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2 An act relating to fiscal year 2025 budget adjustments.

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

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

7 technology

8	Personal services	82,994,362	82,994,362
9	Operating expenses	62,547,212	61,761,212
10	Total	145,541,574	144,755,574
11	Source of funds		
12	General fund	209,808	209,808
13	Special funds	511,723	511,723
14	Internal service funds	144,820,043	144,034,043
15	Total	145,541,574	144,755,574

16 Sec. 2. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.145 is amended to read:

17 Sec. B.145 Total general government

18 Source of funds

19	General fund	117,405,610	117,405,610
20	Transportation fund	4,292,149	4,292,149
21	Special funds	31,882,209	31,882,209

1	Federal funds	1,467,374	1,467,374
2	Internal service funds	214,635,950	213,849,950
3	Interdepartmental transfers	7,053,789	7,053,789
4	Enterprise funds	4,298	4,298
5	Pension trust funds	4,800,305	4,800,305
6	Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,329,205</u>	<u>1,329,205</u>
7	Total	382,870,889	382,084,889

8 Sec. 3. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.200 is amended to read:

9 Sec. B.200 Attorney general

10	Personal services	14,435,517	14,485,517
11	Operating expenses		2,015,028
12	Grants		<u>20,000</u>
13	Total	16,470,545	16,520,545
14	Source of funds		
15	General fund	7,391,661	7,441,661
16	Special funds		2,355,424
17	Tobacco fund		422,000
18	Federal funds		1,743,215
19	Interdepartmental transfers		<u>4,558,245</u>
20	Total	16,470,545	16,520,545

21 Sec. 4. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.204 is amended to read:

1	Sec. B.204 Judiciary		
2	Personal services	58,439,095	58,827,799
3	Operating expenses	12,479,384	14,640,960
4	Grants	<u>121,030</u>	<u>121,030</u>
5	Total	71,039,509	73,589,789
6	Source of funds		
7	General fund	63,414,698	65,964,978
8	Special funds	4,503,401	4,503,401
9	Federal funds	953,928	953,928
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,167,482</u>	<u>2,167,482</u>
11	Total	71,039,509	73,589,789
12	Sec. 5. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.205 is amended to read:		
13	Sec. B.205 State's attorneys		
14	Personal services	17,309,679	17,548,979
15	Operating expenses	<u>2,034,016</u>	<u>2,202,516</u>
16	Total	19,343,695	19,751,495
17	Source of funds		
18	General fund	18,734,634	19,142,434
19	Federal funds	31,000	31,000
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>578,061</u>	<u>578,061</u>
21	Total	19,343,695	19,751,495

1 Sec. 6. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.206.1 is amended to read:

2 Sec. B.206.1 Crime Victims Advocates

3	Personal services	3,016,156	3,016,156
4	Operating expenses	<u>104,396</u>	<u>142,396</u>
5	Total	<u>3,120,552</u>	3,158,552

6 Source of funds

7	General fund	<u>3,120,552</u>	<u>3,158,552</u>
8	Total	<u>3,120,552</u>	3,158,552

9 Sec. 7. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.208 is amended to read:

10 Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration

11	Personal services	<u>4,620,756</u>	5,397,783
12	Operating expenses	<u>6,022,923</u>	<u>6,022,923</u>
13	Total	<u>10,643,679</u>	11,420,706

14 Source of funds

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

20 Sec. 8. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.210 is amended to read:

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

1	Personal services	5,387,100	4,705,897
2	Operating expenses	<u>2,152,467</u>	<u>2,152,467</u>
3	Total	<u>7,539,567</u>	6,858,364
4	Source of funds		
5	General fund	1,829,099	2,172,295
6	Special funds	4,975,847	3,951,448
7	Federal funds	<u>734,621</u>	<u>734,621</u>
8	Total	<u>7,539,567</u>	6,858,364
9	Sec. 9. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.236 is amended to read:		
10	Sec. B.236 Human rights commission		
11	Personal services	927,697	1,014,559
12	Operating expenses	<u>115,103</u>	<u>125,378</u>
13	Total	1,042,800	1,139,937
14	Source of funds		
15	General fund	953,800	1,050,937
16	Federal funds	<u>89,000</u>	<u>89,000</u>
17	Total	1,042,800	1,139,937
18	Sec. 10. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.241 is amended to read:		
19	Sec. B.241 Total protection to persons and property		
20	Source of funds		
21	General fund	228,238,448	233,638,438

1	Transportation fund	20,250,000	20,250,000
2	Special funds	119,824,272	118,799,873
3	Tobacco fund	672,579	672,579
4	Federal funds	162,959,452	162,959,452
5	Interdepartmental transfers	16,031,869	14,895,319
6	Enterprise funds	<u>15,070,107</u>	<u>15,070,107</u>
7	Total	563,046,727	566,285,768

8 Sec. 11. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.300 is amended to read:

9	Sec. B.300 Human services - agency of human services - secretary's office		
10	Personal services	16,219,746	18,219,746
11	Operating expenses	7,220,486	6,062,286
12	Grants	<u>3,795,202</u>	<u>3,795,202</u>
13	Total	27,235,434	28,077,234

14 Source of funds

15	General fund	12,913,202	11,923,905
16	Special funds	135,517	135,517
17	Federal funds	13,565,080	11,606,177
18	Global Commitment fund	0	4,300,000
19	Interdepartmental transfers	621,635	<u>111,635</u>
20	Total	27,235,434	28,077,234

21 Sec. 12. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.301 is amended to read:

1	Sec. B.301 Secretary's office - global commitment		
2	Grants	2,039,512,911	<u>2,164,607,988</u>
3	Total	2,039,512,911	2,164,607,988
4	Source of funds		
5	General fund	668,380,623	716,109,638
6	Special funds	32,047,905	32,047,905
7	Tobacco fund	21,049,373	21,049,373
8	State health care resources fund	28,053,557	28,053,557
9	Federal funds	1,285,494,243	1,363,223,270
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,487,210</u>	<u>4,124,245</u>
11	Total	2,039,512,911	2,164,607,988
12	Sec. 13. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.305 is amended to read:		
13	Sec. B.305 AHS - administrative fund		
14	Personal services	330,000	330,000
15	Operating expenses	13,170,000	<u>16,870,000</u>
16	Total	13,500,000	17,200,000
17	Source of funds		
18	Interdepartmental transfers	13,500,000	<u>17,200,000</u>
19	Total	13,500,000	17,200,000

20 Sec. 14. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.306 is amended to read:

21 Sec. B.306 Department of Vermont health access - administration

1	Personal services	134,929,148	136,693,560
2	Operating expenses	44,171,193	39,250,661
3	Grants	<u>3,112,301</u>	<u>3,112,301</u>
4	Total	182,212,642	179,056,522
5	Source of funds		
6	General fund	39,872,315	42,023,781
7	Special funds	4,733,015	4,733,015
8	Federal funds	128,790,580	124,836,223
9	Global Commitment fund	4,308,574	4,308,574
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,508,158</u>	<u>3,154,929</u>
11	Total	182,212,642	179,056,522

12 Sec. 15. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.307 is amended to read:

13 Sec. B.307 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program –
14 global commitment

15	Personal services	547,983	547,983
16	Grants	<u>899,550,794</u>	<u>964,407,046</u>
17	Total	900,098,777	964,955,029
18	Source of funds		
19	Global Commitment fund	<u>900,098,777</u>	<u>964,955,029</u>
20	Total	900,098,777	964,955,029

21 Sec. 16. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.309 is amended to read:

1	Sec. B.309 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program –		
2	state only		
3	Grants	<u>63,033,948</u>	<u>67,780,595</u>
4	Total	63,033,948	67,780,595
5	Source of funds		
6	General fund	<u>62,151,546</u>	62,308,757
7	Global Commitment fund	<u>882,402</u>	<u>5,471,838</u>
8	Total	<u>63,033,948</u>	67,780,595
9	Sec. 17. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.310 is amended to read:		
10	Sec. B.310 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid non-waiver		
11	matched		
12	Grants	<u>34,994,888</u>	<u>38,232,431</u>
13	Total	34,994,888	38,232,431
14	Source of funds		
15	General fund	<u>12,511,405</u>	13,459,034
16	Federal funds	<u>22,483,483</u>	<u>24,773,397</u>
17	Total	<u>34,994,888</u>	38,232,431
18	Sec. 18. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.311 is amended to read:		
19	Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support		
20	Personal services	8,373,168	8,373,168
21	Operating expenses	<u>7,519,722</u>	8,166,662

1	Grants	<u>7,985,727</u>	<u>7,985,727</u>
2	Total	23,878,617	24,525,557
3	Source of funds		
4	General fund	3,189,843	3,513,313
5	Special funds	2,308,186	2,308,186
6	Federal funds	11,040,433	11,363,903
7	Global Commitment fund	7,173,924	7,173,924
8	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>166,231</u>	<u>166,231</u>
9	Total	23,878,617	24,525,557
10	Sec. 19. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.312 is amended to read:		
11	Sec. B.312 Health - public health		
12	Personal services	67,812,371	67,812,371
13	Operating expenses	11,025,497	11,025,497
14	Grants	46,766,832	<u>46,866,832</u>
15	Total	125,604,700	125,704,700
16	Source of funds		
17	General fund	12,908,892	13,008,892
18	Special funds	24,906,804	24,906,804
19	Tobacco fund	1,088,918	1,088,918
20	Federal funds	64,038,301	64,038,301
21	Global Commitment fund	17,036,150	17,036,150

1	Interdepartmental transfers	5,600,635	5,600,635
2	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
3	Total	125,604,700	125,704,700

4 Sec. 20. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.313 is amended to read:

5 Sec. B.313 Health - substance use programs

6	Personal services	6,570,967	6,570,967
7	Operating expenses	511,500	511,500
8	Grants	<u>58,215,510</u>	<u>59,240,635</u>
9	Total	65,297,977	66,323,102

10 Source of funds

11	General fund	6,672,061	7,697,186
12	Special funds	2,413,678	2,413,678
13	Tobacco fund	949,917	949,917
14	Federal funds	15,456,754	15,456,754
15	Global Commitment fund	<u>39,805,567</u>	<u>39,805,567</u>
16	Total	65,297,977	66,323,102

17 Sec. 21. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.314 is amended to read:

18 Sec. B.314 Mental health - mental health

19	Personal services	50,191,086	50,191,086
20	Operating expenses	5,517,999	5,709,973
21	Grants	<u>270,625,138</u>	<u>272,536,080</u>

1	Total	326,334,223	328,437,139
2	Source of funds		
3	General fund	25,555,311	26,279,270
4	Special funds	1,718,092	1,718,092
5	Federal funds	11,436,913	12,661,803
6	Global Commitment fund	287,609,767	287,763,834
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>14,140</u>	<u>14,140</u>
8	Total	326,334,223	328,437,139
9	Sec. 22. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.316 is amended to read:		
10	Sec. B.316 Department for children and families - administration &		
11	support services		
12	Personal services	46,644,080	44,844,080
13	Operating expenses	17,560,755	19,402,705
14	Grants	<u>5,627,175</u>	<u>5,627,175</u>
15	Total	69,832,010	69,873,960
16	Source of funds		
17	General fund	39,722,724	40,113,958
18	Special funds	2,781,912	2,781,912
19	Federal funds	24,448,223	24,098,939
20	Global Commitment fund	2,417,024	2,417,024
21	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>462,127</u>	<u>462,127</u>

1	Total	69,832,010	69,873,960
2	Sec. 23. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.317 is amended to read:		
3	Sec. B.317 Department for children and families - family services		
4	Personal services	45,197,694	45,286,553
5	Operating expenses	5,315,309	5,315,309
6	Grants	98,251,027	<u>97,732,465</u>
7	Total	148,764,030	148,334,327
8	Source of funds		
9	General fund	58,838,741	59,984,059
10	Special funds	729,587	729,587
11	Federal funds	34,666,196	36,180,206
12	Global Commitment fund	54,514,506	51,425,475
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>15,000</u>	<u>15,000</u>
14	Total	148,764,030	148,334,327
15	Sec. 24. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.318 is amended to read:		
16	Sec. B.318 Department for children and families - child development		
17	Personal services	5,908,038	5,908,038
18	Operating expenses	813,321	813,321
19	Grants	223,329,336	<u>211,815,836</u>
20	Total	230,050,695	218,537,195
21	Source of funds		

1	General fund	76,723,518	51,443,165
2	Special funds	96,312,000	109,512,000
3	Federal funds	43,511,414	42,902,383
4	Global Commitment fund	13,503,763	<u>14,679,647</u>
5	Total	230,050,695	218,537,195

6 Sec. 25. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.319 is amended to read:

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

8	Personal services	13,157,660	13,061,794
9	Operating expenses	<u>3,759,992</u>	<u>3,759,992</u>
10	Total	16,917,652	16,821,786

11 Source of funds

12	General fund	5,200,064	5,163,429
13	Special funds	455,719	455,719
14	Federal funds	10,874,269	10,815,038
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>387,600</u>	<u>387,600</u>
16	Total	16,917,652	16,821,786

17 Sec. 26. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.320 is amended to read:

18 Sec. B.320 Department for children and families - aid to aged, blind and

19 disabled

20	Personal services	2,252,206	2,481,741
21	Grants	<u>10,717,444</u>	<u>10,369,155</u>

1	Total	12,969,650	12,850,896
2	Source of funds		
3	General fund	7,376,133	7,368,843
4	Global Commitment fund	<u>5,593,517</u>	<u>5,482,053</u>
5	Total	12,969,650	12,850,896

6 Sec. 27. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.321 is amended to read:

7	Sec. B.321 Department for children and families - general assistance		
8	Personal services	15,000	15,000
9	Grants	<u>11,054,252</u>	<u>10,702,625</u>
10	Total	11,069,252	10,717,625

11	Source of funds		
12	General fund	10,811,345	10,486,987
13	Federal funds	11,320	11,070
14	Global Commitment fund	<u>246,587</u>	<u>219,568</u>
15	Total	11,069,252	10,717,625

16 Sec. 28. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.322 is amended to read:

17	Sec. B.322 Department for children and families - 3SquaresVT		
18	Grants	<u>44,377,812</u>	<u>45,677,812</u>
19	Total	44,377,812	45,677,812

20	Source of funds		
21	Federal funds	<u>44,377,812</u>	<u>45,677,812</u>

1	Total	44,377,812	45,677,812
2	Sec. 29. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.323 is amended to read:		
3	Sec. B.323 Department for children and families - reach up		
4	Operating expenses	23,821	23,821
5	Grants	<u>37,230,488</u>	<u>36,730,493</u>
6	Total	37,254,309	36,754,314
7	Source of funds		
8	General fund	24,733,042	24,233,047
9	Special funds	5,970,229	5,970,229
10	Federal funds	2,806,330	2,806,330
11	Global Commitment fund	<u>3,744,708</u>	<u>3,744,708</u>
12	Total	37,254,309	36,754,314
13	Sec. 30. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.325 is amended to read:		
14	Sec. B.325 Department for children and families - office of economic		
15	opportunity		
16	Personal services	817,029	1,042,639
17	Operating expenses	100,407	100,407
18	Grants	<u>35,466,283</u>	<u>35,812,536</u>
19	Total	36,383,719	36,955,582
20	Source of funds		
21	General fund	28,178,010	28,687,068

1	Special funds	83,135	83,135
2	Federal funds	4,935,273	4,998,078
3	Global Commitment fund	<u>3,187,301</u>	<u>3,187,301</u>
4	Total	36,383,719	36,955,582

5 Sec. 31. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.329 is amended to read:

6 Sec. B.329 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - administration &
7 support

8	Personal services	45,217,977	46,217,977
9	Operating expenses	<u>6,472,558</u>	<u>6,714,680</u>
10	Total	51,690,535	52,932,657

11 Source of funds

12	General fund	22,916,281	24,037,342
13	Special funds	1,390,457	1,390,457
14	Federal funds	26,063,097	26,184,158
15	Global Commitment fund	35,000	35,000
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,285,700</u>	<u>1,285,700</u>
17	Total	51,690,535	52,932,657

18 Sec. 32. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.330 is amended to read:

19 Sec. B.330 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - advocacy and
20 independent living grants

21	Grants	<u>24,571,060</u>	<u>24,781,798</u>
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1	Total	24,571,060	24,781,798
2	Source of funds		
3	General fund	8,392,303	8,504,605
4	Federal funds	7,321,114	7,321,114
5	Global Commitment fund	<u>8,857,643</u>	<u>8,956,079</u>
6	Total	24,571,060	24,781,798

7 Sec. 33. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.332 is amended to read:

8 Sec. B.332 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - vocational
9 rehabilitation

10	Grants	<u>10,179,845</u>	<u>9,179,845</u>
11	Total	10,179,845	9,179,845
12	Source of funds		
13	General fund	1,371,845	371,845
14	Federal funds	7,558,000	7,558,000
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,250,000</u>	<u>1,250,000</u>
16	Total	10,179,845	9,179,845

17 Sec. 34. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.333 is amended to read:

18 Sec. B.333 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - developmental
19 services

20	Grants	<u>329,299,344</u>	<u>331,262,271</u>
21	Total	329,299,344	331,262,271

1	Source of funds		
2	General fund	132,732	132,732
3	Special funds	15,463	15,463
4	Federal funds	403,573	403,573
5	Global Commitment fund	328,697,576	330,660,503
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>50,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>
7	Total	329,299,344	331,262,271

8 Sec. 35. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.334 is amended to read:

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

11	Grants	6,845,005	<u>6,864,520</u>
12	Total	6,845,005	6,864,520

13 Source of funds

14	Global Commitment fund	6,845,005	<u>6,864,520</u>
15	Total	6,845,005	6,864,520

16 Sec. 36. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.334.1 is amended to read:

17 Sec. B.334.1 Disabilities, aging and independent living - Long Term Care

18	Grants	293,584,545	<u>347,376,122</u>
19	Total	293,584,545	347,376,122

20 Source of funds

21	General fund	498,579	498,579
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1	Federal funds	2,450,000	2,450,000
2	Global Commitment fund	290,635,966	<u>344,427,543</u>
3	Total	293,584,545	347,376,122

4 Sec. 37. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.338 is amended to read:

5 Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services

6	Personal services	147,472,104	148,472,104
7	Operating expenses	24,914,205	<u>25,249,795</u>
8	Total	172,386,309	173,721,899

9 Source of funds

10	General fund	162,807,888	163,643,478
11	Special funds	935,963	935,963
12	ARPA State Fiscal	5,000,000	5,000,000
13	Federal funds	499,888	999,888
14	Global Commitment fund	2,746,255	2,746,255
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>396,315</u>	<u>396,315</u>
16	Total	172,386,309	173,721,899

17 Sec. 38. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.342 is amended to read:

18 Sec. B.342 Vermont veterans' home - care and support services

19	Personal services	17,631,222	17,595,290
20	Operating expenses	5,013,462	13,247,462
21	Grants	<u>0</u>	<u>1,583,157</u>

1	Total	22,644,684	32,425,909
2	Source of funds		
3	General fund	4,320,687	11,224,018
4	Special funds	10,051,903	12,450,095
5	Federal funds	<u>8,272,094</u>	<u>8,751,796</u>
6	Total	22,644,684	32,425,909
7	Sec. 39. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.347 is amended to read:		
8	Sec. B.347 Total human services		
9	Source of funds		
10	General fund	1,328,118,806	1,364,156,647
11	Special funds	202,800,452	218,398,644
12	Tobacco fund	23,088,208	23,088,208
13	State health care resources fund	28,053,557	28,053,557
14	ARPA State Fiscal	5,000,000	5,000,000
15	Federal funds	1,803,398,922	1,882,012,745
16	Global Commitment fund	1,980,839,553	2,108,560,133
17	Internal service funds	490,853	490,853
18	Interdepartmental transfers	32,893,535	34,367,341
19	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
20	Total	5,404,708,886	5,664,153,128

21 Sec. 40. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.501 is amended to read:

1	Sec. B.501 Education - education services		
2	Personal services	28,237,700	28,312,700
3	Operating expenses	1,134,912	1,134,912
4	Grants	<u>322,345,763</u>	<u>322,345,763</u>
5	Total	351,718,375	351,793,375
6	Source of funds		
7	General fund	6,387,955	6,462,955
8	Special funds	3,033,144	3,033,144
9	Tobacco fund	750,388	750,388
10	Federal funds	340,584,414	340,584,414
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>962,474</u>	<u>962,474</u>
12	Total	351,718,375	351,793,375
13	Sec. 41. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.503 is amended to read:		
14	Sec. B.503 Education - state-placed students		
15	Grants	20,000,000	<u>19,000,000</u>
16	Total	20,000,000	19,000,000
17	Source of funds		
18	Education fund	20,000,000	<u>19,000,000</u>
19	Total	20,000,000	19,000,000

20 Sec. 42. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.504 is amended to read:

21 Sec. B.504 Education - adult education and literacy

1	Grants	<u>4,694,183</u>	<u>4,997,820</u>
2	Total	4,694,183	4,997,820
3	Source of funds		
4	General fund	<u>3,778,133</u>	4,081,770
5	Federal funds	<u>916,050</u>	<u>916,050</u>
6	Total	4,694,183	4,997,820
7	Sec. 43. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.504.1 is amended to read:		
8	Sec. B.504.1 Education - Flexible Pathways		
9	Grants	<u>11,361,755</u>	<u>11,564,179</u>
10	Total	11,361,755	11,564,179
11	Source of funds		
12	General fund	921,500	921,500
13	Education fund	<u>10,440,255</u>	<u>10,642,679</u>
14	Total	11,361,755	11,564,179
15	Sec. 44. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.505 is amended to read:		
16	Sec. B.505 Education - adjusted education payment		
17	Grants	<u>1,893,267,394</u>	<u>1,882,267,394</u>
18	Total	1,893,267,394	1,882,267,394
19	Source of funds		
20	Education fund	<u>1,893,267,394</u>	<u>1,882,267,394</u>
21	Total	1,893,267,394	1,882,267,394

1 Sec. 45. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.508 is amended to read:

2 Sec. B.508 Education - nutrition

3 Grants	<u>20,400,000</u>	<u>17,500,000</u>
4 Total	20,400,000	17,500,000

5 Source of funds

6 Education fund	<u>20,400,000</u>	<u>17,500,000</u>
7 Total	20,400,000	17,500,000

8 Sec. 46. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.516 is amended to read:

9 Sec. B.516 Total general education

10 Source of funds

11 General fund	228,890,519	229,269,156
12 Special funds	23,651,687	23,651,687
13 Tobacco fund	750,388	750,388
14 Education fund	2,323,283,242	2,308,585,666
15 Federal funds	354,654,849	354,654,849
16 Global Commitment fund	260,000	260,000
17 Interdepartmental transfers	1,467,771	1,467,771
18 Pension trust funds	<u>3,572,780</u>	<u>3,572,780</u>
19 Total	2,936,531,236	2,922,212,297

20 Sec. 47. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.704 is amended to read:

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

1	Personal services	7,880,566	7,913,766
2	Operating expenses	1,005,046	1,005,046
3	Grants	<u>1,712,423</u>	<u>1,713,923</u>
4	Total	10,598,035	10,632,735
5	Source of funds		
6	General fund	6,299,512	6,334,212
7	Special funds	547,215	547,215
8	Federal funds	3,394,931	3,394,931
9	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>356,377</u>	<u>356,377</u>
10	Total	10,598,035	10,632,735
11	Sec. 48. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.710 is amended to read:		
12	Sec. B.710 Environmental conservation - air and waste management		
13	Personal services	27,995,328	27,995,328
14	Operating expenses	10,788,954	10,816,954
15	Grants	<u>4,943,000</u>	<u>4,943,000</u>
16	Total	43,727,282	43,755,282
17	Source of funds		
18	General fund	199,372	227,372
19	Special funds	24,643,580	24,643,580
20	Federal funds	18,800,064	18,800,064
21	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>84,266</u>	<u>84,266</u>

1	Total	43,727,282	43,755,282
2	Sec. 49. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.711 is amended to read:		
3	Sec. B.711 Environmental conservation - office of water programs		
4	Personal services	50,153,806	50,153,806
5	Operating expenses	8,362,915	8,370,915
6	Grants	<u>92,365,140</u>	<u>92,365,140</u>
7	Total	150,881,861	150,889,861
8	Source of funds		
9	General fund	11,887,629	11,895,629
10	Special funds	30,967,150	30,967,150
11	Federal funds	107,154,542	107,154,542
12	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>872,540</u>	<u>872,540</u>
13	Total	150,881,861	150,889,861
14	Sec. 50. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.714 is amended to read:		
15	Sec. B.714 Total natural resources		
16	Source of funds		
17	General fund	42,792,800	42,863,500
18	Special funds	81,275,829	81,275,829
19	Fish and wildlife fund	10,418,331	10,418,331
20	Federal funds	152,068,301	152,068,301
21	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>14,131,324</u>	<u>14,131,324</u>

1 24 hours seven days per week;

2 (4) \$340,000 General Fund and \$660,000 federal funds for the Office of
3 Child Support mainframe transition planning. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A.
4 § 703, unless otherwise reverted by a future act of the General Assembly, these
5 appropriations shall carry forward until fully expended; and

6 (5) \$1,800,000 General Fund shall be added to the appropriation made
7 in Sec. B.1102(b)(4) of this act for the Comprehensive Child Welfare
8 Information System.

9 * * *

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

12 (1) ~~\$3,913,200~~ \$5,586,324 General Fund and ~~\$5,366,383~~ \$7,713,259
13 federal funds to be used for Global Commitment match for the Medicaid
14 Global Payment Program. To the extent that at a future date the Global
15 Payment Program ceases to operate as a program or changes methodology to a
16 retrospective payment program, any resulting one-time General Fund spending
17 authority remaining at that time shall be reverted. If the Human Services
18 Caseload Reserve established in 32 V.S.A. § 308b has not been replenished in
19 accordance with subdivision (b)(21) of Sec. B.1102 of this act, the remaining
20 unallocated General Fund balance shall be reserved in the Human Services

1 Caseload Reserve established in 32 V.S.A. § 308b up to the amount
2 appropriated in this subdivision.

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

5 (1) ~~\$9,279,583~~ \$13,299,583 Global Commitment for the Medicaid
6 Global Payment Program;

7 (2) \$150,000 General Fund to conduct a technical analysis of Vermont's
8 health insurance markets; ~~and~~

9 (3) \$100,000 General Fund to implement the expansion of Medicare
10 Savings Programs eligibility;

11 (4) \$10,000,000 General Fund for Provider Stabilization Grants; and

12 (5) \$11,000,000 General Fund for an alternative payment model

13 reconciliation payment to Brattleboro Retreat. All or a portion of these funds
14 may also be used as matching funds to the Agency of Human Services Global
15 Commitment Program to provide State match. If funds are used as matching
16 funds to the Agency of Human Services Global Commitment Program to
17 provide State match, the commensurate amount of Global Commitment Fund
18 spending authority may be requested during the Global Commitment Transfer
19 process pursuant to Sec. E.301.1 of this act.

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1 (v) Agency of Administration. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated
2 for the following:

3 (1) ~~\$200,000 General Fund for local economic damage grants to~~
4 ~~municipalities that were impacted by the August and December 2023 flooding~~
5 ~~events in counties that are eligible for Federal Emergency Management~~
6 ~~Agency Public Assistance funds under federal disaster declarations DR 4744-~~
7 ~~VT and DR 4762-VT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that these local~~
8 ~~economic damage grants be distributed to municipalities throughout the State~~
9 ~~to address the secondary economic impacts of the August and December 2023~~
10 ~~flooding events. Monies from these grants shall not be expended on Federal~~
11 ~~Emergency Management Agency related projects~~

12 \$1,800,000 General Fund for local economic damage grants to
13 municipalities in counties that are eligible for Federal Emergency Management
14 Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance funds under federal disaster declarations
15 DR-4810-VT and DR-4744-VT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that
16 these local economic damage grants be distributed to municipalities throughout
17 the State to address the secondary economic impacts of 2023 and 2024
18 flooding events. Monies from these grants shall not be expended on FEMA-
19 related projects.

20 (A) The funds appropriated in this subdivision (v)(1) for local
21 economic damage grants shall be distributed as follows:

1 (i) \$75,000 to each municipality that as of June 1, 2025 has at least
2 \$5,000,000 in estimated reported damages to public infrastructure relating to
3 2023 and 2024 flooding events.

4 (ii) \$50,000 to each municipality that as of June 1, 2025 has less
5 than \$5,000,000 and at least \$2,000,000 in estimated reported damages to
6 public infrastructure relating to 2023 and 2024 flooding events.

7 (iii) \$30,000 to each municipality that as of June 1, 2025 has less
8 than \$2,000,000 and at least \$1,000,000 in estimated reported damages to
9 public infrastructure relating to 2023 and 2024 flooding events.

10 (iv) \$20,000 to each municipality that as of June 1, 2025 has less
11 than \$1,000,000 and at least \$250,000 in estimated reported damages to public
12 infrastructure relating to 2023 and 2024 flooding events.

13 (v) \$10,000 to each municipality that as of June 1, 2025 has less
14 than \$250,000 and at least \$100,000 in estimated reported damages to public
15 infrastructure relating to 2023 and 2024 flooding events.

16 (B) To the extent that the funds appropriated in this subdivision
17 (v)(1) have not been granted on or before June 30, 2025, they shall revert to the
18 General Fund and be transferred to the Emergency Relief and Assistance Fund.

19 (C) To the extent that the funds appropriated in this subdivision
20 (v)(1) are insufficient to distribute grants to all eligible municipalities in their
21 full amount, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall, pursuant to

1 32 V.S.A. § 511, utilize excess receipt authority to expend funds from the
2 PILOT Special Fund for this purpose.

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

5 (1) \$8,600,000 General Fund to provide support and enhance capacity
6 for the production and preservation of: affordable mixed-income rental housing
7 and homeownership units including improvements to manufactured homes and
8 communities; permanent homes and emergency shelter for those experiencing
9 homelessness; recovery residences; and housing available to farm workers,
10 refugees, and individuals who are eligible to receive Medicaid-funded home-
11 and community-based services; and

12 (2) \$2,800,000 General Fund to complete pilot projects identified
13 pursuant to 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 186.

14 Sec. 52. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. D.100 is amended to read:

15 Sec. D.100 ALLOCATIONS; PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX

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

19 (1) The sum of \$575,662 is allocated from the Current Use
20 Administration Special Fund to the Department of Taxes for administration of
21 the Use Tax Reimbursement Program. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 9610(c),

1 amounts in excess of \$575,662 from the property transfer tax deposited into the
2 Current Use Administration Special Fund shall be transferred into the General
3 Fund.

4 (2) Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 312, amounts in excess of ~~\$22,106,740~~
5 \$28,238,050 from the property transfer tax and surcharge established in
6 32 V.S.A. § 9602a deposited into the Vermont Housing and Conservation
7 Trust Fund shall be transferred into the General Fund.

8 (A) The dedication of \$2,500,000 in revenue from the property
9 transfer tax pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 9610(d) for the debt payments on the
10 affordable housing bond pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 314 shall be offset by the
11 reduction of \$1,500,000 in the appropriation to the Vermont Housing and
12 Conservation Board and \$1,000,000 from the surcharge established in
13 32 V.S.A. § 9602a. The fiscal year 2025 appropriation of ~~\$22,106,740~~
14 \$28,238,050 to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board reflects the
15 \$1,500,000 reduction. The affordable housing bond and related property
16 transfer tax and surcharge provisions are repealed after the life of the bond on
17 July 1, 2039. Once the bond is retired, the \$1,500,000 reduction in the
18 appropriation to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board shall be
19 restored.

20 (3) Notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a), amounts in excess of
21 ~~\$7,772,373~~ \$9,052,113 from the property transfer tax deposited into the

1 Municipal and Regional Planning Fund shall be transferred into the General
2 Fund. The ~~\$7,772,373~~ \$9,052,113 shall be allocated as follows:

3 (A) ~~\$6,404,540~~ \$7,300,358 for disbursement to regional planning
4 commissions in a manner consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b);

5 (B) ~~\$931,773~~ \$1,187,721 for disbursement to municipalities in a
6 manner consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b); and

7 (C) ~~\$436,060~~ \$564,034 to the Agency of Digital Services for the
8 Vermont Center for Geographic Information.

9 Sec. 53. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. D.101 is amended to read:

10 Sec. D.101 FUND TRANSFERS

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

13 (1) From the General Fund to the:

14 (A) General Obligation Bonds Debt Service Fund (#35100):
15 ~~\$73,212,880~~ \$78,235,088.34.

16 * * *

17 (J) Emergency Relief and Assistance Fund (#21555): ~~\$830,000~~
18 \$6,500,000.

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

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

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

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

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

3 (P) Emergency Personnel Survivor's Benefit Fund (#21884):
4 \$220,000.

5 (2) From the Transportation Fund to the:

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

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

9 ~~(C)~~(B) General Obligation Bonds Debt Service Fund (#35100):
10 \$316,745.

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

13 * * *

14 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
15 2025:

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

18 (A) Cannabis Regulation Fund (#21998): ~~\$12,000,000~~
19 \$15,417,084.32.

20 (B) AHS Central Office Earned Federal Receipts (#22005):
21 \$4,641,960.

1 (C) Sports Wagering Enterprise Fund (#50250): ~~\$7,000,000~~
2 \$6,139,162.

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

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

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

6 (G) Workforce Education and Training Fund (#21913):
7 \$2,598,921.75.

8 (H) Vermont Traumatic Brain Injury Fund (#21994): the balance of
9 the fund at the close of fiscal year 2025.

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

17 (A) AG-Fees & Reimbursements-Court Order Fund (#21638):
18 \$2,000,000.

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

20 (3) ~~\$66,935,000~~ \$63,560,450.50 of the net unencumbered fund balances
21 in the Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund (#21075), the Captive

1 Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund (#21085), and the Securities
2 Regulatory and Supervision Fund (#21080) shall be transferred to the General
3 Fund.

4 (c)(1) Notwithstanding Sec. 1.4.3 of the Rules for State Matching Funds
5 under the Federal Public Assistance Program, in fiscal year 2025, the Secretary
6 of Administration may provide funding from the Emergency Relief and
7 Assistance Fund that was transferred pursuant to subdivision (a)(1)(J) of this
8 section to subgrantees prior to the completion of a project. In fiscal ~~year~~ years
9 2025 and 2026, up to 70 percent of the State funding match on the nonfederal
10 share of an approved project for municipalities that were impacted by ~~the~~
11 ~~August and December 2023 and 2024~~ August and December 2023 and 2024 flooding events in counties that are
12 eligible for Federal Emergency Management Agency Public Assistance funds
13 under federal disaster declarations DR-4744-VT ~~and~~, DR-4762-VT, DR-4810-
14 VT, DR-4816-VT, and DR-4826-VT may be advanced at the request of a
15 municipality.

16 (2) Notwithstanding Sec. 1.4.1 of the Rules for State Matching Funds
17 Under the Federal Public Assistance Program, the Secretary of Administration
18 shall increase the standard State funding match on the nonfederal share of an
19 approved project to the highest percentage possible given available funding for
20 municipalities in counties that were impacted by ~~the August and December~~
21 2023 and 2024 flooding events and are eligible for Federal Emergency

1 Management Agency Public Assistance funds under federal disaster
2 declarations ~~DR-4744-VT and~~ DR-4762-VT, DR-4810-VT, DR-4816-VT, and
3 DR-4826-VT.

4 Sec. 54. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. D.102 is amended to read:

5 Sec. D.102 REVERSIONS

6 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
7 2025, the following amounts shall revert to the General Fund from the
8 accounts indicated:

9 * * *

10 3150892104 MH – Case Management Serv \$350,000.00	<u>\$350,199.34</u>
11 * * *	
12 <u>1100892208 AOA – VT Housing Finance Agency</u>	<u>\$3,000,000.00</u>
13 <u>1100892403 AOA – Health Equity Community Grants</u>	<u>\$500,000.00</u>
14 <u>1120020000 Tuition Assistance Program</u>	<u>\$133,877.86</u>
15 <u>1120892401 DHR – New Position in DHR Ops</u>	<u>\$477,769.00</u>
16 <u>1120892402 DHR – New Position in VTHR Ops</u>	<u>\$40,726.07</u>
17 <u>1140010000 Tax Operation Costs</u>	<u>\$1,267,062.22</u>
18 <u>1140060000 Reappraisal and Listing Payments</u>	<u>\$35,270.75</u>
19 <u>1140070000 Use Tax Reimbursement Program</u>	<u>\$37,864.25</u>
20 <u>1140330000 Renter Rebates</u>	<u>\$2,186,940.33</u>
21 <u>1140892403 Tax – Child Care Contr Positions</u>	<u>\$3,591,823.02</u>

1	<u>1260892201 TRE – Bond Redemption</u>	<u>\$6,000,000</u>
2	<u>1260980000 Debt Service</u>	<u>\$235,445.15</u>
3	<u>1266892401 VPIC – Pension System Assets</u>	<u>\$5,000.00</u>
4	<u>2100892201 AG – Racial Disparities</u>	<u>\$48,465.00</u>
5	<u>2130400000 SIUS Parent Account</u>	<u>\$395,749.64</u>
6	<u>2150010000 Mil Admin/TAGO</u>	<u>\$142,789.80</u>
7	<u>2150050000 Mil Vet Affairs Office</u>	<u>\$100,000.00</u>
8	<u>2160892201 CCVS – VT Forensic Nursing</u>	<u>\$246.43</u>
9	<u>2160892304 CCVS – Kurn Hattin Survivor</u>	<u>\$250.00</u>
10	<u>2200010000 Administration Division</u>	<u>\$167,222.00</u>
11	<u>3310000000 Commission on Women</u>	<u>\$25,390.43</u>
12	<u>3330892401 GMCB – VHCURES Database Implemen</u>	<u>\$545,782.90</u>
13	<u>3400892111 Supp New Americans Refugee</u>	<u>\$23,431.00</u>
14	<u>3400892301 AHSCO – Refugee Resettlement</u>	<u>\$1,293.00</u>
15	<u>3420892405 HD – Regional Emergency Med</u>	<u>\$8,295.01</u>
16	<u>3440050000 DCFS – AABD</u>	<u>\$35,310.73</u>
17	<u>3440892110 DCF – Grants to Reachup</u>	<u>\$5.10</u>
18	<u>3440892203 DCF – Parent Child Ctrs Cap Imp</u>	<u>\$20,708.22</u>
19	<u>3440892214 DCF – Child Care Provider Workfor</u>	<u>\$294.79</u>
20	<u>4100500000 VT Department of Labor</u>	<u>\$8,000,000.00</u>
21	<u>5100070000 Education Services</u>	<u>\$100,000.00</u>

1	<u>5100892101 AOE – VSC Committee Per Diem</u>	<u>\$16,295.33</u>
2	<u>5100892102 AOA – Advisory Group Per Diem</u>	<u>\$9,018.00</u>
3	<u>5100892103 AOE – ESESAG Per Diems</u>	<u>\$8,960.00</u>
4	<u>5100892201 AOE – Comm Pub Sch Emp Hlth Ben</u>	<u>\$29,050.00</u>
5	<u>5100892202 AOE – Task Force Equit Inclusive</u>	<u>\$6,150.00</u>
6	<u>5100892302 AOE – Ethnic&Social Equity Per D</u>	<u>\$14,386.24</u>
7	<u>6100010000 Administration Management and Planning</u>	<u>\$402,052.99</u>
8	<u>6100040000 Property Tax Assessment Approp</u>	<u>\$11,692.11</u>
9	<u>6140880005 152/00 State Asst Munic Poll Cont</u>	<u>\$126.26</u>
10	<u>7100892301 Everyone Eats</u>	<u>\$144,565.43</u>
11	<u>7120892304 DED – Relocated and Remote Worker</u>	<u>\$127,314.33</u>
12	<u>8100002100 Department of Motor Vehicles</u>	<u>\$2,482.81</u>

13 * * *

14 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
15 2025, the following amounts shall revert to the Education Fund from the
16 accounts indicated:

17	<u>5100010000 Administration</u>	<u>\$301,041.03</u>
18	<u>5100050000 State-Placed Students</u>	<u>\$13,687,528.41</u>
19	<u>5100090000 Education Grant</u>	<u>\$359,570.31</u>
20	<u>5100110000 Small School Grant</u>	<u>\$593,700.00</u>
21	<u>5100200000 Education – Technical Education</u>	<u>\$1,802,347.44</u>

1	<u>5100210000 Education – Flexible Pathways</u>	<u>\$1,312,334.72</u>
2	<u>5100892405 AOE – Universal School Meals</u>	<u>\$6,201,479.69</u>

3 Sec. 55. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. D.103 is amended to read:

4 Sec. D.103 RESERVES

5 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
6 2025, the following reserve transactions shall be implemented for the funds
7 provided:

8 (1) General Fund.

9 (A) Pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 308, an estimated amount of
10 ~~\$15,168,663~~ \$15,168,660.85 shall be added to the General Fund Budget
11 Stabilization Reserve.

12 (B) \$5,480,000 shall be added to the 27/53 reserve in fiscal year
13 2025. This action is the fiscal year 2025 contribution to the reserve for the
14 53rd week of Medicaid as required by 32 V.S.A. § 308e and the 27th payroll
15 reserve as required by 32 V.S.A. § 308e.

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

19 * * *

20 Sec. 56. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.100 is amended to read:

21 Sec. E.100 POSITIONS

1 (a) The establishment of ~~43~~ 47 permanent positions is authorized in fiscal
2 year 2025 for the following:

3 (1) Permanent classified positions:

4 * * *

5 (H) Office of the Attorney General:

6 (i) one Court Diversion Assistant Director.

7 * * *

8 (2) Permanent exempt positions:

9 * * *

10 (G) Human Rights Commission:

11 (i) one Intake Specialist; and

12 (ii) one Staff Attorney Investigator.

13 (H) Office of the Attorney General:

14 (i) one Assistant Attorney General.

15 * * *

16 (d) The conversion of eight limited service positions to exempt permanent
17 status is authorized in fiscal year 2025 as follows:

18 (1) Office of the Defender General:

19 (A) one Administrative Services Tech;

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

21 (C) one ODG Legal Assistant I;

1 (D) two Staff Attorney I's;

2 (E) one Financial Specialist III; and

3 (F) one Admin Secretary.

4 * * *

5 Sec. 57 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. E.100, as amended by 2024 Acts
6 and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 56, is further amended to read:

7 Sec. E.100 EXECUTIVE BRANCH POSITIONS

8 (a) The establishment of 75 permanent positions is authorized in fiscal year
9 2024 for the following:

10 * * *

11 (2) Permanent exempt positions:

12 * * *

13 (F) Office of the State Treasurer:

14 (i) one Director – ~~VT Saves~~ Economic Empowerment Division;

15 and

16 (ii) one Communications and Outreach Manager – ~~VT Saves~~

17 Economic Empowerment Division;

18 * * *

19 Sec. 58. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.301 is amended to read:

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

21 * * *

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

4 (1) ~~\$21,295,850~~ \$25,302,000 certified State match available from local
5 education agencies for eligible special education school-based Medicaid
6 services under Global Commitment. This amount, combined with ~~\$29,204,150~~
7 \$34,698,000 of federal funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act, equals a
8 total estimated expenditure of ~~\$50,500,000~~ \$60,000,000. An amount equal to
9 the amount of the federal matching funds for eligible special education school-
10 based Medicaid services under Global Commitment shall be transferred from
11 the Global Commitment Fund to the Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund
12 created in 16 V.S.A. § 2959a.

13 (2) \$3,005,335 certified State match available from local designated
14 mental health and developmental services agencies for eligible mental health
15 services provided under Global Commitment.

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

19 Sec. 59. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. G.109 is amended to read:

20 Sec. G.109 PAY ACT APPROPRIATIONS; FISCAL YEARS 2025 AND
21 2026

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, 2024 through June
6 30, 2026; the collective bargaining agreement with the Vermont Troopers'
7 Association for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026; 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 2025.

11 * * *

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

18 * * *

19 (2) Fiscal year 2026.

20 * * *

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

7 * * *

8 Sec. 60. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 145, Sec. 7 is amended to read:

9 Sec. 7. TELEPHONE TAX; REPEAL; TRANSITION

10 (a) 32 V.S.A. § 8521 (telephone personal property tax) is repealed on July
11 1, ~~2025~~ 2026. The final monthly installment payment of the telephone
12 personal property tax under 32 V.S.A. § 8521 levied on the net book value of
13 the taxpayer's personal property as of December 31, ~~2024~~ 2025 shall be due on
14 or before July 25, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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

18 (c) Any taxpayer who paid the alternative tax imposed by 32 V.S.A. § 8522
19 prior to the repeal of the tax on January 1, ~~2026~~ 2027 shall become subject to
20 the income tax imposed under 32 V.S.A. chapter 151 beginning with the
21 taxpayer's first income tax year starting on or after January 1, ~~2025~~ 2026. No

1 alternative tax under 32 V.S.A. § 8522 shall be due for any period included in
2 the taxpayer's income tax filing for tax years starting on or after January 1,
3 ~~2025~~ 2026.

4 (d) In fiscal year ~~2025~~ 2026, the Division of Property Valuation and
5 Review of the Department of Taxes and all communications service providers
6 with taxable communications property in Vermont shall be subject to the
7 inventory and valuation provisions prescribed in 32 V.S.A. § 4452, as
8 applicable.

9 Sec. 61. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 145, Sec. 15 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 15. EFFECTIVE DATES

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

12 * * *

13 (3) Secs. 8–12 (communications property tax) shall take effect on July 1,
14 ~~2025~~ 2026 and shall apply to grand lists lodged on or after April 1, ~~2025~~ 2026.

15 Sec. 62. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 166, Sec. 15 is amended to read:

16 Sec. 15. TRANSFER AND APPROPRIATION

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

18 (1) \$500,000.00 is transferred from the Cannabis Regulation Fund
19 established pursuant to 7 V.S.A. § 845 to the Cannabis Business Development
20 Fund established pursuant to 7 V.S.A. § 987; and

1 (2) \$500,000.00 is appropriated from the Cannabis Business 19
2 Development Fund to the ~~Agency of Commerce and Community Development~~
3 Department of Economic Development to fund technical assistance and
4 provide loans and grants pursuant to 7 V.S.A. § 987.

5 Sec. 63. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 78 is amended to read:

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

7 ~~Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 312, 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a), 32 V.S.A. §~~
8 ~~9610(c), or any other provision of law to the contrary, amounts in excess of~~
9 ~~\$32,954,775.00 from the property transfer tax shall be transferred into the~~
10 ~~General Fund. Of this amount:~~

11 ~~(1) \$6,106,335.00 shall be transferred from the General Fund into the~~
12 ~~Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund.~~

13 ~~(2) \$1,279,740.00 shall be transferred from the General Fund into the~~
14 ~~Municipal and Regional Planning Fund. [Repealed.]~~

15 Sec. 64. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 96 is amended to read:

16 Sec. 96. APPROPRIATION; RENT ARREARS ASSISTANCE FUND

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

1 Sec. 65. 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 182, Sec. 3, as amended by 2023 Acts
2 and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 75, 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. C.119, and
3 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 106, is further amended to read:

4 Sec. 3. MANUFACTURED HOME IMPROVEMENT AND
5 REPAIR PROGRAM

6 (a) ~~Amounts~~ Of the amounts available from the American Rescue Plan Act
7 – State Fiscal Recovery funds, \$4,000,000 is appropriated to the Department of
8 Housing and Community Development for the Manufactured Home
9 Improvement and Repair Program and shall be used for one or more of the
10 following purposes:

11 * * *

12 Sec. 66. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 113b is amended to read:

13 Sec. 113b. APPROPRIATION; ~~NATURAL RESOURCES~~ LAND USE
14 REVIEW BOARD

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

17 Sec. 67. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 183, Sec. 24a is amended to read:

18 Sec. 24a. COMPENSATION FOR OVERPAYMENT

19 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, ~~the sum of~~
20 ~~\$29,224.00~~ a \$29,224 credit shall be ~~transferred from the Education Fund to~~
21 ~~the Town of~~ applied to the Canaan Town School District's education spending,

1 ~~as defined per 16 V.S.A. § 4001(6), in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the~~
2 ~~homestead taxpayers of the Town of Canaan Town School District for an~~
3 ~~overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to erroneous~~
4 ~~accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating average daily~~
5 ~~membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made directly to the~~
6 ~~Town of Canaan.~~

7 ~~(b) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
8 ~~\$5,924.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of~~
9 ~~Bloomfield in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the~~
10 ~~Town of Bloomfield for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024~~
11 ~~due to erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
12 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
13 ~~directly to the Town of Bloomfield.~~

14 ~~(c) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
15 ~~\$2,575.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of~~
16 ~~Brunswick in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the~~
17 ~~Town of Brunswick for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024~~
18 ~~due to erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
19 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
20 ~~directly to the Town of Brunswick.~~

1 ~~(d) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
2 ~~\$6,145.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of East~~
3 ~~Haven in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Town~~
4 ~~of East Haven for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to~~
5 ~~erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
6 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
7 ~~directly to the Town of East Haven.~~

8 ~~(e) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
9 ~~\$2,046.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of Granby~~
10 ~~in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Town of~~
11 ~~Granby for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to~~
12 ~~erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
13 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
14 ~~directly to the Town of Granby.~~

15 ~~(f) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
16 ~~\$10,034.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of~~
17 ~~Guildhall in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the~~
18 ~~Town of Guildhall for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024~~
19 ~~due to erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
20 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
21 ~~directly to the Town of Guildhall.~~

1 ~~(g) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
2 ~~\$20,536.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of Kirby~~
3 ~~in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Town of~~
4 ~~Kirby for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to~~
5 ~~erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
6 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
7 ~~directly to the Town of Kirby.~~

8 ~~(h) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
9 ~~\$2,402.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of~~
10 ~~Lemington in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the~~
11 ~~Town of Lemington for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024~~
12 ~~due to erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
13 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
14 ~~directly to the Town of Lemington.~~

15 ~~(i) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
16 ~~\$11,464.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of~~
17 ~~Maidstone in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the~~
18 ~~Town of Maidstone for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024~~
19 ~~due to erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
20 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
21 ~~directly to the Town of Maidstone.~~

1 ~~(j) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
2 ~~\$4,349.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of Norton~~
3 ~~in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Town of~~
4 ~~Norton for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to~~
5 ~~erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
6 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
7 ~~directly to the Town of Norton.~~

8 ~~(k) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
9 ~~\$2,657.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of Victory~~
10 ~~in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Town of~~
11 ~~Victory for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to~~
12 ~~erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
13 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
14 ~~directly to the Town of Victory.~~

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

1 Sec. 68. 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.1100, as amended by 2024
2 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 40 and 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec.
3 C.101, is further amended to read:

4 Sec. B.1100 MISCELLANEOUS FISCAL YEAR 2024 ONE-TIME
5 APPROPRIATIONS

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

8 (1) \$2,300,000 General Fund to create, implement, and oversee a
9 comprehensive statewide language access plan;

10 (2) \$15,000,000 General Fund to be used to offset the cost of denied
11 claims for ~~Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)~~ federal
12 reimbursement related to presidentially declared disasters in fiscal year 2024 or
13 2025, or to fund unanticipated statewide costs related to recovery efforts from
14 declared disasters or administering programs created by funds from the
15 American Rescue Plan Act – State Fiscal Recovery Fund, including the costs
16 of related limited-service positions, and contracting for programs and services.

17 (3) \$500,000 General Fund for community grants related to health
18 equity. These funds shall not be released until the recommendation and report
19 required by Sec. E.100.1 of this act, regarding the permanent administrative
20 location for the Office of Health Equity, is provided to the committees of

1 jurisdiction listed in Sec. E.100.1 of this act and the positions in the Office of
2 Health Equity created by this act are filled.

3 * * *

4 (l) Agency of Human Services Central Office. In fiscal year 2024, funds
5 are appropriated for the following:

6 * * *

7 (2) \$8,834,000 General Fund and \$11,483,302 Federal Revenue Fund
8 #22005 for a ~~two-year~~ pilot to expand the Blueprint for Health Hub and Spoke
9 program. Funds shall be used to expand the substances covered by the
10 program, include mental health and pediatric screenings, and make strategic
11 investments with community partners; unexpended appropriations shall carry
12 forward into subsequent fiscal years and remain available for this purpose;

13 * * *

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

16 (1) \$366,066 General Fund and \$372,048 Federal Revenue Fund #22005
17 for a ~~two-year~~ pilot to expand the Blueprint for Health Hub and Spoke
18 program; unexpended appropriations shall carry forward into subsequent fiscal
19 years and remain available for this purpose;

20 (2) \$15,583,352 Global Commitment Fund #20405 for a ~~two-year~~ pilot
21 to expand the Blueprint for Health Hub and Spoke program; unexpended

1 appropriations shall carry forward into subsequent fiscal years and remain
2 available for this purpose; and

3 * * *

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

6 (1) \$4,595,448 Global Commitment Fund #20405 to the Division of
7 Substance Use Programs for a ~~two-year~~ pilot to expand the Blueprint for
8 Health Hub and Spoke program; unexpended appropriations shall carry
9 forward into subsequent fiscal years and remain available for this purpose;

10 * * *

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

12 (1)(A) \$4,680,000 General Fund for the Judiciary network replacement
13 project.

14 (B) Judiciary shall update the Joint Information Technology
15 Oversight Committee on the status of this project on or before December 1,
16 2023.

17 (2) \$300,000 General Fund for the Essex County Courthouse renovation
18 planning. Of this amount, \$50,000 may be used to construct bathrooms
19 compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act in the Essex Meeting
20 House.

21 * * *

1 (ee) Joint Fiscal Office. In fiscal year 2024, funds are appropriated for the
2 following:

3 (1) \$250,000 for ~~per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses~~
4 ~~for members of the Task Force on Economic Development Incentives and for~~
5 ~~consulting services approved by the Task Force~~ consulting services related to
6 legislative needs identified in the 2025–2026 biennium, including analysis of
7 legislative staff compensation and organizational structure and implementation
8 of adjustments in accordance with policies adopted by the Joint Legislative
9 Management Committee.

10 * * *

11 Sec. 69. 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 185, Sec. B.1102, as added by 2023 Acts
12 and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 47, is amended to read:

13 Sec. B.1102 FISCAL YEAR 2023 ONE-TIME TECHNOLOGY

14 MODERNIZATION SPECIAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

15 (a) In fiscal year 2023, funds are appropriated from the Technology
16 Modernization Special Fund (21951) for new and ongoing initiatives as
17 follows:

18 (1) \$40,010,000 to the Agency of Digital Services to be used as follows:

19 (A) \$11,800,000 for Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system
20 upgrade of Human Capital Management and core statewide financial

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

3 * * *

4 Sec. 70. 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. 71. WORKFORCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING FUND; REPEAL

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

14 Sec. 72. 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. 73. 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. 74. 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. 75. 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. 76. 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. 77. 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.

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20 Sec. 78. 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 and amounts for reserves, but no purchasers of the
6 bonds shall be in any way bound to see to the proper application of the
7 proceeds. The State Treasurer shall pay the interest on, principal of,
8 investment return on, and maturity value of the bonds and notes as the same
9 fall due or accrue without further order or authority. The State Treasurer, with
10 the approval of the Governor, may establish sinking funds, reserve funds, or
11 other special funds of the State as the State Treasurer may deem for the best
12 interests of the State. To the extent not otherwise provided, the amount
13 necessary each year to fulfill the maturing principal and interest of, investment
14 return and maturity value of, and sinking fund installments on all the bonds
15 then outstanding shall be included in and made a part of the annual
16 appropriation bill for the expense of State government, and the principal and
17 interest on, investment return and maturity value of, and sinking fund
18 installments on the bonds as may come due before appropriations for their
19 fulfillment have been made shall be fulfilled from the applicable debt service
20 fund.

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

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13 Sec. 79. VERMONT TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY FUND; REPEAL

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

16 Sec. 80 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 47, Sec. 38 is amended to read:

17 Sec. 38. RENTAL HOUSING REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM

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

1 (b) Loans; eligibility; criteria.

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

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

6 (i) seven years; or

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

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

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13 Sec. 81. 32 V.S.A. § 308b is amended to read:

14 § 308b. HUMAN SERVICES CASELOAD RESERVE

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

1 Vermont Health Access, and settlement costs associated with managing the
2 Global Commitment waiver.

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

8 (c) The Human Services Caseload Reserve shall contain two ~~sub-accounts~~
9 subaccounts:

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

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19 Sec. 82. CHILD CARE CONTRIBUTION SPECIAL FUND;

20 UNALLOCATED AND UNRESERVED BALANCE

1 (a) In fiscal year 2025, the Secretary of Administration shall unreserve and
2 transfer funds from the Human Services Caseload Reserve to the Child Care
3 Contribution Special Fund established in 32 V.S.A. § 10554 as necessary to
4 maintain a balance that appropriately supports the State's statutory obligations
5 under the Child Care Financial Assistance Program established in 33 V.S.A. §§
6 3512 and 3513.

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

11 Sec. 83. DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; FACILITY WORK
12 PROGRAMS; STRATEGIC PLAN

13 (a) Findings and intent.

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

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

1 (b) Strategic plan. On or before December 15, 2025, the Department of
2 Corrections shall, in consultation with the Department of Labor, submit a
3 strategic plan with proposed benchmarks for improvement to the House
4 Committees on Appropriations and on Corrections and Institutions and the
5 Senate Committees on Appropriations, on Institutions, and on Judiciary. The
6 strategic plan shall include:

7 (1) A business plan to improve program efficiency and self-
8 sustainability to ensure all facility work programs, including Vermont
9 Correctional Industries, vocational training programs, and other paid facility
10 duties, operate without recurring deficits or to clearly identify funding sources
11 to address the deficits.

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

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

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

4 (c) In fiscal years 2025 and 2026, the Department of Corrections shall
5 submit timely reports to the to the House Committees on Appropriations and
6 on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committees on Appropriations,
7 on Institutions, and on Judiciary, or the Joint Fiscal Committee and the Joint
8 Legislative Justice Oversight Committee when the General Assembly is not in
9 session, on the development of facility work program deficits. The
10 Department shall include in these reports any financial or operational actions
11 taken to address deficits, increase oversight, and prevent future deficits.

12 Sec. 84. MEDICAID PROVIDERS WITH STABILIZATION NEEDS;

13 GRANT ELIGIBILITY

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

20 (b) On or before December 15, 2025, the Department of Vermont Health
21 Access shall submit a report to the House Committees on Health Care and on

1 Appropriations and the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and on
2 Appropriations. The report shall include:

3 (1) A detailed account of grants distributed pursuant to the appropriation
4 made in 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.1100(o)(4), as added by this
5 act. This shall include the dollar amount and recipient of each grant.

6 (2) A description of each grant recipient's financial status prior to
7 receipt of the grant, a summary of the impact of the grant for each recipient,
8 and a summary of a revised long-term sustainability plan for each grant
9 recipient.

10 (3) An analysis of grant outcomes and any recommendations for
11 enhancing the financial stability of Vermont Medicaid providers.

12 Sec. 83. ADULT DIPLOMA PROGRAM AND HIGH SCHOOL
13 COMPLETION PROGRAM TRANSITIONAL STUDENTS

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

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

20 (2) The student has met the requirements of the student's individual
21 graduation plan and would have been eligible to receive a diploma pursuant to

1 the High School Completion Program as it existed under 16 V.S.A. § 943 on
2 June 30, 2024.

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

4 Sec. 85. SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;
5 DISCRETIONARY EXEMPTIONS

6 (a) In fiscal year 2025, the Department for Children and Families shall
7 fully utilize the State's allocation of discretionary exemptions in the
8 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program to the extent permitted by federal
9 regulation for the purpose of proactively extending benefits to individuals who
10 would otherwise experience a disruption of benefits.

11 Sec. 86. 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 19, Secs. 5 and 6 are amended to read:

12 Sec. 5. [Deleted.]

13 Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE DATES

14 (a) Sec. 4 (marriage licenses; 32 V.S.A. § 1712) shall take effect on July 1,
15 2023.

16 (b) ~~Sec. 5 (marriage licenses; 32 V.S.A. § 1712) shall take effect on July 1,~~
17 ~~2025.~~

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

19 Sec. 87. 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 83, Sec. 53, as amended by 2022 Acts
20 and Resolves No. 185, Sec. C.102 is further amended to read:

21 Sec. 53. FISCAL YEAR 2022 UNALLOCATED RESERVE

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

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

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Sec. 88. 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 15b, as added by 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 162, is amended to read:

Sec. 15b. SERGEANT AT ARMS

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

(1) the replacement of State House cafeteria furnishings; and

(2) the purchase and installation at the State House of an X-ray machine designed to screen baggage.

Sec. 89. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.321 is amended to read:

Sec. E.321 GENERAL ASSISTANCE EMERGENCY HOUSING

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

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(3) The Department shall provide emergency winter housing to households meeting the eligibility criteria in subsection (a) of this section between December 1, 2024 and ~~March 31,~~ June 30, 2025. Emergency housing in a hotel or motel provided pursuant to this subdivision shall not count toward the maximum days of eligibility per 12-month period provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection.

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1 Sec. 90. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 82, Sec. 1, as amended by 2024 Acts and
2 Resolves No. 108, Sec. 3, is further amended to read:

3 Sec. 1. REIMBURSEMENT TO MUNICIPALITIES OF STATE
4 EDUCATION PROPERTY TAXES THAT WERE ABATED DUE
5 TO FLOODING

6 (a)(1) The Commissioner of Taxes may approve an application by a
7 municipality for reimbursement of State education property tax payments owed
8 under 32 V.S.A. § 5402(c) and 16 V.S.A. § 426. To be eligible for
9 reimbursement under this section, prior to November 15, ~~2024~~ 2025, a
10 municipality must have abated, in proportion to the abated municipal tax,
11 under 24 V.S.A. § 1535 the State education property taxes that were assessed
12 on eligible property, after application of any property tax credit allowed under
13 32 V.S.A. chapter 154.

14 (2) As used in this subsection, “eligible property” means property lost
15 or destroyed due directly or indirectly to severe storms and flooding in an area
16 that was declared a federal disaster between July 1, 2023 and ~~October 15, 2023~~
17 December 31, 2024, provided the loss or destruction resulted in one or more of
18 the following:

19 (A) a 50 percent or greater loss in value to the primary structure on
20 the property;

1 (B) loss of use by the property owner of the primary structure on the
2 property for 60 days or more;

3 (C) loss of access by the property owner to utilities for the primary
4 structure on the property for 60 days or more; or

5 (D) condemnation of the primary structure on the property under
6 federal, State, or municipal law, as applicable.

7 (b) If a municipality demonstrates that, due to disruption to tax collections
8 resulting from flooding in an area that was declared a federal disaster between
9 July 1, 2023 and ~~October 15, 2023~~ December 31, 2024, the municipality
10 incurred unanticipated interest expenses on funds borrowed to make State
11 education property tax payments owed under 32 V.S.A. § 5402(c) and 16
12 V.S.A. § 426, the municipality may be reimbursed by an amount equal to its
13 reasonable interest expenses under this subsection, provided the amount of
14 reimbursed interest expenses shall not exceed eight percent.

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16 Sec. 91. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.106 is amended to read:

17 Sec. E.106 CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND

18 APPROPRIATIONS; REVERSION AND ESTABLISHMENT

19 OF NEW SPENDING AUTHORITY

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1 (b) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall revert all
2 unobligated American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery
3 Fund spending authority prior to December 31, 2024. The total amount of
4 American Rescue Plan Act – Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund
5 spending authority reverted in accordance with this subsection shall equal the
6 amount of new spending authority established pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 511 for
7 the following purposes in the following order:

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9 (3) \$30,000,000 to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board to
10 provide support and enhance capacity for the production and preservation of;
11 affordable mixed-income rental housing and homeownership units; including
12 improvements to manufactured homes and communities; permanent homes
13 and emergency shelter for those experiencing homelessness; recovery
14 residences; and housing available to farm workers, refugees, and individuals
15 who are eligible to receive Medicaid-funded home and community based
16 services.

17 Sec. 92. CARRYFORWARD AUTHORITY

18 (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law and subject to the approval
19 of the Secretary of Administration, General Fund, Transportation Fund,
20 Transportation Infrastructure Bond Fund, Education Fund, Technology
21 Modernization Special Fund (21951), Clean Water Fund (21932), and

1 Agricultural Water Quality Fund (21933) appropriations remaining
2 unexpended on June 30, 2025 in the Executive Branch shall be carried forward
3 and shall be designated for expenditure.

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

8 Sec. 93. EFFECTIVE DATES

9 (a) This act shall take effect on passage, except that, notwithstanding
10 1 V.S.A. § 214:

11 (1) Sec. 67 shall take effect retroactively on July 1, 2024; and

12 (2) Sec. 90 shall take effect retroactively on November 15, 2024.