

Fiscal Year 2026 Budget H.493

Summary of Base General Fund Appropriations Changes (in millions)

Senate Appropriations Committee

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Appropriations & transfers		Gov.	House	Diff. from Gov	Senate	Diff. from House	Notes (Gov in Black; House in Red; Senate in Blue)
1	FY 2026 Base with Typical Changes	2,223.88	2,223.88	-	2,223.88	-	Salary and benefit change, internal service funds, municipal property tax assistance
2	Pay Act	27.79	27.79	-	27.79	-	
3	Pension Increases	17.24	17.24	-	17.24	-	Includes pension plus payments, VSTERS, teachers health care
4	Base Transfers	100.52	100.52	-	100.52	-	See supplemental Sheet A; One-time reduction in Cash Fund transfer on one-time sheet
Base Appropriations Starting Point		2,369.43	2,369.43	-	2,369.43	-	

Base Appropriation Changes Between Gov. Rec., House, and Senate								
Sec.	Dept.	Description	Gov	House	Diff. from Gov	Senate	Diff. from House	Notes (Gov in Black; House in Red; Senate in Blue)
B.125	LC	Position move per JLMC	-	-	-	0.17	0.17	Position moved from Legislative Human Resources to Legislative Counsel (net neutral)
B.126	LEG	Position move per JLMC	-	-	-	(0.17)	(0.17)	Position moved from Legislative Human Resources to Legislative Counsel (net neutral)
B.135	LRB	Additional Positions	-	-	-	0.25	0.25	Additional positions at the Labor Relations Board to implement S.125
B.200	AG	Additional Positions	-	0.12	0.12	0.35	0.23	Additional position at the Attorney General's Office for the pre-charge; Additional Solicitor General Position (\$150K) and Home Repair Fraud Coordinator (\$80K)
B.201	AG - CD	Pre-charge Diversion	-	1.10	1.10	1.40	0.30	Funding for pre-charge diversion; Expand to all counties that are ready (+300K)
B.204	JUD	Tech Fund Revenue Replacement	3.49	1.33	(2.16)	3.49	2.16	Reduce by \$2.16 million; Technical change, removed in error
B.204	JUD	Security Services COLA	0.20	0.20	-	0.20	-	
B.205	SAS	State's Attorneys - Remove Vacancy Savings	-	0.65	0.65	0.65	-	Buy back vacancy savings
B.207	SAS	Sheriffs - Transport Deputies	-	0.65	0.65	0.65	-	Additional funding for transport deputies
B.208	ODG	Training, IT Costs, Rent	-	-	-	0.12	0.12	\$60,000 training, \$58,000 for assigned counsel cost increase
B.209	DPS	Eliminate JTOC Transfer	20.25	20.25	-	20.25	-	Replace TF with GF
B.209	DPS	Radio Equipment	0.50	0.50	-	0.50	-	
B.209	DPS	School Safety Center	0.15	0.15	-	0.15	-	Continue School Safety Program
B.209	DPS	Cameras	0.50	0.50	-	0.50	-	
B.209	DPS	Duty Firearm Replacement	0.40	0.40	-	0.40	-	Hold on Fire Arm Replacement
B.211	DPS	Hazard Mitigation Grants Manager	0.01	0.01	-	0.01	-	Appropriation is \$5,000
B.211	DPS	Urban Search and Rescue	-	-	-	0.50	0.50	Moved From the base
B.211	DPS	Emergency Food	-	0.50	0.50	-	(0.50)	Additional funding to support emergency food purchases; Move to one-time Reduce base by \$100,000 to reflect anticipated actual spending on grants for the Guard
B.215	MIL	Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Grants Program	1.32	1.22	(0.10)	1.32	0.10	Tuition Benefit program; Restore funding
B.221	CJTC	Canine Trainer	-	0.04	0.04	0.04	-	Eliminate contract and add position from the pool
B.225	AAFM	Conservation Districts	(0.11)	-	0.11	-	-	Additional funding for Conservation Districts \$112,000
B.232	SOS	Vermont Access Network	-	0.05	0.05	0.05	-	Additional funding for Vermont Access Network
B.236	HRC	Two Additional Positions	-	0.25	0.25	0.25	-	Two additional positions from the pool
B.301	AHSCO	Global Commitment Match	29.78	29.78	-	29.78	-	
B.301	AHSCO	Match for FQHC and RHC Rate increase	-	4.42	4.42	4.42	-	Total GC appropriation \$10.71 million in DVHA
B.301	AHSCO	Rate increase for Family Planning E&M Code	-	0.09	0.09	0.09	-	Can be matched at 90/10, \$850,000 GC in DVHA
B.301	AHSCO	Match for Home and Community Based Service 2023 Rate Study Increase	-	2.79	2.79	2.79	-	Total GC appropriation \$6.78 million to DAIL - LTC based on rate study
B.301; B.314; B.330	AHSCO	2% Community Providers Rate Increase	-	5.14	5.14	5.14	-	Total GC appropriation \$12.14 million across AHS appropriations for 2% rate increase (see supplemental sheet)
B.301	AHSCO	2-1-1 Increase	-	0.14	0.14	0.14	-	Total GC appropriation \$332,000 in DCF Admin
B.301	AHSCO	Recovery Campus Funding	0.62	-	(0.62)	-	-	Reflects \$1.5 million GC in VDH - SUP; Eliminate recovery campus pilot funding
B.301	AHSCO	Medicare Savings Program to 150% FPL (QMB)	-	-	-	0.16	0.16	For administrative efficiency, move to 150% FLP, \$2.9 million in GC in DVHA
B.313	VDH - SUP	Reengagement Beds, Withdrawal Management	1.00	1.00	-	1.00	-	
B.313	VDH - SUP	After Care Navigators	0.32	-	(0.32)	-	-	Eliminate additional funding for aftercare navigators (linked to recovery campus funding)
B.314	DMH	Alternatives to Emergency Beds	0.36	0.36	-	0.36	-	
B.314	DMH	Howard Center Community Center Outreach	(0.16)	-	0.16	-	-	Add back reduction
B.314	DMH	Embedded Clinicians in Pediatric Offices - First Call	(0.27)	(0.02)	0.25	(0.02)	-	Add back \$249,211 (\$20,000 reduction)
B.318	DCF	CCFAP Caseload Savings	(3.50)	(3.50)	-	(3.50)	-	
B.318	DCF	CCFAP Shift to Special Fund	(19.00)	(19.00)	-	-	19.00	
B.318	DCF	CCFAP Rate Increase	-	4.90	4.90	5.98	1.09	Rate increase for infant and toddlers at 4.5%; Updated to 5.5% rate increase
B.318	DCF	Apprenticeship Program	-	-	-	0.16	0.16	Add childcare worker apprenticeship program stipend to the base
B.326	DCF	OEO - Housing Opportunities Program	3.35	3.35	-	3.35	-	
B.329	DAIL	Conflict Free Case Management	0.64	0.64	-	0.64	-	Reflects \$1.29 million GC
B.331	DAIL	Pathways to Partnership Grants	-	-	-	-	-	Technical update - incorrectly reflected in GF, federal funds appropriation
B.338	DOC	Pretrial Extension	0.65	0.65	-	0.65	-	
B.342	VVH	Rebase Budget	5.71	5.71	-	5.71	-	

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50	B.345	GMCB	Expansion for AHEAD	0.30	0.30	-	0.30	-	3 additional positions
51	B.345	GMCB	Additional Positions	-	-	-	0.51	0.51	3 additional positions per S.126
52	B.400	Labor	Workforce Expansion	0.04	0.04	-	0.04	-	
53	B.400	Labor	State Workforce Development Board	0.04	0.04	-	0.04	-	
54	B.500	AOE	Education Transformation	-	-	-	1.00	1.00	Moved from one-time; \$1 million every year for four years
55	B.504	AOE	Adult Education Funding Correction	-	0.18	0.18	0.18	-	Additional projected funding for AEL, additional \$120,141 from EF in B.504.1. Total \$300,353; Additional language
56	B.600	UVM	3% Increase	1.67	1.67	-	1.67	-	
57	B.601	VSC	3% Increase	1.53	1.53	-	1.53	-	
58	B.603/604	VSAC	3% Increase	0.95	0.95	-	0.95	-	
59	B.607	MHF	Base Appropriation (Morgan Horse Farm)	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	Add \$1 for base appropriation
60	B.700	ANR	Attorney	-	-	-	-	-	Additional attorney position for superfund litigation
61	B.703	F&W	Act 181 Positions	-	-	-	0.15	0.15	Additional positions for Act 181 Implementation
62	B.711	DEC	Concentrated Animal Feeding Permit Transition	0.30	0.30	-	0.30	-	
63	B.713	LURB	Positions	-	-	-	0.15	0.15	Additional base funding for existing positions
64	B.800	ACCD	Dun & Bradstreet	0.04	0.04	-	0.04	-	
65	B.800	ACCD	DOL Economic Analysis	0.03	0.03	-	0.03	-	
66	B.800	ACCD	Sustainable Jobs Fund Grant Increase	0.03	0.03	-	-	(0.03)	Remove increase (\$25,000)
67	B.801	DED	International Business Development Office	0.35	-	(0.35)	0.15	0.15	Eliminate funding; equal to onetime appropriation from FY 2025
68	B.802	DHCD	Manufactured Home Improvement & Repair (MHIR) Prgm	2.15	2.00	(0.15)	2.15	0.15	
69	B.802	DHCD	VHIP (including positions)	4.30	-	(4.30)	-	-	Shift to one-time
70	B.806	T&M	Increase Grow Grants	0.35	-	(0.35)	-	-	Reduce GROW Grants
71	B.811	VHCB	Land Access Opportunities Board	-	1.63	1.63	1.63	-	Moved from one-time to base
72		Ethics	Additional Position	-	-	-	-	-	Additional position
73	All other Changes		0.25	0.27	0.02	(0.19)	(0.46)		
74	Subtotal Appropriation changes		58.52	73.36	14.83	98.54	25.18		
75	Reserves								
76	Unreserved from Budget Stabilization Reserve		(1.43)	(1.68)	(0.25)	(1.88)	(0.20)		Change based on statutory reserve calculations; Updated based on C Sec. changes ;
77	Unreserved from Human Services Caseload Reserve		(2.72)	(2.72)	-	(2.72)	-		Updated Based on FY2025 Budget Changes
78	Reserved in 27/53		5.70	5.70	-	5.70	-		Change based on statutory reserve calculations
79	Subtotal Base Appropriation and Reserve Changes		60.07	74.66	14.59	99.64	24.98		
80	Other Bills		Gov	House	Diff. from Gov	Senate	Diff. from House	Notes (Gov in Black; House in Red; Senate in Blue)	
81	H.91 - Emergency Housing		-	10.00	10.00	10.00	-	Funding set aside for H.91	
82	Subtotal Other Bills with Base Spending		-	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00		
83	Subtotal All Base Changes		60.07	84.66	24.59	109.64	24.98		
84	Total Base Appropriations & Reserves		2,429.50	2,454.09	24.59	2,479.07	24.98		
85	Revenue		Gov	House	Diff. from Gov	Senate	Diff. from House		
86	Base Revenue								
87	Forecast General Fund		2,406.78	2,406.78	-	2,406.78	-		
88	Direct Applications		102.53	102.53	-	102.53	-	See supplemental Sheet A	
89	Cannabis Fund		5.90	5.90	-	8.90	3.00	Additional \$3 million projected available	
90	Revenue Changes								
91	Downtown and Village Tax Credit Cap Adjustment		(2.00)	-	2.00	-	-		
92	Expand Child Tax Credit to Age 6		(4.50)	-	4.50	-	-		
93	Expand "Childless" EITC to 100%		(3.00)	-	3.00	-	-		
94	Expand Social Security Exemption		(2.10)	-	2.10	-	-		
95	Military Pension Tax Exemption		(3.90)	-	3.90	-	-		
96	Home Care Providers Credit		-	-	-	(6.00)	(6.00)	Per. S. 51 an act related to unpaid caregiver tax credit	
97	Revenue Adjustments		-	(13.50)	(13.50)	(4.00)	9.50	Pending further House action; Pending further Senate action	
98	Subtotal Additional Revenue		(15.50)	(13.50)	2.00	(10.00)	3.50		
99	Total Revenue		2,499.71	2,501.71	2.00	2,508.21	6.50		
100	Balance Used to Cover One-time Appropriations		70.21	47.62	(22.59)	29.14	(18.48)		