

SAC Bill Appropriation Summary

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		\$ appropriated	MO	Positions		
S.27	Medical debt relief and excluding medical debt from credit reports	1,000,000	grants		reduces bond appropriation from Act 83 2022	Money remained in bill. Passed out 3/14/2025. Language may need to be changed based on BAA not passed.
S.60	Farm Security Special Fund to provide grants for farm losses due to weather conditions	7,500,000	grants		AAFM - creates Farm Security fund. Structured like BGAP. Section 3 remove/ funding and Sec 2 to transfer from appropriation.	Senate removed the appropriation
S.56	An act relating to creating an Office of New Americans	\$6,200	PS	0	Committee to make recommendation for the Office of New Americans. If appropriated, the Senate bill is for per diem. Brattleboro.	No appropriation were in the bill, do we need to appropriate money?
S.117	Safety & health standards and technical corrections on employment practices and unemployment compensation				Committee bill. Sec 18. Tax rate unemployment. Sec. 20. Technical correction to align with Feds.	No funds were appropriated in the original bill.
S.53	An Act relating to certification of community based perinatal doulas and Medicaid coverage for doula services.	25,000	PS	0	The bill as recommended by the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare would appropriate \$25,000 (one-time) from the General Fund to (OPR) to establish the certification program. The report also determined that a Medicaid state plan amendment (SPA) would be necessary for Vermont Medicaid to have the authority to reimburse for doula services. The out-years could range between \$500,000 to \$1.3 million gross depending on the availability and awareness of certified community-based perinatal doulas and utilization by Medicaid beneficiaries. \$100 a visit up to \$2100.	Senate removed the appropriation
S.36	An act relating to Medicaid coverage of long-term residential treatment for co-occurring substance use disorder and mental health condition.	0			with the words "medially necessary" it is our understanding from AHS, via Nolan, there is no money needed.	No change by Senate approps
S.122	Economic and workforce development	3,931,689			Tax Credit - \$2m. Trade commissioner - no money for this will be \$13K (for five years). \$6k for Task force not in bill (leg bill). Total \$3.9M	Approps is in, but then we add contingent upon appropriation in FY 26

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S.123	Miscellaneous changes to laws related to motor vehicles				No GF, some TF reduction.	not amended
S.18	Licensure of freestanding birth centers				NO GF needed	not amended
S.127	Housing and housing develop	49,700,000	Varies, mostly grants		\$4M Brownfields - Gov Rec \$2m, \$0 in House \$9.1M Bond Bank Gov Rec \$9.1m \$7.5 House \$2M MHIR = in Gov Rec and House 30M VHFA Middle-Income Homeownership & Rental Housing Revolving Loan Fund, Gov Rec \$30M, House \$17.5 and \$4m \$4M VHIP = in Gov rec and House base vs onetime \$500K Five NeighborWorks America - affiliated homeownership centers - \$0 in Gov Rec and House \$100k Treasurers - Positive Rental Payment Pilot Program \$0 in Gov Rec and House Down Payment Assistance tax credit for five years, 250K impact on the revenue not available - up to \$2.5M in FY 31.	amend and add to the request of appropriation list
S.125	Workers' compensation and collective bargaining rights	250,000	PS	1.5	(possible amendment - AGO to unionize - different pay scales)	Amend to remove appropriation.
S.18	Licensure of freestanding birth centers				S.18 would have no immediate fiscal implications on the State budget. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fee revenues are anticipated to be nominal and will depend on how many applicants apply for licensure and subsequent renewals.</li> <li>• Evidence suggests the potential for savings in the Medicaid program and the State employee health plan, depending on access to and utilization of birthing centers once they come online.</li> </ul>	No amendments
S.65	Energy Efficiency/Utility Jurisdiction					No amendments

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<a href="#">S.126</a>	An act relating to health care payment and delivery system reform.	2,875,000		7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Direct the (GMCB) to implement reference-based pricing and establish standards for global hospital budgets;</li> <li>• Require hospitals to disclose more information regarding executive compensation;</li> <li>• Require the(AHS), in collaboration with the GMCB and the Department of Financial Regulation (DFR), the Vermont Program for Quality in Health Care (VPQHC), the Office of the Health Care Advocate (HCA), and an advisory committee (also created in the bill) to develop an integrated Statewide Health Care Delivery Plan;</li> <li>• Require AHS to develop an integrated system of clinical and claims data;</li> </ul> 5 new permanent classified positions at GMCB: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o 1 Director, Global Budgets;</li> <li>o 1 project manager, Global Budgets;</li> <li>o 1 Director, Reference-Based Pricing;</li> <li>o 1 Project Manager, Reference-Based Pricing; and</li> <li>o 1 Staff Attorney.</li> </ul> 2 new limited-service classified positions at AHS:	Senate removed the appropriation and positions. See fiscal note and amendment for more detail of funding.
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