

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; <i>One-time reduction in Cash Fund transfer on one-time sheet</i>
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)	
5	B.200	AG	Additional Position	-	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)
6	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)
7	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
8	B.204	JUD	Security Services COLA	0.20	0.20	-	0.20	-	
9	B.205	SAS	State's Attorneys - Remove Vacancy Savings	-	0.65	0.65	0.65	-	Buy back vacancy savings
10	B.207	SAS	Sheriffs - Transport Deputies	-	0.65	0.65	0.65	-	Additional funding for transport deputies (3 or 4?)
11	B.208	ODG	Training etc.	-	-	-	0.70	0.70	
12	B.209	DPS	Eliminate JTOC Transfer	20.25	20.25	-	20.25	-	Replace TF with GF
13	B.209	DPS	Radio Equipment	0.50	0.50	-	0.50	-	
14	B.209	DPS	School Safety Center	0.15	0.15	-	0.15	-	Continue School Safety Program
15	B.209	DPS	Cameras	0.50	0.50	-	0.50	-	
16	B.209	DPS	Duty Firearm Replacement	0.40	0.40	-	-	(0.40)	Hold on Fire Arm Replacement
17	B.211	DPS	Hazard Mitigation Grants Manager	0.01	0.01	-	0.01	-	Appropriation is \$5,000
18	B.211	DPS	Urban Search and Rescue	-	-	-	0.50	0.50	Moved From the base
19	B.211	DPS	Emergency Food	-	0.50	0.50	-	(0.50)	Additional funding to support emergency food purchases; Move to one-time
20	B.215	MIL	Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Grants Program	1.32	1.22	(0.10)	1.32	0.10	Reduce base by \$100,000 to reflect anticipated actual spending on grants for the Guard Tuition Benefit program; Restore funding
21	B.221	CJTC	Canine Trainer	-	0.04	0.04	0.04	-	Eliminate contract and add position from the pool
22	B.225	AAFM	Conservation Districts	(0.11)	-	0.11	-	-	Additional funding for Conservation Districts \$112,000
23	B.232	SOS	Vermont Access Network	-	0.05	0.05	0.05	-	Additional funding for Vermont Access Network
24	B.236	HRC	Two Additional Positions	-	0.25	0.25	0.25	-	Two additional positions from the pool
25	B.301	AHSCO	Global Commitment Match	29.78	29.78	-	29.78	-	
26	B.301	AHSCO	Match for FQHC and RHC Rate increase	-	4.42	4.42	4.42	-	Total GC appropriation \$10.71 million in DVHA
27	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
28	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
29	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)
30	B.301	AHSCO	2-1-1 Increase	-	0.14	0.14	0.14	-	Total GC appropriation \$332,000 in DCF Admin
31	B.301	AHSCO	Recovery Campus Funding	0.62	-	(0.62)	-	-	Reflects \$1.5 million GC in VDH - SUP; Eliminate recovery campus pilot funding
32	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
33	B.313	VDH - SUP	Reengagement Beds, Withdrawal Management	1.00	1.00	-	1.00	-	
34	B.313	VDH - SUP	After Care Navigators	0.32	-	(0.32)	-	-	Eliminate additional funding for aftercare navigators (linked to recovery campus funding)
35	B.314	DMH	Alternatives to Emergency Beds	0.36	0.36	-	0.36	-	
36	B.314	DMH	Howard Center Community Center Outreach	(0.16)	-	0.16	-	-	Add back reduction
37	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)
38	B.318	DCF	CCFAP Caseload Savings	(3.50)	(3.50)	-	(3.50)	-	
39	B.318	DCF	CCFAP Shift to Special Fund	(19.00)	(19.00)	-	-	19.00	
33.1	B.318	DCF	CCFAP Rate Increase	-	4.90	4.90	5.90	1.00	Rate increase for infant and toddlers at 4.5%; Updated to 5.5% rate increase
33.2	B.318	DCF	Apprenticeship Program	-	-	-	0.16	0.16	Add childcare worker apprenticeship program stipend to the base
40	B.326	DCF	OEO - Housing Opportunities Program	3.35	3.35	-	3.35	-	
41	B.329	DAIL	Conflict Free Case Management	0.64	0.64	-	0.64	-	Reflects \$1.29 million GC
42	B.331	DAIL	Pathways to Partnership Grants	-	-	-	-	-	Technical update - incorrectly reflected in GF, federal funds appropriation
43	B.338	DOC	Pretrial Extension	0.65	0.65	-	0.65	-	
44	B.342	VVH	Rebase Budget	5.71	5.71	-	5.71	-	
45	B.345	GMCB	Expansion for AHEAD	0.30	0.30	-	0.30	-	3 additional positions

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46	B.345	GMCB	Additional Position	-	-	-	0.85	0.85	5 additional positons per S.126	
47	B.400	Labor	Workforce Expansion	0.04	0.04	-	0.04	-		
48	B.400	Labor	State Workforce Development Board	0.04	0.04	-	0.04	-		
49	B.500	AOE	Education Transformation	-	-	-	1.00	1.00	Moved from one-time; \$1 million every year for four years	
50	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	
51	B.600	UVM	3% Increase	1.67	1.67	-	1.67	-		
52	B.601	VSC	3% Increase	1.53	1.53	-	1.53	-		
53	B.603/604	VSAC	3% Increase	0.95	0.95	-	0.95	-		
54	B.607	MHF	Base Appropriation (Morgan Horse Farm)	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	Add \$1 for base appropriation	
55	B.700	ANR	Attorney	-	-	-	-	-	Additional attorney position for superfund litigation	
56	B.711	DEC	Concentrated Animal Feeding Permit Transition	0.30	0.30	-	0.30	-		
57	B.713	LRB	Positions	-	-	-	0.15	0.15	Additional base funding for existng positions	
58	B.713	LRB	RPC Mapping	-	-	-	0.10	0.10	Funding for RPC mapping	
59	B.800	ACCD	Dun & Bradstreet	0.04	0.04	-	0.04	-		
60	B.800	ACCD	DOL Economic Analysis	0.03	0.03	-	0.03	-		
61	B.800	ACCD	Sustainable Jobs Fund Grant Increase	0.03	0.03	-	-	(0.03)		
62	B.801	DED	International Business Development Office	0.35	-	(0.35)	0.15	0.15	Eliminate funding; equal to onetime appropriation from FY 2025	
63	B.802	DHCD	Manufactured Home Improvement & Repair (MHIR) Prgm	2.15	2.00	(0.15)	2.15	0.15		
64	B.802	DHCD	VHIP (including positions)	4.30	-	(4.30)	-	-	Shift to one-time	
65	B.806	T&M	Increase Grow Grants	0.35	-	(0.35)	-	-	Reduce GROW Grants	
66	B.811	VHCB	Land Access Opportunities Board	-	1.63	1.63	1.63	-	Moved from one-time to base	
67		Ethics	Additional Position	-	-	-	0.13	0.13	Additional position	
68	All other Changes			0.25	0.27	0.02	0.21	(0.06)		
69	Subtotal Appropriation changes			58.52	73.36	14.83	99.20	25.85		
70	Reserves									
71	Unreserved from Budget Stabilization Reserve			(1.43)	(1.68)	(0.25)	(1.68)	-	Change based on statutory reserve calculations; Updated based on C.Sec. changes	
72	Unreserved from Human Services Caseload Reserve			(2.72)	(2.72)	-	(2.72)	-	Change based on statutory reserve calculations	
73	Reserved in 27/53			5.70	5.70	-	5.70	-	Change based on statutory reserve calculations	
74	Subtotal Base Appropriation and Reserve Changes			60.07	74.66	14.59	100.51	25.85		
75	Other Bills									
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76	H.91 - Emergency Housing			-	10.00	10.00	10.00	-	Funding set aside for H.91	
77	S. 125 - Labor Board Positions - Compensation and Collective Bargaining Rights			-	-	-	0.25	0.25	2 positions at the Labor Board	
78	Subtotal Other Bills with Base Spending			-	10.00	10.00	10.25	0.25		
79	Subtotal All Base Changes			60.07	84.66	24.59	110.76	26.10		
80	Total Base Appropriations & Reserves			2,429.50	2,454.09	24.59	2,480.19	26.10		
81	Revenue									
			Gov	House	Diff. from Gov	Senate	Diff. from House	Notes		
82	Base Revenue									
83	Forecast General Fund			2,406.78	2,406.78	-	2,406.78	-		
84	Direct Applications			102.53	102.53	-	102.53	-	See supplemental sheet	
85	Cannabis Fund			5.90	5.90	-	8.90	3.00		
86	Revenue Changes									
87	Downtown and Village Tax Credit Cap Adjustment			(2.00)	-	2.00	-	-		
88	Expand Child Tax Credit to Age 6			(4.50)	-	4.50	-	-		
89	Expand "Childless" EITC to 100%			(3.00)	-	3.00	-	-		
90	Expand Social Security Exemption			(2.10)	-	2.10	-	-		
91	Military Pension Tax Exemption			(3.90)	-	3.90	-	-		
92	Home Care Providers Credit			-	-	-	(6.00)	(6.00)	Per. S. 51 an act related to unpaid caregiver tax credit	
93	Revenue Adjustments			-	(13.50)	(13.50)	(4.00)	9.50	Pending further House action; Pending further Sentate action	
94	Subtotal Additional Revenue			(15.50)	(13.50)	2.00	(10.00)	3.50		
95	Total Revenue			2,499.71	2,501.71	2.00	2,508.21	6.50		
96	Balance Used to Cover One-time Appropriations			70.21	47.62	(22.59)	28.02	(19.60)		