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2 An act relating to fiscal year 2025 budget adjustments

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

4 Sec. 1. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.105 is amended to read:

5 Sec. B.105 Agency of digital services - communications and information

6 technology

7	Personal services	82,994,362	82,994,362
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8	Operating expenses	62,547,212	<u>61,761,212</u>
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9	Total	145,541,574	144,755,574
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10 Source of funds

11	General fund	209,808	209,808
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12	Special funds	511,723	511,723
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13	Internal service funds	144,820,043	<u>144,034,043</u>
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14	Total	145,541,574	144,755,574
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15 Sec. 2. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.145 is amended to read:

16 Sec. B.145 Total general government

17 Source of funds

18	General fund	117,405,610	117,405,610
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19	Transportation fund	4,292,149	4,292,149
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20	Special funds	31,882,209	31,882,209
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21	Federal funds	1,467,374	1,467,374
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1	Internal service funds	214,635,950	213,849,950
2	Interdepartmental transfers	7,053,789	7,053,789
3	Enterprise funds	4,298	4,298
4	Pension trust funds	4,800,305	4,800,305
5	Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,329,205</u>	<u>1,329,205</u>
6	Total	382,870,889	382,084,889

7 Sec. 3. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.204 is amended to read:

8 Sec. B.204 Judiciary

9	Personal services	58,439,095	58,827,799
10	Operating expenses	12,479,384	14,640,960
11	Grants	<u>121,030</u>	<u>121,030</u>
12	Total	71,039,509	73,589,789

13 Source of funds

14	General fund	63,414,698	65,964,978
15	Special funds	4,503,401	4,503,401
16	Federal funds	953,928	953,928
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,167,482</u>	<u>2,167,482</u>
18	Total	71,039,509	73,589,789

19 Sec. 4. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.205 is amended to read:

20 Sec. B.205 State's attorneys

21	Personal services	17,309,679	17,503,709
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1	Operating expenses	<u>2,034,016</u>	<u>2,247,786</u>
2	Total	19,343,695	19,751,495
3	Source of funds		
4	General fund	18,734,634	19,142,434
5	Federal funds	31,000	31,000
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>578,061</u>	<u>578,061</u>
7	Total	19,343,695	19,751,495
8	Sec. 5. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.206.1 is amended to read:		
9	Sec. B.206.1 Crime Victims Advocates		
10	Personal services	3,016,156	3,016,156
11	Operating expenses	<u>104,396</u>	<u>142,396</u>
12	Total	3,120,552	3,158,552
13	Source of funds		
14	General fund	<u>3,120,552</u>	<u>3,158,552</u>
15	Total	3,120,552	3,158,552
16	Sec. 6. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.208 is amended to read:		
17	Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration		
18	Personal services	4,620,756	5,397,783
19	Operating expenses	<u>6,022,923</u>	<u>6,022,923</u>
20	Total	10,643,679	11,420,706
21	Source of funds		

1	General fund	6,179,193	8,092,770
2	Special funds	4,105	4,105
3	Federal funds	396,362	396,362
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,064,019</u>	<u>2,927,469</u>
5	Total	10,643,679	11,420,706

6 Sec. 7. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.210 is amended to read:

7 Sec. B.210 Public safety - criminal justice services

8	Personal services	5,387,100	4,705,897
9	Operating expenses	<u>2,152,467</u>	<u>2,152,467</u>
10	Total	7,539,567	6,858,364

11 Source of funds

12	General fund	1,829,099	2,172,295
13	Special funds	4,975,847	3,951,448
14	Federal funds	<u>734,621</u>	<u>734,621</u>
15	Total	7,539,567	6,858,364

16 Sec. 8. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.236 is amended to read:

17 Sec. B.236 Human rights commission

18	Personal services	927,697	952,559
19	Operating expenses	<u>115,103</u>	<u>125,378</u>
20	Total	1,042,800	1,077,937

21 Source of funds

1	General fund	953,800	988,937
2	Federal funds	<u>89,000</u>	<u>89,000</u>
3	Total	1,042,800	1,077,937

4 Sec. 9. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.241 is amended to read:

5 Sec. B.241 Total protection to persons and property

6 Source of funds

7	General fund	228,238,448	233,526,438
8	Transportation fund	20,250,000	20,250,000
9	Special funds	119,824,272	118,799,873
10	Tobacco fund	672,579	672,579
11	Federal funds	162,959,452	162,959,452
12	Interdepartmental transfers	16,031,869	14,895,319
13	Enterprise funds	<u>15,070,107</u>	<u>15,070,107</u>
14	Total	563,046,727	566,173,768

15 Sec. 10. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.300 is amended to read:

16 Sec. B.300 Human services - agency of human services - secretary's office

17	Personal services	16,219,746	18,219,746
18	Operating expenses	7,220,486	6,062,286
19	Grants	<u>3,795,202</u>	<u>3,795,202</u>
20	Total	27,235,434	28,077,234

21 Source of funds

1	General fund	12,913,202	11,923,905
2	Special funds	135,517	135,517
3	Federal funds	13,565,080	11,606,177
4	Global Commitment fund	0	4,300,000
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>621,635</u>	<u>111,635</u>
6	Total	27,235,434	28,077,234

7 Sec. 11. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.301 is amended to read:

8 Sec. B.301 Secretary's office - global commitment

9	Grants	2,039,512,911	<u>2,164,607,988</u>
10	Total	2,039,512,911	<u>2,164,607,988</u>

11 Source of funds

12	General fund	668,380,623	716,109,638
13	Special funds	32,047,905	32,047,905
14	Tobacco fund	21,049,373	21,049,373
15	State health care resources fund	28,053,557	28,053,557
16	Federal funds	1,285,494,243	1,363,223,270
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,487,210</u>	<u>4,124,245</u>
18	Total	2,039,512,911	<u>2,164,607,988</u>

19 Sec. 12. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.305 is amended to read:

20 Sec. B.305 AHS - administrative fund

21	Personal services	330,000	330,000
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1	Operating expenses	<u>13,170,000</u>	<u>16,870,000</u>
2	Total	13,500,000	17,200,000
3	Source of funds		
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>13,500,000</u>	<u>17,200,000</u>
5	Total	13,500,000	17,200,000
6	Sec. 13. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.306 is amended to read:		
7	Sec. B.306 Department of Vermont health access - administration		
8	Personal services	134,929,148	136,693,560
9	Operating expenses	44,171,193	39,250,661
10	Grants	<u>3,112,301</u>	<u>3,112,301</u>
11	Total	182,212,642	179,056,522
12	Source of funds		
13	General fund	39,872,315	42,023,781
14	Special funds	4,733,015	4,733,015
15	Federal funds	128,790,580	124,836,223
16	Global Commitment fund	4,308,574	4,308,574
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,508,158</u>	<u>3,154,929</u>
18	Total	182,212,642	179,056,522
19	Sec. 14. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.307 is amended to read:		
20	Sec. B.307 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program –		
21	global commitment		

1	Personal services	547,983	547,983
2	Grants	<u>899,550,794</u>	<u>964,407,046</u>
3	Total	<u>900,098,777</u>	964,955,029
4	Source of funds		
5	Global Commitment fund	<u>900,098,777</u>	<u>964,955,029</u>
6	Total	<u>900,098,777</u>	964,955,029
7	Sec. 15. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.309 is amended to read:		
8	Sec. B.309 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program –		
9	state only		
10	Grants	<u>63,033,948</u>	<u>67,780,595</u>
11	Total	<u>63,033,948</u>	67,780,595
12	Source of funds		
13	General fund	<u>62,151,546</u>	62,308,757
14	Global Commitment fund	<u>882,402</u>	<u>5,471,838</u>
15	Total	<u>63,033,948</u>	67,780,595
16	Sec. 16. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.310 is amended to read:		
17	Sec. B.310 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid non-waiver		
18	matched		
19	Grants	<u>34,994,888</u>	<u>38,232,431</u>
20	Total	<u>34,994,888</u>	38,232,431
21	Source of funds		

1	General fund	12,511,405	13,459,034
2	Federal funds	22,483,483	<u>24,773,397</u>
3	Total	34,994,888	38,232,431

4 Sec. 17. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.311 is amended to read:

5 Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support

6	Personal services	8,373,168	8,373,168
7	Operating expenses	7,519,722	8,166,662
8	Grants	<u>7,985,727</u>	<u>7,985,727</u>
9	Total	23,878,617	24,525,557

10 Source of funds

11	General fund	3,189,843	3,513,313
12	Special funds	2,308,186	2,308,186
13	Federal funds	11,040,433	11,363,903
14	Global Commitment fund	7,173,924	7,173,924
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>166,231</u>	<u>166,231</u>
16	Total	23,878,617	24,525,557

17 Sec. 18. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.312 is amended to read:

18 Sec. B.312 Health - public health

19	Personal services	67,812,371	67,812,371
20	Operating expenses	11,025,497	11,025,497
21	Grants	46,766,832	<u>46,866,832</u>

1	Total	125,604,700	125,704,700
2	Source of funds		
3	General fund	12,908,892	13,008,892
4	Special funds	24,906,804	24,906,804
5	Tobacco fund	1,088,918	1,088,918
6	Federal funds	64,038,301	64,038,301
7	Global Commitment fund	17,036,150	17,036,150
8	Interdepartmental transfers	5,600,635	5,600,635
9	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
10	Total	125,604,700	125,704,700
11	Sec. 19. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.313 is amended to read:		
12	Sec. B.313 Health - substance use programs		
13	Personal services	6,570,967	6,570,967
14	Operating expenses	511,500	511,500
15	Grants	58,215,510	<u>59,240,635</u>
16	Total	65,297,977	66,323,102
17	Source of funds		
18	General fund	6,672,061	7,697,186
19	Special funds	2,413,678	2,413,678
20	Tobacco fund	949,917	949,917
21	Federal funds	15,456,754	15,456,754

1	Global Commitment fund	<u>39,805,567</u>	<u>39,805,567</u>
2	Total	65,297,977	66,323,102
3	Sec. 20. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.314 is amended to read:		
4	Sec. B.314 Mental health - mental health		
5	Personal services	50,191,086	50,191,086
6	Operating expenses	5,517,999	5,709,973
7	Grants	270,625,138	<u>272,536,080</u>
8	Total	326,334,223	328,437,139
9	Source of funds		
10	General fund	25,555,311	26,279,270
11	Special funds	1,718,092	1,718,092
12	Federal funds	11,436,913	12,661,803
13	Global Commitment fund	287,609,767	287,763,834
14	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>14,140</u>	<u>14,140</u>
15	Total	326,334,223	328,437,139
16	Sec. 21. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.316 is amended to read:		
17	Sec. B.316 Department for children and families - administration &		
18	support services		
19	Personal services	46,644,080	44,844,080
20	Operating expenses	17,560,755	19,402,705
21	Grants	<u>5,627,175</u>	<u>5,627,175</u>

1	Total	69,832,010	69,873,960
2	Source of funds		
3	General fund	39,722,724	40,113,958
4	Special funds	2,781,912	2,781,912
5	Federal funds	24,448,223	24,098,939
6	Global Commitment fund	2,417,024	2,417,024
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>462,127</u>	<u>462,127</u>
8	Total	69,832,010	69,873,960
9	Sec. 22. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.317 is amended to read:		
10	Sec. B.317 Department for children and families - family services		
11	Personal services	45,197,694	45,286,553
12	Operating expenses	5,315,309	5,315,309
13	Grants	98,251,027	<u>97,732,465</u>
14	Total	148,764,030	148,334,327
15	Source of funds		
16	General fund	58,838,741	59,984,059
17	Special funds	729,587	729,587
18	Federal funds	34,666,196	36,180,206
19	Global Commitment fund	54,514,506	51,425,475
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>15,000</u>	<u>15,000</u>
21	Total	148,764,030	148,334,327

1 Sec. 23. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.318 is amended to read:

2 Sec. B.318 Department for children and families - child development

3 Personal services 5,908,038 5,908,038

4 Operating expenses 813,321 813,321

5 Grants 223,329,336 211,815,836

6 Total ~~230,050,695~~ 218,537,195

7 Source of funds

8 General fund ~~76,723,518~~ 51,443,165

9 Special funds ~~96,312,000~~ 109,512,000

10 Federal funds ~~43,511,414~~ 42,902,383

11 Global Commitment fund ~~13,503,763~~ 14,679,647

12 Total ~~230,050,695~~ 218,537,195

13 Sec. 24. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.319 is amended to read:

14 Sec. B.319 Department for children and families - office of child support

15 Personal services ~~13,157,660~~ 13,061,794

16 Operating expenses 3,759,992 3,759,992

17 Total ~~16,917,652~~ 16,821,786

18 Source of funds

19 General fund ~~5,200,064~~ 5,163,429

20 Special funds 455,719 455,719

21 Federal funds ~~10,874,269~~ 10,815,038

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>387,600</u>	<u>387,600</u>
2	Total	16,917,652	16,821,786
3	Sec. 25. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.320 is amended to read:		
4	Sec. B.320 Department for children and families - aid to aged, blind and		
5	disabled		
6	Personal services	2,252,206	2,481,741
7	Grants	<u>10,717,444</u>	<u>10,369,155</u>
8	Total	12,969,650	12,850,896
9	Source of funds		
10	General fund	7,376,133	7,368,843
11	Global Commitment fund	<u>5,593,517</u>	<u>5,482,053</u>
12	Total	12,969,650	12,850,896
13	Sec. 26. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.321 is amended to read:		
14	Sec. B.321 Department for children and families - general assistance		
15	Personal services	15,000	15,000
16	Grants	<u>11,054,252</u>	<u>10,702,625</u>
17	Total	11,069,252	10,717,625
18	Source of funds		
19	General fund	10,811,345	10,486,987
20	Federal funds	11,320	11,070
21	Global Commitment fund	<u>246,587</u>	<u>219,568</u>

1 Total ~~41,069,252~~ 10,717,625

2 Sec. 27. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.322 is amended to read:

3 Sec. B.322 Department for children and families - 3SquaresVT

4 Grants ~~44,377,812~~ 45,677,812

5 Total ~~44,377,812~~ 45,677,812

6 Source of funds

7 Federal funds ~~44,377,812~~ 45,677,812

8 Total ~~44,377,812~~ 45,677,812

9 Sec. 28. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.323 is amended to read:

10 Sec. B.323 Department for children and families - reach up

11 Operating expenses 23,821 23,821

12 Grants ~~37,230,488~~ 36,730,493

13 Total ~~37,254,309~~ 36,754,314

14 Source of funds

15 General fund ~~24,733,042~~ 24,233,047

16 Special funds 5,970,229 5,970,229

17 Federal funds 2,806,330 2,806,330

18 Global Commitment fund 3,744,708 3,744,708

19 Total ~~37,254,309~~ 36,754,314

20 Sec. 29. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.325 is amended to read:

21 Sec. B.325 Department for children and families - office of economic

1	opportunity		
2	Personal services	817,029	1,042,639
3	Operating expenses	100,407	100,407
4	Grants	35,466,283	<u>35,812,536</u>
5	Total	36,383,719	36,955,582
6	Source of funds		
7	General fund	28,178,010	28,687,068
8	Special funds	83,135	83,135
9	Federal funds	4,935,273	4,998,078
10	Global Commitment fund	<u>3,187,301</u>	<u>3,187,301</u>
11	Total	36,383,719	36,955,582
12	Sec. 30. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.329 is amended to read:		
13	Sec. B.329 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - administration &		
14	support		
15	Personal services	45,217,977	46,217,977
16	Operating expenses	6,472,558	<u>6,714,680</u>
17	Total	51,690,535	52,932,657
18	Source of funds		
19	General fund	22,916,281	24,037,342
20	Special funds	1,390,457	1,390,457
21	Federal funds	26,063,097	26,184,158

1	Global Commitment fund	35,000	35,000
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,285,700</u>	<u>1,285,700</u>
3	Total	51,690,535	52,932,657

4 Sec. 31. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.330 is amended to read:

5 Sec. B.330 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - advocacy and
6 independent living grants

7	Grants	<u>24,571,060</u>	<u>24,781,798</u>
8	Total	<u>24,571,060</u>	24,781,798

9 Source of funds

10	General fund	8,392,303	8,504,605
11	Federal funds	7,321,114	7,321,114
12	Global Commitment fund	<u>8,857,643</u>	<u>8,956,079</u>
13	Total	<u>24,571,060</u>	24,781,798

14 Sec. 32. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.332 is amended to read:

15 Sec. B.332 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - vocational
16 rehabilitation

17	Grants	<u>10,179,845</u>	<u>9,179,845</u>
18	Total	<u>10,179,845</u>	9,179,845

19 Source of funds

20	General fund	1,371,845	371,845
21	Federal funds	7,558,000	7,558,000

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,250,000</u>	<u>1,250,000</u>
2	Total	10,179,845	9,179,845

3 Sec. 33. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.333 is amended to read:

4 Sec. B.333 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - developmental
5 services

6	Grants	<u>329,299,344</u>	<u>331,262,271</u>
7	Total	329,299,344	331,262,271

8 Source of funds

9	General fund	132,732	132,732
10	Special funds	15,463	15,463
11	Federal funds	403,573	403,573
12	Global Commitment fund	328,697,576	330,660,503
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>50,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>
14	Total	329,299,344	331,262,271

15 Sec. 34. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.334 is amended to read:

16 Sec. B.334 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - TBI home and
17 community based waiver

18	Grants	<u>6,845,005</u>	<u>6,864,520</u>
19	Total	6,845,005	6,864,520

20 Source of funds

21	Global Commitment fund	<u>6,845,005</u>	<u>6,864,520</u>
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1	Total	6,845,005	6,864,520
2	Sec. 35. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.334.1 is amended to read:		
3	Sec. B.334.1 Disabilities, aging and independent living - Long Term Care		
4	Grants	293,584,545	<u>347,376,122</u>
5	Total	293,584,545	347,376,122
6	Source of funds		
7	General fund	498,579	498,579
8	Federal funds	2,450,000	2,450,000
9	Global Commitment fund	290,635,966	<u>344,427,543</u>
10	Total	293,584,545	347,376,122
11	Sec. 36. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.338 is amended to read:		
12	Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services		
13	Personal services	147,472,104	148,472,104
14	Operating expenses	24,914,205	<u>25,249,795</u>
15	Total	172,386,309	173,721,899
16	Source of funds		
17	General fund	162,807,888	163,643,478
18	Special funds	935,963	935,963
19	ARPA State Fiscal	5,000,000	5,000,000
20	Federal funds	499,888	999,888
21	Global Commitment fund	2,746,255	2,746,255

1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>396,315</u>	<u>396,315</u>
2	Total	172,386,309	173,721,899
3	Sec. 37. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.342 is amended to read:		
4	Sec. B.342 Vermont veterans' home - care and support services		
5	Personal services	17,631,222	17,595,290
6	Operating expenses	5,013,462	13,247,462
7	Grants	<u>0</u>	<u>1,583,157</u>
8	Total	22,644,684	32,425,909
9	Source of funds		
10	General fund	4,320,687	11,224,018
11	Special funds	10,051,903	12,450,095
12	Federal funds	<u>8,272,094</u>	<u>8,751,796</u>
13	Total	22,644,684	32,425,909
14	Sec. 38. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.347 is amended to read:		
15	Sec. B.347 Total human services		
16	Source of funds		
17	General fund	1,328,118,806	1,364,156,647
18	Special funds	202,800,452	218,398,644
19	Tobacco fund	23,088,208	23,088,208
20	State health care resources fund	28,053,557	28,053,557
21	ARPA State Fiscal	5,000,000	5,000,000

1	Federal funds	1,803,398,922	1,882,012,745
2	Global Commitment fund	1,980,839,553	2,108,560,133
3	Internal service funds	490,853	490,853
4	Interdepartmental transfers	32,893,535	34,367,341
5	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
6	Total	5,404,708,886	5,664,153,128
7	Sec. 39. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.501 is amended to read:		
8	Sec. B.501 Education - education services		
9	Personal services	28,237,700	28,312,700
10	Operating expenses	1,134,912	1,134,912
11	Grants	<u>322,345,763</u>	<u>322,345,763</u>
12	Total	351,718,375	351,793,375
13	Source of funds		
14	General fund	6,387,955	6,462,955
15	Special funds	3,033,144	3,033,144
16	Tobacco fund	750,388	750,388
17	Federal funds	340,584,414	340,584,414
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>962,474</u>	<u>962,474</u>
19	Total	351,718,375	351,793,375

20 Sec. 40. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.503 is amended to read:

21 Sec. B.503 Education - state-placed students

1	Grants	<u>20,000,000</u>	<u>19,000,000</u>
2	Total	20,000,000	19,000,000
3	Source of funds		
4	Education fund	<u>20,000,000</u>	<u>19,000,000</u>
5	Total	20,000,000	19,000,000
6	Sec. 41. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.504 is amended to read:		
7	Sec. B.504 Education - adult education and literacy		
8	Grants	<u>4,694,183</u>	<u>4,997,820</u>
9	Total	4,694,183	4,997,820
10	Source of funds		
11	General fund	<u>3,778,133</u>	4,081,770
12	Federal funds	<u>916,050</u>	<u>916,050</u>
13	Total	4,694,183	4,997,820
14	Sec. 42. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.504.1 is amended to read:		
15	Sec. B.504.1 Education - Flexible Pathways		
16	Grants	<u>11,361,755</u>	<u>11,564,179</u>
17	Total	11,361,755	11,564,179
18	Source of funds		
19	General fund	921,500	921,500
20	Education fund	<u>10,440,255</u>	<u>10,642,679</u>
21	Total	11,361,755	11,564,179

1 Sec. 43. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.505 is amended to read:

2 Sec. B.505 Education - adjusted education payment

3	Grants	1,893,267,394	<u>1,882,267,394</u>
4	Total	1,893,267,394	<u>1,882,267,394</u>

5 Source of funds

6	Education fund	1,893,267,394	<u>1,882,267,394</u>
7	Total	1,893,267,394	<u>1,882,267,394</u>

8 Sec. 44. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.508 is amended to read:

9 Sec. B.508 Education - nutrition

10	Grants	20,400,000	<u>17,500,000</u>
11	Total	20,400,000	<u>17,500,000</u>

12 Source of funds

13	Education fund	20,400,000	<u>17,500,000</u>
14	Total	20,400,000	<u>17,500,000</u>

15 Sec. 45. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.516 is amended to read:

16 Sec. B.516 Total general education

17 Source of funds

18	General fund	228,890,519	229,269,156
19	Special funds	23,651,687	23,651,687
20	Tobacco fund	750,388	750,388
21	Education fund	2,323,283,242	<u>2,308,585,666</u>

1	Federal funds	354,654,849	354,654,849
2	Global Commitment fund	260,000	260,000
3	Interdepartmental transfers	1,467,771	1,467,771
4	Pension trust funds	<u>3,572,780</u>	<u>3,572,780</u>
5	Total	2,936,531,236	2,922,212,297

6 Sec. 46. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.704 is amended to read:

7 Sec. B.704 Forests, parks and recreation - forestry

8	Personal services	7,880,566	7,913,766
9	Operating expenses	1,005,046	1,005,046
10	Grants	<u>1,712,423</u>	<u>1,713,923</u>
11	Total	10,598,035	10,632,735

12 Source of funds

13	General fund	6,299,512	6,334,212
14	Special funds	547,215	547,215
15	Federal funds	3,394,931	3,394,931
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>356,377</u>	<u>356,377</u>
17	Total	10,598,035	10,632,735

18 Sec. 47. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.710 is amended to read:

19 Sec. B.710 Environmental conservation - air and waste management

20	Personal services	27,995,328	27,995,328
21	Operating expenses	10,788,954	10,816,954

1	Grants	<u>4,943,000</u>	<u>4,943,000</u>
2	Total	43,727,282	43,755,282
3	Source of funds		
4	General fund	199,372	227,372
5	Special funds	24,643,580	24,643,580
6	Federal funds	18,800,064	18,800,064
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>84,266</u>	<u>84,266</u>
8	Total	43,727,282	43,755,282
9	Sec. 48. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.711 is amended to read:		
10	Sec. B.711 Environmental conservation - office of water programs		
11	Personal services	50,153,806	50,153,806
12	Operating expenses	8,362,915	8,370,915
13	Grants	<u>92,365,140</u>	<u>92,365,140</u>
14	Total	150,881,861	150,889,861
15	Source of funds		
16	General fund	11,887,629	11,895,629
17	Special funds	30,967,150	30,967,150
18	Federal funds	107,154,542	107,154,542
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>872,540</u>	<u>872,540</u>
20	Total	150,881,861	150,889,861

1 Sec. 49. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.714 is amended to read:

2 Sec. B.714 Total natural resources

3 Source of funds

4	General fund	42,792,800	42,863,500
5	Special funds	81,275,829	81,275,829
6	Fish and wildlife fund	10,418,331	10,418,331
7	Federal funds	152,068,301	152,068,301
8	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>14,131,324</u>	<u>14,131,324</u>
9	Total	300,686,585	300,757,285

10 Sec. 50. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.1100 is amended to read:

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

12 APPROPRIATIONS

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14 (d) Department of Health. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for
15 the following:

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17 (8) \$835,073 General Fund for the Bridges to Health Program; ~~and~~

18 (9) ~~\$400,000~~ \$550,000 General Fund for the Vermont Household Health

19 Insurance Survey; and

20 (10) \$500,000 General Fund for community grants related to health

21 equity.

1 (e) Department for Children and Families. In fiscal year 2025, funds are
2 appropriated for the following:

3 (1) ~~\$16,500,000~~ \$18,340,304 General Fund for the General Assistance
4 Emergency Housing program;

5 (2) \$1,034,065 General Fund to extend 10 Economic Services Division
6 limited service positions, including associated operating costs, in support of the
7 General Assistance Emergency Housing program; ~~and~~

8 (3) \$332,000 General Fund for a 2-1-1 service line contract to operate
9 24 hours seven days per week;

10 (4) \$340,000 General Fund and \$660,000 federal funds for the Office of
11 Child Support mainframe transition planning. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A.
12 § 703, unless otherwise reverted by a future act of the General Assembly, these
13 appropriations shall carry forward until fully expended; and

14 (5) \$1,800,000 General Fund shall be added to the appropriation made
15 in Sec. B.1102(b)(4) of this act for the Comprehensive Child Welfare
16 Information System.

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18 (n) Agency of Human Services Secretary's Office. In fiscal year 2025,
19 funds are appropriated for the following:

20 (1) ~~\$3,913,200~~ \$5,586,324 General Fund and ~~\$5,366,383~~ \$7,713,259
21 federal funds to be used for Global Commitment match for the Medicaid

1 Global Payment Program. To the extent that at a future date the Global
2 Payment Program ceases to operate as a program or changes methodology to a
3 retrospective payment program, any resulting one-time General Fund spending
4 authority remaining at that time shall be reverted. If the Human Services
5 Caseload Reserve established in 32 V.S.A. § 308b has not been replenished in
6 accordance with subdivision (b)(21) of Sec. B.1102 of this act, the remaining
7 unallocated General Fund balance shall be reserved in the Human Services
8 Caseload Reserve established in 32 V.S.A. § 308b up to the amount
9 appropriated in this subdivision.

10 (o) Department of Vermont Health Access. In fiscal year 2025, funds are
11 appropriated for the following:

12 (1) ~~\$9,279,583~~ \$13,299,583 Global Commitment for the Medicaid
13 Global Payment Program;

14 (2) \$150,000 General Fund to conduct a technical analysis of Vermont's
15 health insurance markets; ~~and~~

16 (3) \$100,000 General Fund to implement the expansion of Medicare
17 Savings Programs eligibility;

18 (4) \$10,000,000 General Fund for Provider Stabilization Grants; and

19 (5) \$11,000,000 General Fund for an alternative payment model

20 reconciliation payment to Brattleboro Retreat. All or a portion of these funds
21 may also be used as matching funds to the Agency of Human Services Global

1 Commitment Program to provide State match. If funds are used as matching
2 funds to the Agency of Human Services Global Commitment Program to
3 provide State match, the commensurate amount of Global Commitment Fund
4 spending authority may be requested during the Global Commitment Transfer
5 process pursuant to Sec. E.301.1 of this act.

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7 (w) Vermont Housing and Conservation Board. In fiscal year 2025, funds
8 are appropriated for the following:

9 (1) \$8,600,000 General Fund to provide support and enhance capacity
10 for the production and preservation of affordable mixed-income rental housing
11 and homeownership units, including improvements to manufactured homes
12 and communities, permanent homes and emergency shelter for those
13 experiencing homelessness, recovery residences, and housing available to farm
14 workers, refugees, and individuals who are eligible to receive Medicaid-funded
15 home- and community-based services; and

16 (2) \$2,800,000 General Fund to complete pilot projects identified
17 pursuant to 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 186.

18 Sec. 51. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. D.100 is amended to read:

19 Sec. D.100 ALLOCATIONS; PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX

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

4 (1) The sum of \$575,662 is allocated from the Current Use
5 Administration Special Fund to the Department of Taxes for administration of
6 the Use Tax Reimbursement Program. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 9610(c),
7 amounts in excess of \$575,662 from the property transfer tax deposited into the
8 Current Use Administration Special Fund shall be transferred into the General
9 Fund.

10 (2) Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 312, amounts in excess of ~~\$22,106,740~~
11 \$28,238,050 from the property transfer tax and surcharge established in
12 32 V.S.A. § 9602a deposited into the Vermont Housing and Conservation
13 Trust Fund shall be transferred into the General Fund.

14 (A) The dedication of \$2,500,000 in revenue from the property
15 transfer tax pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 9610(d) for the debt payments on the
16 affordable housing bond pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 314 shall be offset by the
17 reduction of \$1,500,000 in the appropriation to the Vermont Housing and
18 Conservation Board and \$1,000,000 from the surcharge established in
19 32 V.S.A. § 9602a. The fiscal year 2025 appropriation of ~~\$22,106,740~~
20 \$28,238,050 to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board reflects the
21 \$1,500,000 reduction. The affordable housing bond and related property

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

5 (3) Notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a), amounts in excess of
6 ~~\$7,772,373~~ \$9,052,113 from the property transfer tax deposited into the
7 Municipal and Regional Planning Fund shall be transferred into the General
8 Fund. The ~~\$7,772,373~~ \$9,052,113 shall be allocated as follows:

9 (A) ~~\$6,404,540~~ \$7,459,063 for disbursement to regional planning
10 commissions in a manner consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b);

11 (B) ~~\$931,773~~ \$1,085,192 for disbursement to municipalities in a
12 manner consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b); and

13 (C) ~~\$436,060~~ \$507,858 to the Agency of Digital Services for the
14 Vermont Center for Geographic Information.

15 Sec. 52. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. D.101 is amended to read:

16 Sec. D.101 FUND TRANSFERS

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

19 (1) From the General Fund to the:

20 (A) General Obligation Bonds Debt Service Fund (#35100):
21 ~~\$73,212,880~~ \$78,235,088.34.

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(J) Emergency Relief and Assistance Fund (#21555): ~~\$830,000~~
\$6,500,000.

(K) Education Fund (#20205): \$25,000,000.

(L) Medical Insurance Fund (#55100): \$18,500,000.

(M) Correctional Industries Fund (#59100): \$3,135,443.

(N) Act 250 Permit Fund (#21260): \$900,000.

(O) State Liability Self-Insurance Fund (#56200): \$3,000,000.

(2) From the Transportation Fund to the:

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

~~(B)~~ Downtown Transportation and Related Capital Improvements
Fund (#21575): \$523,966.

~~(C)~~(B) General Obligation Bonds Debt Service Fund (#35100):
\$316,745.

~~(D)~~(C) Notwithstanding 19 V.S.A. § 13(c), the Transportation Fund
transfer to the Central Garage fund in fiscal year 2025 shall be \$0.

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(b) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
2025:

(1) The following amounts shall be transferred to the General Fund from
the funds indicated:

1 (A) Cannabis Regulation Fund (#21998): ~~\$12,000,000~~
2 \$15,417,084.32.

3 (B) AHS Central Office Earned Federal Receipts (#22005):
4 \$4,641,960.

5 (C) Sports Wagering Enterprise Fund (#50250): ~~\$7,000,000~~
6 \$6,139,162.

7 (D) Liquor Control Fund (#50300): ~~\$21,100,000~~ \$9,543,353.

8 ~~(E) Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund (#21370): \$3,000,000.~~

9 ~~(F) Financial Institutions Supervision Fund (#21065): \$1,100,000.~~

10 (F) Workforce Education and Training Fund (#21913):
11 \$2,598,921.75.

12 (G) Vermont Traumatic Brain Injury Fund (#21994): the balance of
13 the fund at the close of fiscal year 2025.

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

1 (A) AG-Fees & Reimbursements-Court Order Fund (#21638):

2 \$2,000,000.

3 (B) Unclaimed Property Fund (#62100): ~~\$6,500,000~~ \$10,995,595.

4 (3) ~~\$66,935,000~~ \$63,560,450.50 of the net unencumbered fund balances
5 in the Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund (#21075), the Captive
6 Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund (#21085), and the Securities
7 Regulatory and Supervision Fund (#21080) shall be transferred to the General
8 Fund.

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10 Sec. 53. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. D.102 is amended to read:

11 Sec. D.102 REVERSIONS

12 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
13 2025, the following amounts shall revert to the General Fund from the
14 accounts indicated:

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16 3150892104 MH – Case Management Serv ~~\$350,000.00~~ \$350,199.34

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18 1100892208 AOA – VT Housing Finance Agency \$3,000,000.00

19 1100892403 AOA – Health Equity Community Grants \$500,000.00

20 1120020000 Tuition Assistance Program \$133,877.86

21 1120892401 DHR – New Position in DHR Ops \$477,769.00

1	<u>1120892402 DHR – New Position in VTHR Ops</u>	<u>\$40,726.07</u>
2	<u>1140010000 Tax Operation Costs</u>	<u>\$1,267,062.22</u>
3	<u>1140060000 Reappraisal and Listing Payments</u>	<u>\$35,270.75</u>
4	<u>1140070000 Use Tax Reimbursement Program</u>	<u>\$37,864.25</u>
5	<u>1140330000 Renter Rebates</u>	<u>\$2,186,940.33</u>
6	<u>1140892403 Tax – Child Care Contr Positions</u>	<u>\$3,591,823.02</u>
7	<u>1260980000 Debt Service</u>	<u>\$235,445.15</u>
8	<u>1266892401 VPIC – Pension System Assets</u>	<u>\$5,000.00</u>
9	<u>2100892201 AG – Racial Disparities</u>	<u>\$48,465.00</u>
10	<u>2130400000 SIUS Parent Account</u>	<u>\$395,749.64</u>
11	<u>2150010000 Mil Admin/TAGO</u>	<u>\$142,789.80</u>
12	<u>2150050000 Mil Vet Affairs Office</u>	<u>\$100,000.00</u>
13	<u>2160892201 CCVS – VT Forensic Nursing</u>	<u>\$246.43</u>
14	<u>2160892304 CCVS – Kurn Hattin Survivor</u>	<u>\$250.00</u>
15	<u>2200010000 Administration Division</u>	<u>\$167,222.00</u>
16	<u>3310000000 Commission on Women</u>	<u>\$25,390.43</u>
17	<u>3330892401 GMCB – VHCURES Database Implemen</u>	<u>\$545,782.90</u>
18	<u>3400892111 Supp New Americans Refugee</u>	<u>\$23,431.00</u>
19	<u>3400892301 AHSCO – Refugee Resettlement</u>	<u>\$1,293.00</u>
20	<u>3420892405 HD – Regional Emergency Med</u>	<u>\$8,295.01</u>
21	<u>3440050000 DCFS – AABD</u>	<u>\$35,310.73</u>

1	<u>3440892110 DCF – Grants to Reachup</u>	<u>\$5.10</u>
2	<u>3440892203 DCF – Parent Child Ctrs Cap Imp</u>	<u>\$20,708.22</u>
3	<u>3440892214 DCF – Child Care Provider Workfor</u>	<u>\$294.79</u>
4	<u>4100500000 VT Department of Labor</u>	<u>\$8,000,000.00</u>
5	<u>5100070000 Education Services</u>	<u>\$100,000.00</u>
6	<u>5100892101 AOE – VSC Committee Per Diem</u>	<u>\$16,295.33</u>
7	<u>5100892102 AOA – Advisory Group Per Diem</u>	<u>\$9,018.00</u>
8	<u>5100892103 AOE – ESESAG Per Diems</u>	<u>\$8,960.00</u>
9	<u>5100892201 AOE – Comm Pub Sch Emp Hlth Ben</u>	<u>\$29,050.00</u>
10	<u>5100892202 AOE – Task Force Equit Inclusive</u>	<u>\$6,150.00</u>
11	<u>5100892302 AOE – Ethnic&Social Equity Per D</u>	<u>\$14,386.24</u>
12	<u>6100010000 Administration Management and Planning</u>	<u>\$402,052.99</u>
13	<u>6100040000 Property Tax Assessment Approp</u>	<u>\$11,692.11</u>
14	<u>6140880005 152/00 State Asst Munic Poll Cont</u>	<u>\$126.26</u>
15	<u>7100892301 Everyone Eats</u>	<u>\$144,565.43</u>
16	<u>7120892304 DED – Relocated and Remote Worker</u>	<u>\$127,314.33</u>
17	<u>8100002100 Department of Motor Vehicles</u>	<u>\$2,482.81</u>

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19 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
20 2025, the following amounts shall revert to the Education Fund from the
21 accounts indicated:

1	<u>5100010000 Administration</u>	<u>\$301,041.03</u>
2	<u>5100050000 State-Placed Students</u>	<u>\$13,687,528.41</u>
3	<u>5100090000 Education Grant</u>	<u>\$359,570.31</u>
4	<u>5100110000 Small School Grant</u>	<u>\$593,700.00</u>
5	<u>5100200000 Education – Technical Education</u>	<u>\$1,802,347.44</u>
6	<u>5100210000 Education – Flexible Pathways</u>	<u>\$1,312,334.72</u>
7	<u>5100892405 AOE – Universal School Meals</u>	<u>\$6,201,479.69</u>

8 Sec. 54. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. D.103 is amended to read:

9 Sec. D.103 RESERVES

10 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
11 2025, the following reserve transactions shall be implemented for the funds
12 provided:

13 (1) General Fund.

14 (A) Pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 308, an estimated amount of
15 ~~\$15,168,663~~ \$15,168,660.85 shall be added to the General Fund Budget
16 Stabilization Reserve.

17 (B) \$5,480,000 shall be added to the 27/53 reserve in fiscal year
18 2025. This action is the fiscal year 2025 contribution to the reserve for the
19 53rd week of Medicaid as required by 32 V.S.A. § 308e and the 27th payroll
20 reserve as required by 32 V.S.A. § 308e.

1 (C) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 308b, \$3,913,200 shall be
2 unreserved from the Human Services Caseload Reserve established within the
3 General Fund in 32 V.S.A. § 308b.

4 (D) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 308c(a), any fiscal year-end
5 balance otherwise subject to the requirements of this provision shall, instead,
6 be reserved for permanent housing, property tax relief, and any other uses
7 determined to be in the best interests of the public in the subsequent fiscal year.
8 The requirements of this subdivision (D) shall extend past July 1 of the
9 subsequent fiscal year and expire upon completion of the current fiscal year's
10 accounting closure period.

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12 Sec. 55. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.100 is amended to read:

13 Sec. E.100 POSITIONS

14 (a) The establishment of ~~43~~ 44 permanent positions is authorized in fiscal
15 year 2025 for the following:

16 (1) Permanent classified positions:

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18 (H) Office of the Attorney General:

19 (i) one Court Diversion Assistant Director.

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1 (c) The conversion of eight limited service positions to exempt permanent
2 status is authorized in fiscal year 2025 as follows:

3 (1) Office of the Defender General:

4 (A) one Administrative Services Tech;

5 (B) two DG IT Specialist II's;

6 (C) one ODG Legal Assistant I;

7 (D) two Staff Attorney I's;

8 (E) one Financial Specialist III; and

9 (F) one Admin Secretary.

10 (d) The establishment of 35 exempt limited service positions is authorized
11 in fiscal year 2025 as follows:

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13 Sec. 56. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.301 is amended to read:

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

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16 (b) In addition to the State funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act, a
17 total estimated sum of ~~\$24,301,185~~ \$28,307,335 is anticipated to be certified as
18 State matching funds under Global Commitment as follows:

19 (1) ~~\$21,295,850~~ \$25,302,000 certified State match available from local
20 education agencies for eligible special education school-based Medicaid
21 services under Global Commitment. This amount, combined with ~~\$29,204,150~~

1 \$34,698,000 of federal funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act, equals a
2 total estimated expenditure of ~~\$50,500,000~~ \$60,000,000. An amount equal to
3 the amount of the federal matching funds for eligible special education school-
4 based Medicaid services under Global Commitment shall be transferred from
5 the Global Commitment Fund to the Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund
6 created in 16 V.S.A. § 2959a.

7 (2) \$3,005,335 certified State match available from local designated
8 mental health and developmental services agencies for eligible mental health
9 services provided under Global Commitment.

10 (c) Up to ~~\$4,487,210~~ \$3,614,245 is transferred from the Agency of Human
11 Services Federal Receipts Holding Account to the Interdepartmental Transfer
12 Fund consistent with the amount appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act.

13 Sec. 57. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. G.109 is amended to read:

14 Sec. G.109 PAY ACT APPROPRIATIONS; FISCAL YEARS 2025 AND
15 2026

16 (a) Executive Branch. The first and second years of the two-year
17 agreements between the State of Vermont and the Vermont State Employees'
18 Association for the Defender General, Non-Management, Supervisory, and
19 Corrections bargaining units, and, for the purpose of appropriation, the State's
20 Attorneys' offices bargaining unit, for the period of July 1, 2024 through June
21 30, 2026; the collective bargaining agreement with the Vermont Troopers'

1 Association for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026; and salary
2 increases for employees in the Executive Branch not covered by the bargaining
3 agreements shall be funded as follows:

4 (1) Fiscal year 2025.

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6 (D) Transfers. With due regard to the possible availability of other
7 funds, for fiscal year 2025, the Secretary of Administration may transfer from
8 the various appropriations and various funds and from the receipts of the
9 Liquor Control ~~Board~~ Fund such sums as the Secretary may determine to be
10 necessary to carry out the purposes of this act to the various agencies supported
11 by State funds.

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13 (2) Fiscal year 2026.

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15 (D) Transfers. With due regard to the possible availability of other
16 funds, for fiscal year 2026, the Secretary of Administration may transfer from
17 the various appropriations and various funds and from the receipts of the
18 Liquor Control ~~Board~~ Fund such sums as the Secretary may determine to be
19 necessary to carry out the purposes of this act to the various agencies supported
20 by State funds.

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1 Sec. 58. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 145, Sec. 7 is amended to read:

2 Sec. 7. TELEPHONE TAX; REPEAL; TRANSITION

3 (a) 32 V.S.A. § 8521 (telephone personal property tax) is repealed on July
4 1, ~~2025~~ 2026. The final monthly installment payment of the telephone
5 personal property tax under 32 V.S.A. § 8521 levied on the net book value of
6 the taxpayer's personal property as of December 31, ~~2024~~ 2025 shall be due on
7 or before July 25, ~~2025~~ 2026.

8 (b) 32 V.S.A. § 8522 (alternative telephone gross revenues tax) is repealed
9 on January 1, ~~2026~~ 2027. The final quarterly payment of the alternative tax
10 under 32 V.S.A. § 8522 shall be due on or before January 25, ~~2026~~ 2027.

11 (c) Any taxpayer who paid the alternative tax imposed by 32 V.S.A. § 8522
12 prior to the repeal of the tax on January 1, ~~2026~~ 2027 shall become subject to
13 the income tax imposed under 32 V.S.A. chapter 151 beginning with the
14 taxpayer's first income tax year starting on or after January 1, ~~2025~~ 2026. No
15 alternative tax under 32 V.S.A. § 8522 shall be due for any period included in
16 the taxpayer's income tax filing for tax years starting on or after January 1,
17 ~~2025~~ 2026.

18 (d) In fiscal year ~~2025~~ 2026, the Division of Property Valuation and
19 Review of the Department of Taxes and all communications service providers
20 with taxable communications property in Vermont shall be subject to the

1 inventory and valuation provisions prescribed in 32 V.S.A. § 4452, as
2 applicable.

3 Sec. 59. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 145, Sec. 15 is amended to read:

4 Sec. 15. EFFECTIVE DATES

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

6 * * *

7 (3) Secs. 8–12 (communications property tax) shall take effect on July 1,
8 ~~2025~~ 2026 and shall apply to grand lists lodged on or after April 1, ~~2025~~ 2026.

9 Sec. 60. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 166, Sec. 15 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 15. TRANSFER AND APPROPRIATION

11 Notwithstanding 7 V.S.A. § 845(c), in fiscal year 2025:

12 (1) \$500,000.00 is transferred from the Cannabis Regulation Fund
13 established pursuant to 7 V.S.A. § 845 to the Cannabis Business Development
14 Fund established pursuant to 7 V.S.A. § 987; and

15 (2) \$500,000.00 is appropriated from the Cannabis Business ~~49~~
16 Development Fund to the ~~Agency of Commerce and Community Development~~
17 Department of Economic Development to fund technical assistance and
18 provide loans and grants pursuant to 7 V.S.A. § 987.

19 Sec. 61. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 78 is amended to read:

20 Sec. 78. ~~TRANSFERS; PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX~~

1 Notwithstanding ~~10 V.S.A. § 312, 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a), 32 V.S.A. §~~
2 ~~9610(e), or any other provision of law to the contrary, amounts in excess of~~
3 ~~\$32,954,775.00 from the property transfer tax shall be transferred into the~~
4 ~~General Fund. Of this amount:~~

5 ~~(1) \$6,106,335.00 shall be transferred from the General Fund into the~~
6 ~~Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund.~~

7 ~~(2) \$1,279,740.00 shall be transferred from the General Fund into the~~
8 ~~Municipal and Regional Planning Fund. [Repealed.]~~

9 Sec. 62. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 96 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 96. APPROPRIATION; RENT ARREARS ASSISTANCE FUND

11 The sum of \$2,500,000.00 is appropriated from the General Fund to the
12 ~~Vermont State Housing Authority~~ Department of Housing and Community
13 Development in fiscal year 2025 for the Rent Arrears Assistance Fund
14 established by 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 47, Sec. 45.

15 Sec. 63. 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 182, Sec. 3, as amended by 2023 Acts
16 and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 75, 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. C.119, and
17 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 106, is further amended to read:

18 Sec. 3. MANUFACTURED HOME IMPROVEMENT AND
19 REPAIR PROGRAM

20 (a) ~~Amounts~~ Of the amounts available from the American Rescue Plan Act
21 – State Fiscal Recovery funds, \$4,000,000 is appropriated to the Department of

1 Housing and Community Development for the Manufactured Home
2 Improvement and Repair Program and shall be used for one or more of the
3 following purposes:

4 * * *

5 Sec. 64. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 113b is amended to read:

6 Sec. 113b. APPROPRIATION; NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD

7 The sum of ~~\$1,300,000.00~~ \$400,000 is appropriated from the General Fund
8 to the ~~Natural Resources~~ Land Use Review Board in fiscal year 2025.

9 Sec. 65. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 183, Sec. 24a is amended to read:

10 Sec. 24a. COMPENSATION FOR OVERPAYMENT

11 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, ~~the sum of~~
12 ~~\$29,224.00~~ a \$29,224 credit shall be ~~transferred from the Education Fund to~~
13 ~~the Town of~~ applied to the Canaan Town School District's education spending,
14 as defined per 16 V.S.A. § 4001(6), in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the
15 homestead taxpayers of the ~~Town of Canaan~~ Town School District for an
16 overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to erroneous
17 accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating average daily
18 membership. ~~The transfer under this subsection shall be made directly to the~~
19 ~~Town of Canaan.~~

20 (b) ~~Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
21 ~~\$5,924.00~~ shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of

1 ~~Bloomfield in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the~~
2 ~~Town of Bloomfield for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024~~
3 ~~due to erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
4 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
5 ~~directly to the Town of Bloomfield.~~

6 ~~(c) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
7 ~~\$2,575.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of~~
8 ~~Brunswick in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the~~
9 ~~Town of Brunswick for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024~~
10 ~~due to erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
11 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
12 ~~directly to the Town of Brunswick.~~

13 ~~(d) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
14 ~~\$6,145.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of East~~
15 ~~Haven in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Town~~
16 ~~of East Haven for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to~~
17 ~~erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
18 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
19 ~~directly to the Town of East Haven.~~

20 ~~(e) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
21 ~~\$2,046.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of Granby~~

1 in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Town of
2 Granby for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to
3 erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating
4 average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made
5 directly to the Town of Granby.

6 (f) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of
7 \$10,034.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of
8 Guildhall in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the
9 Town of Guildhall for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024
10 due to erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating
11 average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made
12 directly to the Town of Guildhall.

13 (g) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of
14 \$20,536.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of Kirby
15 in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Town of
16 Kirby for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to
17 erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating
18 average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made
19 directly to the Town of Kirby.

20 (h) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of
21 \$2,402.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of

1 ~~Lemington in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the~~
2 ~~Town of Lemington for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024~~
3 ~~due to erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
4 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
5 ~~directly to the Town of Lemington.~~

6 (i) ~~Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
7 ~~\$11,464.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of~~
8 ~~Maidstone in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the~~
9 ~~Town of Maidstone for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024~~
10 ~~due to erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
11 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
12 ~~directly to the Town of Maidstone.~~

13 (j) ~~Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
14 ~~\$4,349.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of Norton~~
15 ~~in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Town of~~
16 ~~Norton for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to~~
17 ~~erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
18 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
19 ~~directly to the Town of Norton.~~

20 (k) ~~Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
21 ~~\$2,657.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of Victory~~

1 ~~in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Town of~~
2 ~~Victory for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to~~
3 ~~erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
4 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
5 ~~directly to the Town of Victory.~~

6 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a \$68,132 credit shall
7 be applied to the Northeast Kingdom Choice School District's education
8 spending, as defined per 16 V.S.A. § 4001(6), in fiscal year 2025 to
9 compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Northeast Kingdom Choice School
10 District for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to
11 erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating
12 average daily membership.

13 Sec. 66. 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.1100, as amended by 2024
14 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 40 and 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec.
15 C.101, is further amended to read:

16 Sec. B.1100 MISCELLANEOUS FISCAL YEAR 2024 ONE-TIME

17 APPROPRIATIONS

18 (a) Agency of Administration. In fiscal year 2024, funds are appropriated
19 for the following:

20 (1) \$2,300,000 General Fund to create, implement, and oversee a
21 comprehensive statewide language access plan;.

1 (2) \$15,000,000 General Fund to be used to offset the cost of denied
2 claims for ~~Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)~~ federal
3 reimbursement related to presidentially declared disasters in fiscal year 2024 or
4 2025, or to fund unanticipated statewide costs related to recovery efforts from
5 declared disasters or administering programs created by funds from the
6 American Rescue Plan Act – State Fiscal Recovery Fund, including the costs
7 of related limited-service positions, and contracting for programs and services.

8 (3) \$500,000 General Fund for community grants related to health
9 equity. These funds shall not be released until the recommendation and report
10 required by Sec. E.100.1 of this act, regarding the permanent administrative
11 location for the Office of Health Equity, is provided to the committees of
12 jurisdiction listed in Sec. E.100.1 of this act and the positions in the Office of
13 Health Equity created by this act are filled.

14 * * *

15 (1) Agency of Human Services Central Office. In fiscal year 2024, funds
16 are appropriated for the following:

17 * * *

18 (2) \$8,834,000 General Fund and \$11,483,302 Federal Revenue Fund
19 #22005 for a ~~two-year~~ three-year pilot to expand the Blueprint for Health Hub
20 and Spoke program. Funds shall be used to expand the substances covered by

1 the program, include mental health and pediatric screenings, and make
2 strategic investments with community partners;

3 * * *

4 (m) Department of Vermont Health Access. In fiscal year 2024, funds are
5 appropriated for the following:

6 (1) \$366,066 General Fund and \$372,048 Federal Revenue Fund #22005
7 for a ~~two-year~~ three-year pilot to expand the Blueprint for Health Hub and
8 Spoke program;

9 (2) \$15,583,352 Global Commitment Fund #20405 for a ~~two-year~~ three-
10 year pilot to expand the Blueprint for Health Hub and Spoke program; and

11 * * *

12 (n) Department of Health. In fiscal year 2024, funds are appropriated for
13 the following:

14 (1) \$4,595,448 Global Commitment Fund #20405 to the Division of
15 Substance Use Programs for a ~~two-year~~ three-year pilot to expand the
16 Blueprint for Health Hub and Spoke program. Unexpended appropriations
17 shall carry forward into subsequent fiscal years and remain available for this
18 purpose;

19 * * *

20 (x) Judiciary. In fiscal year 2024, funds are appropriated for the following:

1 accounting system and integration with the Department of Labor and Agency
2 of Transportation financial systems;

3 * * *

4 Sec. 68. 3 V.S.A. § 3306 is amended to read:

5 § 3306. TECHNOLOGY MODERNIZATION SPECIAL FUND

6 * * *

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

8 (1) any amounts transferred ~~or appropriated~~ to it by the General
9 Assembly; and

10 (2) any interest earned by the Fund.

11 * * *

12 Sec. 69. WORKFORCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING FUND; REPEAL

13 (a) 10 V.S.A. § 543 (Workforce Education and Training Fund) is repealed.

14 Sec. 70. 18 V.S.A. § 9502 is amended to read:

15 § 9502. TOBACCO TRUST FUND

16 (a)(1) The Tobacco Trust Fund is established in the Office of the State
17 Treasurer for the purposes of creating a self-sustaining, perpetual fund for
18 tobacco cessation and prevention that is not dependent upon tobacco sales
19 volume.

20 (2) The Trust Fund shall ~~comprise~~ be composed of:

21 (A) ~~appropriations~~ transfers made by the General Assembly; and

1 (B) ~~transfers from the Litigation Settlement Fund pursuant to~~
2 ~~subdivision (b) of this section; and~~

3 (C) contributions from any other source.

4 (3) The State Treasurer shall not disburse monies from the Trust Fund,
5 except upon appropriation by the General Assembly. In any fiscal year, total
6 appropriations from the Trust Fund shall not exceed seven percent of the fair
7 market value of the Fund at the end of the prior fiscal year.

8 (4) The Trust Fund shall be administered by the State Treasurer. The
9 Treasurer may invest monies in the Fund in accordance with the provisions of
10 32 V.S.A. § 434. All balances in the Fund at the end of the fiscal year shall be
11 carried forward. Interest earned shall remain in the Fund. The Treasurer's
12 annual financial report to the Governor and the General Assembly shall contain
13 an accounting of receipts, disbursements, and earnings of the Fund.

14 (b) ~~Unless otherwise authorized by the General Assembly on or before~~
15 ~~June 30, 2000, and on June 30 of each subsequent fiscal year, any~~
16 ~~unencumbered balance in the Litigation Settlement Fund shall be transferred to~~
17 ~~the Trust Fund. [Repealed.]~~

18 Sec. 71. 30 V.S.A. chapter 86 is amended to read:

19 CHAPTER 86. UNDERGROUND UTILITY DAMAGE PREVENTION

20 SYSTEM

21 * * *

1 § 7006. MARKING OF UNDERGROUND UTILITY FACILITIES

2 A company notified in accordance with section 7005 of this title shall,
3 within ~~48~~ 72 hours, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, of the
4 receipt of the notice, mark the approximate location of its underground utility
5 facilities in the area of the proposed excavation activities; provided, however,
6 if the company advises the person that the proposed excavation area is of such
7 length or size that the company cannot reasonably mark all of the underground
8 utility facilities within ~~48~~ 72 hours, the person shall notify the company of the
9 specific locations in which the excavation activities will first occur and the
10 company shall mark facilities in those locations within ~~48~~ 72 hours and the
11 remaining facilities within a reasonable time thereafter. A company and an
12 excavator may by agreement fix a later time for the company's marking of the
13 facilities, provided the marking is made prior to excavation activities. For the
14 purposes of this chapter, the approximate location of underground facilities
15 shall be marked with stakes, paint, or other physical means as designated by
16 the Commission.

17 § 7006a. MAINTENANCE OF UNDERGROUND UTILITY FACILITY

18 MARKINGS

19 After a company has marked its underground facilities in accordance with
20 section 7006 of this title, the excavator shall be responsible for maintenance of
21 the designated markings. In the event said markings are obliterated, destroyed,

1 or removed, the person engaged in excavation activities shall notify the System
2 referred to in section 7002 of this title that remarking is needed. The System
3 shall then notify all member companies whose facilities may be affected. The
4 company shall within ~~48~~ 72 hours, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal
5 holidays, following receipt of the notice, remark the location of its
6 underground utility facilities.

7 * * *

8 Sec. 72. 32 V.S.A. § 5 is amended to read:

9 § 5. ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS

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

11 (1) "Loan" means a loan that is interest free or below market value.

12 (2) "State agency" means an Executive Branch agency, department,
13 commission, office, or board.

14 * * *

15 Sec. 73. 32 V.S.A. § 706 is amended to read:

16 § 706. TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS

17 Notwithstanding any authority granted elsewhere, all transfers of
18 appropriations shall be made pursuant to this section upon the initiative of the
19 Governor or upon the request of a secretary or commissioner.

20 (1) With the approval of the Governor, the Commissioner of Finance
21 and Management may transfer balances of appropriations not to exceed

1 ~~\$50,000.00~~ \$100,000.00 made under any appropriation act for the support of
2 the government from one component of an agency, department, or other unit of
3 State government to any component of the same agency, department, or unit.

4 (2) Except as specified in ~~subdivisions~~ subdivision (1) ~~and (4)~~ of this
5 section, the transfer of balances of appropriations may be made only with the
6 approval of the Emergency Board.

7 (3) For the specific purpose of balancing and closing out fund accounts
8 at the end of a fiscal year, the Commissioner of Finance and Management may
9 adjust a balance within an account of an agency or department in an amount
10 not to exceed ~~\$100.00~~ \$200.00.

11 * * *

12 Sec. 74. 32 V.S.A. § 902 is amended to read:

13 § 902. AUTHORIZATION TO BORROW MONEY

14 * * *

15 (b) The State Treasurer shall pay the interest on, principal of and expenses
16 of preparing, issuing, and marketing of such notes as the same fall due without
17 further order or authority from the ~~General Fund or from the Transportation or~~
18 ~~other applicable funds or from the proceeds of bonds or notes~~ governmental
19 debt service funds established in section 951a of this chapter. The authority
20 hereby granted is in addition to and not in limitation of any other authority.
21 Such notes shall be sold at public or private sale with or without published

1 notice, as the State Treasurer may determine to be in the best interests of the
2 State.

3 Sec. 75. 32 V.S.A. § 951a is amended to read:

4 § 951a. DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

5 (a) Three governmental debt service funds are hereby established:

6 * * *

7 (b) Financial resources in each fund shall consist of ~~appropriations by the~~
8 ~~General Assembly to fulfill debt service obligations~~, the transfer of funding
9 sources by the General Assembly to fulfill future debt service obligations,
10 bond proceeds raised to fund a permanent reserve required by a trust
11 agreement entered into to secure bonds, transfers of appropriations effected
12 pursuant to section 706 of this title, investment income earned on balances held
13 in trust agreement accounts as required by a trust agreement, and such other
14 amounts as directed by the General Assembly or that are specifically
15 authorized by provisions of this title. Each debt service fund shall account for
16 the accumulation of resources and the fulfillment of debt service obligations
17 within the current fiscal year and the accumulation of resources for debt
18 service obligations maturing in future fiscal years.

19 * * *

20 Sec. 76. 32 V.S.A. § 954 is amended to read:

21 § 954. PROCEEDS

1 (a) The proceeds arising from the sale of bonds, inclusive of any premiums,
2 shall be applied to the purposes for which they were authorized, and the
3 purposes ~~shall~~ may be considered to include ~~the expenses of preparing, issuing,~~
4 ~~and marketing the bonds and any notes issued under section 955 of this title,~~
5 ~~and~~ underwriters' fees amounts for reserves, but no purchasers of the bonds
6 shall be in any way bound to see to the proper application of the proceeds. The
7 State Treasurer shall pay the interest on, principal of, investment return on, and
8 maturity value of the bonds and notes as the same fall due or accrue without
9 further order or authority. The State Treasurer, with the approval of the
10 Governor, may establish sinking funds, reserve funds, or other special funds of
11 the State as the State Treasurer may deem for the best interests of the State. To
12 the extent not otherwise provided, the amount necessary each year to fulfill the
13 maturing principal and interest of, investment return and maturity value of, and
14 sinking fund installments on all the bonds then outstanding shall be included in
15 and made a part of the annual appropriation bill for the expense of State
16 government, and the principal and interest on, investment return and maturity
17 value of, and sinking fund installments on the bonds as may come due before
18 appropriations for their fulfillment have been made shall be fulfilled from the
19 applicable debt service fund.

20 (b) ~~The State Treasurer is authorized to allocate the estimated cost of bond~~
21 ~~issuance or issuances to the entities to which funds are appropriated by a~~

1 ~~capital construction act and for which bonding is required as the source of~~
2 ~~funds. If estimated receipts are insufficient, the State Treasurer shall allocate~~
3 ~~additional costs to the entities. Any remaining receipts shall not be expended,~~
4 ~~but carried forward to be available for future capital construction acts. If the~~
5 ~~source of funds appropriated by a capital construction act is other than by~~
6 ~~issuance of bonds, the State Treasurer is authorized to allocate the estimated~~
7 ~~cost of ongoing debt management services to the entities to which those funds~~
8 ~~are appropriated shall be appropriated annually from the funds from which~~
9 ~~transfers are made to fund debt service costs.~~

10 * * *

11 Sec. 77. VERMONT TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY FUND; REPEAL

12 (a) 33 V.S.A. chapter 78 (Vermont Traumatic Brain Injury Fund) is
13 repealed.

14 Sec. 78 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 47, Sec. 38 is amended to read:

15 Sec. 38. RENTAL HOUSING REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM

16 (a) Creation; administration. The Vermont Housing Finance Agency shall
17 design and implement a Rental Housing Revolving Loan Program and shall
18 create and administer a revolving loan fund to provide subsidized loans for
19 rental housing developments that serve middle-income households.

20 (b) Loans; eligibility; criteria.

21 * * *

1 (7) The Agency shall use one or more legal mechanisms to ensure that:

2 (A) a subsidized unit remains affordable to a household earning the
3 applicable percent of area median income for the longer of:

4 (i) seven years; or

5 (ii) full repayment of the loan plus three years; and

6 (B) during the affordability period determined pursuant to
7 subdivision (A) of this subdivision (7), the annual increase in rent for a
8 subsidized unit does not exceed three percent or an amount otherwise
9 authorized by the Agency.

10 * * *

11 Sec. 79. 32 V.S.A. § 308b is amended to read:

12 § 308b. HUMAN SERVICES CASELOAD RESERVE

13 (a) There is created within the General Fund a Human Services Caseload
14 Reserve. Expenditures from the Reserve shall be subject to an appropriation
15 by the General Assembly or approval by the Emergency Board. Expenditures
16 from the Reserve shall be limited to Agency of Human Services caseload-
17 related needs primarily in the Departments for Children and Families, of
18 Health, of Mental Health, of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living, of
19 Vermont Health Access, and settlement costs associated with managing the
20 Global Commitment waiver.

1 (b) The Secretary of Administration may transfer to the Human Services
2 Caseload Reserve any General Fund ~~carry forward~~ carryforward directly
3 attributable to Agency of Human Services caseload reductions and the
4 effective management of related federal receipts, with the exclusion of the
5 Department of Corrections.

6 (c) The Secretary of Administration shall unreserve and transfer funds from
7 the Human Services Caseload Reserve to the Child Care Contribution Special
8 Fund established in section 10554 of this title as necessary to maintain a
9 balance that appropriately supports the State's statutory obligations under the
10 Child Care Financial Assistance Program established in 33 V.S.A. §§ 3512 and
11 3513.

12 (d) The Human Services Caseload Reserve shall contain two ~~sub-accounts~~
13 subaccounts:

14 (1) A ~~sub-account~~ subaccount for incurred but not reported Medicaid
15 expenses. Each fiscal year ~~beginning with fiscal year 2020~~, the Department of
16 Finance and Management shall adjust the amount reserved for incurred but not
17 reported Medicaid expenses to equal the amount specified in the
18 ~~Comprehensive Annual~~ Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year
19 occurring two years prior for the estimated amount of incurred but not reported
20 Medicaid expenses associated with the current Medicaid Global Commitment
21 waiver.

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Sec. 80. CHILD CARE CONTRIBUTION SPECIAL FUND;

UNALLOCATED AND UNRESERVED BALANCE

(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that any unreserved and unallocated balance in the Child Care Contribution Special Fund shall remain in the Fund to support the future establishment of a reserve for the Child Care Financial Assistance Program.

Sec. 81. DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; FACILITY WORK

PROGRAMS; STRATEGIC PLAN

(a) Findings and intent.

(1) The General Assembly finds that a significant budget deficit has developed within previously existing programs despite a wage structure that pays incarcerated individuals in Vermont at rates ranging from \$0.25 to \$1.35 per hour, significantly below the federal minimum wage.

(2) It is the intent of the General Assembly that all Department of Corrections facility work programs operate in a manner that is fiscally sustainable to the extent possible within current statutory limitations and effective in preparing offenders for meaningful employment upon release.

(b) Strategic plan. On or before December 15, 2025, the Department of Corrections shall, in consultation with the Department of Labor, submit a strategic plan with proposed benchmarks for improvement to the House

1 Committees on Appropriations and on Corrections and Institutions and the
2 Senate Committees on Appropriations, on Institutions, and on Judiciary. The
3 strategic plan shall include:

4 (1) A business plan to improve program efficiency and self-
5 sustainability to ensure all facility work programs, including Vermont
6 Correctional Industries, vocational training programs, and other paid facility
7 duties, operate without recurring deficits.

8 (2) A comprehensive evaluation of the skills provided through facility
9 work programs to determine if those skills are transferable to employment
10 opportunities post-incarceration. The evaluation shall include consideration of
11 expanding technical training and certification opportunities that carry
12 recognized value in the labor market.

13 (3) An analysis of facility work programs to determine if each program
14 serves a sufficient portion of the incarcerated population to justify its
15 administration. The analysis shall also consider whether participants gain
16 meaningful and valuable work experiences.

17 (4) A review of wages paid to facility work program participants, the
18 implications of wage structures on program outcomes, and the appropriate use
19 of funds in relation to program objectives.

20 (c) In fiscal years 2025 and 2026, the Department of Corrections shall
21 submit timely reports to the to the House Committees on Appropriations and

1 on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committees on Appropriations,
2 on Institutions, and on Judiciary, or the Joint Fiscal Committee and the Joint
3 Legislative Justice Oversight Committee when the General Assembly is not in
4 session, on the development of facility work program deficits. The
5 Department shall include in these reports any financial or operational actions
6 taken to address deficits, increase oversight, and prevent future deficits.

7 Sec. 82. MEDICAID PROVIDERS WITH STABILIZATION NEEDS;

8 GRANT ELIGIBILITY

9 (a) All Vermont Medicaid participating providers with demonstrated
10 stabilization needs and a plan to achieve sustainability shall be eligible to apply
11 for funds appropriated pursuant to 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec.
12 B.1100(o)(4), including substance use residential treatment facilities, federally
13 qualified health centers, residential mental health providers, and other
14 providers of health care and human services.

15 Sec. 83. ADULT DIPLOMA PROGRAM AND HIGH SCHOOL

16 COMPLETION PROGRAM TRANSITIONAL STUDENTS

17 (a) Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 945 and any other provision of law to the
18 contrary, a high school may award a high school diploma to any student who
19 meets the following criteria:

1 (1) Prior to July 1, 2024, the student was participating in the High
2 School Completion Program as the program existed under 16 V.S.A. § 943 on
3 June 30, 2024.

4 (2) The student has met the requirements of the student’s individual
5 graduation plan and would have been eligible to receive a diploma pursuant to
6 the High School Completion Program as it existed under 16 V.S.A. § 943 on
7 June 30, 2024.

8 (b) This section is repealed on July 1, 2025.

9 Sec. 84. SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;

10 DISCRETIONARY EXEMPTIONS

11 (a) In fiscal year 2025, the Department for Children and Families shall
12 fully utilize the State’s allocation of discretionary exemptions in the
13 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program to the extent permitted by federal
14 regulation for the purpose of proactively extending benefits to individuals who
15 would otherwise experience a disruption of benefits.

16 Sec. 85. 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 19, Secs. 5 and 6 are amended to read:

17 Sec. 5. [Deleted.]

18 Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE DATES

19 (a) Sec. 4 (marriage licenses; 32 V.S.A. § 1712) shall take effect on July 1,
20 2023.

1 (b) ~~Sec. 5 (marriage licenses; 32 V.S.A. § 1712) shall take effect on July 1,~~
2 ~~2025.~~

3 (e) All other sections shall take effect 30 calendar days after passage.

4 Sec. 86. 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 83, Sec. 53, as amended by 2022 Acts
5 and Resolves No. 185, Sec. C.102 is further amended to read:

6 Sec. 53. FISCAL YEAR 2022 UNALLOCATED RESERVE

7 * * *

8 (b) After meeting the requirements of subsection (a) of this section, but
9 prior to satisfying the requirements of 32 V.S.A. § 308c, the remaining
10 unreserved and undesignated funds at the close of fiscal year 2022 shall be
11 allocated to the extent available as follows:

12 * * *

13 (7) \$9,600,000 is appropriated to the Judiciary, of which \$3,880,000 is
14 for the reopening of the courts ~~and \$5,720,000, \$4,920,000~~ is to replace HVAC
15 in county court houses, and \$800,000 is to upgrade the network wiring and
16 security systems in county court houses.

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18 Sec. 87. 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 15b, as added by 2024 Acts and
19 Resolves No. 162, is amended to read:

20 Sec. 15b. SERGEANT AT ARMS

1 (a) The sum of ~~\$100,000.00~~ \$100,000 is appropriated in ~~FY~~ fiscal year
2 2025 to the Sergeant at Arms for the following projects:

- 3 (1) the replacement of State House cafeteria furnishings; and
4 (2) the purchase and installation at the State House of an X-ray machine
5 designed to screen baggage.

6 Sec. 88. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.321 is amended to read:

7 Sec. E.321 GENERAL ASSISTANCE EMERGENCY HOUSING

8 * * *

9 (b)(1) General Assistance Emergency Housing shall be provided in a
10 community-based shelter whenever possible. If there is inadequate
11 community-based shelter space available within the Agency of Human
12 Services district in which the household presents itself, the household shall be
13 provided emergency housing in a hotel or motel within the district, if available,
14 until adequate community-based shelter space becomes available in the
15 district. The utilization of hotel and motel rooms pursuant to this subdivision
16 shall be capped at 1,100 rooms per night between September 15, 2024 through
17 November 30, 2024 ~~and between April 1, 2025 through June 30, 2025.~~

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19 (3) The Department shall provide emergency winter housing to
20 households meeting the eligibility criteria in subsection (a) of this section
21 between December 1, 2024 and ~~March 31,~~ June 30, 2025. Emergency housing

1 in a hotel or motel provided pursuant to this subdivision shall not count toward
2 the maximum days of eligibility per 12-month period provided in subdivision
3 (2) of this subsection.

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5 Sec. 89. CARRYFORWARD AUTHORITY

6 (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law and subject to the approval
7 of the Secretary of Administration, General Fund, Transportation Fund,
8 Transportation Infrastructure Bond Fund, Education Fund, Technology
9 Modernization Special Fund (21951), Clean Water Fund (21932), and
10 Agricultural Water Quality Fund (21933) appropriations remaining
11 unexpended on June 30, 2025 in the Executive Branch shall be carried forward
12 and shall be designated for expenditure.

13 (b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, General
14 Fund appropriations remaining unexpended on June 30, 2025 in the Legislative
15 and Judicial Branches shall be carried forward and shall be designated for
16 expenditure.

17 Sec. 90. EFFECTIVE DATES

18 (a) This act shall take effect on passage, except that, notwithstanding
19 1 V.S.A. § 214, Sec. 65 shall take effect retroactively on July 1, 2024.