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

3             APPROPRIATIONS

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

6             (1) \$1,100,000 General Fund for the Truth and Reconciliation  
7     Commission; and

8             (2) \$110,000 General Fund for the Office of Racial Equity to continue  
9     the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Action, Leadership Vermont program an  
10    additional year.

11            (b) Department of Human Resources. In fiscal year 2026, funds are  
12    appropriated for the following:

13            (1) \$1,575,000 General Fund for the Classification Modernization  
14    project.

15            (c) Department of Taxes. In fiscal year 2026, funds are appropriated for  
16    the following:

17            (1) \$1,000,000 PILOT Special Fund for the Municipal Grand List  
18    Stabilization Program as established per Sec. E.142.2 of this act. These funds  
19    shall carry forward each fiscal year until fully expended or reverted.

20            (d) Department of Public Safety. In fiscal year 2026, funds are  
21    appropriated for the following:

22            (1) \$600,000 General Fund for State match for federal cybersecurity  
23    grant funds;

1           (2) \$800,000 General Fund for the purchase of mobile and portable  
2           radio equipment; and

3           (3) \$150,000 General Fund for the Vermont Community Radio Grant  
4           Program established in Sec. E.208.2 of this act.

5           (e) Agency of Human Services Secretary's Office. In fiscal year 2026,  
6           funds are appropriated for the following:

7           (1) \$4,448,520 General Fund and \$6,351,480 federal funds for the  
8           Department of Vermont Health Access' Global Commitment appropriation for  
9           the Support and Services at Home program, the Primary Care Medical Home,  
10          and Community Health Team services under the Blueprint for Health;

11          (2) \$6,200 General Fund for per diems and expense reimbursement for  
12          members of the Office of New Americans Study Committee; and

13          (3) \$514,875 General Fund and \$735,125 federal funds for the  
14          Department of Vermont Health Access' Global Commitment appropriation for  
15          the first year of implementation of the Maple Mountain Family Medicine  
16          Residency Program if the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services  
17          approves the Agency's request for federal matching funds pursuant to Sec.  
18          E.306.5(a) of this act.

19          (f) Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation. In fiscal year 2026, funds  
20          are appropriated for the following:

21          (1) \$250,000 General Fund for the Vermont Serve, Learn, and Earn  
22          Program; and

23          (2) \$275,000 General Fund for the purchase of a fire apparatus.

1        (g) Department of Health. In fiscal year 2026, funds are appropriated for  
2        the following:

3                (1) \$240,000 General Fund for Polychlorinated Biphenyl testing;

4                (2) \$40,000 General Fund for a grant to Empty Arms Vermont;

5                (3) Notwithstanding 18 V.S.A. § 4812, \$300,000 Substance Misuse  
6        Prevention Special Fund for recovery residences certified by the Vermont  
7        Alliance for Recovery Residences;

8                (4) Notwithstanding 18 V.S.A. § 4812, \$800,000 Substance Misuse  
9        Prevention Special Fund for recovery centers;

10               (5) \$200,000 Substance Misuse Prevention Special Fund for a grant to  
11        Mentor Vermont; and

12               (6) \$250,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Parent Child  
13        Center Network for smoking cessation initiatives.

14        (h) Department for Children and Families. In fiscal year 2026, funds are  
15        appropriated for the following:

16               (1) \$2,000,000 General Fund for shelter capacity expansion;

17               (2) \$30,500,000 General Fund for the General Assistance Emergency  
18        Housing Program;

19               (3) \$1,000,000 General Fund for direct aid to the Vermont Foodbank's  
20        network partner food shelves and pantries through an equitable statewide  
21        distribution of food or subgrants or both; and

22               (4) \$156,000 General Fund for the Child Care Apprenticeship Program.

1        (i) Department of Corrections. In fiscal year 2026, funds are appropriated  
2        for the following:

3                (1) \$200,000 General Fund to retain a consultant and develop an  
4        implementation plan to transition the Northeast Correctional Complex or the  
5        Caledonia County Work Camp, or parts of either or of both, to a treatment-  
6        focused facility for incarcerated Vermonters.

7        (j) Agency of Education. In fiscal year 2026, funds are appropriated for the  
8        following:

9                (1) \$150,000 General Fund for administrative costs relating to home-  
10        based child care meals.

11        (k) Vermont State Colleges. In fiscal year 2026, funds are appropriated for  
12        the following:

13                (1) \$5,000,000 General Fund for the final transformation bridge  
14        financing payment.

15        (l) Department of Fish and Wildlife. In fiscal year 2026, funds are  
16        appropriated for the following:

17                (1) \$185,000 Fish and Wildlife Nondedicated Special Fund to sustain  
18        current operations as the Department undergoes a financial restructuring.  
19        These funds shall carry forward each fiscal year until fully expended or  
20        reverted;

21                (2) \$80,000 General Fund for the purchase of mobile and portable radio  
22        equipment; and

1           (3) \$30,000 General Fund for the Lake Champlain International Fishing  
2     Derby.

3           (m) Department of Environmental Conservation. In fiscal year 2026, funds  
4     are appropriated for the following:

5           (1) \$50,000 General Fund for a Municipal Wastewater Connections  
6     database;

7           (2) \$850,000 General Fund for the Concentrated Animal Feeding  
8     Operation database project and contractor support;

9           (3) \$9,520,000 Environmental Contingency Fund For Polychlorinated  
10    Biphenyl testing and remediation in schools. These funds shall carry forward  
11    each fiscal year until fully expended or reverted; and

12          (4) \$14,500,000 Other Infrastructure, Essential Investments, and  
13    Reserves Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments  
14    for the State match to the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Drinking  
15    Water State Revolving Fund and Clean Water State Revolving Fund, in  
16    accordance with the provisions of 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec.  
17    C.108(b).

18          (n) Department of Housing and Community Development. In fiscal year  
19    2026, funds are appropriated for the following:

20          (1) \$7,500,000 General Fund for the Vermont Bond Bank Vermont  
21    Infrastructure Sustainability Fund;

22          (2) \$16,100,000 General Fund for the Vermont Housing Finance  
23    Agency Rental Revolving Loan Fund, the Middle-Income Homeownership

1 Development Program, and the First Generation Homebuyer Program. No less  
2 than \$250,000 of these funds shall be for the First Generation Homebuyer  
3 Program;

4 (3) \$4,000,000 General Fund for the Vermont Housing Improvement  
5 Program 2.0;

6 (4) \$15,000 General Fund for the Residential Universal Design Study  
7 Committee;

8 (5) \$450,000 General Fund to fund three limited service positions at the  
9 Department.

10 (o) Department of Economic Development. In fiscal year 2026, funds are  
11 appropriated for the following:

12 (1) \$200,000 General Fund for the Vermont Professionals of Color  
13 Network;

14 (2) \$150,000 General Fund for a grant to the Vermont Small Business  
15 Development Center to assist Vermonters starting, acquiring, and growing  
16 businesses;

17 (3) \$150,000 General Fund for the International Business Office;

18 (4) \$1,000,000 General Fund for the brownfields remediation and  
19 redevelopment;

20 (5) \$100,000 General Fund for a grant to the Central Vermont Regional  
21 Planning Commission to support a site study focused on economic  
22 development, parking, housing, and flood mitigation for the 1.6-acre parcel at  
23 87 State Street and parcels at 89 State Street and 42 Court Street; and

1           (6) \$250,000 General Fund for a competitive grant to establish a new  
2           women's recovery residence, per the criteria of the Vermont Recovery  
3           Housing Program Action Plan, that shall be award on or before September 30,  
4           2025.

5           (p) Vermont Housing and Conservation Board. In fiscal year 2026, funds  
6           are appropriated for the following:

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

14           (q) Office of the State Treasurer. In fiscal year 2026, funds are  
15           appropriated for the following:

16           (1) \$148,000 General Fund for the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance  
17           Program; and

18           (2) \$350,000 General Fund for financial modeling and the limited  
19           service classified position established in Sec. E.100(b)(1)(A) of this act.

20           (r) Department of Vermont Health Access. In fiscal year 2026, funds are  
21           appropriated for the following:

22           (1) \$835,420 General Fund for the Payment Reform Unit;

1           (2) \$3,119,310 General Fund for the OneCare primary care model  
2           transition;

3           (3) \$10,800,000 Global Commitment for the Support and Services at  
4           Home program, the Primary Care Medical Home, and Community Health  
5           Team services under the Blueprint for Health; and

6           (4) \$1,250,000 Global Commitment for the first year of implementation  
7           of the Maple Mountain Family Medicine Residency Program if the Centers for  
8           Medicare and Medicaid Services approves the Agency of Human Services'  
9           request for federal matching funds pursuant to Sec. E.306.5(a) of this act.

10          (s) University of Vermont. In fiscal year 2026, funds are appropriated for  
11          the following:

12           (1) \$750,000 General Fund for the Vermont Gallium Nitride Tech Hub.

13          (t) Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets. In fiscal year 2026, funds  
14          are appropriated for the following:

15           (1) \$450,000 General Fund for a grant to the Northeast Organic Farming  
16           Association of Vermont for the Crop Cash, Crop Cash Plus, and Farm Share  
17           programs;

18           (2) \$500,000 General Fund for a grant to Vermont Foodbank for the  
19           Vermonters Feeding Vermonters Program;

20           (3) \$500,000 General Fund to offer Vermont Local Food for Schools  
21           and Child Care grants within the Rozo McLaughlin Farm to School Grants  
22           Program to fund grants for the purchase and distribution of local food to  
23           schools and registered or licensed child care programs; and



1           (4) \$250,000 General Fund to support Vermont's 14 Natural Resources  
2           Conservation Districts.

3           (u) Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living. In fiscal  
4           year 2026, funds are appropriated for the following:

5                   (1) \$235,000 General Fund for a grant to HomeShare Vermont; and

6                   (2) \$500,000 General Fund for grants to skilled nursing facilities to  
7                   increase the pipeline of employed licensed nursing assistants, including  
8                   increasing the capacity of new and existing facility-based training programs,  
9                   and developing or expanding collaborations with other programs, including  
10                  career and technical education programs. Grants may support training program  
11                  costs, paid internships, student support, and recruitment and retention bonuses.

12                  (A) Of the funds appropriated in subdivision (u)(2) of this section,  
13                  \$150,000 shall be for grants of \$30,000 or less.

14                  (B) Of the funds appropriated in subdivision (u)(2) of this section,  
15                  \$350,000 shall be for up to three grants.

16           (v) Vermont Student Assistance Corporation. In fiscal year 2026, funds are  
17           appropriated for the following:

18                   (1) \$1,500,000 General Fund for Freedom and Unity grants.

19           (w) Military Department. In fiscal year 2026, funds are appropriated for  
20           the following:

21                   (1) \$10,000 General Fund for the USS Vermont Support Group.

22           (x) Vermont Council on the Arts. In fiscal year 2026, funds are  
23           appropriated for the following:

1           (1) \$68,737 General Fund for State match for federal funds.

2           (y) Agency of Transportation. In fiscal year 2026, funds are appropriated  
3           for the following:

4           (1) \$1,400,000 Transportation Fund for transfer to the Agency of  
5           Commerce and Community Development for programs to increase access to  
6           level 1 and 2 Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment charging ports at workplaces  
7           or multiunit dwellings, or both; and

8           (2) \$600,000 Transportation Fund for the purpose of providing grants to  
9           the public transit agencies to hire volunteer coordinators who shall be  
10          responsible for the identification, recruitment, and retention of volunteers to  
11          provide transportation services to individuals enrolled in the State's demand  
12          response transportation programs.

13          (z) Department of Labor. In fiscal year 2026, funds are appropriated for  
14          the following:

15               (1) \$150,000 General Fund for a grant to Advance Vermont.

16          (aa) Office of the Secretary of State. In fiscal year 2026, funds are  
17          appropriated for the following:

18               (1) \$50,000 General Fund for grants to support local civic journalism;  
19          and

20               (2) \$25,000 General Fund for staff and IT costs at the Office of  
21          Professional Regulation relating to the implementation of certifications of  
22          perinatal doulas and birthing centers.

1        (bb) Office of the Defender General. In fiscal year 2026, funds are  
2        appropriated for the following:

- 3            (1) \$30,000 General Fund to enhance IT server capacity;  
4            (2) \$50,000 General Fund for the Orleans County staff office;  
5            (3) \$20,000 General Fund for the Addison County staff office; and  
6            (4) \$60,000 General Fund for public defender training pursuant to 13  
7        V.S.A. § 5253.

8        (cc) Land Use Review Board. In fiscal year 2026, funds are appropriated  
9        for the following:

- 10           (1) \$100,000 General Fund for development of digital infrastructure  
11        relating to Land Use Review Board application and mapping projects.

12        (dd) Department of Mental Health. In fiscal year 2026, funds are  
13        appropriated for the following:

- 14           (1) \$500,000 General Fund for the Champlain Valley Office of  
15        Economic Opportunity Community Resource Center.

16        (ee) Office of the Attorney General. In fiscal year 2026, funds are  
17        appropriated for the following:

- 18           (1) \$80,000 General Fund is added to the appropriation established per  
19        2022 Acts and Resolves No. 182, Sec. 17(b) to extend the limited service  
20        position established in subsection (a) of that section until June 30, 2026.

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2     Sec. B.1101 FISCAL YEAR 2025 CLOSEOUT; FISCAL YEAR 2026

3                     CONTINGENT TRANSACTIONS

4             (a) As part of the fiscal year 2025 closeout, the Department of Finance and  
5     Management shall execute the requirements of 32 V.S.A. § 308. If any  
6     balance remains after meeting these requirements, then, notwithstanding 32  
7     V.S.A. § 308c, the Department of Finance and Management shall designate the  
8     first \$138,970,000 as unallocated carryforward for use in meeting the  
9     requirements of the fiscal year 2026 appropriations act as passed by the  
10    General Assembly. The Department of Finance and Management shall then,  
11    notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 308c, calculate the maximum number of  
12    contingent transactions that can be funded, in the order provided in subsection  
13    (b) of this section, and designate that money to remain unallocated for such  
14    purpose in fiscal year 2026. Any residual balance remaining after such  
15    designations shall be reserved in accordance with 32 V.S.A. § 308c.

16            (b) In fiscal year 2026, the following contingent transactions shall be  
17    executed in the following order from the designated unallocated balance as  
18    determined in subsection (a) of this section:

19            (1) \$8,000,000 is transferred to the Communications and Information  
20    Technology Special Fund to cover the costs of transitioning billable services  
21    from a service level agreement model to a core enterprise services model.

22            (2) \$50,000,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Administration to be  
23    transferred by the Emergency Board pursuant to 32 V.S.A. §133 while the

1     General Assembly is not in session in the event of a reduction in federal funds  
2     to the State as set forth in Sec. E.127.3 of this act.

3             (3) \$30,000,000 is reserved in the General Fund for future appropriation  
4     or transfer by the General Assembly for addressing federal funding shortfalls.

5             (4) \$30,000,000 is reserved in the General Fund for future appropriation  
6     or transfer by the General Assembly for addressing federal funding shortfalls,  
7     Vermont Medicaid and other human services needs, property tax relief,  
8     permanent housing initiatives, or any other uses determined to be in the best  
9     interests of the public.

1       **COC – RECONCILE WITH CAPITAL BILL**

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

3                       INVESTMENTS; FISCAL YEAR 2026 ONE-TIME CAPITAL

4                       APPROPRIATIONS

5               (a) In fiscal year 2026, \$13,436,099 is appropriated from the Capital

6       Infrastructure Subaccount in the Cash Fund for Capital and Essential

7       Investments for the following:

8               (1) Department of Buildings and General Services:

9                       (A) \$1,506,599 for statewide major maintenance;

10                      (B) \$250,000 for statewide planning, reuse, and contingency;

11                      (C) \$250,000 for statewide physical security enhancements;

12                      (D) \$219,500 for State House repointing;

13                      (E) \$250,000 for an uninterruptable power supply system for the

14       Middlesex print and postal facility; and

15                      (F) \$6,900,000 for the Judiciary for renovations at the Windsor

16       County Courthouse in White River Junction.

17               (2) Vermont Veterans' Home:

18                      (A) \$1,500,000 for the design and construction of the American Unit.

19       Notwithstanding 29 V.S.A. § 152(a)(20), the Commissioner of Buildings and

20       General Services is authorized to transfer any unexpended project balances

21       between the amount appropriated in this subdivision (A) and the amounts

22       appropriated in 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 15(b)(1).

23               (3) Agency of Commerce and Community Development:

1           (A) \$2,500,000 for infrastructure improvements that are either  
2           municipally leased for a term of at least 30 years or municipally owned and  
3           that support the development of new or rehabilitated housing, provided that a  
4           grant agreement shall be in place between the State and the municipality prior  
5           to the release of funds.

6           (4) Department of Fish and Wildlife:

7           (A) \$25,000 for the Lake Champlain Walleye Association, Inc. to  
8           upgrade and repair the Walleye rearing, restoration, and stocking  
9           infrastructure.

10          (5) Department of Public Safety:

11          (A) \$35,000 for the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force for the  
12          dry hydrant program.

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2     Sec. C.103 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.1100 is amended to read:

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

4                     APPROPRIATIONS

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

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9             (2) \$3,800,000 General Fund to ensure the appropriations made in Secs.  
10     B.514 of this act and the fiscal year 2026 appropriations act are sufficient to  
11     meet 100 percent of the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System  
12     Actuarially Determined Employer Contribution. Appropriations made in Secs.  
13     B.513 of this act and the fiscal year 2026 appropriations act pursuant to 16  
14     V.S.A. § 1944(c)(13) shall not be considered for the purposes of determining  
15     whether the appropriations made in Secs. B.514 of this act and the fiscal year  
16     2026 appropriations act are sufficient to ensure that the Actuarially Determined  
17     Employer Contribution requirement is funded at 100 percent in fiscal years  
18     2025 and 2026, respectively. Unexpended appropriations shall carry forward  
19     into subsequent fiscal years and remain available for this purpose.



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2     Sec. E.100 POSITIONS

3         (a) The establishment of three permanent positions is authorized in fiscal  
4     year 2026 for the following:

5             (1) Permanent classified positions:

6                 (A) Department of Fish and Wildlife:

7                     (i) one Fish and Wildlife Specialist.

8             (2) Permanent exempt positions:

9                 (A) Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs:

10                     (i) one Financial and IT Specialist; and

11                     (ii) one Transport Deputy.

12         (b) The establishment of three limited service classified position is  
13     authorized in fiscal year 2026:

14             (1) Office of the State Treasurer:

15                 (A) one Climate Superfund Specialist.

16             (2) Office of the Attorney General:

17                 (A) one Pre-charge Administrator.

18             (3) Office of the Secretary of State:

19                 (A) one Administrative Coordinator IV.

20         (c) The establishment of one limited service exempt position is authorized  
21     in fiscal year 2026:

22             (1) Office of the Attorney General:

23                 (A) one Solicitor General.

1        (d) The conversion of two limited service exempt positions to permanent  
2        classified status is authorized in fiscal year 2026 as follows:

3                (1) Land Use Review Board:

4                        (A) two District Coordinators.

5        (e) The conversion of nine limited service exempt positions to permanent  
6        exempt status is authorized in fiscal year 2026 as follows:

7                (1) Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs:

8                        (A) six Deputy State's Attorneys;

9                        (B) two Legal Assistants; and

10                      (C) one Victim Advocate.

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2     Sec. E.127.2 FEDERAL FUNDING; CALCULATION OF

3                     APPROPRIATION REDUCTION; SECRETARY OF

4                     ADMINISTRATION; JOINT FISCAL COMMITTEE

5         (a) As used in this section:

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

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

13            (b) In each instance that a reduction in federal revenues to the State results  
14            in a decrease of the unduplicated function total for any governmental function  
15            unit by:

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

1 appropriations act, such plan shall only be implemented in the manner  
2 provided for in 32 V.S.A. § 704(b)(2).

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

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

12 (B) to maintain a balanced State budget, to minimize the impact to  
13 Vermonters and to abide by the legislative intent set forth by the General  
14 Assembly in this act, the Joint Fiscal Committee may make a recommendation  
15 to the Emergency Board to:

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

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

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

22 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, for the  
23 purpose of calculating any appropriation reduction that triggers the actions set

1     forth in this section, the baseline federal funding amounts shall be the federal  
2     funding set forth in this act. The Secretary of Administration shall monitor any  
3     changes in federal funding as the difference between the baseline federal  
4     funding amount for use in fiscal year 2026 and any updated State federal funds  
5     revenue forecast adopted by the Emergency Board and shall calculate the  
6     percent reduction of the unduplicated function totals for each governmental  
7     function unit.

1     **SENATE**

2     Sec. E.300.3 SETTLEMENT FUNDS; PRIMARY CARE; LEGISLATIVE

3                     INTENT; REPORT

4             (a) The Green Mountain Care Board shall report to the Joint Fiscal  
5     Committee at its July 2025 meeting on the distribution of the \$11,000,000  
6     from the University of Vermont Medical Center to non-hospital primary care  
7     providers pursuant to the Settlement Agreement entered into by the University  
8     of Vermont Medical Center, Inc., University of Vermont Health Network, Inc.,  
9     and the Green Mountain Care Board in April 2025.

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2     Sec. E.306.5 TEACHING HEALTH CENTER GRADUATE MEDICAL  
3                   EDUCATION PROGRAM; IMPLEMENTATION FUNDING;  
4                   LEGISLATIVE INTENT; REPORT

5         (a) The Agency of Human Services shall seek approval from the Centers  
6         for Medicare and Medicaid Services to obtain federal matching funds for the  
7         first year of implementation of the Maple Mountain Family Medicine  
8         Residency Program, a new Teaching Health Center Graduate Medical  
9         Education Program that will increase the number of family medicine residents  
10        practicing in rural regions of Vermont. It is the intent of the General Assembly  
11        to appropriate funds in future fiscal years, with additional federal matching  
12        funds if available, to allow for full implementation of the Program.

13        (b) If the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services does not approve the  
14        Agency's request for federal matching funds pursuant to subsection (a) of this  
15        section, the Agency shall evaluate potential opportunities to obtain federal  
16        matching funds in future fiscal years to provide greater support to the Maple  
17        Mountain Family Medicine Residency Program during its implementation  
18        stage, including matching State dollars as a Global Commitment investment, as  
19        a graduate medical education expenditure, or through another mechanism.

20        (c) The Agency shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee at its July 2025  
21        meeting on whether the Agency was successful in receiving approval for  
22        federal matching funds pursuant to subsection (a) of this section and, if not, its

- 1 findings and recommendations regarding future federal matching fund
- 2 opportunities pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.