided to the Department of Taxes'

1 Division of Property Valuation and Review and used with any remaining funds
2 from the amount previously transferred for final payment of expenses incurred
3 by the Department or towns in defense of grand list appeals regarding the
4 reappraisals of the hydroelectric plants and other expenses incurred to
5 undertake utility property appraisals in Vermont.

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

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

10 Sec. E.142 PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES

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

16 Sec. E.144 PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES; CORRECTIONAL
17 FACILITIES

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

20 Sec. E.200 ATTORNEY GENERAL

1 (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Office of the Attorney
2 General, Medicaid Fraud and Residential Abuse Unit, is authorized to retain,
3 subject to appropriation, one-half of the State share of any recoveries from
4 Medicaid fraud settlements, excluding interest, that exceed the State share of
5 restitution to the Medicaid Program. All such designated additional recoveries
6 retained shall be used to finance Medicaid Fraud and Residential Abuse Unit
7 activities.

8 (b) Of the revenue available to the Attorney General under 9 V.S.A.
9 § 2458(b)(4), \$2,263,600 is appropriated in Sec. B.200 of this act.

10 Sec. E.208 PUBLIC SAFETY; ADMINISTRATION

11 (a) The Commissioner of Public Safety is authorized to enter into a
12 performance-based contract with the Essex County Sheriff's Department to
13 provide law enforcement service activities agreed upon by both the
14 Commissioner of Public Safety and the Sheriff.

15 Sec. E.209 PUBLIC SAFETY; STATE POLICE

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

1 (b) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.209 of this act, \$405,000 is
2 allocated for grants in support of the Drug Task Force. Of this amount,
3 \$190,000 shall be used by the Vermont Drug Task Force to fund three town
4 task force officers. These town task force officers shall be dedicated to
5 enforcement efforts with respect to both regulated drugs as defined in 18
6 V.S.A. § 4201(29) and the diversion of legal prescription drugs. Any
7 unobligated funds may be allocated by the Commissioner to fund the work of
8 the Drug Task Force or carried forward.

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

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

13 § 1913a. VERMONT STATE POLICE RADIO EQUIPMENT AND
14 FIREARM REPLACEMENT SPECIAL FUND

15 (a) Creation. There is created the Vermont State Police Radio Equipment
16 and Firearm Replacement Special Fund, to be administered by the Department
17 of Public Safety in accordance with 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5. Monies
18 in the Fund shall be used for the purchase of Vermont State Police radio
19 equipment and firearms in accordance with the life cycle replacement schedule
20 as approved by the Commissioner of Public Safety.

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

- 1 (1) any amounts transferred to it by the General Assembly; and
2 (2) the proceeds from the sale of any existing radio equipment and
3 firearms.

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

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

8 Sec. E.212 PUBLIC SAFETY; FIRE SAFETY

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

12 Sec. E.215 MILITARY; ADMINISTRATION

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

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

18 (a) Of the federal funds appropriated in Sec. B.217 of this act, \$442,247
19 shall be the 75 percent federal share for the following six classified limited
20 service positions to be taken from the position pool: four Military

1 Maintenance Specialists II; one Military Building Construction Specialist; and
2 one Military Storekeeper.

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

4 (a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.218 of this act, \$147,411
5 shall be the 25 percent State share for the following six classified limited

6 service positions to be taken from the position pool: four Military

7 Maintenance Specialists II; one Military Building Construction Specialist; and
8 one Military Storekeeper.

9 Sec. E.219 MILITARY; VETERANS' AFFAIRS

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

16 Sec. E.220 CENTER FOR CRIME VICTIM SERVICES; TRANSFER;

17 GRANTS TO VERMONT NETWORK

18 (a) Of the amount transferred from the General Fund to the Domestic and
19 Sexual Violence Special Fund in Sec. D.101(a)(1)(F) of this act, the Center for
20 Crime Victim Services shall distribute \$250,000 as grants to the member
21 organizations of the Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence.

1 Sec. E.232 SECRETARY OF STATE; VERMONT ACCESS NETWORK

2 BUDGET

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

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

7 § 202d. TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLAN

8 * * *

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

17 Sec. E.233.1 30 V.S.A. § 209 is amended to read:

18 § 209. JURISDICTION; GENERAL SCOPE

19 * * *

20 (e) Thermal energy and process fuel efficiency funding.

1 (1) Each of the following shall be used to deliver thermal energy and
2 process fuel energy efficiency services in accordance with this section for
3 unregulated fuels to Vermont consumers of such fuels. In addition, the
4 Commission may authorize an entity appointed to deliver such services under
5 subdivision (d)(2)(B) of this section to use monies subject to this subsection
6 for the engineering, design, and construction of facilities for the conversion of
7 thermal energy customers using fossil fuels to district heat if the majority of
8 the district's energy is from biomass sources, the district's distribution system
9 is highly energy efficient, and such conversion is cost effective.

10 (A) Net revenues above costs associated with payments from the
11 New England Independent System Operator (ISO-NE) for capacity savings
12 resulting from the activities of the energy efficiency utility designated under
13 subdivision (2)(A) of this subsection (e) ~~that are not transferred to the State~~
14 ~~PACE Reserve Fund under 24 V.S.A. § 3270(e)~~. These revenues shall be
15 deposited into the Electric Efficiency Fund established by this section. In
16 delivering services with respect to heating systems using the revenues subject
17 to this subdivision (A), the entity shall give priority to incentives for the
18 installation of high efficiency biomass heating systems and shall have a goal of
19 offering an incentive that is equal to 25 percent of the installed cost of such a
20 system. Provision of an incentive under this subdivision (A) for a biomass

1 heating system shall not be contingent on the making of other energy
2 efficiency improvements at the property on which the system will be installed.

3 * * *

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

5 FUNDING

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

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

10 ADVOCATE, VERMONT LEGAL AID

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

12 (1) \$2,450,406 shall be for the contract with the Office of the Health
13 Care Advocate;

14 (2) \$1,717,994 shall be for Vermont Legal Aid services, including the
15 Poverty Law Project and mental health services; and

16 (3) \$650,000 shall be for the purposes of maintaining current Vermont
17 Legal Aid program capacity and addressing increased requests for services,
18 including eviction prevention and protection from foreclosure and consumer
19 debt.

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

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

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

14 (1) the Joint Fiscal Committee, in consultation with the chairs of the
15 House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee
16 on Institutions, approves the resumption of expenditures for the Green
17 Mountain Youth Campus upon reviewing one or more of the reports received
18 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section while the General Assembly is
19 adjourned sine die; or

20 (2) the General Assembly authorizes resumption of spending by
21 legislative enactment.

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

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

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

11 (1) \$25,158,000 certified State match available from local education
12 agencies for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services under
13 Global Commitment. This amount, combined with \$34,842,000 of federal
14 funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act, equals a total estimated
15 expenditure of \$60,000,000. An amount equal to the amount of the federal
16 matching funds for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services
17 under Global Commitment shall be transferred from the Global Commitment
18 Fund to the School-Based Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund created in
19 33 V.S.A. § 1904a.

1 for Medicare and Medicaid Services under Section 1115 of the Social Security
2 Act.

3 Sec. E.301.2 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 83, Sec. 72a, as amended by 2022
4 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. C.105, 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec.
5 E.301.2, 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.300.2, and 2025 Acts and
6 Resolves No. 27, Sec. E.301.2, is further amended to read:

7 Sec. 72a. MEDICAID HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES
8 (HCBS PLAN)

9 * * *

10 (f) The Global Commitment Fund appropriated in subsection (e) of this
11 section obligated in fiscal years 2023, 2024, 2025, ~~and 2026~~, and 2027 for the
12 purposes of bringing HCBS plan spending authority forward into fiscal years
13 2024, 2025, ~~and 2026~~, and 2027, respectively. The funds appropriated in
14 subsections (b), (c), and (e) of this section may be transferred on a net-neutral
15 basis in fiscal years 2023, 2024, 2025, ~~and 2026~~, and 2027 in the same manner
16 as the Global Commitment appropriations in 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185,
17 Sec. E.301. The Agency shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee in
18 September 2023, September 2024, September 2025, ~~and September 2026~~, and
19 September 2027, respectively, on transfers of appropriations made and final
20 amounts expended by each department in fiscal years 2023, 2024, 2025, ~~and~~

1 2026, and 2027, respectively, and any obligated funds carried forward to be
2 expended in fiscal years 2024, 2025, ~~and 2026~~, and 2027, respectively.

3 Sec. E.301.3 GLOBAL COMMITMENT WAIVER AMENDMENT

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

8 Sec. E.306 REINSURANCE; AUTHORIZATION TO PURSUE SECTION
9 1332 WAIVER

10 (a) The Department of Vermont Health Access, in consultation with the
11 Department of Financial Regulation, is authorized to submit a State Innovation
12 Waiver pursuant to Section 1332 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care
13 Act of 2010, Pub. L. No. 111-148, as amended by the Health Care and
14 Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, Pub. L. No. 111-152, to establish a
15 program for reinsurance and seek federal pass-through funding of amounts
16 attributable to premium tax credits under 26 U.S.C. § 36B.

17 Sec. E.306.1 MEDICARE ADVOCACY PROGRAM

18 (a) Effective July 1, 2026, the Commissioner of Vermont Health Access
19 shall terminate any contract for services for the Medicare Advocacy Program
20 under 33 V.S.A. chapter 67 consistent with the provisions of 33 V.S.A.
21 § 6703(b).

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

2 POSITION POOL; FUNDING

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

9 Sec. E.306.3 DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT HEALTH ACCESS;

10 PRIMARY CARE CASE MANAGEMENT PAYMENTS

11 (a) The Department of Vermont Health Access shall establish and
12 distribute per-member, per-month primary care case management payments to
13 primary care providers in fiscal year 2027 in order to preserve access to
14 primary care services.

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

16 EDUCATION MEDICAID RECEIPTS

17 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of 16 V.S.A. § 2959a to the contrary, the
18 payments ordinarily made by the Secretary of Education pursuant to 16 V.S.A.
19 § 2959a(c) and (d) shall instead be made by the Commissioner of Vermont
20 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.307.3 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. The
8 provisions of 32 V.S.A. § 511 shall not apply to this Fund.

9 (d) At the close of each fiscal year, the Commissioner of Finance and
10 Management shall transfer to and deposit any unencumbered available cash
11 balance remaining in the School-Based Medicaid Reimbursement Fund net of
12 accounts payable into the Education Fund.

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

14 § 1904a. SCHOOL-BASED MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FUND

15 * * *

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

21 * * *

1 Sec. E.307.5 16 V.S.A. § 2959a is amended to read:

2 § 2959a. ~~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 the
9 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 union~~
9 ~~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 or~~
13 ~~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 to the School-Based Medicaid Reimbursement
5 Fund established pursuant to 33 V.S.A. § 1904a prior to the elimination of the
6 Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund by Sec. E.307.5 of this act.

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

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

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

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

18 (2) an estimate of any reductions in General Fund expenditures that can
19 be realized by maximizing usage of the family planning codes to obtain the
20 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 fiscal
3 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.311.1 DIGITAL YOUTH-BASED BEHAVIORAL PREVENTION

10 PROGRAM

11 (a) The Department of Health shall consider allocating \$1,000,000 in fiscal
12 year 2027 to support the implementation of a statewide, population-based
13 youth behavioral prevention program for youth between 13 and 18 years of
14 age. If it allocates funds for this purpose, the Department shall utilize a single,
15 secure digital platform to provide access to evidence-informed behavioral
16 health education resources, moderated peer support services, and confidential
17 virtual sessions with coaches and mental health professionals who are licensed
18 in Vermont. Services on the platform shall be accessible via mobile and web-
19 based formats, available in English and Spanish, provided at no cost to
20 participating youth and families, and not billed to Medicaid or a health
21 insurance plan.

1 Sec. E.312 HEALTH; PUBLIC HEALTH

2 (a) HIV/AIDS funding:

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

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

13 (A) Vermont CARES: \$165,000;

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

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

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

20 (A) The Secretary of Human Services shall immediately notify the
21 Joint Fiscal Committee if at any time there are insufficient funds in the

1 Vermont Medication Assistance Program to assist all eligible individuals. The
2 Secretary shall work in collaboration with persons living with HIV/AIDS to
3 develop a plan to continue access to Vermont Medication Assistance Program
4 medications until such time as the General Assembly can take action.

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

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

19 (5) In fiscal year 2027, the Department of Health shall not reduce any
20 grants to the Vermont AIDS service and peer-support organizations or syringe
21 service programs from funds appropriated for HIV/AIDS services to levels

1 below those in fiscal year 2026 without receiving prior approval from the Joint
2 Fiscal Committee.

3 Sec. E.313 18 V.S.A. § 4812 is amended to read:

4 § 4812. SUBSTANCE MISUSE PREVENTION SPECIAL FUND

5 (a) The Substance Misuse Prevention Special Fund is established and
6 managed by the Vermont Department of Health in accordance with 32 V.S.A.
7 chapter 7, subchapter 5 for the purpose of funding substance misuse prevention
8 programming, including school-based prevention programming.

9 (b) Thirty percent of the revenues raised by the cannabis excise tax
10 imposed pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 7902, not to exceed \$10,000,000.00 per fiscal
11 year, shall be deposited into this fund ~~for substance misuse prevention costs.~~

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13 Sec. E.316 REPORT; REACH UP

14 (a) On or before January 15, 2027, the Department for Children and
15 Families shall submit a written report to the House Committees on
16 Appropriations and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on
17 Appropriations and on Health and Welfare evaluating the Reach Up Program,
18 including any inefficiencies or gaps in services; an actionable, phased plan that
19 estimates the amount needed to remove the ratable reduction in the Reach Up
20 program; and any recommendations for legislative action.

1 Sec. E.316.1 PARENT CHILD CENTER NETWORK; RATE INCREASES;

2 INTENT

3 (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that in future fiscal years the
4 Parent Child Center Network be included in inflationary rate increases and that
5 such increases be calculated based on the Parent Child Center Network's
6 integrated block grant to all 15 parent child centers to provide the eight core
7 services required pursuant to 33 V.S.A. § 3701(d).

8 Sec. E.316.2 MEDICAID AND SNAP NEEDS ASSESSMENT

9 (a) On or before December 15, 2026, the Departments for Children and
10 Families and of Vermont Health Access shall report to the House Committees
11 on Appropriations, on Health Care, and on Human Services and the Senate
12 Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare regarding a needs
13 assessment related to the implementation of 2025 federal H.R.1 Supplemental
14 Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and Medicaid work requirements. The
15 assessment shall include:

16 (1) the number of individuals, and number of impacted households, who
17 have become ineligible for benefits due to federal work requirements policy
18 changes;

19 (2) a summary of the benefit loss;

20 (3) information about individuals who later regained eligibility, if
21 available; and

1 (4) an analysis of the reasons individuals are determined ineligible for
2 benefits.

3 (b) The report shall include information regarding outreach and other
4 efforts undertaken by the Departments for Children and Families and of
5 Vermont Health Access to support impacted households and community
6 partners in assisting households to maintain benefits, as well as information on
7 SNAP error rates and recommendations for additional actions.

8 (c) In calendar years 2027 and 2028, the Departments for Children and
9 Families and of Vermont Health Access shall, on a quarterly basis, provide an
10 update to the report required by this section to the House Committees on
11 Appropriations, on Health Care, and on Human Services and the Senate
12 Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare while the General
13 Assembly is in session and to the Joint Fiscal Committee while the General
14 Assembly is not in session.

15 Sec. E.316.3 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES;

16 HOMELESSNESS RESPONSE BASE FUNDING

17 (a) In addition to the \$21,183,809 one-time General Fund appropriation
18 made to the Department for Children and Families in Sec. B.1100(c)(1) of this
19 act for the implementation of the Vermont Homelessness Response
20 Continuum, including shelter development and operation, emergency housing
21 in hotels and motels, grants to municipalities, emergency cold weather shelters,

1 and supportive services, and related case management, staffing, grants, and
2 contracts, \$61,450,344 of the appropriations made in Secs. B.316, B.321, and
3 B.325 of this act shall be base funding to support those purposes.

4 (b) Any spending authority referenced in subsection (a) of this section that
5 remains at the end of fiscal year 2027 shall be carried forward for the same
6 purpose for which it was originally appropriated.

7 Sec. E.317 SUPERVISED VISITATION PROGRAMS

8 (a)(1) \$137,500 of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.317 of this act,
9 the \$130,000 General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.1100(c)(5) of this act, and
10 \$100,000 of the federal funds appropriation in Sec. B.319 of this act shall be
11 distributed by the Department for Children and Families to supervised
12 visitation programs as follows:

13 (A) \$367,500 to the six existing community-based supervised
14 visitation sites and the remainder shall be used for start-up funding
15 for additional sites in counties where programs do not currently exist to ensure
16 the programs are operational on or before January 1, 2027.

17 (2) The Department shall work with the Vermont Network Against
18 Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence to develop a funding formula for
19 supervised visitation sites, to identify the community partners to develop two
20 new supervised visitation sites during fiscal year 2027, and to begin planning

1 for the creation of four additional supervised visitation sites, two each to
2 become operational beginning in fiscal years 2028 and 2029.

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

4 § 2605. BENEFIT AMOUNTS

5 * * *

6 (h) ~~Households~~ A household receiving benefits from 3SquaresVT ~~whose~~
7 ~~head of household that~~ is not otherwise eligible for a fuel benefit under this
8 section shall be eligible for a nominal annual Home Heating Fuel Assistance
9 benefit of \$21.00 if a member of the household is elderly or disabled under the
10 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program regulations.

11 Sec. E.325 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; OFFICE
12 OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

13 (a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.325 of this act,
14 \$38,251,696 shall be used by the Department for Children and Families' Office
15 of Economic Opportunity to issue grants to community agencies to assist
16 individuals experiencing homelessness by preserving existing services,
17 increasing services, or increasing resources available statewide. These funds
18 may be granted alone or in conjunction with federal Emergency Solutions
19 Grants funds. Grant decisions and the administration of funds shall be done in
20 consultation with the two U.S. Department of Housing and Urban
21 Development recognized Continuum of Care programs.

1 Sec. E.326 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; OFFICE
2 OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY; WEATHERIZATION
3 ASSISTANCE

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

6 Sec. E.329 DESIGNATED AND SPECIALIZED SERVICE AGENCIES;
7 ENGAGEMENT PROCESS; REPORT

8 (a) Between July 1, 2026, and December 15, 2026, the Agency of Human
9 Services shall convene a stakeholder group to conduct a comprehensive
10 analysis of the designated and specialized service agency system. The
11 stakeholder group shall include individuals with lived experience of receiving
12 services from a designated or specialized service agency, members of relevant
13 standing committees, commissioners from relevant Agency of Human Services
14 departments or their designees, and representatives of Vermont Care Partners.
15 The stakeholder group shall:

16 (1) conduct a comprehensive analysis of the designated and specialized
17 service agency system, including:

18 (A) the scope of State-funded and State-required designated and
19 specialized agency services;

20 (B) applicable statutory, contractual, and administrative
21 requirements;

1 (C) the extent to which evolving community needs, system reforms,
2 and State and federal mandates have expanded the responsibilities of
3 designated and specialized service agencies over time;

4 (D) system sustainability;

5 (E) State and system workforce capacity;

6 (F) sufficiency of State financial resources; and

7 (G) administrative burden on the State and designated and
8 specialized service agencies;

9 (2) identify and define essential services and establish alignment
10 between State and federal requirements, community need, and available
11 resources, and develop a transparent process for adding or expanding State or
12 federally required responsibilities that considers prior agreements on funding,
13 staffing, operational feasibility, and service delivery impact prior to the
14 adoption or enforcement of these responsibilities; and

15 (3) submit findings and recommendations to the House Committees on
16 Appropriations, on Health Care, and on Human Services and to the Senate
17 Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare on or before
18 January 1, 2027.

19 (b) On or before January 15, 2028, the Department of Disabilities, Aging
20 and Independent Living, in consultation with the Departments of Health and of
21 Mental Health and the Office of Health Care Reform in the Agency of Human

1 Services, shall submit a plan that conforms with the Statewide Health Care
2 Delivery Strategic Plan developed pursuant to 18 V.S.A. § 9403 to the House
3 Committees on Appropriations, on Health Care, and on Human Services and to
4 the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare for
5 developing and conducting a data-informed, patient-focused, community-
6 inclusive engagement process for Vermont’s designated and specialized
7 service agencies that shall include:

8 (1) hearing from and sharing data, information, trends, and insights with
9 communities about the current and future states of the designated and
10 specialized service agencies;

11 (2) providing opportunities for meaningful participation in all stages of
12 the engagement process by current, former, and prospective clients of the
13 designated and specialized service agencies and health care providers,
14 including employees of designated and specialized service agencies, including
15 participation by individuals who reflect Vermont’s diversity with regard to
16 race, income, age, and disability status;

17 (3) providing the data, information, and analysis necessary to support
18 the engagement process, including information and trends relating to the
19 current and future states of the designated and specialized service agencies and
20 the workforce challenges encountered by the agencies; and

1 (4) establishing mechanisms to assess the impact of any changes on the
2 designated and specialized service agencies, including on workforce
3 recruitment and retention initiatives.

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

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

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

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

14 INDEPENDENT LIVING; POSITION POOL; FUNDING

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

18 Sec. E.332 LEGISLATIVE INTENT; HIREABILITY

19 (a) In fiscal year 2027, the General Assembly shall fund HireAbility
20 Vermont through the Opioid Abatement Special Fund. However, in fiscal year

1 2028 and thereafter, the General Assembly intends to fund HireAbility
2 Vermont using General Fund monies.

3 Sec. E.338 CORRECTIONS; CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

4 (a) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 3709(a), the special fund appropriation of
5 \$152,000 for the supplemental facility payments to Newport and Springfield
6 shall be paid from the PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.

7 Sec. E.338.1 REENTRY SERVICES; GRANT

8 (a) Of the appropriation in Sec. B.338 of this act, \$85,000 General Fund
9 shall be for a grant to Jenna's Promise to support reentry services.

10 Sec. E.500 AGENCY OF EDUCATION; BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

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

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

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

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

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

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

5 (6) a comprehensive account of any vacancies within the Agency,
6 including information on the duration of each position vacancy and any
7 recommendations for the elimination or redesignation of positions; and

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

11 Sec. E.500.1 EDUCATION; GLOBAL COMMITMENT

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

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

18 Sec. 33. EDUCATION TRANSFORMATION; POOL POSITIONS

19 The General Fund appropriation in Sec. 32 of this act shall fund five ~~limited~~
20 ~~service permanent~~ classified positions taken from the position pool. The pool
21 positions shall be used to establish the following ~~limited-service permanent~~

1 classified positions at the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2026 to support
2 education transformation work:

3 (1) one Business Operations Support Specialist;

4 (2) one Data Integration Support Specialist;

5 (3) one Curriculum and Education Quality Standards Integration
6 Specialist;

7 (4) one Learning and Teaching Integration Specialist; and

8 (5) one School Facilities Field Support Specialist.

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

10 § 51. UNIVERSAL AFTERSCHOOL AND SUMMER SPECIAL FUND

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

15 * * *

16 Sec. E.502 EDUCATION; SPECIAL EDUCATION; FORMULA GRANTS

17 (a) Of the appropriation authorized in Sec. B.502 of this act, and
18 notwithstanding any other provision of law, an amount not to
19 exceed \$5,336,200 shall be used by the Agency of Education in fiscal year
20 2027 as funding for 16 V.S.A. § 2967(b)(2)–(6). In distributing such funds,

1 the Secretary shall not be limited by the restrictions contained within 16 V.S.A.
2 § 2969(c) and (d).

3 (b) Of the appropriation authorized in Sec. B.502 of this act, and
4 notwithstanding any other provision of law, an amount not to
5 exceed \$2,000,000 shall be used by the Agency of Education in fiscal year
6 2027 as funding for 16 V.S.A. § 2975. In distributing such funds, the
7 Secretary shall not be limited by the restrictions contained within 16 V.S.A.
8 § 2969(c) and (d).

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

10 (a) The Independence Place Program of ANEW Place shall be considered a
11 24-hour residential program for the purposes of reimbursement of education
12 costs.

13 Sec. E.504 ADULT EDUCATION AND LITERACY

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

17 Sec. E.504.1 EDUCATION; FLEXIBLE PATHWAYS

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

20 (1) \$921,500 is available for dual enrollment programs notwithstanding
21 16 V.S.A. § 944(f)(2);

1 (2) \$2,400,000 is available to support the Vermont Virtual High School;

2 (3) \$400,000 is available for secondary school reform grants;

3 (4) \$4,200,000 is available for Early College pursuant to 16 V.S.A.

4 § 947(b); and

5 (5) \$2,899,782 is available for the Adult Education and Secondary

6 Credential Program.

7 (b) Of the appropriation in Sec. B.504 of this act, \$921,500 from the

8 General Fund is available for dual enrollment programs.

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

10 § 4021. ADULT EDUCATION FUNDING

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

12 (1) “Local adult education and literacy provider” has the same meaning
13 as in section 942 of this title.

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

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

1 (b) Annual appropriation. Annually, the General Assembly shall
2 appropriate funds to pay for adult education and literacy activities in an
3 amount equal to 26 percent of the base education amount multiplied by the
4 statewide AEL student count. The General Assembly shall appropriate
5 40 percent of the funds from the Education Fund and 60 percent of the funds
6 from the General Fund.

7 (c) Payment allocations.

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

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

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

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

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

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

5 (B) The Secretary shall then allocate among the counties 85 percent
6 of the remaining funds according to each county's share of the statewide AEL
7 student count and 15 percent of the remaining funds according to each
8 county's share of the statewide AEL student-hours.

9 Sec. E.504.3 REPEAL

10 16 V.S.A. § 4021(c)(3) (adult education funding transition language) is
11 repealed on July 1, 2028.

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

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

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

2 (b) Annual appropriation. Annually, the General Assembly shall
3 appropriate funds to pay for adult education and literacy activities in an
4 amount equal to 26 percent of the categorical base ~~education~~ amount
5 multiplied by the statewide AEL student count. The General Assembly shall
6 appropriate 40 percent of the funds from the Education Fund and 60 percent of
7 the funds from the General Fund.

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

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

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

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

18 (b) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(c)(2), of the annual contribution,
19 \$43,739,011 is the "normal contribution," and \$177,166,073 is the "accrued
20 liability contribution."

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

4 (a) Of the \$4,171,485 appropriated in Sec. B.514.1 of this act, \$2,872,185
5 constitutes the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System operating budget,
6 and \$1,299,300 constitutes the portion of the Vermont Pension Investment
7 Commission's budget attributable to the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement
8 System.

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

11 (a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944b(b)(2) and 16 V.S.A.
12 § 1944b(h)(1), the annual contribution to the Retired Teachers' Health and
13 Medical Benefits plan shall be \$99,834,595, of which \$90,834,595 shall be the
14 State's contribution and \$9,000,000 shall be from the annual charge for teacher
15 health care contributed by employers pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944d. Of the
16 annual contribution, \$30,987,156 is the "normal contribution," and
17 \$68,847,439 is the "accrued liability contribution."

18 Sec. E.600 UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

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

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

5 Sec. E.602 VERMONT STATE COLLEGES

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

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

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

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

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

1 health care services to Medicaid beneficiaries or uninsured or underinsured
2 persons.

3 Sec. E.605 VERMONT STUDENT ASSISTANCE CORPORATION

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

6 (1) \$25,000 shall be deposited into the trust fund established in 16
7 V.S.A. § 2845;

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

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

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

18 (c) After accounting for the expenditures set forth in subsection (a) of this
19 section, up to seven percent of the funds appropriated to the Vermont Student
20 Assistance Corporation in Sec. B.605 of this act or otherwise currently or
21 previously appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation or

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

9 Sec. E.605.1 NEED-BASED STIPEND FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT AND

10 EARLY COLLEGE STUDENTS

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

1 management to ensure that these natural resources and facilities remain viable
2 and available for this and all future generations.

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

4 (1) ~~“Commissioner” means the Commissioner of Forests, Parks and~~
5 ~~Recreation or the Commissioner’s designee~~ “Secretary” means the Secretary of
6 Natural Resources or the Secretary’s designee.

7 (2) “Eligible activity” means any activity undertaken, initiated, or
8 supported by the ~~Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation~~ Agency of
9 Natural Resources, for State lands under the ownership of the Department of
10 Forests, Parks and Recreation, that provides for the management of State lands,
11 facilities, and recreational assets, including administrative support. “Eligible
12 activity” includes but is not limited to: repair and maintenance of State parks;
13 contract surveys and mapping; maintenance of State lands, including
14 boundaries, roads, trails, and facilities; contract inventories of State land
15 natural resources; repair of State-owned dams; ~~repair, replacement, and~~
16 ~~maintenance of conservation camps; and~~ timber management in accordance
17 with U.S.D.A. silvicultural guidelines; project management; contract
18 development and administration; and business office support. “Eligible
19 activity” does not include the acquisition of land.

20 (3) “Fund” means the Lands and Facilities Trust Fund.

21 (c) Creation and use of Fund.

1 (1) There is established in the State Treasury an income-producing fund
2 to be known as the Lands and Facilities Trust Fund, to be managed by the State
3 Treasurer, and from which expenditures shall be made by the ~~Commissioner~~
4 Secretary in accordance with appropriations by the General Assembly for the
5 benefit of lands, facilities, and recreational assets owned or managed by the
6 Agency. Payments from the Fund may be made to meet costs for eligible
7 activities ~~that are not covered in operating budgets for management of Agency~~
8 ~~lands, facilities, and recreational assets.~~

9 (2) The Fund shall be administered as part of the trust investment
10 account established in 32 V.S.A. § 434. After the first three years of the
11 Fund's existence, on July 1 of each year, the Treasurer ~~shall~~ may distribute
12 from the Fund ~~five~~ up to eight percent of the moving average of the market
13 value of the Fund over the prior 12 quarters with the approval of the House and
14 Senate, provided that the Fund balance does not go below the prior fiscal
15 year's ending fund balance. Notwithstanding the foregoing, during the first
16 three years of the Fund's existence, expenditures for immediate needs, not to
17 exceed five percent of the principal, may be authorized by the ~~Commissioner~~
18 Secretary, provided that such expenditures are consistent with the priorities
19 established by the ~~Commissioner~~ Secretary, pursuant to this section, and shall
20 be subject to the approval of the General Assembly.

1 (3) ~~Annual expenditures from the Fund shall be limited to projects~~
2 ~~approved by the Commissioner and shall be in accordance with appropriations~~
3 ~~of the General Assembly. Project priorities shall be determined in accordance~~
4 ~~with criteria established by the Commissioner and shall include consideration~~
5 ~~of at least the following:~~ The Secretary may make expenditures from the Fund
6 for eligible projects with a consideration towards cost; availability of funds;
7 condition of the resource, facility, or infrastructure; level of use; level of public
8 need; the stated intent of the donor, when donated property is involved; and the
9 ability to protect or enhance a public investment or public resource.

10 (4) There shall be deposited in the Fund monies received by the Agency
11 that are related to management and administrative support of Agency lands,
12 facilities, and recreational assets and that are received from a variety of public
13 and private sources pertinent to the purposes of the Fund, including donations;
14 grants; special use permits; federal funds specifically designated for uses
15 compatible with the intent of the fund; timber sale receipts received after June
16 30, 2001, from State forestland and all Agency lands otherwise not restricted;
17 and such sums as may be ~~appropriated~~ transferred to the Fund by the General
18 Assembly. The Agency may solicit and accept aid or contributions consistent
19 with the stated intent of the donor and deposited with the State Treasurer.
20 Income earned by the Fund shall be deposited into the Fund, and all balances

1 in the Fund at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward and remain
2 part of the Fund.

3 * * *

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

6 Sec. C.110 IMPLEMENTATION OF PRELIMINARY
7 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE VERMONT CLIMATE
8 ACTION COMMISSION

9 * * *

10 (b) Recommendations of the Commission and actions taken on them
11 include:

12 * * *

13 ~~(5) Electrify the transportation system: The direction concerning the use~~
14 ~~of Environmental Mitigation Trust monies resulting from the Volkswagen~~
15 ~~litigation set forth in Sec. E.700 of this act is designed to increase~~
16 ~~electrification of transportation.~~

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

19 Sec. E.700 VOLKSWAGEN LITIGATION; ENVIRONMENTAL
20 MITIGATION TRUST FOR STATE BENEFICIARIES

21 (a) As used in this section:

1 (1) “Appendix D-2” means Appendix D-2 to the Environmental
2 Mitigation Trust, entitled “Eligible Mitigation Actions and Mitigation Action
3 Expenditures.”

4 (2) “Environmental Mitigation Trust” or “Trust” means the
5 Environmental Mitigation Trust Agreement for State Beneficiaries filed on
6 October 2, 2017 in In re: Volkswagen “Clean Diesel” Marketing, Sales
7 Practices, and Products Liability Litigation, 3:16-CV-00295-CRB, MDL No.
8 2672 CRB (JSC) (N.D. Cal.).

9 (3) “Mobile source” means any vehicle, freight switcher, ferry, tug,
10 vessel, or equipment that qualifies under an eligible mitigation action listed in
11 Appendix D-2.

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

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

18 ~~(2) Dedicate the remainder of the monies to the replacement of mobile~~
19 ~~sources that consume fossil fuels with all electric mobile sources or the~~
20 ~~repowering of mobile sources that consume fossil fuels with all electric~~

1 ~~engines, or both, and associated allowable administrative costs.~~ The
2 expenditures shall be in accordance with the requirements of Appendix D-2.

3 Sec. E.702 DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE; EQUIPMENT
4 REPLACEMENT FUNDING; FISCAL YEAR 2028 BUDGET
5 PRESENTATION

6 (a) As part of its fiscal year 2028 budget presentation, the Department of
7 Fish and Wildlife shall include information on the cost and schedule of radio
8 equipment and firearm life cycle replacement and any recommendations for
9 future funding, including the establishment of a designated special fund for
10 that purpose.

11 Sec. E.711 AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES; POSITION POOL;
12 FUNDING

13 (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.711 of this act, \$300,000 General
14 Fund shall be for two permanent, classified positions to be taken from the
15 position pool: two Environmental Analysts.

16 Sec. E.915 32 V.S.A. § 3709 is amended to read:

17 § 3709. PILOT SPECIAL FUND

18 (a) There is hereby established a PILOT Special Fund consisting of local
19 option tax revenues paid to the State Treasurer pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 138.
20 This Fund shall be managed by the Commissioner of Taxes pursuant to chapter
21 7, subchapter 5 of this title. Notwithstanding subdivision 588(3) of this title,

1 all interest earned on the Fund shall be retained in the Fund for use in meeting
2 future obligations. The Fund shall be exclusively for payments required under
3 ~~chapter 123~~, subchapters 4 and 4C of this ~~title~~ chapter, and for any additional
4 State payments in lieu of taxes for correctional facilities, and as provided in
5 subsection (c) of this section. The Commissioner of Finance and Management
6 may draw warrants for disbursements from this Fund in anticipation of
7 receipts.

8 * * *

9 (c) If the local option tax revenues deposited in the PILOT Special Fund
10 pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 138 in any State fiscal year exceed the full amount of
11 all payments made under subchapters 4 and 4C of this chapter plus any
12 additional State payments in lieu of taxes for correctional facilities and any
13 amounts appropriated from the PILOT Special Fund to the Department of
14 Taxes for expenses related to grand list and appraisal assistance, three-fourths
15 of the excess amount shall be transferred to the Local Option Municipal
16 Transportation Special Fund established pursuant to 19 V.S.A. § 306b.
17 Sec. E.915.1 19 V.S.A. § 306b is added to read:

18 § 306b. LOCAL OPTION MUNICIPAL TRANSPORTATION SPECIAL
19 FUND

20 (a) The Local Option Municipal Transportation Special Fund is established
21 in the Agency of Transportation and shall be managed in accordance with

1 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5. The purpose of the Fund is to provide
2 additional State aid for town highways pursuant to the provisions of section
3 306 of this chapter.

4 (b) The Fund shall consist of:

5 (1) transfers from the PILOT Special Fund pursuant to 32 V.S.A.
6 § 3709(c);

7 (2) any gifts, grants, or contributions made to the Fund; and

8 (3) any amounts transferred to the Fund by the General Assembly.

9 (c)(1) All interest earned on Fund balances shall be credited to the Fund.

10 (2) The Secretary may seek and accept gifts, donations, and grants from
11 any source, public or private, to be dedicated for deposit into the Fund.

12 (3) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall anticipate
13 receipts to the Fund and shall issue warrants based on the anticipated amounts.

14 (4)(A) Monies in the Fund shall be used solely to provide State aid to
15 municipalities pursuant to subsections 306(a), (e), and (h) of this chapter and
16 for any administrative costs incurred in administering the Fund.

17 (B) Notwithstanding any provision of subsections 306(a), (e), and (h)
18 of this chapter to the contrary, the aggregate amount of monies appropriated
19 from the Fund pursuant to those subsections in any given State fiscal year shall
20 not exceed 95 percent of the anticipated receipts to the Fund for that fiscal
21 year.

1 Sec. E.915.2 19 V.S.A. § 306 is amended to read:

2 § 306. APPROPRIATION; STATE AID FOR TOWN HIGHWAYS

3 (a) General State aid to town highways.

4 (1) An annual appropriation to class 1, 2, and 3 town highways shall be
5 made. This appropriation shall increase over the previous fiscal year's
6 appropriation by the same percentage change as the following, whichever is
7 less, or shall remain at the previous fiscal year's appropriation if either of the
8 following are negative or zero:

9 * * *

10 (3) The funds appropriated shall be distributed to towns as follows:

11 (A) Six percent of the State's annual town highway appropriation
12 shall be apportioned to class 1 town highways. The apportionment for each
13 town shall be that town's percentage of class 1 town highways of the total class
14 1 town highway mileage in the State.

15 (B) Forty-four percent of the State's annual town highway
16 appropriation shall be apportioned to class 2 town highways. The
17 apportionment for each town shall be that town's percentage of class 2 town
18 highways of the total class 2 town highway mileage in the State.

19 (C) Fifty percent of the State's annual town highway appropriation
20 shall be apportioned to class 3 town highways. The apportionment for each

1 town shall be that town's percentage of class 3 town highways of the total class
2 3 town highway mileage in the State.

3 (D) Monies apportioned under subdivisions (1), (2), and (3) of this
4 subsection (a) shall be distributed to each town in quarterly payments
5 beginning July 15 in each year.

6 (E) Each town shall use the monies apportioned to it solely for town
7 highway construction, improvement, and maintenance purposes or as the
8 nonfederal share for public transit assistance. These funds may also be used
9 for the establishment and maintenance of bicycle routes and sidewalks. The
10 members of the selectboard shall be personally liable to the State, in a civil
11 action brought by the Attorney General, for making any unauthorized
12 expenditures from money apportioned to the town under this section.

13 (4)(A) In addition to the amounts appropriated pursuant to subdivision
14 (1) of this subsection (a), a portion of the anticipated annual revenue of the
15 Local Option Municipal Transportation Special Fund may be appropriated for
16 class 1, 2, and 3 town highways in each State fiscal year in an amount that is
17 consistent with the provisions of subdivision 306b(c)(4) of this chapter.
18 Amounts appropriated from the Fund shall be apportioned, distributed, and
19 used in the same manner as provided pursuant to subdivision (3) of this
20 subsection (a).

1 highways within their borders may use the grants for such activities with
2 respect to both class 2 and class 3 town highways. This appropriation shall
3 increase over the previous fiscal year's appropriation by the same percentage
4 change as the following, whichever is less, or shall remain at the previous
5 fiscal year's appropriation if either of the following are negative or zero:

6 * * *

7 (4) In a given fiscal year, should expenditures in the Class 2 Town
8 Highway Roadway Program exceed the amount appropriated, the Agency shall
9 advise the Governor of the need to request a supplemental appropriation from
10 the General Assembly to fund the additional project cost, provided that the
11 Agency has previously committed to completing those projects.

12 (5) Funds received as grants for State aid under the Class 2 Town
13 Highway Roadway Program may be used by a municipality to satisfy a portion
14 of the matching requirements for federal earmarks, subject to subsection
15 309b(c) of this title.

16 (6)(A) In addition to the amounts appropriated pursuant to subdivision
17 (1) of this subsection (h), a portion of the anticipated annual revenue of the
18 Local Option Municipal Transportation Special Fund may be appropriated for
19 town highway structures in each State fiscal year in an amount that is
20 consistent with the provisions of subdivision 306b(c)(4) of this chapter.
21 Amounts appropriated from the Fund shall be used in the same manner and for

1 the same purposes as provided pursuant to subdivisions (1) and (5) of this
2 subsection (h).

3 (B) Amounts appropriated pursuant to this subdivision (6) shall be
4 supplemental to and shall not supplant or decrease the amount appropriated
5 pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection (h) or be subject to the annual
6 inflationary adjustment provided for in subdivisions (1)–(3) of this subsection
7 (h).

8 * * *

9 Sec. E.923 19 V.S.A. § 11 is amended to read:

10 § 11. TRANSPORTATION FUND

11 The Transportation Fund shall comprise the following:

12 * * *

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

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

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

2 § 11a. TRANSPORTATION FUND APPROPRIATIONS

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

10 * * * Collective Bargaining Agreements; Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 * * *

11 Sec. F.100 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS; FISCAL

12 YEARS 2027 AND 2028

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

1 (b) Fiscal year 2028. This act fully funds the second year of the collective
2 bargaining agreements between the State and the Vermont State Employees’
3 Association and the State and the Vermont Troopers’ Association for the
4 period of July 1, 2027, through June 30, 2028. The collective bargaining
5 agreements for most classified employees provide in fiscal year 2028 an
6 average 1.9 percent step increase and a 3.0 percent across-the-board increase
7 for a total average increase of 4.9 percent for those employees receiving step
8 increases during the fiscal year.

9 * * * Exempt Employees; Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 * * *
10 Sec. F.101 EXEMPT EMPLOYEES; PERMITTED SALARY INCREASES;
11 FISCAL YEARS 2027 AND 2028

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

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

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

5 (a) Fiscal year 2027. For purposes of determining annual salary
6 adjustments, special salary increases, and bonuses under 32 V.S.A. §§ 1003(b)
7 and 1020(b), “the average rate of adjustment available to most classified
8 employees under the collective bargaining agreement” shall be, in fiscal year
9 2027, 5.9 percent.

10 (b) Fiscal year 2028. For purposes of determining annual salary
11 adjustments, special salary increases, and bonuses under 32 V.S.A. §§ 1003(b)
12 and 1020(b), “the average rate of adjustment available to most classified
13 employees under the collective bargaining agreement” shall be, in fiscal year
14 2028, 4.9 percent.

15 * * * Executive Branch; Miscellaneous Statutory Salaries;

16 Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 * * *

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

18 § 1003. STATE OFFICERS

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

1		Annual	Annual
2		Salary	Salary
3		as of	as of
4		July 14,	July 13,
5		2024	2025
6	(1) Governor	\$222,371	\$234,379
7	(2) Lieutenant Governor	\$94,392	\$99,489
8	(3) Secretary of State	\$141,003	\$148,617
9	(4) State Treasurer	\$141,003	\$148,617
10	(5) Auditor of Accounts	\$141,003	\$148,617
11	(6) Attorney General	\$168,837	\$177,954
12		<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u> <u>Annual</u>
13		<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u> <u>Salary</u>
14		<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u> <u>as of</u>
15		<u>July 12,</u>	<u>January 10,</u> <u>July 11,</u>
16		<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u> <u>2027</u>
17	<u>(1) Governor</u>	<u>\$243,520</u>	<u>\$248,390</u> <u>\$260,561</u>
18	<u>(2) Lieutenant Governor</u>	<u>\$103,369</u>	<u>\$105,436</u> <u>\$110,602</u>
19	<u>(3) Secretary of State</u>	<u>\$154,413</u>	<u>\$157,501</u> <u>\$165,219</u>
20	<u>(4) State Treasurer</u>	<u>\$154,413</u>	<u>\$157,501</u> <u>\$165,219</u>
21	<u>(5) Auditor of Accounts</u>	<u>\$154,413</u>	<u>\$157,501</u> <u>\$165,219</u>

1 (6) Attorney General \$184,894 \$188,592 \$197,833

2 (b) The Governor may appoint each officer of the Executive Branch listed
3 in this subsection at a starting salary ranging from the base salary stated for
4 that position to a salary that does not exceed the maximum salary unless
5 otherwise authorized by this subsection. The maximum salary for each
6 appointive officer shall be 50 percent above the base salary. Annually, the
7 Governor may grant to each of those officers an annual salary adjustment
8 subject to the maximum salary. The annual salary adjustment granted to
9 officers under this subsection shall not exceed the average rate of adjustment
10 available to most classified employees under the collective bargaining
11 agreement then in effect. In addition to the annual salary adjustment specified
12 in this subsection, the Governor may grant a special salary increase subject to
13 the maximum salary, or a bonus, to any officer listed in this subsection whose
14 job duties have significantly increased, or whose contributions to the State in
15 the preceding year are deemed especially significant. Special salary increases
16 or bonuses granted to any individual shall not exceed the average rate of
17 adjustment available to most classified employees under the collective
18 bargaining agreement then in effect.

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

1		Base	Base
2		Salary	Salary
3		as of	as of
4		July 14,	July 13,
5		2024	2025
6	(A) Administration	\$134,466	\$141,727
7	(B) Agriculture,		
8	Food and		
9	Markets	\$134,466	\$141,727
10	(C) Financial		
11	Regulation	\$125,706	\$132,494
12	(D) Buildings and		
13	General Services	\$125,706	\$132,494
14	(E) Children and		
15	Families	\$125,706	\$132,494
16	(F) Commerce and		
17	Community		
18	Development	\$134,466	\$141,727
19	(G) Corrections	\$125,706	\$132,494
20	(H) Defender		
21	General	\$125,706	\$132,494

1	(I) Disabilities,		
2	 Aging, and		
3	 Independent		
4	 Living	\$125,706	\$132,494
5	(J) Economic		
6	 Development	\$114,031	\$120,189
7	(K) Education	\$134,466	\$141,727
8	(L) Environmental		
9	 Conservation	\$125,706	\$132,494
10	(M) Finance and		
11	 Management	\$125,706	\$132,494
12	(N) Fish and		
13	 Wildlife	\$114,031	\$120,189
14	(O) Forests, Parks		
15	 and Recreation	\$114,031	\$120,189
16	(P) Health	\$125,706	\$132,494
17	(Q) Housing and		
18	 Community		
19	 Development	\$114,031	\$120,189
20	(R) Human		
21	 Resources	\$125,706	\$132,494

1	(S) Human Services	\$134,466	\$141,727
2	(T) Digital Services	\$134,466	\$141,727
3	(U) Labor	\$125,706	\$132,494
4	(V) Libraries	\$114,031	\$120,189
5	(W) Liquor and		
6	Lottery	\$114,031	\$120,189
7	(X) [Repealed.]		
8	(Y) Mental Health	\$125,706	\$132,494
9	(Z) Military	\$125,706	\$132,494
10	(AA) Motor		
11	Vehicles	\$114,031	\$120,189
12	(BB) Natural		
13	Resources	\$134,466	\$141,727
14	(CC) Land Use Review		
15	Board Chair	\$114,031	\$120,189
16	(DD) Public Safety	\$125,706	\$132,494
17	(EE) Public Service	\$125,706	\$132,494
18	(FF) Taxes	\$125,706	\$132,494
19	(GG) Tourism and		
20	Marketing	\$114,031	\$120,189
21	(HH) Transportation	\$134,466	\$141,727

1	(H) Vermont Health			
2	Access	\$125,706		\$132,494
3	(J) Veterans' Home	\$125,706		\$132,494
4		<u>Base</u>	<u>Base</u>	<u>Base</u>
5		<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>
6		<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>
7		<u>July 12,</u>	<u>January 10,</u>	<u>July 11,</u>
8		<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2027</u>
9	<u>(A) Administration</u>	<u>\$147,254</u>	<u>\$150,199</u>	<u>\$157,559</u>
10	<u>(B) Agriculture,</u>			
11	<u>Food and</u>			
12	<u>Markets</u>	<u>\$147,254</u>	<u>\$150,199</u>	<u>\$157,559</u>
13	<u>(C) Financial</u>			
14	<u>Regulation</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
15	<u>(D) Buildings and</u>			
16	<u>General Services</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
17	<u>(E) Children and</u>			
18	<u>Families</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
19	<u>(F) Commerce and</u>			
20	<u>Community</u>			
21	<u>Development</u>	<u>\$147,254</u>	<u>\$150,199</u>	<u>\$157,559</u>

1	<u>(G) Corrections</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
2	<u>(H) Defender</u>			
3	<u>General</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
4	<u>(I) Disabilities,</u>			
5	<u>Aging, and</u>			
6	<u>Independent</u>			
7	<u>Living</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
8	<u>(J) Economic</u>			
9	<u>Development</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>
10	<u>(K) Education</u>	<u>\$147,254</u>	<u>\$150,199</u>	<u>\$157,559</u>
11	<u>(L) Environmental</u>			
12	<u>Conservation</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
13	<u>(M) Finance and</u>			
14	<u>Management</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
15	<u>(N) Fish and</u>			
16	<u>Wildlife</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>
17	<u>(O) Forests, Parks</u>			
18	<u>and Recreation</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>
19	<u>(P) Health</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
20	<u>(Q) Housing and</u>			

1	<u>Community</u>			
2	<u>Development</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>
3	<u>(R) Human</u>			
4	<u>Resources</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
5	<u>(S) Human Services</u>	<u>\$147,254</u>	<u>\$150,199</u>	<u>\$157,559</u>
6	<u>(T) Digital Services</u>	<u>\$147,254</u>	<u>\$150,199</u>	<u>\$157,559</u>
7	<u>(U) Labor</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
8	<u>(V) Libraries</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>
9	<u>(W) Liquor and</u>			
10	<u>Lottery</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>
11	<u>(X) [Repealed.]</u>			
12	<u>(Y) Mental Health</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
13	<u>(Z) Military</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
14	<u>(AA) Motor</u>			
15	<u>Vehicles</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>
16	<u>(BB) Natural</u>			
17	<u>Resources</u>	<u>\$147,254</u>	<u>\$150,199</u>	<u>\$157,559</u>
18	<u>(CC) Land Use Review</u>			
19	<u>Board Chair</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>
20	<u>(DD) Public Safety</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
21	<u>(EE) Public Service</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>

1	<u>(FF) Taxes</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
2	<u>(GG) Tourism and</u>			
3	<u>Marketing</u>	<u>\$124,876</u>	<u>\$127,374</u>	<u>\$133,615</u>
4	<u>(HH) Transportation</u>	<u>\$147,254</u>	<u>\$150,199</u>	<u>\$157,559</u>
5	<u>(II) Vermont Health</u>			
6	<u>Access</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>
7	<u>(JJ) Veterans' Home</u>	<u>\$137,661</u>	<u>\$140,414</u>	<u>\$147,294</u>

8 (2) [Repealed.]

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

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

15 * * *

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

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

1 * * * Judicial Branch; Statutory Salaries; Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 * * *

2 Sec. F.104 32 V.S.A. § 1003(c) is amended to read:

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

	Annual	Annual
	Salary	Salary
	as of	as of
	July 14,	July 13,
	2024	2025
10 (1) Chief Justice of		
11 Supreme Court	\$214,024	\$225,581
12 (2) Each Associate		
13 Justice	\$204,264	\$215,294
14 (3) Chief Superior		
15 Judge	\$204,264	\$215,294
16 (4) Each Superior		
17 Judge	\$194,185	\$204,671
18 (5) [Repealed.]		
19 (6) Each		
20 Magistrate	\$146,413	\$154,319
21 (7) Each Judicial		

1	Bureau hearing			
2	officer	\$146,413	\$154,319	
3		<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>
4		<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>
5		<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>
6		<u>July 12,</u>	<u>January 10,</u>	<u>July 11,</u>
7		<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	<u>2027</u>
8	<u>(1) Chief Justice of</u>			
9	<u>Supreme Court</u>	<u>\$234,379</u>	<u>\$239,067</u>	<u>\$250,781</u>
10	<u>(2) Each Associate</u>			
11	<u>Justice</u>	<u>\$223,690</u>	<u>\$228,164</u>	<u>\$239,344</u>
12	<u>(3) Chief Superior</u>			
13	<u>Judge</u>	<u>\$223,690</u>	<u>\$228,164</u>	<u>\$239,344</u>
14	<u>(4) Each Superior</u>			
15	<u>Judge</u>	<u>\$212,653</u>	<u>\$216,906</u>	<u>\$227,534</u>
16	<u>(5) [Repealed.]</u>			
17	<u>(6) Each</u>			
18	<u>Magistrate</u>	<u>\$160,337</u>	<u>\$163,544</u>	<u>\$171,558</u>
19	<u>(7) Each Judicial</u>			
20	<u>Bureau hearing</u>			
21	<u>officer</u>	<u>\$160,337</u>	<u>\$163,544</u>	<u>\$171,558</u>

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

2 § 1141. ASSISTANT JUDGES

3 (a)(1) Each assistant judge of the Superior Court shall be entitled to receive
4 compensation in the amount of ~~\$224.47 a day as of July 14, 2024 and \$236.59~~
5 ~~a day as of July 13, 2025~~ \$245.82 a day as of July 12, 2026, \$250.74 a day as
6 of January 10, 2027, and \$263.03 a day as of July 11, 2027, for time spent in
7 the performance of official duties and necessary expenses as allowed to
8 classified State employees. Compensation under this section shall be based on
9 a two-hour minimum and hourly thereafter.

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

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

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

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

21 § 1142. PROBATE JUDGES

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

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

1	(14) Windsor	\$115,555	\$121,795
2		<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>
3		<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>
4		<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>
5		<u>July 12,</u>	<u>January 10,</u>
6		<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
7	<u>(1) Addison</u>	<u>\$83,836</u>	<u>\$85,513</u>
8	<u>(2) Bennington</u>	<u>\$105,980</u>	<u>\$108,100</u>
9	<u>(3) Caledonia</u>	<u>\$74,348</u>	<u>\$75,835</u>
10	<u>(4) Chittenden</u>	<u>\$176,866</u>	<u>\$180,403</u>
11	<u>(5) Essex</u>	<u>\$20,770</u>	<u>\$21,185</u>
12	<u>(6) Franklin</u>	<u>\$83,836</u>	<u>\$85,513</u>
13	<u>(7) Grand Isle</u>	<u>\$20,770</u>	<u>\$21,185</u>
14	<u>(8) Lamoille</u>	<u>\$58,526</u>	<u>\$59,697</u>
15	<u>(9) Orange</u>	<u>\$69,598</u>	<u>\$70,990</u>
16	<u>(10) Orleans</u>	<u>\$68,017</u>	<u>\$69,377</u>
17	<u>(11) Rutland</u>	<u>\$150,272</u>	<u>\$153,277</u>
18	<u>(12) Washington</u>	<u>\$115,469</u>	<u>\$117,778</u>
19	<u>(13) Windham</u>	<u>\$93,326</u>	<u>\$95,193</u>
20	<u>(14) Windsor</u>	<u>\$126,545</u>	<u>\$129,076</u>

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

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

8 * * * Sheriffs; Statutory Salaries; Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 * * *

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

10 § 1182. SHERIFFS

11 (a) The sheriffs of all counties except Chittenden shall be entitled to receive
12 salaries in the amount of ~~\$104,010.00 as of July 14, 2024 and \$109,627.00 as~~
13 ~~of July 13, 2025~~ \$113,902.00 as of July 12, 2026, \$116,180.00 as of January
14 10, 2027, and \$122,873.00 as of July 11, 2027. The Sheriff of Chittenden
15 County shall be entitled to an annual salary in the amount of ~~\$110,070.00 as of~~
16 ~~July 14, 2024 and \$116,014.00 as of July 13, 2025~~ \$120,539.00 as of July 12,
17 2026, \$122,950.00 as of January 10, 2027, and \$128,975.00 as of July 11,
18 2027.

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

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

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

4

§ 1183. STATE'S ATTORNEYS

5

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

6

follows:

7

~~Annual~~

~~Annual~~

8

~~Salary~~

~~Salary~~

9

~~as of~~

~~as of~~

10

~~July 14,~~

~~July 13,~~

11

~~2024~~

~~2025~~

12

~~(1) Addison County~~

~~\$140,691~~

~~\$148,288~~

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~~(2) Bennington~~

14

~~County~~

~~\$140,691~~

~~\$148,288~~

15

~~(3) Caledonia County~~

~~\$140,691~~

~~\$148,288~~

16

~~(4) Chittenden County~~

~~\$147,087~~

~~\$155,030~~

17

~~(5) Essex County~~

~~\$105,521~~

~~\$111,219~~

18

~~(6) Franklin County~~

~~\$140,691~~

~~\$148,288~~

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~~(7) Grand Isle County~~

~~\$105,521~~

~~\$111,219~~

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~~(8) Lamoille County~~

~~\$140,691~~

~~\$148,288~~

21

~~(9) Orange County~~

~~\$140,691~~

~~\$148,288~~

1	(10) Orleans County	\$140,691	\$148,288
2	(11) Rutland County	\$140,691	\$148,288
3	(12) Washington		
4	County	\$140,691	\$148,288
5	(13) Windham County	\$140,691	\$148,288
6	(14) Windsor County	\$140,691	\$148,288
7		<u>Annual</u>	<u>Annual</u>
8		<u>Salary</u>	<u>Salary</u>
9		<u>as of</u>	<u>as of</u>
10		<u>July 12,</u>	<u>January 10,</u>
11		<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>
12	<u>(1) Addison County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>
13	<u>(2) Bennington</u>		
14	<u>County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>
15	<u>(3) Caledonia County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>
16	<u>(4) Chittenden County</u>	<u>\$161,076</u>	<u>\$164,298</u>
17	<u>(5) Essex County</u>	<u>\$115,557</u>	<u>\$117,868</u>
18	<u>(6) Franklin County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>
19	<u>(7) Grand Isle County</u>	<u>\$115,557</u>	<u>\$117,868</u>
20	<u>(8) Lamoille County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>
21	<u>(9) Orange County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>

1	<u>(10) Orleans County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
2	<u>(11) Rutland County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
3	<u>(12) Washington</u>			
4	<u>County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
5	<u>(13) Windham County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>
6	<u>(14) Windsor County</u>	<u>\$154,071</u>	<u>\$157,152</u>	<u>\$164,852</u>

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

12 Sec. F.108.1 32 V.S.A. § 1183 is amended to read:

13 § 1183. STATE'S ATTORNEYS

14 * * *

15 (c) Compensation under subsection (a) of this section shall be reduced by
16 30 percent for any State's Attorney who is not licensed or authorized to
17 practice law in the State pursuant to the administrative orders issued by the
18 Vermont Supreme Court.

19 * * * Appropriations * * *

20 Sec. F.109 PAY ACT APPROPRIATIONS; FISCAL YEARS 2027 AND
21 2028

1 (a) Executive Branch. The first and second years of the two-year
2 agreements between the State of Vermont and the Vermont State Employees’
3 Association for the Defender General, Non-Management, Supervisory, and
4 Corrections bargaining units, and, for the purpose of appropriation, the State’s
5 Attorneys’ offices bargaining unit, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June
6 30, 2028; the collective bargaining agreement with the Vermont Troopers’
7 Association for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028; and salary
8 increases for employees in the Executive Branch not covered by the bargaining
9 agreements shall be funded as follows:

10 (1) Fiscal year 2027.

11 (A) General Fund. The amount of \$23,918,820.00 is appropriated
12 from the General Fund to the Secretary of Administration for distribution to
13 departments to fund the fiscal year 2027 collective bargaining agreements and
14 the requirements of this act.

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

19 (C) Other funds. The Administration shall provide additional
20 spending authority to departments through the existing process of excess
21 receipts to fund the fiscal year 2027 collective bargaining agreements and the

1 requirements of this act. The estimated amounts are \$27,184,607.00 from a
2 special fund, federal funds, and other sources.

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

9 (2) Fiscal year 2028.

10 (A) General Fund. The amount of \$24,974,632.00 is appropriated
11 from the General Fund to the Secretary of Administration for distribution to
12 departments to fund the fiscal year 2028 collective bargaining agreements and
13 the requirements of this act.

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

18 (C) Other funds. The Administration shall provide additional
19 spending authority to departments through the existing process of excess
20 receipts to fund the fiscal year 2028 collective bargaining agreements and the

1 requirements of this act. The estimated amounts are \$28,362,343.00 from a
2 special fund, federal funds, and other sources.

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

9 (3) This section shall include sufficient funding to ensure administration
10 of exempt pay plans authorized by 32 V.S.A. § 1020(c).

11 (b) Judicial Branch.

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

15 (2) Fiscal year 2027. The first year of the two-year agreements between
16 the State of Vermont and the Vermont State Employees' Association for the
17 judicial bargaining unit for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027,
18 and salary increases for employees in the Judicial Branch not covered by the
19 bargaining agreements shall be funded as follows: the amount of
20 \$3,800,867.00 is appropriated from the General Fund and the amount of

1 \$277,316.00 is provided from other sources to the Judiciary to fund the fiscal
2 year 2027 collective bargaining agreement and the requirements of this act.

3 (3) Fiscal year 2028. The second year of the two-year agreements
4 between the State of Vermont and the Vermont State Employees' Association
5 for the judicial bargaining unit for the period of July 1, 2027, through June 30,
6 2028, and salary increases for employees in the Judicial Branch not covered by
7 the bargaining agreements shall be funded as follows: the amount of
8 \$2,466,396.00 is appropriated from the General Fund and the amount of
9 \$179,952.00 is provided from other sources to the Judiciary to fund the fiscal
10 year 2028 collective bargaining agreement and the requirements of this act.

11 (c) Legislative Branch.

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

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

- 1 fiscal year's appropriations and the Joint Fiscal Committee approves a
2 rescission plan at its July 2026 meeting that does not rescind the funding for
3 the establishment of the positions in Secs. E.100, E.111, E.236, E.306.2,
4 E.329.2, and E.711. Any position in Secs. E.100, E.111, E.236, E.306.2,
5 E.329.2, and E.711 for which funding has been rescinded shall not be
6 established.
- 7 (f) All other sections shall take effect on July 1, 2026.