

Here are the financial notes from House Corrections & Institutions on the 5 items that were sent for us to look at.

Our notes are in [BLUE](#):

Sec. B.1100 MISCELLANEOUS FISCAL YEAR 2027 ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS

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

(1) \$1,360,036 Transportation Fund for the FEMA 428 project relocating the Central Garage to Paine Turnpike in Berlin.

EXPLANATION:

(h)(1): Provides funding in an agreement between the Agency of Transportation and FEMA for relocating the Central Garage to Paine Turnpike in Berlin. The current location was destroyed by the July 2023 flood.

[These Appropriations are not in our jurisdiction. We believe this should be in Transportation.](#)

Sec. D.101 FUND TRANSFERS

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

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

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

EXPLANATION:

(a)(1)

(B): Annual transfer, per 32 V.S.A. 1001b(b)(1)(A), at maximum statutory amount.

[\$2,367,174,155 FY25 Total General Fund Appropriations * 4% = \$94,686,966]

[\$94,686,966 - \$77,670,806 FY27 General Obligation Debt Service Need = \$17,016,160]

[This Appropriation needs further discussion between the chairs of Appropriations and Corrections & Institutions](#)

Sec. E.144 PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES – CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES

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

EXPLANATION:

Standard annual language.

We have a question on the total amount of funds, but Corrections & Institutions are in SUPPORT of this Appropriation

Sec. E.338 CORRECTIONS – CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

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

EXPLANATION:

Standard annual language which provides DOC with specific funding from the PILOT Special Fund for payments to municipalities.

Corrections & Institutions is in support of this Appropriation

Sec. E.338.1 CORRECTIONS – CORRECTIONAL SERVICES; POSITION POOL; FUNDING

(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.338 of this act, \$200,000 General Fund shall be added to existing prior year funding for seven permanent, classified Probation and Parole Officer II positions to be taken from the position pool. These positions will be dedicated to the Department of Corrections Pre-Trial Supervision Program.

EXPLANATION:

Designates a portion of the General Fund appropriated for the named positions to be taken from the position pool.

This Appropriation needs further discussion between the chairs of Appropriations, House Judiciary and Corrections & Institutions.

Many thanks,
Shawn Sweeney, Clerk House Corrections & Institutions