

H. 138 FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT BILL
Senate Changes to House Passed Bill

APPROPRIATION SECTIONS: (Amendments to Act 154 of 2020)

Sec. 3 Amends Sec. B.209 Public Safety – state police

- Senate added \$402,000 general funds for Use of Force Training.

Sec. 4 Amends Sec. B.238 Liquor Control – enforcement and licensing

- Senate added \$15,000 general funds for body cameras

Sec. 34 Amends Sec. B. 702 Fish and Wildlife – support and field services

- Senate added \$45,000 general funds for body cameras

Sec. 39 Amends Sec. B.910 Department of Motor Vehicles

- Senate added \$138,000 general funds for body cameras

LANGUAGE SECTIONS:

Sec. 44 PRIORITIZING USE OF NON-CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FEDERAL FUNDS;
LEGISLATIVE INTENT

- (b) Senate REMOVED words in House bill at the beginning of the sentence “On or before February 28, 2021” and REPLACED them with a new sentence “As soon as federal guidance is provided, similar actions taken by other states are known, or recommendations are made from knowledgeable consultants or contractors, ...”

Sec. 44a LEGISLATURE: CRF USE THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021

- Senate added this section to reflect extension of time to use CRF funds, allowing the Legislature to continue to use remaining CRF funds during the remainder of FY 2021.

Sec. 45 CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDS; EMERGENCY RESPONSE; PUBLIC
HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE

- Same money as House. Senate struck House language and replaced with new language

Sec. 47a FISCAL YEAR 2021 SUPPLEMENTAL VERMONT STATE COLLEGES
APPROPRIATION

- Senate changed the funding source for the \$3.6 million from general funds, as passed by House, to CRF.

Sec. 47b. Amends Sec. A.49(a)(2) of Act 120 of 2020 (First Quarter Budget)

- Senate changed the date by which the VSC must spend the \$22,758,000 CRF funds appropriated in this section from December 20, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

Sec. 50a DCF; VSNIP FISCAL YEAR 2021 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

- Senate added \$300,000 general funds to DCF for the VSNIP program.

Sec. 53 HOUSING; RENTAL ASSISTANCE; APPROPRIATION

- Senate deleted House language re: \$10,000,000 from the \$200,000,000 for emergency rental assistance. JFC accepted the grant, so this is not needed.

Sec. 54 Amends Act 136 of 2020, the Health and Human Services CRF bill, Sec. 6(f) RE: Front Line Employees Hazard Pay Grant Program

- Senate amended the date by which employers who receive hazard pay grants must report on use of funds.

Sec. 57 BODY CAMERA DEPLOYMENT

- The Senate added language re: the deployment of body cameras only after appropriate training of staff and the adoption of policies on use and retention of records by each department. Requires a report to the JFC and the Joint Justice Oversight Committees in September 2021 on the status of use of body cameras in these departments.

Sec. 58 10 V.S.A. Sec 591(g) is amended to read: (Vt Climate Council and Climate Action Plan)

- Senate added this section regarding members of subcommittees of the Climate Council and Climate Action Plan being entitled to per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses for each day that they perform duties.

EFFECTIVE DATES: No change from House