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2 An act relating to fiscal year 2025 budget adjustments

3 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

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

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

6 technology

7 Personal services 82,994,362 82,994,362

8 Operating expenses ~~62,547,212~~ 61,761,212

9 Total ~~145,541,574~~ 144,755,574

10 Source of funds

11 General fund 209,808 209,808

12 Special funds 511,723 511,723

13 Internal service funds ~~144,820,043~~ 144,034,043

14 Total ~~145,541,574~~ 144,755,574

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

16 Sec. B.145 Total general government

17 Source of funds

18 General fund 117,405,610 117,405,610

19 Transportation fund 4,292,149 4,292,149

20 Special funds 31,882,209 31,882,209

21 Federal funds 1,467,374 1,467,374

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

7 Sec. 3. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.204 is amended to read:

8 Sec. B.204 Judiciary

9	Personal services	58,439,095	58,827,799
10	Operating expenses	12,479,384	14,640,960
11	Grants	<u>121,030</u>	<u>121,030</u>
12	Total	71,039,509	73,589,789

13 Source of funds

14	General fund	63,414,698	65,964,978
15	Special funds	4,503,401	4,503,401
16	Federal funds	953,928	953,928
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,167,482</u>	<u>2,167,482</u>
18	Total	71,039,509	73,589,789

19 Sec. 4. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.205 is amended to read:

20 Sec. B.205 State's attorneys

21	Personal services	17,309,679	17,548,979
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1	Operating expenses	<u>2,034,016</u>	<u>2,202,516</u>
2	Total	19,343,695	19,751,495
3	Source of funds		
4	General fund	18,734,634	19,142,434
5	Federal funds	31,000	31,000
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>578,061</u>	<u>578,061</u>
7	Total	19,343,695	19,751,495
8	Sec. 5. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.206.1 is amended to read:		
9	Sec. B.206.1 Crime Victims Advocates		
10	Personal services	3,016,156	3,016,156
11	Operating expenses	<u>104,396</u>	<u>142,396</u>
12	Total	3,120,552	3,158,552
13	Source of funds		
14	General fund	<u>3,120,552</u>	<u>3,158,552</u>
15	Total	3,120,552	3,158,552
16	Sec. 6. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.208 is amended to read:		
17	Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration		
18	Personal services	4,620,756	5,397,783
19	Operating expenses	<u>6,022,923</u>	<u>6,022,923</u>
20	Total	10,643,679	11,420,706

1	Source of funds		
2	General fund	6,179,193	8,092,770
3	Special funds	4,105	4,105
4	Federal funds	396,362	396,362
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,064,019</u>	<u>2,927,469</u>
6	Total	10,643,679	11,420,706
7	Sec. 7. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.210 is amended to read:		
8	Sec. B.210 Public safety - criminal justice services		
9	Personal services	5,387,100	4,705,897
10	Operating expenses	<u>2,152,467</u>	<u>2,152,467</u>
11	Total	7,539,567	6,858,364
12	Source of funds		
13	General fund	1,829,099	2,172,295
14	Special funds	4,975,847	3,951,448
15	Federal funds	<u>734,621</u>	<u>734,621</u>
16	Total	7,539,567	6,858,364
17	Sec. 8. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.236 is amended to read:		
18	Sec. B.236 Human rights commission		
19	Personal services	927,697	952,559
20	Operating expenses	<u>115,103</u>	<u>125,378</u>
21	Total	1,042,800	1,077,937

1	Source of funds		
2	General fund	953,800	988,937
3	Federal funds	<u>89,000</u>	<u>89,000</u>
4	Total	1,042,800	1,077,937

5 Sec. 9. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.241 is amended to read:

6 Sec. B.241 Total protection to persons and property

7	Source of funds		
8	General fund	228,238,448	233,526,438
9	Transportation fund	20,250,000	20,250,000
10	Special funds	419,824,272	118,799,873
11	Tobacco fund	672,579	672,579
12	Federal funds	162,959,452	162,959,452
13	Interdepartmental transfers	46,031,869	14,895,319
14	Enterprise funds	<u>15,070,107</u>	<u>15,070,107</u>
15	Total	563,046,727	566,173,768

16 Sec. 10. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.300 is amended to read:

17 Sec. B.300 Human services - agency of human services - secretary's office

18	Personal services	46,219,746	18,219,746
19	Operating expenses	7,220,486	6,062,286
20	Grants	<u>3,795,202</u>	<u>3,795,202</u>
21	Total	27,235,434	28,077,234

1	Source of funds		
2	General fund	12,913,202	11,923,905
3	Special funds	135,517	135,517
4	Federal funds	13,565,080	11,606,177
5	Global Commitment fund	0	4,300,000
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>621,635</u>	<u>111,635</u>
7	Total	27,235,434	28,077,234

8 Sec. 11. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.301 is amended to read:

9 Sec. B.301 Secretary's office - global commitment

10	Grants	2,039,512,911	<u>2,164,607,988</u>
11	Total	2,039,512,911	<u>2,164,607,988</u>

12 Source of funds

13	General fund	668,380,623	716,109,638
14	Special funds	32,047,905	32,047,905
15	Tobacco fund	21,049,373	21,049,373
16	State health care resources fund	28,053,557	28,053,557
17	Federal funds	1,285,494,243	1,363,223,270
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,487,210</u>	<u>4,124,245</u>
19	Total	2,039,512,911	<u>2,164,607,988</u>

20 Sec. 12. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.305 is amended to read:

21 Sec. B.305 AHS - administrative fund

1	Personal services	330,000	330,000
2	Operating expenses	<u>13,170,000</u>	<u>16,870,000</u>
3	Total	13,500,000	17,200,000
4	Source of funds		
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>13,500,000</u>	<u>17,200,000</u>
6	Total	13,500,000	17,200,000
7	Sec. 13. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.306 is amended to read:		
8	Sec. B.306 Department of Vermont health access - administration		
9	Personal services	134,929,148	136,693,560
10	Operating expenses	44,171,193	39,250,661
11	Grants	<u>3,112,301</u>	<u>3,112,301</u>
12	Total	182,212,642	179,056,522
13	Source of funds		
14	General fund	39,872,315	42,023,781
15	Special funds	4,733,015	4,733,015
16	Federal funds	128,790,580	124,836,223
17	Global Commitment fund	4,308,574	4,308,574
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,508,158</u>	<u>3,154,929</u>
19	Total	182,212,642	179,056,522

1 Sec. 14. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.307 is amended to read:

2 Sec. B.307 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program –

3 global commitment

4 Personal services 547,983 547,983

5 Grants 899,550,794 964,407,046

6 Total 900,098,777 964,955,029

7 Source of funds

8 Global Commitment fund 900,098,777 964,955,029

9 Total 900,098,777 964,955,029

10 Sec. 15. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.309 is amended to read:

11 Sec. B.309 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program –

12 state only

13 Grants 63,033,948 67,780,595

14 Total 63,033,948 67,780,595

15 Source of funds

16 General fund 62,151,546 62,308,757

17 Global Commitment fund 882,402 5,471,838

18 Total 63,033,948 67,780,595

19 Sec. 16. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.310 is amended to read:

20 Sec. B.310 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid non-waiver

21 matched

1	Grants	<u>34,994,888</u>	<u>38,232,431</u>
2	Total	34,994,888	38,232,431
3	Source of funds		
4	General fund	12,511,405	13,459,034
5	Federal funds	<u>22,483,483</u>	<u>24,773,397</u>
6	Total	34,994,888	38,232,431
7	Sec. 17. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.311 is amended to read:		
8	Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support		
9	Personal services	8,373,168	8,373,168
10	Operating expenses	7,519,722	8,166,662
11	Grants	<u>7,985,727</u>	<u>7,985,727</u>
12	Total	23,878,617	24,525,557
13	Source of funds		
14	General fund	3,189,843	3,513,313
15	Special funds	2,308,186	2,308,186
16	Federal funds	11,040,433	11,363,903
17	Global Commitment fund	7,173,924	7,173,924
18	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>166,231</u>	<u>166,231</u>
19	Total	23,878,617	24,525,557

20 Sec. 18. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.312 is amended to read:

21 Sec. B.312 Health - public health

1	Personal services	67,812,371	67,812,371
2	Operating expenses	11,025,497	11,025,497
3	Grants	<u>46,766,832</u>	<u>46,866,832</u>
4	Total	125,604,700	125,704,700
5	Source of funds		
6	General fund	12,908,892	13,008,892
7	Special funds	24,906,804	24,906,804
8	Tobacco fund	1,088,918	1,088,918
9	Federal funds	64,038,301	64,038,301
10	Global Commitment fund	17,036,150	17,036,150
11	Interdepartmental transfers	5,600,635	5,600,635
12	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
13	Total	125,604,700	125,704,700
14	Sec. 19. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.313 is amended to read:		
15	Sec. B.313 Health - substance use programs		
16	Personal services	6,570,967	6,570,967
17	Operating expenses	511,500	511,500
18	Grants	<u>58,215,510</u>	<u>59,240,635</u>
19	Total	65,297,977	66,323,102
20	Source of funds		
21	General fund	6,672,061	7,697,186

1	Special funds	2,413,678	2,413,678
2	Tobacco fund	949,917	949,917
3	Federal funds	15,456,754	15,456,754
4	Global Commitment fund	<u>39,805,567</u>	<u>39,805,567</u>
5	Total	65,297,977	66,323,102

6 Sec. 20. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.314 is amended to read:

7 Sec. B.314 Mental health - mental health

8	Personal services	50,191,086	50,191,086
9	Operating expenses	5,517,999	5,709,973
10	Grants	<u>270,625,138</u>	<u>272,536,080</u>
11	Total	326,334,223	328,437,139

12 Source of funds

13	General fund	25,555,311	26,279,270
14	Special funds	1,718,092	1,718,092
15	Federal funds	11,436,913	12,661,803
16	Global Commitment fund	287,609,767	287,763,834
17	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>14,140</u>	<u>14,140</u>
18	Total	326,334,223	328,437,139

19 Sec. 21. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.316 is amended to read:

20 Sec. B.316 Department for children and families - administration &
21 support services

1	Personal services	46,644,080	44,844,080
2	Operating expenses	17,560,755	19,402,705
3	Grants	<u>5,627,175</u>	<u>5,627,175</u>
4	Total	69,832,010	69,873,960
5	Source of funds		
6	General fund	39,722,724	40,113,958
7	Special funds	2,781,912	2,781,912
8	Federal funds	24,448,223	24,098,939
9	Global Commitment fund	2,417,024	2,417,024
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>462,127</u>	<u>462,127</u>
11	Total	69,832,010	69,873,960
12	Sec. 22. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.317 is amended to read:		
13	Sec. B.317 Department for children and families - family services		
14	Personal services	45,197,694	45,286,553
15	Operating expenses	5,315,309	5,315,309
16	Grants	<u>98,251,027</u>	<u>97,732,465</u>
17	Total	148,764,030	148,334,327
18	Source of funds		
19	General fund	58,838,741	59,984,059
20	Special funds	729,587	729,587
21	Federal funds	34,666,196	36,180,206

1	Global Commitment fund	54,514,506	51,425,475
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>15,000</u>	<u>15,000</u>
3	Total	148,764,030	148,334,327

4 Sec. 23. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.318 is amended to read:

5 Sec. B.318 Department for children and families - child development

6	Personal services	5,908,038	5,908,038
7	Operating expenses	813,321	813,321
8	Grants	223,329,336	<u>211,815,836</u>
9	Total	230,050,695	218,537,195

10 Source of funds

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

16 Sec. 24. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.319 is amended to read:

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

18	Personal services	13,157,660	13,061,794
19	Operating expenses	<u>3,759,992</u>	<u>3,759,992</u>
20	Total	16,917,652	16,821,786

21 Source of funds

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

6 Sec. 25. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.320 is amended to read:

7 Sec. B.320 Department for children and families - aid to aged, blind and
8 disabled

9	Personal services	2,252,206	2,481,741
10	Grants	<u>10,717,444</u>	<u>10,369,155</u>
11	Total	12,969,650	12,850,896

12 Source of funds

13	General fund	7,376,133	7,368,843
14	Global Commitment fund	<u>5,593,517</u>	<u>5,482,053</u>
15	Total	12,969,650	12,850,896

16 Sec. 26. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.321 is amended to read:

17 Sec. B.321 Department for children and families - general assistance

18	Personal services	15,000	15,000
19	Grants	<u>11,054,252</u>	<u>10,702,625</u>
20	Total	11,069,252	10,717,625

21 Source of funds

1	General fund	10,811,345	10,486,987
2	Federal funds	11,320	11,070
3	Global Commitment fund	246,587	<u>219,568</u>
4	Total	11,069,252	10,717,625

5 Sec. 27. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.322 is amended to read:

6 Sec. B.322 Department for children and families - 3SquaresVT

7	Grants	44,377,812	<u>45,677,812</u>
8	Total	44,377,812	45,677,812

9 Source of funds

10	Federal funds	44,377,812	<u>45,677,812</u>
11	Total	44,377,812	45,677,812

12 Sec. 28. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.323 is amended to read:

13 Sec. B.323 Department for children and families - reach up

14	Operating expenses	23,821	23,821
15	Grants	37,230,488	<u>36,730,493</u>
16	Total	37,254,309	36,754,314

17 Source of funds

18	General fund	24,733,042	24,233,047
19	Special funds	5,970,229	5,970,229
20	Federal funds	2,806,330	2,806,330
21	Global Commitment fund	<u>3,744,708</u>	<u>3,744,708</u>

1	Total	37,254,309	36,754,314
2	Sec. 29. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.325 is amended to read:		
3	Sec. B.325 Department for children and families - office of economic		
4	opportunity		
5	Personal services	817,029	1,042,639
6	Operating expenses	100,407	100,407
7	Grants	35,466,283	<u>35,812,536</u>
8	Total	36,383,719	36,955,582
9	Source of funds		
10	General fund	28,178,010	28,687,068
11	Special funds	83,135	83,135
12	Federal funds	4,935,273	4,998,078
13	Global Commitment fund	<u>3,187,301</u>	<u>3,187,301</u>
14	Total	36,383,719	36,955,582
15	Sec. 30. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.329 is amended to read:		
16	Sec. B.329 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - administration &		
17	support		
18	Personal services	45,217,977	46,217,977
19	Operating expenses	<u>6,472,558</u>	<u>6,714,680</u>
20	Total	51,690,535	52,932,657
21	Source of funds		

1	General fund	22,916,281	24,037,342
2	Special funds	1,390,457	1,390,457
3	Federal funds	26,063,097	26,184,158
4	Global Commitment fund	35,000	35,000
5	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,285,700</u>	<u>1,285,700</u>
6	Total	51,690,535	52,932,657

7 Sec. 31. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.330 is amended to read:

8 Sec. B.330 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - advocacy and
9 independent living grants

10	Grants	<u>24,571,060</u>	<u>24,781,798</u>
11	Total	24,571,060	24,781,798

12 Source of funds

13	General fund	8,392,303	8,504,605
14	Federal funds	7,321,114	7,321,114
15	Global Commitment fund	<u>8,857,643</u>	<u>8,956,079</u>
16	Total	24,571,060	24,781,798

17 Sec. 32. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.332 is amended to read:

18 Sec. B.332 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - vocational
19 rehabilitation

20	Grants	<u>10,179,845</u>	<u>9,179,845</u>
21	Total	10,179,845	9,179,845

1	Source of funds		
2	General fund	1,371,845	371,845
3	Federal funds	7,558,000	7,558,000
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,250,000</u>	<u>1,250,000</u>
5	Total	10,179,845	9,179,845

6 Sec. 33. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.333 is amended to read:

7 Sec. B.333 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - developmental
8 services

9	Grants	329,299,344	<u>331,262,271</u>
10	Total	329,299,344	331,262,271

11	Source of funds		
12	General fund	132,732	132,732
13	Special funds	15,463	15,463
14	Federal funds	403,573	403,573
15	Global Commitment fund	328,697,576	330,660,503
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>50,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>
17	Total	329,299,344	331,262,271

18 Sec. 34. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.334 is amended to read:

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

21	Grants	6,845,005	<u>6,864,520</u>
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1	Total	6,845,005	6,864,520
2	Source of funds		
3	Global Commitment fund	<u>6,845,005</u>	<u>6,864,520</u>
4	Total	6,845,005	6,864,520
5	Sec. 35. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.334.1 is amended to read:		
6	Sec. B.334.1 Disabilities, aging and independent living - Long Term Care		
7	Grants	<u>293,584,545</u>	<u>347,376,122</u>
8	Total	<u>293,584,545</u>	347,376,122
9	Source of funds		
10	General fund	498,579	498,579
11	Federal funds	2,450,000	2,450,000
12	Global Commitment fund	<u>290,635,966</u>	<u>344,427,543</u>
13	Total	<u>293,584,545</u>	347,376,122
14	Sec. 36. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.338 is amended to read:		
15	Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services		
16	Personal services	147,472,104	148,472,104
17	Operating expenses	<u>24,914,205</u>	<u>25,249,795</u>
18	Total	<u>172,386,309</u>	173,721,899
19	Source of funds		
20	General fund	<u>162,807,888</u>	163,643,478
21	Special funds	935,963	935,963

1	ARPA State Fiscal	5,000,000	5,000,000
2	Federal funds	499,888	999,888
3	Global Commitment fund	2,746,255	2,746,255
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>396,315</u>	<u>396,315</u>
5	Total	172,386,309	173,721,899

6 Sec. 37. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.342 is amended to read:

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

8	Personal services	17,631,222	17,595,290
9	Operating expenses	5,013,462	13,247,462
10	Grants	<u>0</u>	<u>1,583,157</u>
11	Total	22,644,684	32,425,909

12 Source of funds

13	General fund	4,320,687	11,224,018
14	Special funds	10,051,903	12,450,095
15	Federal funds	<u>8,272,094</u>	<u>8,751,796</u>
16	Total	22,644,684	32,425,909

17 Sec. 38. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.347 is amended to read:

18 Sec. B.347 Total human services

19 Source of funds

20	General fund	1,328,118,806	1,364,156,647
21	Special funds	202,800,452	218,398,644

1	Tobacco fund	23,088,208	23,088,208
2	State health care resources fund	28,053,557	28,053,557
3	ARPA State Fiscal	5,000,000	5,000,000
4	Federal funds	1,803,398,922	1,882,012,745
5	Global Commitment fund	1,980,839,553	2,108,560,133
6	Internal service funds	490,853	490,853
7	Interdepartmental transfers	32,893,535	34,367,341
8	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
9	Total	5,404,708,886	5,664,153,128
10	Sec. 39. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.501 is amended to read:		
11	Sec. B.501 Education - education services		
12	Personal services	28,237,700	28,312,700
13	Operating expenses	1,134,912	1,134,912
14	Grants	<u>322,345,763</u>	<u>322,345,763</u>
15	Total	351,718,375	351,793,375
16	Source of funds		
17	General fund	6,387,955	6,462,955
18	Special funds	3,033,144	3,033,144
19	Tobacco fund	750,388	750,388
20	Federal funds	340,584,414	340,584,414
21	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>962,474</u>	<u>962,474</u>

1	Total	351,718,375	351,793,375
2	Sec. 40. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.503 is amended to read:		
3	Sec. B.503 Education - state-placed students		
4	Grants	20,000,000	<u>19,000,000</u>
5	Total	20,000,000	19,000,000
6	Source of funds		
7	Education fund	20,000,000	<u>19,000,000</u>
8	Total	20,000,000	19,000,000
9	Sec. 41. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.504 is amended to read:		
10	Sec. B.504 Education - adult education and literacy		
11	Grants	4,694,183	<u>4,997,820</u>
12	Total	4,694,183	4,997,820
13	Source of funds		
14	General fund	3,778,133	4,081,770
15	Federal funds	<u>916,050</u>	<u>916,050</u>
16	Total	4,694,183	4,997,820
17	Sec. 42. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.504.1 is amended to read:		
18	Sec. B.504.1 Education - Flexible Pathways		
19	Grants	11,361,755	<u>11,564,179</u>
20	Total	11,361,755	11,564,179
21	Source of funds		

1	General fund	921,500	921,500
2	Education fund	<u>10,440,255</u>	<u>10,642,679</u>
3	Total	<u>11,361,755</u>	11,564,179

4 Sec. 43. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.505 is amended to read:

5 Sec. B.505 Education - adjusted education payment

6	Grants	<u>1,893,267,394</u>	<u>1,882,267,394</u>
7	Total	<u>1,893,267,394</u>	1,882,267,394

8 Source of funds

9	Education fund	<u>1,893,267,394</u>	<u>1,882,267,394</u>
10	Total	<u>1,893,267,394</u>	1,882,267,394

11 Sec. 44. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.508 is amended to read:

12 Sec. B.508 Education - nutrition

13	Grants	<u>20,400,000</u>	<u>17,500,000</u>
14	Total	<u>20,400,000</u>	17,500,000

15 Source of funds

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

18 Sec. 45. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.516 is amended to read:

19 Sec. B.516 Total general education

20 Source of funds

21	General fund	<u>228,890,519</u>	229,269,156
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1	Special funds	23,651,687	23,651,687
2	Tobacco fund	750,388	750,388
3	Education fund	2,323,283,242	2,308,585,666
4	Federal funds	354,654,849	354,654,849
5	Global Commitment fund	260,000	260,000
6	Interdepartmental transfers	1,467,771	1,467,771
7	Pension trust funds	<u>3,572,780</u>	<u>3,572,780</u>
8	Total	2,936,531,236	2,922,212,297
9	Sec. 46. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.704 is amended to read:		
10	Sec. B.704 Forests, parks and recreation - forestry		
11	Personal services	7,880,566	7,913,766
12	Operating expenses	1,005,046	1,005,046
13	Grants	1,712,423	<u>1,713,923</u>
14	Total	10,598,035	10,632,735
15	Source of funds		
16	General fund	6,299,512	6,334,212
17	Special funds	547,215	547,215
18	Federal funds	3,394,931	3,394,931
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>356,377</u>	<u>356,377</u>
20	Total	10,598,035	10,632,735

1 Sec. 47. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.710 is amended to read:

2 Sec. B.710 Environmental conservation - air and waste management

3	Personal services	27,995,328	27,995,328
4	Operating expenses	10,788,954	10,816,954
5	Grants	<u>4,943,000</u>	<u>4,943,000</u>
6	Total	43,727,282	43,755,282

7 Source of funds

8	General fund	199,372	227,372
9	Special funds	24,643,580	24,643,580
10	Federal funds	18,800,064	18,800,064
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>84,266</u>	<u>84,266</u>
12	Total	43,727,282	43,755,282

13 Sec. 48. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.711 is amended to read:

14 Sec. B.711 Environmental conservation - office of water programs

15	Personal services	50,153,806	50,153,806
16	Operating expenses	8,362,915	8,370,915
17	Grants	<u>92,365,140</u>	<u>92,365,140</u>
18	Total	150,881,861	150,889,861

19 Source of funds

20	General fund	11,887,629	11,895,629
21	Special funds	30,967,150	30,967,150

1	Federal funds	107,154,542	107,154,542
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>872,540</u>	<u>872,540</u>
3	Total	150,881,861	150,889,861

4 Sec. 49. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.714 is amended to read:

5 Sec. B.714 Total natural resources

6 Source of funds

7	General fund	42,792,800	42,863,500
8	Special funds	81,275,829	81,275,829
9	Fish and wildlife fund	10,418,331	10,418,331
10	Federal funds	152,068,301	152,068,301
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>14,131,324</u>	<u>14,131,324</u>
12	Total	300,686,585	300,757,285

13 Sec. 50. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. B.1100 is amended to read:

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

15 APPROPRIATIONS

16 * * *

17 (d) Department of Health. In fiscal year 2025, funds are appropriated for

18 the following:

19 * * *

20 (8) \$835,073 General Fund for the Bridges to Health Program; ~~and~~

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

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

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

16 (1) ~~\$9,279,583~~ \$13,299,583 Global Commitment for the Medicaid
17 Global Payment Program;

18 (2) \$150,000 General Fund to conduct a technical analysis of Vermont's
19 health insurance markets; ~~and~~

20 (3) \$100,000 General Fund to implement the expansion of Medicare
21 Savings Programs eligibility;

1 the Use Tax Reimbursement Program. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 9610(c),
2 amounts in excess of \$575,662 from the property transfer tax deposited into the
3 Current Use Administration Special Fund shall be transferred into the General
4 Fund.

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

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

1 (B) AHS Central Office Earned Federal Receipts (#22005):

2 \$4,641,960.

3 (C) Sports Wagering Enterprise Fund (#50250): ~~\$7,000,000~~

4 \$6,139,162.

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

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

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

8 (F) Workforce Education and Training Fund (#21913):

9 \$2,598,921.75.

10 (G) Vermont Traumatic Brain Injury Fund (#21994): the balance of
11 the fund at the close of fiscal year 2025.

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

19 (A) AG-Fees & Reimbursements-Court Order Fund (#21638):

20 \$2,000,000.

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

1 (3) ~~\$66,935,000~~ \$63,560,450.50 of the net unencumbered fund balances
2 in the Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund (#21075), the Captive
3 Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund (#21085), and the Securities
4 Regulatory and Supervision Fund (#21080) shall be transferred to the General
5 Fund.

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

18 (2) Notwithstanding Sec. 1.4.1 of the Rules for State Matching Funds
19 Under the Federal Public Assistance Program, the Secretary of Administration
20 shall increase the standard State funding match on the nonfederal share of an
21 approved project to the highest percentage possible given available funding for

1 municipalities in counties that were impacted by ~~the August and December~~
2 2023 and 2024 flooding events and are eligible for Federal Emergency
3 Management Agency Public Assistance funds under federal disaster
4 declarations DR-4744-VT and, DR-4762-VT, DR-4810-VT, DR-4816-VT, and
5 DR-4826-VT.

6 Sec. 53. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. D.102 is amended to read:

7 Sec. D.102 REVERSIONS

8 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
9 2025, the following amounts shall revert to the General Fund from the
10 accounts indicated:

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

1	<u>1140330000 Renter Rebates</u>	<u>\$2,186,940.33</u>
2	<u>1140892403 Tax – Child Care Contr Positions</u>	<u>\$3,591,823.02</u>
3	<u>1260980000 Debt Service</u>	<u>\$235,445.15</u>
4	<u>1266892401 VPIC – Pension System Assets</u>	<u>\$5,000.00</u>
5	<u>2100892201 AG – Racial Disparities</u>	<u>\$48,465.00</u>
6	<u>2120892203 JUD – County Court House HVAC</u>	<u>\$800,000.00</u>
7	<u>2120892402 JUD – Essex County Courthouse Reno</u>	<u>\$50,000.00</u>
8	<u>2130400000 SIUS Parent Account</u>	<u>\$395,749.64</u>
9	<u>2150010000 Mil Admin/TAGO</u>	<u>\$142,789.80</u>
10	<u>2150050000 Mil Vet Affairs Office</u>	<u>\$100,000.00</u>
11	<u>2160892201 CCVS – VT Forensic Nursing</u>	<u>\$246.43</u>
12	<u>2160892304 CCVS – Kurn Hattin Survivor</u>	<u>\$250.00</u>
13	<u>2200010000 Administration Division</u>	<u>\$167,222.00</u>
14	<u>3310000000 Commission on Women</u>	<u>\$25,390.43</u>
15	<u>3330892401 GMCB – VHCURES Database Implemen</u>	<u>\$545,782.90</u>
16	<u>3400892111 Supp New Americans Refugee</u>	<u>\$23,431.00</u>
17	<u>3400892301 AHSCO – Refugee Resettlement</u>	<u>\$1,293.00</u>
18	<u>3420892405 HD – Regional Emergency Med</u>	<u>\$8,295.01</u>
19	<u>3440050000 DCFS – AABD</u>	<u>\$35,310.73</u>
20	<u>3440892110 DCF – Grants to Reachup</u>	<u>\$5.10</u>
21	<u>3440892203 DCF – Parent Child Ctrs Cap Imp</u>	<u>\$20,708.22</u>

1	<u>3440892214 DCF – Child Care Provider Workfor</u>	<u>\$294.79</u>
2	<u>4100500000 VT Department of Labor</u>	<u>\$8,000,000.00</u>
3	<u>5100070000 Education Services</u>	<u>\$100,000.00</u>
4	<u>5100892101 AOE – VSC Committee Per Diem</u>	<u>\$16,295.33</u>
5	<u>5100892102 AOA – Advisory Group Per Diem</u>	<u>\$9,018.00</u>
6	<u>5100892103 AOE – ESESAG Per Diems</u>	<u>\$8,960.00</u>
7	<u>5100892201 AOE – Comm Pub Sch Emp Hlth Ben</u>	<u>\$29,050.00</u>
8	<u>5100892202 AOE – Task Force Equit Inclusive</u>	<u>\$6,150.00</u>
9	<u>5100892302 AOE – Ethnic&Social Equity Per D</u>	<u>\$14,386.24</u>
10	<u>6100010000 Administration Management and Planning</u>	<u>\$402,052.99</u>
11	<u>6100040000 Property Tax Assessment Approp</u>	<u>\$11,692.11</u>
12	<u>6140880005 152/00 State Asst Munic Poll Cont</u>	<u>\$126.26</u>
13	<u>7100892301 Everyone Eats</u>	<u>\$144,565.43</u>
14	<u>7120892304 DED – Relocated and Remote Worker</u>	<u>\$127,314.33</u>
15	<u>8100002100 Department of Motor Vehicles</u>	<u>\$2,482.81</u>

16 * * *

17 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
18 2025, the following amounts shall revert to the Education Fund from the
19 accounts indicated:

20	<u>5100010000 Administration</u>	<u>\$301,041.03</u>
21	<u>5100050000 State-Placed Students</u>	<u>\$13,687,528.41</u>

1	<u>5100090000 Education Grant</u>	<u>\$359,570.31</u>
2	<u>5100110000 Small School Grant</u>	<u>\$593,700.00</u>
3	<u>5100200000 Education – Technical Education</u>	<u>\$1,802,347.44</u>
4	<u>5100210000 Education – Flexible Pathways</u>	<u>\$1,312,334.72</u>
5	<u>5100892405 AOE – Universal School Meals</u>	<u>\$6,201,479.69</u>

6 Sec. 54. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. D.103 is amended to read:

7 Sec. D.103 RESERVES

8 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
9 2025, the following reserve transactions shall be implemented for the funds
10 provided:

11 (1) General Fund.

12 (A) Pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 308, an estimated amount of
13 ~~\$15,168,663~~ \$15,168,660.85 shall be added to the General Fund Budget
14 Stabilization Reserve.

15 (B) \$5,480,000 shall be added to the 27/53 reserve in fiscal year
16 2025. This action is the fiscal year 2025 contribution to the reserve for the
17 53rd week of Medicaid as required by 32 V.S.A. § 308e and the 27th payroll
18 reserve as required by 32 V.S.A. § 308e.

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

1 Sec. 56. 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. E.100, as amended by 2024

2 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 56, is further amended to read:

3 Sec. E.100 EXECUTIVE BRANCH POSITIONS

4 (a) The establishment of 75 permanent positions is authorized in fiscal year
5 2024 for the following:

6 * * *

7 (2) Permanent exempt positions:

8 * * *

9 (F) Office of the State Treasurer:

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

11 and

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

13 Economic Empowerment Division;

14 * * *

15 Sec. 57. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.301 is amended to read:

16 Sec. E.301 SECRETARY’S OFFICE; GLOBAL COMMITMENT

17 * * *

18 (b) In addition to the State funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act, a
19 total estimated sum of ~~\$24,301,185~~ \$28,307,335 is anticipated to be certified as

20 State matching funds under Global Commitment as follows:

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

10 (2) \$3,005,335 certified State match available from local designated
11 mental health and developmental services agencies for eligible mental health
12 services provided under Global Commitment.

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

16 Sec. 58. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. G.109 is amended to read:

17 Sec. G.109 PAY ACT APPROPRIATIONS; FISCAL YEARS 2025 AND
18 2026

19 (a) Executive Branch. The first and second years of the two-year
20 agreements between the State of Vermont and the Vermont State Employees'
21 Association for the Defender General, Non-Management, Supervisory, and

1 Corrections bargaining units, and, for the purpose of appropriation, the State's
2 Attorneys' offices bargaining unit, for the period of July 1, 2024 through June
3 30, 2026; the collective bargaining agreement with the Vermont Troopers'
4 Association for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026; and salary
5 increases for employees in the Executive Branch not covered by the bargaining
6 agreements shall be funded as follows:

7 (1) Fiscal year 2025.

8 * * *

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

15 * * *

16 (2) Fiscal year 2026.

17 * * *

18 (D) Transfers. With due regard to the possible availability of other
19 funds, for fiscal year 2026, the Secretary of Administration may transfer from
20 the various appropriations and various funds and from the receipts of the
21 Liquor Control ~~Board~~ Fund such sums as the Secretary may determine to be

1 necessary to carry out the purposes of this act to the various agencies supported
2 by State funds.

3 * * *

4 Sec. 59. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 145, Sec. 7 is amended to read:

5 Sec. 7. TELEPHONE TAX; REPEAL; TRANSITION

6 (a) 32 V.S.A. § 8521 (telephone personal property tax) is repealed on July
7 1, ~~2025~~ 2026. The final monthly installment payment of the telephone
8 personal property tax under 32 V.S.A. § 8521 levied on the net book value of
9 the taxpayer's personal property as of December 31, ~~2024~~ 2025 shall be due on
10 or before July 25, ~~2025~~ 2026.

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

14 (c) Any taxpayer who paid the alternative tax imposed by 32 V.S.A. § 8522
15 prior to the repeal of the tax on January 1, ~~2026~~ 2027 shall become subject to
16 the income tax imposed under 32 V.S.A. chapter 151 beginning with the
17 taxpayer's first income tax year starting on or after January 1, ~~2025~~ 2026. No
18 alternative tax under 32 V.S.A. § 8522 shall be due for any period included in
19 the taxpayer's income tax filing for tax years starting on or after January 1,
20 ~~2025~~ 2026.

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

6 Sec. 60. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 145, Sec. 15 is amended to read:

7 Sec. 15. EFFECTIVE DATES

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

9 * * *

10 (3) Secs. 8–12 (communications property tax) shall take effect on July 1,
11 ~~2025~~ 2026 and shall apply to grand lists lodged on or after April 1, ~~2025~~ 2026.

12 Sec. 61. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 166, Sec. 15 is amended to read:

13 Sec. 15. TRANSFER AND APPROPRIATION

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

15 (1) \$500,000.~~00~~ is transferred from the Cannabis Regulation Fund
16 established pursuant to 7 V.S.A. § 845 to the Cannabis Business Development
17 Fund established pursuant to 7 V.S.A. § 987; and

18 (2) \$500,000.00 is appropriated from the Cannabis Business ~~19~~
19 Development Fund to the ~~Agency of Commerce and Community Development~~
20 Department of Economic Development to fund technical assistance and
21 provide loans and grants pursuant to 7 V.S.A. § 987.

1 Sec. 62. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 78 is amended to read:

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

3 ~~Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 312, 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a), 32 V.S.A. §~~
4 ~~9610(e), or any other provision of law to the contrary, amounts in excess of~~
5 ~~\$32,954,775.00 from the property transfer tax shall be transferred into the~~
6 ~~General Fund. Of this amount:~~

7 ~~(1) \$6,106,335.00 shall be transferred from the General Fund into the~~
8 ~~Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund.~~

9 ~~(2) \$1,279,740.00 shall be transferred from the General Fund into the~~
10 ~~Municipal and Regional Planning Fund. [Repealed.]~~

11 Sec. 63. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 96 is amended to read:

12 Sec. 96. APPROPRIATION; RENT ARREARS ASSISTANCE FUND

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

17 Sec. 64. 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 182, Sec. 3, as amended by 2023 Acts
18 and Resolves No. 3, Sec. 75, 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. C.119, and
19 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 106, is further amended to read:

20 Sec. 3. MANUFACTURED HOME IMPROVEMENT AND
21 REPAIR PROGRAM

1 membership. ~~The transfer under this subsection shall be made directly to the~~
2 ~~Town of Canaan.~~

3 (b) ~~Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
4 ~~\$5,924.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of~~
5 ~~Bloomfield in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the~~
6 ~~Town of Bloomfield for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024~~
7 ~~due to erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
8 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
9 ~~directly to the Town of Bloomfield.~~

10 (c) ~~Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
11 ~~\$2,575.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of~~
12 ~~Brunswick in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the~~
13 ~~Town of Brunswick for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024~~
14 ~~due to erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
15 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
16 ~~directly to the Town of Brunswick.~~

17 (d) ~~Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
18 ~~\$6,145.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of East~~
19 ~~Haven in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Town~~
20 ~~of East Haven for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to~~
21 ~~erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~

1 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
2 ~~directly to the Town of East Haven.~~

3 ~~(e) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
4 ~~\$2,046.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of Granby~~
5 ~~in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Town of~~
6 ~~Granby for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to~~
7 ~~erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
8 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
9 ~~directly to the Town of Granby.~~

10 ~~(f) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
11 ~~\$10,034.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of~~
12 ~~Guildhall in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the~~
13 ~~Town of Guildhall for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024~~
14 ~~due to erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
15 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
16 ~~directly to the Town of Guildhall.~~

17 ~~(g) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
18 ~~\$20,536.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of Kirby~~
19 ~~in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Town of~~
20 ~~Kirby for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to~~
21 ~~erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~

1 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
2 ~~directly to the Town of Kirby.~~

3 ~~(h) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
4 ~~\$2,402.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of~~
5 ~~Lemington in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the~~
6 ~~Town of Lemington for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024~~
7 ~~due to erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
8 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
9 ~~directly to the Town of Lemington.~~

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

17 ~~(j) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
18 ~~\$4,349.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of Norton~~
19 ~~in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Town of~~
20 ~~Norton for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to~~
21 ~~erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~

1 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
2 ~~directly to the Town of Norton.~~

3 ~~(k) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the sum of~~
4 ~~\$2,657.00 shall be transferred from the Education Fund to the Town of Victory~~
5 ~~in fiscal year 2025 to compensate the homestead taxpayers of the Town of~~
6 ~~Victory for an overpayment of education taxes in fiscal year 2024 due to~~
7 ~~erroneous accounting of certain students for the purposes of calculating~~
8 ~~average daily membership. The transfer under this subsection shall be made~~
9 ~~directly to the Town of Victory.~~

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

17 Sec. 67. 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 78, Sec. B.1100, as amended by 2024
18 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 40 and 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec.
19 C.101, is further amended to read:

20 Sec. B.1100 MISCELLANEOUS FISCAL YEAR 2024 ONE-TIME

21 APPROPRIATIONS

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

3 (1) \$2,300,000 General Fund to create, implement, and oversee a
4 comprehensive statewide language access plan;

5 (2) \$15,000,000 General Fund to be used to offset the cost of denied
6 claims for ~~Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)~~ federal
7 reimbursement related to presidentially declared disasters in fiscal year 2024 or
8 2025, or to fund unanticipated statewide costs related to recovery efforts from
9 declared disasters or administering programs created by funds from the
10 American Rescue Plan Act – State Fiscal Recovery Fund, including the costs
11 of related limited-service positions, and contracting for programs and services.

12 (3) \$500,000 General Fund for community grants related to health
13 equity. These funds shall not be released until the recommendation and report
14 required by Sec. E.100.1 of this act, regarding the permanent administrative
15 location for the Office of Health Equity, is provided to the committees of
16 jurisdiction listed in Sec. E.100.1 of this act and the positions in the Office of
17 Health Equity created by this act are filled.

18 * * *

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

21 * * *

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

4 (1) \$40,010,000 to the Agency of Digital Services to be used as follows:

5 (A) \$11,800,000 for Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system
6 upgrade of Human Capital Management and core statewide financial
7 accounting system and integration with the Department of Labor and Agency
8 of Transportation financial systems;

9 * * *

10 Sec. 69. 3 V.S.A. § 3306 is amended to read:

11 § 3306. TECHNOLOGY MODERNIZATION SPECIAL FUND

12 * * *

13 (b) Funds. The Fund shall consist of:

14 (1) any amounts transferred ~~or appropriated~~ to it by the General
15 Assembly; and

16 (2) any interest earned by the Fund.

17 * * *

18 Sec. 70. WORKFORCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING FUND; REPEAL

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

20 Sec. 71. 18 V.S.A. § 9502 is amended to read:

21 § 9502. TOBACCO TRUST FUND

1 (a)(1) The Tobacco Trust Fund is established in the Office of the State
2 Treasurer for the purposes of creating a self-sustaining, perpetual fund for
3 tobacco cessation and prevention that is not dependent upon tobacco sales
4 volume.

5 (2) The Trust Fund shall ~~comprise~~ be composed of:

6 (A) ~~appropriations~~ transfers made by the General Assembly; and

7 (B) ~~transfers from the Litigation Settlement Fund pursuant to~~
8 ~~subdivision (b) of this section; and~~

9 (C) contributions from any other source.

10 (3) The State Treasurer shall not disburse monies from the Trust Fund,
11 except upon appropriation by the General Assembly. In any fiscal year, total
12 appropriations from the Trust Fund shall not exceed seven percent of the fair
13 market value of the Fund at the end of the prior fiscal year.

14 (4) The Trust Fund shall be administered by the State Treasurer. The
15 Treasurer may invest monies in the Fund in accordance with the provisions of
16 32 V.S.A. § 434. All balances in the Fund at the end of the fiscal year shall be
17 carried forward. Interest earned shall remain in the Fund. The Treasurer's
18 annual financial report to the Governor and the General Assembly shall contain
19 an accounting of receipts, disbursements, and earnings of the Fund.

20 (b) ~~Unless otherwise authorized by the General Assembly on or before~~
21 ~~June 30, 2000, and on June 30 of each subsequent fiscal year, any~~

1 ~~unencumbered balance in the Litigation Settlement Fund shall be transferred to~~
2 ~~the Trust Fund. [Repealed.]~~

3 Sec. 72. 30 V.S.A. chapter 86 is amended to read:

4 CHAPTER 86. UNDERGROUND UTILITY DAMAGE PREVENTION

5 SYSTEM

6 * * *

7 § 7006. MARKING OF UNDERGROUND UTILITY FACILITIES

8 A company notified in accordance with section 7005 of this title shall,
9 within ~~48~~ 72 hours, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, of the
10 receipt of the notice, mark the approximate location of its underground utility
11 facilities in the area of the proposed excavation activities; provided, however,
12 if the company advises the person that the proposed excavation area is of such
13 length or size that the company cannot reasonably mark all of the underground
14 utility facilities within ~~48~~ 72 hours, the person shall notify the company of the
15 specific locations in which the excavation activities will first occur and the
16 company shall mark facilities in those locations within ~~48~~ 72 hours and the
17 remaining facilities within a reasonable time thereafter. A company and an
18 excavator may by agreement fix a later time for the company's marking of the
19 facilities, provided the marking is made prior to excavation activities. For the
20 purposes of this chapter, the approximate location of underground facilities

1 shall be marked with stakes, paint, or other physical means as designated by
2 the Commission.

3 § 7006a. MAINTENANCE OF UNDERGROUND UTILITY FACILITY
4 MARKINGS

5 After a company has marked its underground facilities in accordance with
6 section 7006 of this title, the excavator shall be responsible for maintenance of
7 the designated markings. In the event said markings are obliterated, destroyed,
8 or removed, the person engaged in excavation activities shall notify the System
9 referred to in section 7002 of this title that remarking is needed. The System
10 shall then notify all member companies whose facilities may be affected. The
11 company shall within 48 72 hours, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal
12 holidays, following receipt of the notice, remark the location of its
13 underground utility facilities.

14 * * *

15 Sec. 73. 32 V.S.A. § 5 is amended to read:

16 § 5. ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS

17 (a) Definitions. As used in this section:

18 (1) "Loan" means a loan that is interest free or below market value.

19 (2) "State agency" means an Executive Branch agency, department,
20 commission, office, or board.

21 * * *

1 Sec. 74. 32 V.S.A. § 706 is amended to read:

2 § 706. TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS

3 Notwithstanding any authority granted elsewhere, all transfers of
4 appropriations shall be made pursuant to this section upon the initiative of the
5 Governor or upon the request of a secretary or commissioner.

6 (1) With the approval of the Governor, the Commissioner of Finance
7 and Management may transfer balances of appropriations not to exceed
8 ~~\$50,000.00~~ \$100,000 made under any appropriation act for the support of the
9 government from one component of an agency, department, or other unit of
10 State government to any component of the same agency, department, or unit.

11 (2) Except as specified in ~~subdivisions~~ subdivision (1) ~~and (4)~~ of this
12 section, the transfer of balances of appropriations may be made only with the
13 approval of the Emergency Board.

14 (3) For the specific purpose of balancing and closing out fund accounts
15 at the end of a fiscal year, the Commissioner of Finance and Management may
16 adjust a balance within an account of an agency or department in an amount
17 not to exceed ~~\$100.00~~ \$200.

18 * * *

19 Sec. 75. 32 V.S.A. § 902 is amended to read:

20 § 902. AUTHORIZATION TO BORROW MONEY

21 * * *

1 (b) The State Treasurer shall pay the interest on, principal of and expenses
2 of preparing, issuing, and marketing of such notes as the same fall due without
3 further order or authority from the ~~General Fund or from the Transportation or~~
4 ~~other applicable funds or from the proceeds of bonds or notes~~ governmental
5 debt service funds established in section 951a of this chapter. The authority
6 hereby granted is in addition to and not in limitation of any other authority.
7 Such notes shall be sold at public or private sale with or without published
8 notice, as the State Treasurer may determine to be in the best interests of the
9 State.

10 Sec. 76. 32 V.S.A. § 951a is amended to read:

11 § 951a. DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

12 (a) Three governmental debt service funds are hereby established:

13 * * *

14 (b) Financial resources in each fund shall consist of ~~appropriations by the~~
15 ~~General Assembly to fulfill debt service obligations~~, the transfer of funding
16 sources by the General Assembly to fulfill future debt service obligations,
17 bond proceeds raised to fund a permanent reserve required by a trust
18 agreement entered into to secure bonds, transfers of appropriations effected
19 pursuant to section 706 of this title, investment income earned on balances held
20 in trust agreement accounts as required by a trust agreement, and such other
21 amounts as directed by the General Assembly or that are specifically

1 authorized by provisions of this title. Each debt service fund shall account for
2 the accumulation of resources and the fulfillment of debt service obligations
3 within the current fiscal year and the accumulation of resources for debt
4 service obligations maturing in future fiscal years.

5 * * *

6 Sec. 77. 32 V.S.A. § 954 is amended to read:

7 § 954. PROCEEDS

8 (a) The proceeds arising from the sale of bonds, inclusive of any premiums,
9 shall be applied to the purposes for which they were authorized, and the
10 purposes ~~shall~~ may be considered to include ~~the expenses of preparing, issuing,~~
11 ~~and marketing the bonds and any notes issued under section 955 of this title,~~
12 ~~and~~ underwriters' fees and amounts for reserves, but no purchasers of the
13 bonds shall be in any way bound to see to the proper application of the
14 proceeds. The State Treasurer shall pay the interest on, principal of,
15 investment return on, and maturity value of the bonds and notes as the same
16 fall due or accrue without further order or authority. The State Treasurer, with
17 the approval of the Governor, may establish sinking funds, reserve funds, or
18 other special funds of the State as the State Treasurer may deem for the best
19 interests of the State. To the extent not otherwise provided, the amount
20 necessary each year to fulfill the maturing principal and interest of, investment
21 return and maturity value of, and sinking fund installments on all the bonds

1 then outstanding shall be included in and made a part of the annual
2 appropriation bill for the expense of State government, and the principal and
3 interest on, investment return and maturity value of, and sinking fund
4 installments on the bonds as may come due before appropriations for their
5 fulfillment have been made shall be fulfilled from the applicable debt service
6 fund.

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

18 * * *

19 Sec. 78. VERMONT TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY FUND; REPEAL

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

1 Sec. 79. 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 47, Sec. 38 is amended to read:

2 Sec. 38. RENTAL HOUSING REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM

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

7 (b) Loans; eligibility; criteria.

8 * * *

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

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

12 (i) seven years; or

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

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

18 * * *

19 Sec. 80. 32 V.S.A. § 308b is amended to read:

20 § 308b. HUMAN SERVICES CASELOAD RESERVE

1 (a) There is created within the General Fund a Human Services Caseload
2 Reserve. Expenditures from the Reserve shall be subject to an appropriation
3 by the General Assembly or approval by the Emergency Board. Expenditures
4 from the Reserve shall be limited to Agency of Human Services caseload-
5 related needs primarily in the Departments for Children and Families, of
6 Health, of Mental Health, of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living, of
7 Vermont Health Access, and settlement costs associated with managing the
8 Global Commitment waiver.

9 (b) The Secretary of Administration may transfer to the Human Services
10 Caseload Reserve any General Fund ~~carry forward~~ carryforward directly
11 attributable to Agency of Human Services caseload reductions and the
12 effective management of related federal receipts, with the exclusion of the
13 Department of Corrections.

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

16 (1) A ~~sub-account~~ subaccount for incurred but not reported Medicaid
17 expenses. Each fiscal year ~~beginning with fiscal year 2020~~, the Department of
18 Finance and Management shall adjust the amount reserved for incurred but not
19 reported Medicaid expenses to equal the amount specified in the
20 ~~Comprehensive~~ Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year
21 occurring two years prior for the estimated amount of incurred but not reported

1 Medicaid expenses associated with the current Medicaid Global Commitment
2 waiver.

3 * * *

4 Sec. 81. CHILD CARE CONTRIBUTION SPECIAL FUND;

5 UNALLOCATED AND UNRESERVED BALANCE

6 (a) In fiscal year 2025, the Secretary of Administration shall unreserve and
7 transfer funds from the Human Services Caseload Reserve to the Child Care
8 Contribution Special Fund established in 32 V.S.A. § 10554 as necessary to
9 maintain a balance that appropriately supports the State's statutory obligations
10 under the Child Care Financial Assistance Program established in 33 V.S.A.
11 §§ 3512 and 3513.

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

16 Sec. 82. DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS; FACILITY WORK

17 PROGRAMS; STRATEGIC PLAN

18 (a) Findings and intent.

19 (1) The General Assembly finds that a significant budget deficit has
20 developed within previously existing programs despite a wage structure that

1 pays incarcerated individuals in Vermont at rates ranging from \$0.25 to \$1.35
2 per hour, significantly below the federal minimum wage.

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

7 (b) Strategic plan. On or before December 15, 2025, the Department of
8 Corrections shall, in consultation with the Department of Labor, submit a
9 strategic plan with proposed benchmarks for improvement to the House
10 Committees on Appropriations and on Corrections and Institutions and the
11 Senate Committees on Appropriations, on Institutions, and on Judiciary. The
12 strategic plan shall include:

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

18 (2) A comprehensive evaluation of the skills provided through facility
19 work programs to determine if those skills are transferable to employment
20 opportunities post-incarceration. The evaluation shall include consideration of

1 expanding technical training and certification opportunities that carry
2 recognized value in the labor market.

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

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

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

18 Sec. 83. MEDICAID PROVIDERS WITH STABILIZATION NEEDS;

19 GRANT ELIGIBILITY

20 (a) All Vermont Medicaid participating providers with demonstrated
21 stabilization needs and a plan to achieve sustainability shall be eligible to apply

1 for funds appropriated pursuant to 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec.
2 B.1100(o)(4), including substance use residential treatment facilities, federally
3 qualified health centers, residential mental health providers, and other
4 providers of health care and human services.

5 (b) On or before December 15, 2025, the Department of Vermont Health
6 Access shall submit a report to the House Committees on Health Care and on
7 Appropriations and the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and on
8 Appropriations. The report shall include:

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

12 (2) A description of each grant recipient's financial status prior to
13 receipt of the grant, a summary of the impact of the grant for each recipient,
14 and a summary of a revised long-term sustainability plan for each grant
15 recipient.

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

18 Sec. 84. ADULT DIPLOMA PROGRAM AND HIGH SCHOOL

19 COMPLETION PROGRAM TRANSITIONAL STUDENTS

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

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

7 (2) The student has met the requirements of the student's individual
8 graduation plan and would have been eligible to receive a diploma pursuant to
9 the High School Completion Program as it existed under 16 V.S.A. § 943 on
10 June 30, 2024.

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

12 Sec. 85. SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;

13 DISCRETIONARY EXEMPTIONS

14 (a) For the remainder of federal fiscal year 2025, the Department for
15 Children and Families shall utilize the State's allocation of discretionary
16 exemptions in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program to the extent
17 permitted by federal regulation for the purposes of:

18 (1) extending benefits to Program participants who would otherwise
19 experience a disruption of benefits; and

20 (2) ensuring that Program participants are not accruing any time-limited
21 benefit work requirement countable months.

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

2 Sec. 5. [Deleted.]

3 Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE DATES

4 (a) Sec. 4 (marriage licenses; 32 V.S.A. § 1712) shall take effect on July 1,
5 2023.

6 (b) ~~Sec. 5 (marriage licenses; 32 V.S.A. § 1712) shall take effect on July 1,~~
7 ~~2025.~~

8 (c) All other sections shall take effect 30 calendar days after passage.

9 Sec. 87. 2023 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. 15b, as added by 2024 Acts and
10 Resolves No. 162, is amended to read:

11 Sec. 15b. SERGEANT AT ARMS

12 (a) The sum of ~~\$100,000.00~~ \$100,000 is appropriated in ~~FY~~ fiscal year
13 2025 to the Sergeant at Arms for the following projects:

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

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

17 Sec. 88. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.321 is amended to read:

18 Sec. E.321 GENERAL ASSISTANCE EMERGENCY HOUSING

19 * * *

20 (b)(1) General Assistance Emergency Housing shall be provided in a
21 community-based shelter whenever possible. If there is inadequate

1 community-based shelter space available within the Agency of Human
2 Services district in which the household presents itself, the household shall be
3 provided emergency housing in a hotel or motel within the district, if available,
4 until adequate community-based shelter space becomes available in the
5 district. The utilization of hotel and motel rooms pursuant to this subdivision
6 shall be capped at 1,100 rooms per night between September 15, 2024 through
7 November 30, 2024 ~~and between April 1, 2025 through June 30, 2025.~~

8 * * *

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

15 * * *

16 Sec. 89. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 82, Sec. 1, as amended by 2024 Acts and
17 Resolves No. 108, Sec. 3, is further amended to read:

18 Sec. 1. REIMBURSEMENT TO MUNICIPALITIES OF STATE

19 EDUCATION PROPERTY TAXES THAT WERE ABATED DUE

20 TO FLOODING

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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10 Sec. 90. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 113, Sec. E.106 is amended to read:

11 Sec. E.106 CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND

12 APPROPRIATIONS; REVERSION AND ESTABLISHMENT
13 OF NEW SPENDING AUTHORITY

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

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

Sec. 91. CARRYFORWARD AUTHORITY

(a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law and subject to the approval of the Secretary of Administration, General Fund, Transportation Fund, Transportation Infrastructure Bond Fund, Education Fund, Technology Modernization Special Fund (21951), Clean Water Fund (21932), and Agricultural Water Quality Fund (21933) appropriations remaining unexpended on June 30, 2025 in the Executive Branch shall be carried forward and shall be designated for expenditure.

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

1 Sec. 92. EFFECTIVE DATES

2 (a) This act shall take effect on passage, except that, notwithstanding

3 1 V.S.A. § 214:

4 (1) Sec. 66 shall take effect retroactively on July 1, 2024; and

5 (2) Sec. 89 shall take effect retroactively on November 15, 2024.