

Senate proposal of amendment

H. 542

An act relating to making appropriations for the support of government

The Senate proposes to the House to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. A.100 SHORT TITLE

(a) This bill may be referred to as the BIG BILL – Fiscal Year 2020 Appropriations Act.

Sec. A.101 PURPOSE

(a) The purpose of this act is to provide appropriations for the operations of State government during fiscal year 2020. It is the express intent of the General Assembly that activities of the various agencies, departments, divisions, boards, and commissions be limited to those that can be supported by funds appropriated in this act or other acts passed prior to June 30, 2019. Agency and department heads are directed to implement staffing and service levels at the beginning of fiscal year 2020 so as to meet this condition unless otherwise directed by specific language in this act or other acts of the General Assembly.

Sec. A.102 APPROPRIATIONS

(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that this act serves as the primary source and reference for appropriations for fiscal year 2020.

(b) The sums herein stated are appropriated for the purposes specified in the following sections of this act. When no time is expressly stated during which any of the appropriations are to continue, the appropriations are single-year appropriations and only for the purpose indicated and shall be paid from funds shown as the source of funds. If in this act there is an error in either addition or subtraction, the totals shall be adjusted accordingly. Apparent errors in referring to section numbers of statutory titles within this act may be disregarded by the Commissioner of Finance and Management.

(c) Unless codified or otherwise specified, all narrative portions of this act apply only to the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2020.

Sec. A.103 DEFINITIONS

(a) As used in this act:

(1) “Encumbrances” means a portion of an appropriation reserved for the subsequent payment of existing purchase orders or contracts. The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall make final decisions on the appropriateness of encumbrances.

(2) “Grants” means subsidies, aid, or payments to local governments, to community and quasi-public agencies for providing local services, and to persons who are not wards of the State for services or supplies and means cash or other direct assistance, including pension contributions.

(3) “Operating expenses” means property management, repair and maintenance, rental expenses, insurance, postage, travel, energy and utilities, office and other supplies, equipment, including motor vehicles, highway materials, and construction, expenditures for the purchase of land and construction of new buildings and permanent improvements, and similar items.

(4) “Personal services” means wages and salaries, fringe benefits, per diems, and contracted third-party services, and similar items.

Sec. A.104 RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING LAWS

(a) Except as specifically provided, this act shall not be construed in any way to negate or impair the full force and effect of existing laws.

Sec. A.105 OFFSETTING APPROPRIATIONS

(a) In the absence of specific provisions to the contrary in this act, when total appropriations are offset by estimated receipts, the State appropriations shall control, notwithstanding receipts being greater or less than anticipated.

Sec. A.106 FEDERAL FUNDS

(a) In fiscal year 2020, the Governor, with the approval of the Legislature or the Joint Fiscal Committee if the Legislature is not in session, may accept federal funds available to the State of Vermont, including block grants in lieu of or in addition to funds herein designated as federal. The Governor, with the approval of the Legislature or the Joint Fiscal Committee if the Legislature is not in session, may allocate all or any portion of such federal funds for any purpose consistent with the purposes for which the basic appropriations in this act have been made.

(b) If, during fiscal year 2020, federal funds available to the State of Vermont and designated as federal in this and other acts of the 2019 session of the Vermont General Assembly are converted into block grants or are abolished under their current title in federal law and reestablished under a new title in federal law, the Governor may continue to accept such federal funds for any purpose consistent with the purposes for which the federal funds were appropriated. The Governor may spend such funds for such purposes for no more than 45 days prior to Legislative or Joint Fiscal Committee approval. Notice shall be given to the Joint Fiscal Committee without delay if the Governor intends to use the authority granted by this section, and the Joint Fiscal Committee shall meet in an expedited manner to review the Governor’s request for approval.

Sec. A.107 NEW POSITIONS

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the total number of authorized State positions, both classified and exempt, excluding temporary positions as defined in 3 V.S.A. § 311(11), shall not be increased during fiscal year 2020 except for new positions authorized by the 2019 session. Limited service positions approved pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 5 shall not be subject to this restriction, nor shall positions created pursuant to the Position Pilot Program authorized in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.100(d), as amended by 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 4, Sec. 74, by 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. E.100.2, by 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. E.100.1, and by 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. E.100.1.

Sec. A.108 LEGEND

(a) The bill is organized by functions of government. The sections between B.100 and B.9999 contain appropriations of funds for the upcoming budget year. The sections between E.100 and E.9999 contain language that relates to specific appropriations or government functions, or both. The function areas by section numbers are as follows:

<u>B.100–B.199 and E.100–E.199</u>	<u>General Government</u>
<u>B.200–B.299 and E.200–E.299</u>	<u>Protection to Persons and Property</u>
<u>B.300–B.399 and E.300–E.399</u>	<u>Human Services</u>
<u>B.400–B.499 and E.400–E.499</u>	<u>Labor</u>
<u>B.500–B.599 and E.500–E.599</u>	<u>General Education</u>
<u>B.600–B.699 and E.600–E.699</u>	<u>Higher Education</u>
<u>B.700–B.799 and E.700–E.799</u>	<u>Natural Resources</u>
<u>B.800–B.899 and E.800–E.899</u>	<u>Commerce and Community Development</u>
<u>B.900–B.999 and E.900–E.999</u>	<u>Transportation</u>
<u>B.1000–B.1099 and E.1000–E.1099</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>
<u>B.1100–B.1199 and E.1100–E.1199</u>	<u>One-time and other appropriation actions</u>

(b) The C sections contain any amendments to the current fiscal year and the D sections contain fund transfers and reserve allocations for the upcoming budget year.

Sec. B.100 Secretary of administration - secretary's office

Personal services	901,632
Operating expenses	<u>209,988</u>
Total	1,111,620
Source of funds	

General fund	886,620
Special funds	150,000
Internal service funds	<u>75,000</u>
Total	1,111,620
Sec. B.101 Secretary of administration - finance	
Personal services	1,251,050
Operating expenses	<u>128,367</u>
Total	1,379,417
Source of funds	
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,379,417</u>
Total	1,379,417
Sec. B.102 Secretary of administration - workers' compensation insurance	
Personal services	540,613
Operating expenses	<u>229,050</u>
Total	769,663
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>769,663</u>
Total	769,663
Sec. B.103 Secretary of administration - general liability insurance	
Personal services	589,805
Operating expenses	<u>67,265</u>
Total	657,070
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>657,070</u>
Total	657,070
Sec. B.104 Secretary of administration - all other insurance	
Personal services	16,891
Operating expenses	<u>15,284</u>
Total	32,175
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>32,175</u>
Total	32,175
Sec. B.105 Agency of digital services - communications and information technology	
Personal services	48,324,719
Operating expenses	<u>23,980,357</u>
Total	72,305,076
Source of funds	
General fund	179,238
Special funds	383,707

Internal service funds	<u>71,742,131</u>
Total	72,305,076
Sec. B.106 Finance and management - budget and management	
Personal services	1,425,403
Operating expenses	<u>207,736</u>
Total	1,633,139
Source of funds	
General fund	1,286,501
Internal service funds	<u>346,638</u>
Total	1,633,139
Sec. B.107 Finance and management - financial operations	
Personal services	2,210,271
Operating expenses	<u>651,353</u>
Total	2,861,624
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>2,861,624</u>
Total	2,861,624
Sec. B.108 Human resources - operations	
Personal services	8,421,206
Operating expenses	<u>1,267,123</u>
Total	9,688,329
Source of funds	
General fund	1,978,207
Special funds	277,462
Internal service funds	6,552,186
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>880,474</u>
Total	9,688,329
Sec. B.108.1 Human resources - VTNR operations	
Personal services	1,785,852
Operating expenses	<u>728,786</u>
Total	2,514,638
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>2,514,638</u>
Total	2,514,638
Sec. B.109 Human resources - employee benefits & wellness	
Personal services	1,022,285
Operating expenses	<u>587,816</u>
Total	1,610,101
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>1,610,101</u>

Total	1,610,101
Sec. B.110 Libraries	
Personal services	1,990,435
Operating expenses	1,157,389
Grants	<u>245,400</u>
Total	3,393,224
Source of funds	
General fund	2,062,056
Special funds	116,031
Federal funds	1,116,678
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>98,459</u>
Total	3,393,224
Sec. B.111 Tax - administration/collection	
Personal services	15,677,138
Operating expenses	<u>5,511,905</u>
Total	21,189,043
Source of funds	
General fund	19,475,589
Special funds	1,570,888
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>142,566</u>
Total	21,189,043
Sec. B.112 Buildings and general services - administration	
Personal services	684,803
Operating expenses	<u>90,379</u>
Total	775,182
Source of funds	
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>775,182</u>
Total	775,182
Sec. B.113 Buildings and general services - engineering	
Personal services	2,702,937
Operating expenses	<u>880,486</u>
Total	3,583,423
Source of funds	
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>3,583,423</u>
Total	3,583,423
Sec. B.114 Buildings and general services - information centers	
Personal services	3,482,685
Operating expenses	1,608,448
Grants	<u>35,750</u>
Total	5,126,883

Source of funds	
General fund	648,931
Transportation fund	4,019,636
Special funds	<u>458,316</u>
Total	5,126,883
Sec. B.115 Buildings and general services - purchasing	
Personal services	1,060,809
Operating expenses	<u>186,998</u>
Total	1,247,807
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>1,247,807</u>
Total	1,247,807
Sec. B.116 Buildings and general services - postal services	
Personal services	766,740
Operating expenses	<u>120,077</u>
Total	886,817
Source of funds	
General fund	85,063
Internal service funds	<u>801,754</u>
Total	886,817
Sec. B.117 Buildings and general services - copy center	
Personal services	797,852
Operating expenses	<u>137,298</u>
Total	935,150
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>935,150</u>
Total	935,150
Sec. B.118 Buildings and general services - fleet management services	
Personal services	735,645
Operating expenses	<u>208,836</u>
Total	944,481
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>944,481</u>
Total	944,481
Sec. B.119 Buildings and general services - federal surplus property	
Personal services	14,945
Operating expenses	<u>8,107</u>
Total	23,052
Source of funds	
Enterprise funds	<u>23,052</u>

Total	23,052
Sec. B.120 Buildings and general services - state surplus property	
Personal services	190,580
Operating expenses	<u>121,866</u>
Total	312,446
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>312,446</u>
Total	312,446
Sec. B.121 Buildings and general services - property management	
Personal services	1,342,177
Operating expenses	<u>457,542</u>
Total	1,799,719
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>1,799,719</u>
Total	1,799,719
Sec. B.122 Buildings and general services - fee for space	
Personal services	16,518,501
Operating expenses	<u>14,082,725</u>
Total	30,601,226
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>30,601,226</u>
Total	30,601,226
Sec. B.124 Executive office - governor's office	
Personal services	1,372,645
Operating expenses	<u>472,437</u>
Total	1,845,082
Source of funds	
General fund	1,658,582
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>186,500</u>
Total	1,845,082
Sec. B.125 Legislative council	
Personal services	4,317,739
Operating expenses	<u>866,574</u>
Total	5,184,313
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>5,184,313</u>
Total	5,184,313
Sec. B.126 Legislature	
Personal services	4,234,740

Operating expenses	<u>3,884,632</u>
Total	8,119,372
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>8,119,372</u>
Total	8,119,372
Sec. B.127 Joint fiscal committee	
Personal services	1,858,779
Operating expenses	<u>164,274</u>
Total	2,023,053
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>2,023,053</u>
Total	2,023,053
Sec. B.128 Sergeant at arms	
Personal services	785,233
Operating expenses	<u>77,971</u>
Total	863,204
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>863,204</u>
Total	863,204
Sec. B.129 Lieutenant governor	
Personal services	231,651
Operating expenses	<u>31,482</u>
Total	263,133
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>263,133</u>
Total	263,133
Sec. B.130 Auditor of accounts	
Personal services	3,477,063
Operating expenses	<u>157,985</u>
Total	3,635,048
Source of funds	
General fund	404,513
Special funds	53,145
Internal service funds	<u>3,177,390</u>
Total	3,635,048
Sec. B.131 State treasurer	
Personal services	3,848,234
Operating expenses	<u>222,299</u>
Total	4,070,533
Source of funds	

General fund	981,483
Special funds	2,968,779
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>120,271</u>
Total	4,070,533
Sec. B.132 State treasurer - unclaimed property	
Personal services	808,784
Operating expenses	<u>316,917</u>
Total	1,125,701
Source of funds	
Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,125,701</u>
Total	1,125,701
Sec. B.133 Vermont state retirement system	
Personal services	5,363,103
Operating expenses	<u>1,425,321</u>
Total	6,788,424
Source of funds	
Pension trust funds	<u>6,788,424</u>
Total	6,788,424
Sec. B.134 Municipal employees' retirement system	
Personal services	2,035,007
Operating expenses	<u>881,001</u>
Total	2,916,008
Source of funds	
Pension trust funds	<u>2,916,008</u>
Total	2,916,008
Sec. B.135 State labor relations board	
Personal services	218,630
Operating expenses	<u>50,179</u>
Total	268,809
Source of funds	
General fund	259,233
Special funds	6,788
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,788</u>
Total	268,809
Sec. B.136 VOSHA review board	
Personal services	79,740
Operating expenses	<u>12,610</u>
Total	92,350
Source of funds	
General fund	46,175

Interdepartmental transfers	<u>46,175</u>
Total	92,350
Sec. B.136.1 Ethics Commission	
Personal services	102,584
Operating expenses	<u>18,259</u>
Total	120,843
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>120,843</u>
Total	120,843
Sec. B.137 Homeowner rebate	
Grants	<u>16,600,000</u>
Total	16,600,000
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>16,600,000</u>
Total	16,600,000
Sec. B.138 Renter rebate	
Grants	<u>9,500,000</u>
Total	9,500,000
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>9,500,000</u>
Total	9,500,000
Sec. B.139 Tax department - reappraisal and listing payments	
Grants	<u>3,303,324</u>
Total	3,303,324
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>3,303,324</u>
Total	3,303,324
Sec. B.140 Municipal current use	
Grants	<u>16,603,039</u>
Total	16,603,039
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>16,603,039</u>
Total	16,603,039
Sec. B.141 Lottery commission	
Personal services	1,733,694
Operating expenses	1,381,440
Grants	<u>100,000</u>
Total	3,215,134
Source of funds	

Enterprise funds	<u>3,215,134</u>
Total	3,215,134
Sec. B.142 Payments in lieu of taxes	
Grants	<u>8,750,000</u>
Total	8,750,000
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>8,750,000</u>
Total	8,750,000
Sec. B.143 Payments in lieu of taxes - Montpelier	
Grants	<u>184,000</u>
Total	184,000
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>184,000</u>
Total	184,000
Sec. B.144 Payments in lieu of taxes - correctional facilities	
Grants	<u>40,000</u>
Total	40,000
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>40,000</u>
Total	40,000
Sec. B.145 Total general government	
Source of funds	
General fund	93,659,436
Transportation fund	4,019,636
Special funds	14,959,116
Federal funds	1,116,678
Internal service funds	125,854,235
Interdepartmental transfers	7,215,255
Enterprise funds	3,238,186
Pension trust funds	9,704,432
Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,125,701</u>
Total	260,892,675
Sec. B.200 Attorney general	
Personal services	10,353,687
Operating expenses	1,523,368
Grants	<u>26,500</u>
Total	11,903,555
Source of funds	
General fund	5,433,266
Special funds	2,015,281

Tobacco fund	348,000
Federal funds	1,256,355
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,850,653</u>
Total	11,903,555
Sec. B.201 Vermont court diversion	
Personal services	3,025,189
Grants	<u>185,294</u>
Total	3,210,483
Source of funds	
General fund	2,770,486
Special funds	<u>439,997</u>
Total	3,210,483
Sec. B.202 Defender general - public defense	
Personal services	11,968,678
Operating expenses	<u>1,107,989</u>
Total	13,076,667
Source of funds	
General fund	12,487,014
Special funds	<u>589,653</u>
Total	13,076,667
Sec. B.203 Defender general - assigned counsel	
Personal services	5,825,842
Operating expenses	<u>49,819</u>
Total	5,875,661
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>5,875,661</u>
Total	5,875,661
Sec. B.204 Judiciary	
Personal services	42,135,783
Operating expenses	9,655,475
Grants	<u>121,030</u>
Total	51,912,288
Source of funds	
General fund	45,680,654
Special funds	3,248,649
Federal funds	887,586
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,095,399</u>
Total	51,912,288
Sec. B.205 State's attorneys	
Personal services	13,730,084

Operating expenses	<u>1,803,114</u>
Total	15,533,198
Source of funds	
General fund	12,714,313
Special funds	121,240
Federal funds	31,000
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,666,645</u>
Total	15,533,198
Sec. B.206 Special investigative unit	
Personal services	85,000
Operating expenses	1,100
Grants	<u>1,913,000</u>
Total	1,999,100
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>1,999,100</u>
Total	1,999,100
Sec. B.207 Sheriffs	
Personal services	4,245,584
Operating expenses	<u>415,279</u>
Total	4,660,863
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>4,660,863</u>
Total	4,660,863
Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration	
Personal services	3,686,993
Operating expenses	4,724,924
Grants	<u>200,000</u>
Total	8,611,917
Source of funds	
General fund	4,431,288
Special funds	175,000
Federal funds	441,300
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>3,564,329</u>
Total	8,611,917
Sec. B.209 Public safety - state police	
Personal services	56,917,271
Operating expenses	11,566,494
Grants	<u>1,302,805</u>
Total	69,786,570
Source of funds	

General fund	40,506,303
Transportation fund	20,250,000
Special funds	3,067,749
Federal funds	4,063,667
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,898,851</u>
Total	69,786,570
Sec. B.210 Public safety - criminal justice services	
Personal services	4,365,847
Operating expenses	<u>1,477,904</u>
Total	5,843,751
Source of funds	
General fund	3,147,212
Special funds	1,930,649
Federal funds	<u>765,890</u>
Total	5,843,751
Sec. B.211 Public safety - emergency management	
Personal services	2,764,385
Operating expenses	1,106,406
Grants	<u>5,111,905</u>
Total	8,982,696
Source of funds	
General fund	433,306
Special funds	230,000
Federal funds	<u>8,319,390</u>
Total	8,982,696
Sec. B.212 Public safety - fire safety	
Personal services	6,863,783
Operating expenses	3,383,347
Grants	<u>107,000</u>
Total	10,354,130
Source of funds	
General fund	477,905
Special funds	8,954,902
Federal funds	876,323
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>
Total	10,354,130
Sec. B.213 Public safety - Forensic Laboratory	
Personal services	3,097,286
Operating expenses	<u>1,134,268</u>
Total	4,231,554

Source of funds	
General fund	3,177,547
Special funds	78,555
Federal funds	414,702
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>560,750</u>
Total	4,231,554
Sec. B.215 Military - administration	
Personal services	767,401
Operating expenses	480,758
Grants	<u>1,426,718</u>
Total	2,674,877
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>2,674,877</u>
Total	2,674,877
Sec. B.216 Military - air service contract	
Personal services	6,024,812
Operating expenses	<u>937,929</u>
Total	6,962,741
Source of funds	
General fund	581,730
Federal funds	<u>6,381,011</u>
Total	6,962,741
Sec. B.217 Military - army service contract	
Personal services	8,692,642
Operating expenses	<u>6,093,050</u>
Total	14,785,692
Source of funds	
Federal funds	<u>14,785,692</u>
Total	14,785,692
Sec. B.218 Military - building maintenance	
Personal services	820,735
Operating expenses	<u>687,573</u>
Total	1,508,308
Source of funds	
General fund	1,448,308
Special funds	<u>60,000</u>
Total	1,508,308
Sec. B.219 Military - veterans' affairs	
Personal services	833,614
Operating expenses	173,955

Grants	<u>50,800</u>
Total	1,058,369
Source of funds	
General fund	811,151
Special funds	147,218
Federal funds	<u>100,000</u>
Total	1,058,369
Sec. B.220 Center for crime victim services	
Personal services	2,251,106
Operating expenses	756,995
Grants	<u>13,281,115</u>
Total	16,289,216
Source of funds	
General fund	1,264,158
Special funds	5,342,728
Federal funds	<u>9,682,330</u>
Total	16,289,216
Sec. B.221 Criminal justice training council	
Personal services	1,294,952
Operating expenses	<u>1,397,689</u>
Total	2,692,641
Source of funds	
General fund	2,488,016
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>204,625</u>
Total	2,692,641
Sec. B.222 Agriculture, food and markets - administration	
Personal services	1,475,369
Operating expenses	438,811
Grants	<u>210,972</u>
Total	2,125,152
Source of funds	
General fund	979,008
Special funds	714,922
Federal funds	<u>431,222</u>
Total	2,125,152
Sec. B.223 Agriculture, food and markets - food safety and consumer protection	
Personal services	4,296,689
Operating expenses	752,772
Grants	<u>2,750,000</u>

Total	7,799,461
Source of funds	
General fund	2,895,182
Special funds	3,644,093
Federal funds	1,253,186
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>7,000</u>
Total	7,799,461

Sec. B.224 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural development

Personal services	1,717,913
Operating expenses	1,080,763
Grants	<u>1,394,875</u>
Total	4,193,551
Source of funds	
General fund	2,100,030
Special funds	688,828
Federal funds	<u>1,404,693</u>
Total	4,193,551

Sec. B.225 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural resource management and environmental stewardship

Personal services	2,446,869
Operating expenses	586,350
Grants	<u>223,334</u>
Total	3,256,553
Source of funds	
General fund	730,945
Special funds	1,816,068
Federal funds	454,022
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>255,518</u>
Total	3,256,553

Sec. B.225.1 Agriculture, food and markets - Vermont Agriculture and Environmental Lab

Personal services	1,589,625
Operating expenses	<u>932,332</u>
Total	2,521,957
Source of funds	
General fund	921,265
Special funds	1,536,479
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>64,213</u>
Total	2,521,957

Sec. B.225.2 Agriculture, Food and Markets - Clean Water

Personal services	2,909,421
Operating expenses	479,805
Grants	<u>1,707,000</u>
Total	5,096,226
Source of funds	
General fund	1,205,080
Special funds	3,410,618
Federal funds	93,097
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>387,431</u>
Total	5,096,226
Sec. B.226 Financial regulation - administration	
Personal services	1,949,236
Operating expenses	<u>467,013</u>
Total	2,416,249
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>2,416,249</u>
Total	2,416,249
Sec. B.227 Financial regulation - banking	
Personal services	1,783,809
Operating expenses	<u>408,155</u>
Total	2,191,964
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>2,191,964</u>
Total	2,191,964
Sec. B.228 Financial regulation - insurance	
Personal services	4,030,293
Operating expenses	<u>556,143</u>
Total	4,586,436
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>4,586,436</u>
Total	4,586,436
Sec. B.229 Financial regulation - captive insurance	
Personal services	4,710,762
Operating expenses	<u>584,596</u>
Total	5,295,358
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>5,295,358</u>
Total	5,295,358
Sec. B.230 Financial regulation - securities	
Personal services	949,284

Operating expenses	<u>234,192</u>
Total	1,183,476
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>1,183,476</u>
Total	1,183,476
Sec. B.232 Secretary of state	
Personal services	10,521,639
Operating expenses	2,875,930
Grants	<u>150,000</u>
Total	13,547,569
Source of funds	
Special funds	11,394,045
Federal funds	<u>2,153,524</u>
Total	13,547,569
Sec. B.233 Public service - regulation and energy	
Personal services	10,723,409
Operating expenses	1,443,544
Grants	<u>2,767,237</u>
Total	14,934,190
Source of funds	
Special funds	13,407,207
Federal funds	532,983
ARRA funds	921,260
Interdepartmental transfers	50,000
Enterprise funds	<u>22,740</u>
Total	14,934,190
Sec. B.234 Public utility commission	
Personal services	3,285,568
Operating expenses	<u>471,932</u>
Total	3,757,500
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>3,757,500</u>
Total	3,757,500
Sec. B.235 Enhanced 9-1-1 Board	
Personal services	3,803,802
Operating expenses	388,612
Grants	<u>720,000</u>
Total	4,912,414
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>4,912,414</u>

Total	4,912,414
Sec. B.236 Human rights commission	
Personal services	627,615
Operating expenses	<u>75,932</u>
Total	703,547
Source of funds	
General fund	628,256
Federal funds	<u>75,291</u>
Total	703,547
Sec. B.236.1 Liquor & Lottery Comm. Office	
Personal services	525,243
Operating expenses	<u>5,350</u>
Total	530,593
Source of funds	
Enterprise funds	<u>530,593</u>
Total	530,593
Sec. B.237 Liquor control - administration	
Personal services	2,743,126
Operating expenses	<u>1,120,841</u>
Total	3,863,967
Source of funds	
Enterprise funds	<u>3,863,967</u>
Total	3,863,967
Sec. B.238 Liquor control - enforcement and licensing	
Personal services	2,238,782
Operating expenses	<u>453,153</u>
Total	2,691,935
Source of funds	
Tobacco fund	213,843
Federal funds	184,484
Interdepartmental transfers	5,000
Enterprise funds	<u>2,288,608</u>
Total	2,691,935
Sec. B.239 Liquor control - warehousing and distribution	
Personal services	1,082,020
Operating expenses	<u>469,338</u>
Total	1,551,358
Source of funds	
Enterprise funds	<u>1,551,358</u>
Total	1,551,358

Sec. B.240 Total protection to persons and property

Source of funds	
General fund	162,522,924
Transportation fund	20,250,000
Special funds	87,357,278
Tobacco fund	561,843
Federal funds	54,587,748
ARRA funds	921,260
Interdepartmental transfers	14,655,414
Enterprise funds	<u>8,257,266</u>
Total	349,113,733

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

Personal services	11,152,461
Operating expenses	6,805,654
Grants	<u>2,920,202</u>
Total	20,878,317
Source of funds	
General fund	7,775,309
Special funds	135,517
Federal funds	11,555,036
Global Commitment fund	453,000
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>959,455</u>
Total	20,878,317

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

Operating expenses	3,150,212
Grants	<u>1,633,011,237</u>
Total	1,636,161,449
Source of funds	
General fund	562,727,602
Special funds	34,969,169
Tobacco fund	21,049,373
State health care resources fund	16,915,501
Federal funds	985,132,025
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>15,367,779</u>
Total	1,636,161,449

Sec. B.303 Developmental disabilities council

Personal services	366,501
Operating expenses	94,962
Grants	<u>191,595</u>
Total	653,058
Source of funds	

Special funds	12,000
Federal funds	<u>641,058</u>
Total	653,058
Sec. B.304 Human services board	
Personal services	718,478
Operating expenses	<u>87,620</u>
Total	806,098
Source of funds	
General fund	451,554
Federal funds	332,018
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>22,526</u>
Total	806,098
Sec. B.305 AHS - administrative fund	
Personal services	350,000
Operating expenses	<u>10,150,000</u>
Total	10,500,000
Source of funds	
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>10,500,000</u>
Total	10,500,000
Sec. B.306 Department of Vermont health access - administration	
Personal services	134,603,806
Operating expenses	29,905,859
Grants	<u>7,314,723</u>
Total	171,824,388
Source of funds	
General fund	29,222,317
Special funds	6,096,108
Federal funds	124,749,165
Global Commitment fund	4,214,196
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>7,542,602</u>
Total	171,824,388
Sec. B.307 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - global commitment	
Personal services	547,983
Grants	<u>738,383,660</u>
Total	738,931,643
Source of funds	
Global Commitment fund	<u>738,931,643</u>
Total	738,931,643

Sec. B.308 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - long term care waiver

Grants	<u>213,712,634</u>
Total	213,712,634
Source of funds	
Global Commitment fund	<u>213,712,634</u>
Total	213,712,634

Sec. B.309 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - state only

Grants	<u>49,211,558</u>
Total	49,211,558
Source of funds	
General fund	37,605,920
Global Commitment fund	<u>11,605,638</u>
Total	49,211,558

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

Grants	<u>32,435,074</u>
Total	32,435,074
Source of funds	
General fund	11,425,047
Federal funds	<u>21,010,027</u>
Total	32,435,074

Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support

Personal services	5,464,580
Operating expenses	5,852,063
Grants	<u>4,040,881</u>
Total	15,357,524
Source of funds	
General fund	2,867,817
Special funds	1,824,499
Federal funds	7,063,414
Global Commitment fund	3,510,576
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>91,218</u>
Total	15,357,524

Sec. B.312 Health - public health

Personal services	44,859,249
Operating expenses	8,623,418
Grants	<u>36,469,334</u>
Total	89,952,001

Source of funds	
General fund	10,159,167
Special funds	18,230,647
Tobacco fund	1,088,918
Federal funds	46,234,807
Global Commitment fund	13,068,355
Interdepartmental transfers	1,145,107
Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
Total	89,952,001

Sec. B.313 Health - alcohol and drug abuse programs

Personal services	4,363,807
Operating expenses	255,634
Grants	<u>51,538,398</u>
Total	56,157,839
Source of funds	
General fund	1,946,686
Special funds	1,170,177
Tobacco fund	949,917
Federal funds	17,574,970
Global Commitment fund	<u>34,516,089</u>
Total	56,157,839

Sec. B.314 Mental health - mental health

Personal services	32,082,652
Operating expenses	4,434,083
Grants	<u>235,668,505</u>
Total	272,185,240
Source of funds	
General fund	7,694,909
Special funds	1,184,904
Federal funds	9,132,390
Global Commitment fund	254,099,789
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>73,248</u>
Total	272,185,240

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

Personal services	41,156,642
Operating expenses	11,526,385
Grants	<u>1,342,620</u>
Total	54,025,647
Source of funds	
General fund	25,200,417

Special funds	2,706,557
Federal funds	23,918,495
Global Commitment fund	1,981,083
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>219,095</u>
Total	54,025,647
Sec. B.317 Department for children and families - family services	
Personal services	38,125,454
Operating expenses	4,931,546
Grants	<u>78,289,704</u>
Total	121,346,704
Source of funds	
General fund	44,468,327
Special funds	877,587
Federal funds	27,412,577
Global Commitment fund	48,476,324
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>111,889</u>
Total	121,346,704
Sec. B.318 Department for children and families - child development	
Personal services	4,718,950
Operating expenses	850,728
Grants	<u>78,657,975</u>
Total	84,227,653
Source of funds	
General fund	38,122,315
Special funds	1,820,000
Federal funds	33,144,045
Global Commitment fund	11,118,793
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>22,500</u>
Total	84,227,653
Sec. B.319 Department for children and families - office of child support	
Personal services	10,805,408
Operating expenses	<u>3,679,303</u>
Total	14,484,711
Source of funds	
General fund	4,306,156
Special funds	455,719
Federal funds	9,335,236
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>387,600</u>
Total	14,484,711
Sec. B.320 Department for children and families - aid to aged, blind and disabled	

Personal services	2,252,206
Grants	<u>10,298,023</u>
Total	12,550,229
Source of funds	
General fund	8,649,899
Global Commitment fund	<u>3,900,330</u>
Total	12,550,229
Sec. B.321 Department for children and families - general assistance	
Personal services	15,000
Grants	<u>6,912,360</u>
Total	6,927,360
Source of funds	
General fund	6,530,025
Federal funds	111,320
Global Commitment fund	<u>286,015</u>
Total	6,927,360
Sec. B.322 Department for children and families - 3SquaresVT	
Grants	<u>29,827,906</u>
Total	29,827,906
Source of funds	
Federal funds	<u>29,827,906</u>
Total	29,827,906
Sec. B.323 Department for children and families - reach up	
Operating expenses	51,517
Grants	<u>33,039,481</u>
Total	33,090,998
Source of funds	
General fund	6,873,872
Special funds	21,079,984
Federal funds	2,455,524
Global Commitment fund	<u>2,681,618</u>
Total	33,090,998
Sec. B.324 Department for children and families - home heating fuel assistance/LIHEAP	
Grants	<u>16,019,953</u>
Total	16,019,953
Source of funds	
Special funds	1,259,217
Federal funds	<u>14,760,736</u>
Total	16,019,953

Sec. B.325 Department for children and families - office of economic opportunity

Personal services	522,340
Operating expenses	43,673
Grants	<u>9,809,823</u>
Total	10,375,836
Source of funds	
General fund	5,065,004
Special funds	57,990
Federal funds	4,423,154
Global Commitment fund	<u>829,688</u>
Total	10,375,836

Sec. B.326 Department for children and families - OEO - weatherization assistance

Personal services	326,525
Operating expenses	44,525
Grants	<u>12,038,018</u>
Total	12,409,068
Source of funds	
Special funds	7,812,978
Federal funds	<u>4,596,090</u>
Total	12,409,068

Sec. B.327 Department for children and families - Woodside rehabilitation center

Personal services	5,099,274
Operating expenses	<u>715,868</u>
Total	5,815,142
Source of funds	
General fund	5,718,142
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>97,000</u>
Total	5,815,142

Sec. B.328 Department for children and families - disability determination services

Personal services	6,276,032
Operating expenses	<u>419,984</u>
Total	6,696,016
Source of funds	
General fund	107,003
Federal funds	<u>6,589,013</u>
Total	6,696,016

Sec. B.329 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - administration & support

Personal services	32,686,936
Operating expenses	<u>5,723,801</u>
Total	38,410,737
Source of funds	
General fund	17,097,670
Special funds	1,390,457
Federal funds	18,856,326
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,066,284</u>
Total	38,410,737

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

Grants	<u>19,611,505</u>
Total	19,611,505
Source of funds	
General fund	7,623,375
Federal funds	7,148,466
Global Commitment fund	<u>4,839,664</u>
Total	19,611,505

Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - blind and visually impaired

Grants	<u>1,661,457</u>
Total	1,661,457
Source of funds	
General fund	389,154
Special funds	223,450
Federal funds	743,853
Global Commitment fund	<u>305,000</u>
Total	1,661,457

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

Grants	<u>7,024,368</u>
Total	7,024,368
Source of funds	
General fund	1,371,845
Federal funds	4,402,523
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,250,000</u>
Total	7,024,368

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

Grants	<u>232,315,311</u>
Total	232,315,311
Source of funds	
General fund	155,125
Special funds	15,463
Federal funds	359,857
Global Commitment fund	231,739,866
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>
Total	232,315,311
Sec. B.334 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - TBI home and community based waiver	
Grants	<u>5,788,057</u>
Total	5,788,057
Source of funds	
Global Commitment fund	<u>5,788,057</u>
Total	5,788,057
Sec. B.335 Corrections - administration	
Personal services	3,108,496
Operating expenses	<u>238,644</u>
Total	3,347,140
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>3,347,140</u>
Total	3,347,140
Sec. B.336 Corrections - parole board	
Personal services	333,919
Operating expenses	<u>81,081</u>
Total	415,000
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>415,000</u>
Total	415,000
Sec. B.337 Corrections - correctional education	
Personal services	3,366,460
Operating expenses	<u>244,932</u>
Total	3,611,392
Source of funds	
General fund	3,462,608
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>148,784</u>
Total	3,611,392
Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services	
Personal services	113,866,882

Operating expenses	21,526,975
Grants	<u>8,474,287</u>
Total	143,868,144
Source of funds	
General fund	137,048,955
Special funds	929,963
Federal funds	479,209
Global Commitment fund	5,013,702
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>396,315</u>
Total	143,868,144
Sec. B.339 Corrections - Correctional services-out of state beds	
Personal services	<u>6,226,759</u>
Total	6,226,759
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>6,226,759</u>
Total	6,226,759
Sec. B.340 Corrections - correctional facilities - recreation	
Personal services	391,140
Operating expenses	<u>455,845</u>
Total	846,985
Source of funds	
Special funds	<u>846,985</u>
Total	846,985
Sec. B.341 Corrections - Vermont offender work program	
Personal services	1,509,826
Operating expenses	<u>525,784</u>
Total	2,035,610
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>2,035,610</u>
Total	2,035,610
Sec. B.342 Vermont veterans' home - care and support services	
Personal services	20,371,013
Operating expenses	<u>5,019,422</u>
Total	25,390,435
Source of funds	
General fund	345,783
Special funds	15,990,205
Federal funds	<u>9,054,447</u>
Total	25,390,435
Sec. B.343 Commission on women	

Personal services	333,046
Operating expenses	<u>60,085</u>
Total	393,131
Source of funds	
General fund	390,631
Special funds	<u>2,500</u>
Total	393,131
Sec. B.344 Retired senior volunteer program	
Grants	<u>151,096</u>
Total	151,096
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>151,096</u>
Total	151,096
Sec. B.345 Green Mountain Care Board	
Personal services	7,620,589
Operating expenses	<u>360,199</u>
Total	7,980,788
Source of funds	
General fund	3,192,315
Special funds	<u>4,788,473</u>
Total	7,980,788
Sec. B.346 Total human services	
Source of funds	
General fund	998,134,944
Special funds	124,340,549
Tobacco fund	23,088,208
State health care resources fund	16,915,501
Federal funds	1,421,043,687
Global Commitment fund	1,591,072,060
Internal service funds	2,035,610
Interdepartmental transfers	39,446,402
Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
Total	4,216,101,961
Sec. B.400 Labor - programs	
Personal services	29,542,710
Operating expenses	10,454,244
Grants	<u>4,575,300</u>
Total	44,572,254
Source of funds	
General fund	4,569,407

Special funds	7,049,772
Federal funds	31,540,700
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,412,375</u>
Total	44,572,254
Sec. B.401 Total labor	
Source of funds	
General fund	4,569,407
Special funds	7,049,772
Federal funds	31,540,700
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,412,375</u>
Total	44,572,254
Sec. B.500 Education - finance and administration	
Personal services	6,596,440
Operating expenses	4,295,315
Grants	<u>14,270,700</u>
Total	25,162,455
Source of funds	
General fund	3,747,829
Special funds	15,218,303
Education fund	3,367,483
Federal funds	2,199,952
Global Commitment fund	260,000
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>368,888</u>
Total	25,162,455
Sec. B.501 Education - education services	
Personal services	18,270,055
Operating expenses	1,405,450
Grants	<u>119,396,536</u>
Total	139,072,041
Source of funds	
General fund	6,384,982
Special funds	3,414,114
Tobacco fund	750,388
Federal funds	<u>128,522,557</u>
Total	139,072,041
Sec. B.502 Education - special education: formula grants	
Grants	<u>212,956,000</u>
Total	212,956,000
Source of funds	
Education fund	<u>212,956,000</u>

Total	212,956,000
Sec. B.503 Education - state-placed students	
Grants	<u>18,000,000</u>
Total	18,000,000
Source of funds	
Education fund	<u>18,000,000</u>
Total	18,000,000
Sec. B.504 Education - adult education and literacy	
Grants	<u>4,371,050</u>
Total	4,371,050
Source of funds	
General fund	3,605,000
Federal funds	<u>766,050</u>
Total	4,371,050
Sec. B.504.1 Education - Flexible Pathways	
Grants	<u>8,599,000</u>
Total	8,599,000
Source of funds	
General fund	0
Education fund	<u>8,599,000</u>
Total	8,599,000
Sec. B.505 Education - adjusted education payment	
Grants	<u>1,426,100,000</u>
Total	1,426,100,000
Source of funds	
Education fund	<u>1,426,100,000</u>
Total	1,426,100,000
Sec. B.506 Education - transportation	
Grants	<u>19,800,000</u>
Total	19,800,000
Source of funds	
Education fund	<u>19,800,000</u>
Total	19,800,000
Sec. B.507 Education - small school grants	
Grants	<u>8,400,000</u>
Total	8,400,000
Source of funds	
Education fund	<u>8,400,000</u>
Total	8,400,000

Sec. B.510 Education - essential early education grant	
Grants	<u>6,808,000</u>
Total	6,808,000
Source of funds	
Education fund	<u>6,808,000</u>
Total	6,808,000
Sec. B.511 Education - technical education	
Grants	<u>14,150,000</u>
Total	14,150,000
Source of funds	
Education fund	<u>14,150,000</u>
Total	14,150,000
Sec. B.511.1 State Board of Education	
Personal services	25,000
Operating expenses	<u>55,845</u>
Total	80,845
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>80,845</u>
Total	80,845
Sec. B.514 State teachers' retirement system	
Grants	<u>120,247,389</u>
Total	120,247,389
Source of funds	
General fund	113,466,168
Education fund	<u>6,781,221</u>
Total	120,247,389
Sec. B.514.1 State teachers' retirement system administration	
Personal services	5,305,211
Operating expenses	<u>1,673,583</u>
Total	6,978,794
Source of funds	
Pension trust funds	<u>6,978,794</u>
Total	6,978,794
Sec. B.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits	
Grants	<u>31,067,652</u>
Total	31,067,652
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>31,067,652</u>
Total	31,067,652

Sec. B.516 Total general education

Source of funds	
General fund	158,352,476
Special funds	18,632,417
Tobacco fund	750,388
Education fund	1,724,961,704
Federal funds	131,488,559
Global Commitment fund	260,000
Interdepartmental transfers	368,888
Pension trust funds	<u>6,978,794</u>
Total	2,041,793,226

Sec. B.600 University of Vermont

Grants	<u>42,509,093</u>
Total	42,509,093
Source of funds	
General fund	40,485,359
Global Commitment fund	<u>2,023,734</u>
Total	42,509,093

Sec. B.602 Vermont state colleges

Grants	<u>29,800,464</u>
Total	29,800,464
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>29,800,464</u>
Total	29,800,464

Sec. B.602.1 Vermont state colleges - Supplemental Aid

Grants	<u>700,000</u>
Total	700,000
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>700,000</u>
Total	700,000

Sec. B.603 Vermont state colleges - allied health

Grants	<u>1,157,775</u>
Total	1,157,775
Source of funds	
General fund	748,314
Global Commitment fund	<u>409,461</u>
Total	1,157,775

Sec. B.605 Vermont student assistance corporation

Grants	<u>19,978,588</u>
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Total	19,978,588
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>19,978,588</u>
Total	19,978,588
Sec. B.606 New England higher education compact	
Grants	<u>84,000</u>
Total	84,000
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>84,000</u>
Total	84,000
Sec. B.607 University of Vermont - Morgan Horse Farm	
Grants	<u>1</u>
Total	1
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>1</u>
Total	1
Sec. B.608 Total higher education	
Source of funds	
General fund	91,796,726
Global Commitment fund	<u>2,433,195</u>
Total	94,229,921
Sec. B.700 Natural resources - agency of natural resources - administration	
Personal services	2,302,597
Operating expenses	1,079,841
Grants	<u>19,960</u>
Total	3,402,398
Source of funds	
General fund	2,720,669
Special funds	581,818
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>99,911</u>
Total	3,402,398
Sec. B.701 Natural resources - state land local property tax assessment	
Operating expenses	<u>2,561,955</u>
Total	2,561,955
Source of funds	
General fund	2,140,455
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>421,500</u>
Total	2,561,955
Sec. B.702 Fish and wildlife - support and field services	

Personal services	17,628,262
Operating expenses	5,704,905
Grants	<u>1,068,313</u>
Total	24,401,480
Source of funds	
General fund	6,088,870
Special funds	166,892
Fish and wildlife fund	9,236,567
Federal funds	8,789,226
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>119,925</u>
Total	24,401,480
Sec. B.703 Forests, parks and recreation - administration	
Personal services	957,931
Operating expenses	<u>994,054</u>
Total	1,951,985
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>1,951,985</u>
Total	1,951,985
Sec. B.704 Forests, parks and recreation - forestry	
Personal services	5,879,782
Operating expenses	796,027
Grants	<u>459,000</u>
Total	7,134,809
Source of funds	
General fund	4,873,880
Special funds	412,999
Federal funds	1,487,097
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>360,833</u>
Total	7,134,809
Sec. B.705 Forests, parks and recreation - state parks	
Personal services	8,900,714
Operating expenses	<u>2,563,470</u>
Total	11,464,184
Source of funds	
General fund	292,679
Special funds	11,111,505
Permanent trust funds	<u>60,000</u>
Total	11,464,184
Sec. B.706 Forests, parks and recreation - lands administration and recreation	
Personal services	1,346,739

Operating expenses	1,384,647
Grants	<u>2,600,914</u>
Total	5,332,300
Source of funds	
General fund	853,114
Special funds	2,020,151
Federal funds	2,336,535
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>122,500</u>
Total	5,332,300

Sec. B.708 Forests, parks and recreation - forest and parks access roads

Personal services	65,425
Operating expenses	<u>114,500</u>
Total	179,925
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>179,925</u>
Total	179,925

Sec. B.709 Environmental conservation - management and support services

Personal services	6,617,612
Operating expenses	3,781,860
Grants	<u>150,000</u>
Total	10,549,472
Source of funds	
General fund	1,451,231
Special funds	572,936
Federal funds	809,608
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>7,715,697</u>
Total	10,549,472

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

Personal services	19,437,340
Operating expenses	8,660,985
Grants	<u>5,076,000</u>
Total	33,174,325
Source of funds	
General fund	424,736
Special funds	22,886,187
Federal funds	9,613,852
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>249,550</u>
Total	33,174,325

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

Personal services	21,732,819
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Operating expenses	6,821,783
Grants	<u>26,784,881</u>
Total	55,339,483
Source of funds	
General fund	7,994,351
Special funds	14,321,195
Federal funds	31,935,599
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,088,338</u>
Total	55,339,483
Sec. B.713 Natural resources board	
Personal services	2,752,876
Operating expenses	<u>530,151</u>
Total	3,283,027
Source of funds	
General fund	637,074
Special funds	<u>2,645,953</u>
Total	3,283,027
Sec. B.714 Total natural resources	
Source of funds	
General fund	29,608,969
Special funds	54,719,636
Fish and wildlife fund	9,236,567
Federal funds	54,971,917
Interdepartmental transfers	10,178,254
Permanent trust funds	<u>60,000</u>
Total	158,775,343
Sec. B.800 Commerce and community development - agency of commerce and community development - administration	
Personal services	2,013,794
Operating expenses	1,331,369
Grants	<u>552,627</u>
Total	3,897,790
Source of funds	
General fund	3,877,790
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>20,000</u>
Total	3,897,790
Sec. B.801 Economic development	
Personal services	4,027,032
Operating expenses	1,102,979
Grants	<u>5,011,099</u>

Total	10,141,110
Source of funds	
General fund	4,742,394
Special funds	1,645,350
Federal funds	3,708,366
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>45,000</u>
Total	10,141,110
Sec. B.802 Housing & community development	
Personal services	3,723,802
Operating expenses	779,039
Grants	<u>11,773,050</u>
Total	16,275,891
Source of funds	
General fund	2,753,913
Special funds	5,185,233
Federal funds	7,883,744
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>453,001</u>
Total	16,275,891
Sec. B.806 Tourism and marketing	
Personal services	1,321,226
Operating expenses	1,644,599
Grants	<u>121,880</u>
Total	3,087,705
Source of funds	
General fund	3,083,118
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,587</u>
Total	3,087,705
Sec. B.808 Vermont council on the arts	
Grants	<u>718,589</u>
Total	718,589
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>718,589</u>
Total	718,589
Sec. B.809 Vermont symphony orchestra	
Grants	<u>141,214</u>
Total	141,214
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>141,214</u>
Total	141,214
Sec. B.810 Vermont historical society	

Grants	<u>984,956</u>
Total	984,956
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>984,956</u>
Total	984,956
Sec. B.811 Vermont housing and conservation board	
Grants	<u>30,886,467</u>
Total	30,886,467
Source of funds	
Special funds	11,900,243
Federal funds	<u>18,986,224</u>
Total	30,886,467
Sec. B.812 Vermont humanities council	
Grants	<u>217,959</u>
Total	217,959
Source of funds	
General fund	<u>217,959</u>
Total	217,959
Sec. B.813 Total commerce and community development	
Source of funds	
General fund	16,519,933
Special funds	18,730,826
Federal funds	30,578,334
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>522,588</u>
Total	66,351,681
Sec. B.900 Transportation - finance and administration	
Personal services	12,544,062
Operating expenses	2,898,007
Grants	<u>55,000</u>
Total	15,497,069
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	14,625,869
Federal funds	<u>871,200</u>
Total	15,497,069
Sec. B.901 Transportation - aviation	
Personal services	3,714,895
Operating expenses	5,298,065
Grants	<u>231,676</u>
Total	9,244,636
Source of funds	

Transportation fund	4,749,136
Federal funds	<u>4,495,500</u>
Total	9,244,636
Sec. B.902 Transportation - buildings	
Operating expenses	<u>907,746</u>
Total	907,746
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	<u>907,746</u>
Total	907,746
Sec. B.903 Transportation - program development	
Personal services	53,367,048
Operating expenses	217,771,750
Grants	<u>27,258,553</u>
Total	298,397,351
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	41,049,563
TIB fund	11,835,572
Federal funds	245,117,997
Interdepartmental transfers	191,790
Local match	<u>202,429</u>
Total	298,397,351
Sec. B.904 Transportation - rest areas construction	
Personal services	40,000
Operating expenses	<u>639,706</u>
Total	679,706
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	99,280
Federal funds	<u>580,426</u>
Total	679,706
Sec. B.905 Transportation - maintenance state system	
Personal services	45,218,248
Operating expenses	48,330,691
Grants	<u>365,000</u>
Total	93,913,939
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	91,036,152
Federal funds	2,777,787
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>100,000</u>
Total	93,913,939
Sec. B.906 Transportation - policy and planning	

Personal services	4,281,699
Operating expenses	894,939
Grants	<u>6,015,583</u>
Total	11,192,221
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	2,921,480
Federal funds	8,238,741
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>32,000</u>
Total	11,192,221
Sec. B.907 Transportation - rail	
Personal services	5,252,055
Operating expenses	<u>29,683,296</u>
Total	34,935,351
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	18,237,032
TIB fund	760,000
Federal funds	15,019,569
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>918,750</u>
Total	34,935,351
Sec. B.908 Transportation - public transit	
Personal services	1,526,070
Operating expenses	165,372
Grants	<u>32,132,957</u>
Total	33,824,399
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	8,056,111
Federal funds	<u>25,768,288</u>
Total	33,824,399
Sec. B.909 Transportation - central garage	
Personal services	4,530,648
Operating expenses	<u>15,581,390</u>
Total	20,112,038
Source of funds	
Internal service funds	<u>20,112,038</u>
Total	20,112,038
Sec. B.910 Department of motor vehicles	
Personal services	21,561,929
Operating expenses	<u>11,588,772</u>
Total	33,150,701
Source of funds	

Transportation fund	31,657,492
Federal funds	1,345,934
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>147,275</u>
Total	33,150,701
Sec. B.911 Transportation - town highway structures	
Grants	<u>6,333,500</u>
Total	6,333,500
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	<u>6,333,500</u>
Total	6,333,500
Sec. B.912 Transportation - town highway local technical assistance program	
Personal services	357,757
Operating expenses	<u>48,550</u>
Total	406,307
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	106,307
Federal funds	<u>300,000</u>
Total	406,307
Sec. B.913 Transportation - town highway class 2 roadway	
Grants	<u>7,648,750</u>
Total	7,648,750
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	<u>7,648,750</u>
Total	7,648,750
Sec. B.914 Transportation - town highway bridges	
Personal services	3,239,423
Operating expenses	10,143,100
Grants	<u>451,328</u>
Total	13,833,851
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	1,304,648
TIB fund	701,815
Federal funds	10,887,721
Local match	<u>939,667</u>
Total	13,833,851
Sec. B.915 Transportation - town highway aid program	
Grants	<u>25,982,744</u>
Total	25,982,744
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	<u>25,982,744</u>

Total	25,982,744
Sec. B.916 Transportation - town highway class 1 supplemental grants	
Grants	<u>128,750</u>
Total	128,750
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	<u>128,750</u>
Total	128,750
Sec. B.917 Transportation - town highway: state aid for nonfederal disasters	
Grants	<u>1,150,000</u>
Total	1,150,000
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	<u>1,150,000</u>
Total	1,150,000
Sec. B.918 Transportation - town highway: state aid for federal disasters	
Grants	<u>180,000</u>
Total	180,000
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	20,000
Federal funds	<u>160,000</u>
Total	180,000
Sec. B.919 Transportation - municipal mitigation assistance program	
Operating expenses	204,000
Grants	<u>2,904,416</u>
Total	3,108,416
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	1,680,416
Special funds	0
Federal funds	<u>1,428,000</u>
Total	3,108,416
Sec. B.920 Transportation - public assistance grant program	
Operating expenses	500,000
Grants	<u>3,640,000</u>
Total	4,140,000
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	100,000
Special funds	640,000
Federal funds	3,000,000
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>400,000</u>
Total	4,140,000

Sec. B.921 Transportation board

Personal services	246,347
Operating expenses	<u>35,844</u>
Total	282,191
Source of funds	
Transportation fund	<u>282,191</u>
Total	282,191

Sec. B.922 Total transportation

Source of funds	
Transportation fund	258,077,167
TIB fund	13,297,387
Special funds	640,000
Federal funds	319,991,163
Internal service funds	20,112,038
Interdepartmental transfers	1,789,815
Local match	<u>1,142,096</u>
Total	615,049,666

Sec. B.1000 Debt service

Operating expenses	<u>82,765,729</u>
Total	82,765,729
Source of funds	
General fund	78,638,324
Transportation fund	560,231
ARRA funds	1,069,511
TIB debt service fund	<u>2,497,663</u>
Total	82,765,729

Sec. B.1001 Total debt service

Source of funds	
General fund	78,638,324
Transportation fund	560,231
ARRA funds	1,069,511
TIB debt service fund	<u>2,497,663</u>
Total	82,765,729

Sec. B.1100 [Deleted.]

Sec. B.1100.1 [Deleted.]

Sec. B.1101 FISCAL YEAR 2020 ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS

(a) In fiscal year 2020, funds are appropriated from the General Fund as follows:

(1) To the State Treasurer: \$65,000 for a pension group membership study.

(2) To the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation: \$500,000 to be administered in a manner that is consistent with both the existing advancement grants program and the one-time nature of this appropriation.

(3) To the Department for Children and Families, Office of Economic Opportunity: \$100,000 for pass-through grants to the Community Action Agencies to provide funding for the regional Microbusiness Development Programs pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 3722.

(4) To the Department for Children and Families: \$1,000,000 for grants to the Parent Child Centers for infrastructure improvements.

(5) To the Department of Mental Health: \$60,000 for a grant to the Copeland Center for peer support services.

(6) To the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets: \$75,000 for a grant to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board for federal rural development grant writing assistance in fiscal year 2020.

(7) To the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets: \$150,000 for grants to be awarded through Vermont Working Lands program.

(8) To the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets: \$50,000 for mosquito control.

(9) To the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets: \$50,000 for Farm to School nutrition initiatives.

(10) To the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation: \$100,000 for supplemental funding for the Vermont Outdoor Recreation Economic Collaborative grants awarded in fiscal year 2020.

(11) To the Vermont State Colleges: \$200,000 for Vermont Technical College to design and pilot a minimum of three Associates Degree Programs to be delivered at a minimum of three technical centers in Vermont. Year one of the Associates Degree is to be concurrent with a student's senior year of high school, so that the Associates Degree can be earned the subsequent year. Design work includes seeking appropriate approvals from accreditors.

(12) To the Department for Children and Families: \$1,000,000 to the Child Development Division to begin implementation of the plan established pursuant to Sec. E.318.4 of this act regarding information systems.

(13) To the Department of Children and Families: \$350,000 to the Child Development Division for the following:

(A) \$50,000 to facilitate the implementation of the Council for Professional Regulation's Child Development Associate Credential curriculum

in technical centers throughout the State. Any unused funds appropriated pursuant to this section shall be reserved to fund grants set forth in 33 V.S.A. § 3516 for students who completed the Child Development Associate Credential at a Vermont technical center.

(B) \$300,000 for grants for incentivizing child care professionals consistent with 33 V.S.A. § 3516.

(14) To the Department for Children and Families, Woodside Rehabilitation Center: \$200,000 for costs associated with transitioning from a treatment facility to a detention facility.

(15) To the Department of Health, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs: \$200,000 for a pilot program to provide transportation services to support and recovery and treatment programs for clients who are opioid addicted. The Department shall establish participation requirements for clients who are eligible for transportation services under this pilot.

(16) To the Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living: \$750,000. These funds shall be matched with federal Medicaid funds and expended in equal amounts over fiscal years 2020 through 2022. In each year these funds shall be for the statewide administration of the Support and Services at Home (SASH) program. The intent is for this portion of statewide administration funding to transition to the statewide ACO as additional Medicare covered lives are attributed to the ACO during this three-year period. These funds are in addition to other funding included in the Department's budget for SASH. The Department shall include a report on the SASH statewide administration with the fiscal year 2021 budget presentation.

(17) To the Legislature: \$20,000 to hire consultant services for upgrades to the legislature's software program's appointment data base.

(18) To the Department for Children and Families, Office of Economic Opportunity, Weatherization Assistance: \$1,000,000.

(19) To the Vermont State Colleges: \$120,000 for the purpose of housing academic records of students who attended Burlington College prior to its ceasing operations. These records shall be made available to students and other relevant parties who require transcripts or other pertinent information.

(20) To the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation: \$120,000 for logger safety and value-added forest products initiatives as follows:

(A) To support the costs of a request for proposal to develop a least three course curriculums and associated training materials for an accident prevention and safety training program for logging contractors.

(B) A grant to the Vermont Logger Education to Advance Professionalism (LEAP) program for the purpose of providing financial assistance to logging contractors to reduce the total costs of logger safety

training or continuing education in logger safety. Financial assistance from the LEAP program shall be in the form of grants.

(C) To provide grant funds of up to \$10,000 to applicants engaged in adding value to forest products within the State. These grants shall be used by the applicant to pay for expenses associated with State and local permit application costs, project consultation costs, engineering and siting costs, and expert witness analysis and testimony necessary for permitting.

(21) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development: \$25,000 to issue as a grant for the commissioning ceremony of the USS Vermont.

(22) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development: \$115,000 for grants to no less than four regional economic development organizations.

(23) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development: \$2,000,000 to fund the economic development initiatives specified in legislation enacted during the 2019 legislative session.

(24) To the Vermont Council on the Arts: \$5,000 to provide matching funds from the National Endowment for the Arts.

Sec. B.1102 [Deleted.]

Sec. B.1103 [Deleted.]

Sec. C.100 FISCAL YEAR 2019 ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS

(a) In fiscal year 2019, funds are appropriated from the General Fund as follows:

(1) To the Agency of Digital Services: \$500,000 of which \$200,000 is allocated for network device upgrades to enhance network safety and \$300,000 is allocated for a network assessment.

(2) To the Department of Buildings and General Services: \$500,000 for the purpose of installing electric vehicle charging stations at State facilities and to support the purchase of fully electric vehicles for the State motor pool.

(3) To the Department for Children and Families: \$500,000 to fund LIHEAP administration for one year as the Department transitions to lower cost methods for administering this program. The Department shall evaluate the allocation methodology of the program and whether it is being administered efficiently.

(4) To the Agency of Human Services: \$2,000,000 to fund grants for the development of an electronic medical/health records system for the State's Designated Agency system.

(A) Vermont Care Partners and the Agency of Human Services shall present a plan for review and approval by the Joint Fiscal Committee at its July 2019 meeting. The plan shall summarize the development and implementation of the system and demonstrate that this project will support the goals set forth in the State-wide Health Information Technology (HIT) Plan (defined in 18 V.S.A. § 9351) and meet, at a minimum, the connectivity requirements set forth in the State-wide HIT plan and the requirements of the Centers for Medicaid Services (CMS). The plan shall support current payment reform initiatives and include the projected project timeline and total budget including the allocation of this appropriation. No funds shall be released prior to review and approval by the Joint Fiscal Committee.

(5) To the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board: \$500,000 for acquisition of land that is of Statewide importance.

(6) To the Department of Labor: \$70,000 to design a coordinated plan for an integrated postsecondary career and technical education system and to provide services and support for New Americans pursuant to requirements enacted during the 2019 legislative session.

(7) To the Department for Children and Families, Office of Economic Opportunity, Weatherization Assistance: \$300,000.

(b) In fiscal year 2019, funds are appropriated from fund number 21638 the AG-Fees & Reimbursements-Court Order Fund as follows:

(1) To the Attorney General: \$250,000. This appropriation shall carry forward for use in fiscal year 2020.

(2) To the Agency of Transportation: \$1,700,000 for an Electric Vehicle purchase or lease incentive program.

(c) In fiscal year 2019, \$400,000 funds are appropriated from fund number 21912 the Evidence Based Education Manufacturing Fund to the Department of Health for the Substance Misuse Prevention Advisory Council. A portion of these funds may be used for analysis and planning including an inventory of direct substance misuse prevention funding currently allocated in the State budget. The remaining funds shall be used to implement the comprehensive State-wide substance misuse prevention plan developed by the Council.

Sec. C.101 FISCAL YEAR 2019 ONE-TIME FUND TRANSFER

(a) In fiscal year 2019, funds are transferred from the General Fund as follows:

(1) \$948,271 to the Emergency Relief and Assistance Fund, established in 20 V.S.A. § 45(c).

Sec. C.102 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. D.101 as amended by Sec. 56 of H.532 of 2019, is further amended to read:

Sec. D.101 FUND TRANSFERS, REVERSIONS, AND RESERVES

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(b) Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2019:

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(2) The following estimated amounts, which may be all or a portion of unencumbered fund balances, shall be transferred from the following funds to the General Fund in fiscal year 2019. The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee at its July meeting the final amounts transferred from each fund and certify that such transfers will not impair the agency, office, or department reliant upon each fund from meeting its statutory requirements.

21638	AG-Fees & Reimbursements-Court Order	2,000,000.00	4,488,000.00
21928	Secretary of State Services Fund		2,607,923.00
62100	Unclaimed Property Fund		2,978,680.00

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Sec. C.103 FISCAL YEAR 2019 TOBACCO LITIGATION SETTLEMENT
FUND TRANSFER AND YEAR END BALANCE

(a) Notwithstanding 18 V.S.A. chapter 225, \$1,500,000 is transferred from the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund to the General Fund in fiscal year 2019.

(b) Notwithstanding 18 V.S.A. § 9502(b), the actual balances at the end of fiscal year 2019 in the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund established by 32 V.S.A. § 435a shall remain in the Fund.

Sec. C.104 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. B.125 is amended to read:

Sec. B.125 Legislative council

Personal services	4,063,930	4,168,930
Operating expenses	827,857	827,857
Total	4,891,787	4,996,787
Source of funds		
General fund	4,891,787	4,996,787
Total	4,891,787	4,996,787

Sec. C.105 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. B.126 is amended to read:

Sec. B.126 Legislature

Personal services	4,091,578	3,921,578
Operating expenses	<u>3,809,338</u>	<u>3,809,338</u>
Total	7,900,916	7,730,916
Source of funds		
General fund	<u>7,900,916</u>	<u>7,730,916</u>
Total	7,900,916	7,730,916

Sec. C.106 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. B.127 is amended to read:

Sec. B.127 Joint fiscal committee

Personal services	1,696,568	1,746,568
Operating expenses	<u>159,358</u>	<u>159,358</u>
Total	1,855,926	1,905,926
Source of funds		
General fund	<u>1,855,926</u>	<u>1,905,926</u>
Total	1,855,926	1,905,926

Sec. C.107 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. B.128 is amended to read:

Sec. B.128 Sergeant at arms

Personal services	737,216	752,216
Operating expenses	<u>68,612</u>	<u>68,612</u>
Total	805,828	820,828
Source of funds		
General fund	<u>805,828</u>	<u>820,828</u>
Total	805,828	820,828

Sec. C.108 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. B.503 is amended to read:

Sec. B.503 Education - state-placed students

Grants	15,700,000	20,400,000
Total	15,700,000	20,400,000
Source of funds		
Education fund	<u>15,700,000</u>	<u>20,400,000</u>
Total	15,700,000	20,400,000

Sec. C.109 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. B.516 as amended by 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 6, Sec. 40 is further amended to read:

Sec. 40. 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. B.516 is amended to read:

Sec. B.516 Total general education

Source of funds

General fund	136,968,810	136,968,810
Special funds	19,483,091	19,483,091
Tobacco fund	750,388	750,388
Education fund	1,650,519,334	1,655,219,334
Federal funds	138,281,079	138,281,079
Global Commitment fund	260,000	260,000
Interdepartmental transfers	4,204,714	4,204,714
Pension trust funds	<u>7,781,379</u>	<u>7,781,379</u>
Total	1,958,248,795	1,962,948,748

Sec. C. 110 2018 (Sp. Session) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. B. 514 is amended to read:

Sec. B.514 State teachers' retirement system

Grants	<u>99,940,777</u>	<u>100,440,777</u>
Total	<u>99,940,777</u>	<u>100,440,777</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	<u>92,241,519</u>	92,741,519
Education fund	<u>7,699,258</u>	<u>7,699,258</u>
Total	<u>99,940,777</u>	<u>100,440,777</u>

Sec. C. 111 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. B.515 is amended to read:

Sec. B.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits

Grants	<u>31,639,205</u>	<u>31,139,205</u>
Total	<u>31,639,205</u>	<u>31,139,205</u>
Source of funds		
General fund	<u>31,639,205</u>	<u>31,139,205</u>
Total	<u>31,639,205</u>	<u>31,139,205</u>

Sec. C.112 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. E.514 is amended to read:

Sec. E.514 State teachers' retirement system

(a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(g)(2), the annual contribution to the State Teachers' Retirement System (STRS) shall be \$105,640,777 of which ~~\$99,940,777~~ \$100,440,777 shall be the State's contribution and ~~\$5,700,000~~ \$5,200,000 shall be contributed from local school systems or educational entities pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944c.

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Sec. C.113 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. E.515 is amended to read:

Sec. E.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits

(a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944b(b)(2), ~~\$31,639,205~~ \$31,139,205 will be contributed to the Retired Teachers' Health and Medical Benefits Fund.

Sec. C.114 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 69, Sec. C.1 is amended to read:

Sec. C.1. THE GREEN MOUNTAIN SECURE RETIREMENT PLAN

(a) The State of Vermont shall, consistent with federal law and regulation, ~~adopt design~~, and implement a voluntary ~~Multiple Employer Plan (MEP)~~ ERISA-covered public retirement plan, employing a multiple employer plan or aggregated single employer plans, which shall remain in compliance with federal law and regulations once implemented, and shall be called the "Green Mountain Secure Retirement Plan."

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(c) The Plan shall:

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(2) automatically enroll all employees of employers that choose to participate ~~in the MEP~~;

(3) allow employees the option of withdrawing their enrollment and ending their participation ~~in the MEP~~;

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~~(d) The State of Vermont shall implement the "Green Mountain Secure Retirement Plan" on or before January 15, 2019, based on the recommendations of the Public Retirement Plan Study Committee as set forth in 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 157, Sec. F.1.~~

Sec. C.115 SPECIAL FUND APPROPRIATION FOR TAX COMPUTER SYSTEMS

(a) In fiscal year 2019 \$10,000,000 is appropriated to the Department of Taxes from the Tax Computer System Modernization Special Fund established pursuant to 2007 Acts and Resolves No. 65, Sec. 282, as amended by 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 63, Sec. C.103, as amended by 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 1, Sec. 65, as amended by 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 95, Sec. 62, as amended by 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 47, as amended by 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. E.111.1, and as further amended by 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 6, Sec. 102. This appropriation shall carry forward through fiscal year 2022.

Sec. C.116 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 6, Sec. 88 is amended to read:

Sec. 88. FISCAL YEAR 2019 ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERS FROM THE GENERAL FUND

(a) The following appropriations are made from the General Fund in fiscal year 2019:

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(6) To the Joint Fiscal Office: \$275,000 to be allocated ~~as follows for the following studies that will be comprehensively defined in the fiscal year 2020 budget process:~~

(A) ~~\$250,000 to be reserved to fund contracted for~~ research and findings to identify and examine the factors contributing to Vermont's high rate of children entering the custody of the State. Such research shall study the preventive and upstream services and interventions provided to families and the extent to which these supports to families have demonstrated effectiveness in allowing children to remain with their families. Policy recommendations resulting from this research are intended to inform funding decisions regarding these services to ensure the safety of Vermont's vulnerable children and to enhance the long-term stability and well-being of these families.

(i) The Joint Fiscal Office is authorized to enter into a direct contract with the University of Vermont in lieu of a bid process. In the event that such a contract takes place, the payments shall be made in intervals of: twenty-five percent (25%) upon signing; thirty percent (30%) to be paid after approval of a final work plan by the Chairs of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, the House Committee on Human Services, and the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare Committee; thirty percent (30%) on agreed upon mid-contract term project status report or presentation; and fifteen percent (15%) upon report completion and presentation to the Legislature on or before January 30, 2020.

(ii) The Agency of Human Services and the Department for Children and Families shall execute memoranda and provide data in a timely fashion and in a manner consistent with any federal requirements as needed for this research project.

(B) ~~\$25,000 to be reserved to fund contracted services a direct contract with the Council of State Governments Justice Center~~ for research and findings related to:

(i) Vermont's population of incarcerated women, including the types of offenses for which this population is incarcerated and alternatives to incarceration available to this population to assist the State in its planning for correctional facilities; and

(ii) the detention population of the Department of Corrections (DOC) and policy recommendations to reduce this population and/or reduce the need for DOC in-state bed capacity for this population. The report shall be submitted to the General Assembly on or before December 15, 2019.

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Sec. D.100 APPROPRIATIONS; PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX

(a) This act contains the following amounts appropriated from special funds that receive revenue from the property transfer tax. Expenditures from these appropriations shall not exceed available revenues.

(1) The sum of \$518,000 is appropriated from the Current Use Administration Special Fund to the Department of Taxes for administration of the Use Tax Reimbursement Program. Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 9610(c), amounts above \$518,000 from the property transfer tax that are deposited into the Current Use Administration Special Fund shall be transferred into the General Fund.

(2) The sum of \$10,804,840 is appropriated from the Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board (VHCB). Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 312, amounts above \$10,804,840 from the property transfer tax and surcharge established by 32 V.S.A. § 9602a that are deposited into the Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund shall be transferred into the General Fund.

(A) The dedication of \$2,500,000 in revenue from the property transfer tax pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 9610(d) for the debt payments on the affordable housing bond (10 V.S.A. § 314) is to be offset by the reduction of \$1,500,000 in the appropriation to the VHCB and \$1,000,000 from the surcharge established by 32 V.S.A. § 9602a. The fiscal year 2020 appropriation of \$10,804,840 to VHCB reflects the \$1,500,000 reduction. The affordable housing bond and related property transfer tax and surcharge provisions are repealed after the life of the bond on July 1, 2039. Once the bond is retired, the \$1,500,000 reduction in the appropriation to VHCB is intended to be restored.

(3) The sum of \$3,760,599 is appropriated from the Municipal and Regional Planning Fund. Notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a), amounts above \$3,760,599 from the property transfer tax that are deposited into the Municipal and Regional Planning Fund shall be transferred into the General Fund. The \$3,760,599 shall be allocated as follows:

(A) \$2,924,417 for disbursement to regional planning commissions in a manner consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b);

(B) \$457,482 for disbursement to municipalities in a manner consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b);

(C) \$378,700 to the Agency of Digital Services for the Vermont Center for Geographic Information established in 10 V.S.A. § 122.

Sec. D.101 FUND TRANSFERS AND REVERSIONS

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the following amounts are transferred from the funds indicated:

(1) From the Clean Water Fund established by 10 V.S.A. § 1388 to the following:

(A) Agricultural Water Quality Special Fund created under 6 V.S.A. § 4803: \$1,845,000.

(B) Lake in Crisis Response Program Fund created under 10 V.S.A. § 1315: \$50,000.

(2) From the Transportation Fund to the Downtown Transportation and Related Capital Improvement Fund established by 24 V.S.A. § 2796 to be used by the Vermont Downtown Development Board for the purposes of the Fund: \$423,966.

(3) From the Transportation Infrastructure Bond Fund established by 19 V.S.A. § 11f to the Transportation Infrastructure Bonds Debt Service Fund established by 32 V.S.A. § 951a for funding fiscal year 2021 transportation infrastructure bonds debt service: \$2,502,613.

(b) Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2020:

(1) The following amounts shall be transferred to the General Fund from the funds indicated:

<u>22005</u>	<u>AHS Central Office earned federal receipts</u>	<u>6,474,593.00</u>
<u>50300</u>	<u>Liquor Control Fund</u>	<u>1,805,000.00</u>
<u>62100</u>	<u>Unclaimed Property Fund</u>	<u>1,305,143.00</u>
	<u>Caledonia Fair</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>
	<u>North Country Hospital Loan</u>	<u>24,250.00</u>

(2) The following estimated amounts, which may be all or a portion of unencumbered fund balances, shall be transferred from the following funds to the General Fund in fiscal year 2020. The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee at its July meeting the final amounts transferred from each fund and certify that such transfers will not impair the agency, office, or department reliant upon each fund from meeting its statutory requirements.

<u>21638</u>	<u>AG-Fees & Reimbursements-Court Order</u>	<u>2,000,000.00</u>
<u>21928</u>	<u>Secretary of State Services Fund</u>	<u>2,032,817.00</u>

(3) In fiscal year 2020, notwithstanding 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. E.228, \$29,955,763 of the unencumbered balances in the Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund (Fund Number 21075), the Captive Insurance Regulatory and Supervision Fund (Fund Number 21085), and the

Securities Regulatory and Supervision Fund (Fund Number 21080) shall be transferred to the General Fund.

(c) Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2020:

(1) The following amounts shall revert to the General Funds from the accounts indicated:

<u>1210001000</u>	<u>Legislative Council</u>	<u>75,000.00</u>
<u>1210002000</u>	<u>Legislature</u>	<u>175,000.00</u>
<u>1220000000</u>	<u>Joint Fiscal Office</u>	<u>30,000.00</u>

Sec. D.101.1 [Deleted.]

Sec. D.102 [Deleted.]

Sec. D.103 [Deleted.]

Sec. D.104 32 V.S.A. § 308b(c) is amended to read:

(c) The Human Services Caseload Reserve shall contain two sub-accounts:

(1) A sub-account for incurred but not reported Medicaid expenses. Each year beginning with fiscal year 2020, the Department of Finance and Management shall adjust the amount reserved for incurred but not reported Medicaid expenses to equal the amount specified in the most recently completed Comprehensive Annual Financial Report ~~as of June 30th of the prior fiscal year~~ for the estimated amount of incurred but not reported Medicaid expenses associated with the current Medicaid Global Commitment waiver.

* * * GENERAL GOVERNMENT * * *

Sec. E.100 EXECUTIVE BRANCH POSITION AUTHORIZATIONS

(a) The establishment of the following permanent classified positions is authorized in fiscal year 2020:

(1) In the Department for Children and Families' Family Services Division – thirteen (3) Family Services Worker, two (2) Family Services Supervisor, three (3) Resource Coordinator, and one (1) Assistant Attorney General to fill the position of a staff attorney.

(2) In the Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living – one (1) Director of Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind Services.

(b) The positions established in this subdivision shall be transferred and converted from existing vacant positions in the Executive Branch and shall not increase the total number of authorized State positions, as defined in Sec. A.107 of this act.

Sec. E.100.1 REPORT; REACH UP CASE MANAGEMENT REDUCTION
IN FORCE (RIF)

(a) The Secretary of Administration shall provide a written report to the Joint Fiscal Committee on or before November 1, 2019 on the status of the RIF resulting from reduced need for case management services in the Reach Up program and the concurrent reduction in funding to the Department for Children and Families in fiscal year 2020. The report shall include information on whether individuals impacted were hired into other state positions, retired, or separated from State employment.

Sec. E.101 [Deleted.]

Sec. E.106 [Deleted.]

Sec. E.111 Tax – administration/collection

(a) Of this appropriation, \$15,000 is from the Current Use Administration Special Fund established by 32 V.S.A. § 9610(c) and shall be appropriated for programming changes to the CAPTAP software used by municipalities for establishing property values and administering their grand lists.

Sec. E.112 [Deleted.]

Sec. E.113 Buildings and general services – engineering

(a) The \$3,583,423 interdepartmental transfer in this appropriation shall be from the fiscal year 2020 General Bond Fund appropriation in the Capital Bill of the 2019 legislative session.

Sec. E.124 32 V.S.A. § 306 is amended to read:

§ 306. BUDGET REPORT

(a) The Governor shall submit to the General Assembly, not later than the third Tuesday of every annual session, a budget which shall embody his or her estimates, requests, and recommendations for appropriations or other authorizations for expenditures from the State Treasury. In the first year of the biennium, the budget shall relate to the two succeeding fiscal years. In the second year of the biennium, it shall relate to the succeeding fiscal year. The budget shall be based upon the official State revenue estimates, including the Medicaid estimated caseloads and per-member per-month expenditures, adopted by the Emergency Board pursuant to section 305a of this title.

(1) ~~The Governor shall~~ As part of the budget report, the Governor shall:

(A) develop and publish annually for public review as part of the budget report a current services budget, providing the public with an estimate of what the current level of services is projected to cost in the next fiscal year;

(B) provide an estimated cost of deferred infrastructure maintenance in the State's transportation system; and

(C) itemize current services liabilities, including the total obligations and the amount estimated for full funding in the current year in which an amortization schedule exists. These shall include the following liabilities projected for the start of the budget fiscal year:

(i) pension liabilities for the Vermont State Employees' Retirement System (VSERS) and the Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System (VSTRS), and other postemployment benefit liabilities under current law and relevant Government Accounting Standards Board standards for these systems;

(ii) child care fee scale funding requirements pursuant to 33 V.S.A. §3512 to bring total year funding to current market rates and current federal poverty levels;

(iii) Reach Up funding full benefit obligations, including the standard of need for the current fiscal year, prior to any rateable reductions made pursuant to 33 V.S.A. §1103(a), which ensure that the expenditures for the programs shall not exceed appropriations;

(iv) statutory funding levels from the Property Transfer Tax pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 9610;

(v) projected fund liabilities of the funds identified in the "Notes" section of the most recent Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), including the Workers' Compensation Fund, the State Liability Insurance Fund, the Medical Insurance Fund, and the Dental Insurance Fund; and

(vi) a summary of other nonmajor enterprise funds and internal service funds where deficits exist in excess of \$1,500,000.

(2) The provisions of 2 V.S.A. § 20(d) (expiration of required reports) shall not apply to the report to be made under this subsection.

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Sec. E.126 2 V.S.A. chapter 14 is added to read:

CHAPTER 14. JOINT LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

§ 451. CREATION OF COMMITTEE: PURPOSE

(a) Creation. There is created the Joint Legislative Management Committee. The Committee shall provide general oversight and management across the offices of the General Assembly, and administrative services to the legislative offices and the legislature.

(b) Membership. The Committee shall be composed of the following members:

(1) four members of the House, which shall include representatives of the Legislative Council Committee, the Joint Fiscal Committee, and the Rules

Committee, and shall consist of:

(A) the Speaker of the House; and

(B) three members of the House appointed by the Speaker, not all from the same political party, and

(2) four members of the Senate, which shall include representatives of the Legislative Council Committee, the Joint Fiscal Committee, and the Rules Committee, and shall consist of:

(A) the President Pro Tempore; and

(B) three members of the Senate appointed by the Committee on Committees, not all from the same political party.

(c) Members shall serve a term of two years or until their successors are appointed. The term of a member shall end upon his or her ceasing to be a member of the General Assembly.

(d) Interim vacancies may be filled by appointment by the Committee on Committees or the Speaker of the House in the same manner as in subsection (b) of this section.

(e) Initial appointments shall be made upon passage of this act, with initial terms concluding the moment new appointments to the Committee are made in January 2021.

(f) Subsequent appointments shall be made biennially at the same time as standing committees.

(g) The Committee shall meet immediately following the appointment of its membership to elect a chair and a vice chair and to organize and conduct its business. The Committee may meet as often as it deems necessary and a majority of the members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Meetings may be called by the Chair or by a majority of the members.

(h) For attending a meeting of Committee when he or she is not receiving compensation as a member of the General Assembly, a member of the Committee shall be entitled to the same per diem compensation and reimbursement for necessary expenses as provided members of standing committees under section 406 of this title.

Sec. E.126.1 JOINT LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE;
INITIAL DUTIES IN 2019

(a) The Joint Legislative Management Committee, established pursuant to 2 V.S.A. § 451, shall consider and recommend the most appropriate organization, structure, and oversight of the staff and staff offices of the General Assembly. The Committee shall:

(1) Consider the recommendations contained in the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) “Vermont General Assembly Legislative Branch Workforce Comparative Evaluation” March 2019 report.

(2) Consult with and consider the recommendations of:

(A) the Joint Fiscal Committee;

(B) the Legislative Council Committee;

(C) the Legislative Information Technology Committee;

(D) the Joint Rules Committee;

(E) the Chief Fiscal Officer, Director and Chief Counsel, House Clerk, Senate Secretary, and Sergeant at Arms;

(F) supervisors and employees of every staff office as the Committee deems appropriate;

(G) members of the General Assembly as the Committee deems appropriate; and

(H) any other person the Committee deems appropriate.

(b) Report. On or before December 15, 2019, the Committee shall submit to the General Assembly a written report setting forth detailed recommendations concerning the most appropriate organization, structure, and oversight of the staff and staff offices of the General Assembly.

(c) The report shall contain draft statutory language and draft budgetary changes necessary to implement the recommendations set forth in the Committee’s report.

(d) Assistance. In carrying out the duties set forth in this section, the Committee shall have the assistance and support of the Joint Fiscal Office, the Office of Legislative Council, and the Sergeant at Arms.

Sec. E.126.2 LEGISLATIVE BRANCH POSITIONS

(a) Legislature: The establishment of two (2) new permanent exempt Legislative Staff positions are authorized within the legislature in fiscal year 2020. The position titles will be determined by the Joint Legislative Management Committee.

(b) Joint Fiscal Office: The establishment of one (1) new permanent exempt Administrative Research Assistant position is authorized within the legislative Joint Fiscal Office in fiscal year 2020.

Sec. E.126.3 JOINT LEGISLATIVE JUSTICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE; 2019 LEGISLATIVE INTERIM

(a) During the 2019 legislative interim, the Joint Legislative Justice Oversight Committee shall consider the following criminal justice reform strategies as part of an effort which will be called Justice Reinvestment II. These policies should be pursued in order to create a smarter criminal justice system that prevents avoidable incarceration, returns people to communities without risking public safety, and reduces or eliminates the need for out-of-state prison placements or new prison bed capacity in Vermont:

(1) furlough reform, including the possible elimination of furlough;

(2) management of the detainee population;

(3) sentencing reforms, including the possible elimination of weekend and nighttime sentences, and the elimination of work crew in favor of restorative justice;

(4) expansion of restorative justice and diversion programs;

(5) establishment of new transitional housing facilities to reintegrate offenders into the community;

(6) establishment of new treatment-centered facilities as an alternative to incarceration for certain drug and DUI offenses;

(7) parole reform, including presumptive parole; and

(8) the release of non-violent women offenders for whom community-based treatment and services would be more appropriate.

(b) The Committee should utilize the expertise of the Justice Center of the Council on State Governments to the maximum extent possible, and shall report any recommendations in the form of proposed legislation to the General Assembly on or before December 15, 2019.

Sec. E.127 2 V.S.A. § 501(a) is amended to read:

(a) There is created a Joint Fiscal Committee whose membership shall be appointed ~~at the beginning~~ on or before January 15 of each biennial session of the General Assembly. The Committee shall consist of five Representatives and five Senators as follows:

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Sec. E.127.1 2 V.S.A. § 503 is amended to read:

§ 503. FUNCTIONS

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(b) The Joint Fiscal Committee shall:

(1) furnish research services and secretarial services of a fiscal nature to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, the Senate Committee

on Finance, the House Committee on Ways and Means, the House and Senate Committees on Transportation, and the Joint Fiscal Committee;

(2) carry on a continuing review of the fiscal operations of the State, including revenues, budgeting, and expenditures;

(3) accept grants and approve any related limited service positions, gifts, loans, or any other thing of value, approved by the Governor, under the provisions of 32 V.S.A. § 5, when the General Assembly is not in session; and

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Sec. E.127.2 32 V.S.A. § 5 is amended to read:

§ 5. ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS

(a) ~~No~~ Definitions. As used in this section:

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

(2) “State agency” means an Executive Branch agency, department, commission, or board.

(b) Executive Branch approval.

(1) Approval required. A State agency shall not accept the original of any grant, gift, loan, or any sum of money, or thing of value may be accepted by any agency, department, commission, board, or other part of State government except as follows:

(A) the State agency is granted approval pursuant to this subsection;

or

(B) Joint Fiscal Committee policies adopted pursuant to subsection (e) of this section do not require a State agency to obtain approval.

(2) Governor review.

~~(1) All such items must be submitted to the~~ The Governor who shall review each grant, gift, loan, or any sum of money, or thing of value and shall send a copy of the approval or rejection to the Joint Fiscal Committee through the Joint Fiscal Office together with the following information with respect to said these items:

(A) the source of the grant, gift, or loan and value;

(B) the legal and referenced titles of the grant, title, in the case of a grant;

(C) the costs, direct and indirect, for the present and future years related to such a grant;

(D) the receiving department and/or program which will utilize the grant, or both;

(E) a brief statement of purpose; and

(F) any impact on existing programs if ~~grant there is not accepted a rejection.~~

~~(2)~~(3) Legislative review.

(A) The Governor's approval in subdivision (b)(2) of this section shall be final ~~unless~~ except as follows:

(i) When the General Assembly is not in session, within 30 days of receipt of such information the copy of an approval and related information required under subdivision (b)(2) of this section, a member of the Joint Fiscal Committee requests such grant, gift, loan, sum of money, or thing of value be placed on the Committee's agenda of the Joint Fiscal Committee; or;

(ii) when the General Assembly is in session, within 30 days of receipt of the copy of an approval and related information required under subdivision (b)(2) of this section, a member of the Committee requests that such grant, gift, loan, sum of money, or thing of value be held for legislative approval. If a copy of an approval and related information is received when the General Assembly is in session, but before the members of the Joint Fiscal Committee are appointed, one of the statutorily appointed members of the Committee may request to hold a grant for legislative approval. Legislative approval under this subdivision may be granted by legislation or resolution.

(B) In the event of such a request to hold a grant made pursuant to subdivision (3) of this subsection, the grant shall not be accepted until approved by the Joint Fiscal Committee or the Legislature General Assembly.

(C) The 30-day period described in subdivision (3)(A)(i) of this subsection may be reduced where expedited consideration is warranted in accordance with adopted Joint Fiscal Committee policies adopted pursuant to subsection (e) of this section.

~~(D) During the legislative session~~ Upon receipt of the copy of an approval and related information required under subdivision (b)(2) of this section while the General Assembly is in session, the Joint Fiscal Committee shall promptly file a notice with the House and Senate Clerks for publication in the respective calendars of any grant approval requests that are submitted by the administration.

~~(3)~~(4) Exceptions.

(A) General. This The review and approval process set forth in subsection (b) of this section shall not apply to the following items, if the acceptance of those items will not incur additional expense to the State or create an ongoing requirement for funds, services, or facilities:

(i) the acceptance of grants, gifts, ~~donations,~~ loans, sums of

money, or other things of value with a value of ~~\$5,000.00~~ \$15,000.00 or less, if the acceptance of those items will not incur additional expense to the State or create an ongoing requirement for funds, services, or facilities; or

~~(ii) the acceptance by the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation and the Department of Fish and Wildlife of grants, gifts, donations, loans, or other things of value with a value of \$15,000.00 or less; or~~

~~(iii) the acceptance by the Vermont Veterans' Home of grants, gifts, donations, loans, or other things of value with a value of \$10,000.00 or less a legal settlement.~~

(B)(i) Notification required. The receiving agency shall promptly notify the Secretary of Administration and Joint Fiscal Office ~~shall be promptly notified~~ of the source, value, and purpose of any items received under this subdivision; provided, however, that no notification is required for an item received under this subdivision with a value of less than \$1,500.00.

(ii) The Joint Fiscal Office shall report all ~~such~~ items received under this subdivision to the Joint Fiscal Committee quarterly. The provisions of 2 V.S.A. § 20(d) (expiration of required reports) shall not apply to the report to be made under this subdivision.

~~(4)(5) Transportation.~~ With respect to acceptance of the original of a federal transportation earmark or of a discretionary federal grant for a transportation project, the provisions of ~~subdivisions~~ subdivision (1) and ~~(2)~~ of this subsection shall apply, except that in addition:

(A) notification of the Governor's approval or rejection shall also be made to the Chairs of the House and Senate Committees on Transportation; and

(B) such grant or earmark shall be placed on the agenda, and shall be subject to the approval, of a committee comprising the Joint Fiscal Committee and the Chairs of the House and Senate Committees on Transportation, if one of the Chairs or a member of the Joint Fiscal Committee so requests.

(c) Legislative and Judicial Branch approval.

(1) Approval required. The Legislative and Judicial Branches shall not accept the original of any grant, gift, loan, or any sum of money, or thing of value except as follows:

(A) approval is granted pursuant to the process set forth in subdivision (b)(3) of this section if the item received has a value of more than \$15,000; and

(B) notification is sent to the Joint Fiscal Committee and the Secretary of Administration of the source, value, and purpose of the item received if the item has a value of \$1,500.00 or more.

(2) Exceptions. The review process set forth in subdivision (b)(2) of this section shall not apply to the approval of any grant, gift, loan, or any sum of money, or thing of value received by the Legislative or Judicial Branches.

(b)(d) In accordance with subsection (a) of this section, Limited service position. The Joint Fiscal Committee is authorized to approve a limited service position request in conjunction with a grant, a limited service position request for a if the position is explicitly stated for a specific purpose in the grant, may be authorized and the position request is approved pursuant to the process set forth in subsection (b) of this section. The position shall terminate with the expiration of the grant funding unless otherwise funded by an act of the General Assembly. Such authorized A limited service positions position request shall not be created until the appointing authority has certified include a certification from the appointing authority to the Joint Fiscal Committee that there exists equipment and housing for the positions position or that funds are available to purchase equipment and housing for the positions position.

(e) Policies. The Joint Fiscal Committee is authorized to adopt policies to implement this section, including a policy on expedited review by the Joint Fiscal Committee when the General Assembly is not in session.

Sec. E.131 10 V.S.A. § 9 is amended to read:

§ 9. INVESTMENT IN VERMONT COMMUNITY LOAN FUND

Notwithstanding any provision of 32 V.S.A. § 433(a) to the contrary, the State Treasurer is authorized to invest up to ~~\$1,000,000.00~~ \$1,500,000.00 of short-term operating or restricted funds in the Vermont Community Loan Fund on terms acceptable to the Treasurer and consistent with prudent investment principles and guidelines pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 433(b)-(c).

Sec. E.133 Vermont state retirement system

(a) Notwithstanding 3 V.S.A. § 473(d), in fiscal year 2020, investment fees shall be paid from the corpus of the Fund.

Sec. E.139 GRAND LIST LITIGATION ASSISTANCE

(a) Of the appropriation in Sec. B.139 of this act, \$9,000 shall be transferred to the Attorney General and \$70,000 shall be transferred to the Department of Taxes, Division of Property Valuation and Review and reserved and used with any remaining funds from the amount previously transferred for final payment of expenses incurred by the Department or towns in defense of grand list appeals regarding the reappraisals of the hydroelectric plants and other property owned by TransCanada Hydro Northeast, Inc. and its successor Great River Hydro, LLC in the State of Vermont. Expenditures for this purpose shall be considered qualified expenditures under 16 V.S.A. § 4025(c).

Sec. E.142 Payments in lieu of taxes

(a) This appropriation is for State payments in lieu of property taxes under 32 V.S.A. chapter 123, subchapter 4, and the payments shall be calculated in addition to and without regard to the appropriations for PILOT for Montpelier and for correctional facilities elsewhere in this act. Payments in lieu of taxes under this section shall be paid from the PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.

Sec. E.143 Payments in lieu of taxes – Montpelier

(a) Payments in lieu of taxes under this section shall be paid from the PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.

Sec. E.144 Payments in lieu of taxes – correctional facilities

(a) Payments in lieu of taxes under this section shall be paid from the PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.

* * * PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY * * *

Sec. E.200 Attorney general

(a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Office of the Attorney General, Medicaid Fraud and Residential Abuse Unit, is authorized to retain, subject to appropriation, one-half of the State share of any recoveries from Medicaid fraud settlements, excluding interest, that exceed the State share of restitution to the Medicaid Program. All such designated additional recoveries retained shall be used to finance Medicaid Fraud and Residential Abuse Unit activities.

(b) Of the revenue available to the Attorney General under 9 V.S.A. § 2458(b)(4), \$1,390,500 is appropriated in Sec. B.200 of this act.

Sec. E.204 RUTLAND ADULT TREATMENT COURT DOCKET;
FUNDING

(a) In the event the Rutland Adult Treatment Court program does not achieve an average minimum of 20 participants per month during the months of July-December of 2019, General Fund funding of the program shall cease effective January 1, 2020.

Sec. E.208 Public safety – administration

(a) The Commissioner of Public Safety is authorized to enter into a performance-based contract with the Essex County Sheriff's Department to provide law enforcement service activities agreed upon by both the Commissioner of Public Safety and the Sheriff.

Sec. E.208.1 SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM;
ADDISON-RUTLAND SUPERVISORY UNION

(a) The Department of Public Safety shall use \$82,000 of the amount appropriated in Sec. 13 of the fiscal year 2020 Capital Construction and State

Bonding Act for the School Safety and Security Grant Program to reimburse capital eligible expenses paid by the Addison-Rutland Supervisory Union to implement safety and security measures at schools within the district.

Sec. E.209 Public safety – state police

(a) Of this appropriation, \$35,000 in special funds shall be available for snowmobile law enforcement activities and \$35,000 in general funds shall be available to the Southern Vermont Wilderness Search and Rescue Team, which comprises State Police, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, county sheriffs, and local law enforcement personnel in Bennington, Windham, and Windsor Counties, for snowmobile enforcement.

(b) Of this appropriation, \$405,000 is allocated for grants in support of the Drug Task Force. Of this amount, \$190,000 shall be used by the Vermont Drug Task Force to fund three town task force officers. These town task force officers shall be dedicated to enforcement efforts with respect to both regulated drugs as defined in 18 V.S.A. § 4201(29) and the diversion of legal prescription drugs. Any unobligated funds may be allocated by the Commissioner to fund the work of the Drug Task Force or carried forward.

Sec. E.212 Public safety – fire safety

(a) Of this General Fund appropriation, \$55,000 shall be granted to the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force for the purpose of designing dry hydrants.

Sec. E.215 Military – administration

(a) The amount of \$1,426,718 shall be disbursed to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for the National Guard Educational Assistance program established in 16 V.S.A. § 2856 and the National Guard Tuition Benefit Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 2857.

Sec. E.219 Military – veterans’ affairs

(a) Of this appropriation, \$1,000 shall be used for continuation of the Vermont Medal Program; \$4,800 shall be used for the expenses of the Governor’s Veterans’ Advisory Council; \$7,500 shall be used for the Veterans’ Day parade; \$5,000 shall be used for the Military, Family, and Community Network; and \$10,000 shall be granted to the American Legion for the Boys’ State and Girls’ State programs.

Sec. E.219.1 EXPOSURE TO BURN PIT; OUTREACH AND EDUCATION

(a) The Adjutant General and the Military Department, the Commissioners of Health and Vermont Department of Health ,and the Office of Veterans’ Affairs shall prepare outreach and education materials concerning exposure to burn pits and the importance of participating in the U.S. Department of Veterans’ Affairs Airborne Hazards and Open Burn Pit Registry. Each

department is authorized to allocate resources as needed from funds appropriated in fiscal year 2020 for this purpose.

Sec. E.220 Center for crime victim services

(a) Notwithstanding 20 V.S.A. § 2365(c), the Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services shall transfer \$49,253 from the Domestic and Sexual Violence Special Fund established in 13 V.S.A. § 5360 to the Criminal Justice Training Council for the purpose of funding one-half of the costs of the Domestic Violence Trainer position. The other half of the position will be funded with an appropriation to the Criminal Justice Training Council.

Sec. E.224 Agriculture, food and markets – agricultural development

(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.224 of this act, the amount of \$594,000 in general funds is appropriated for expenditure by the Working Lands Enterprise Board established in 6 V.S.A. § 4606 for investments in food and forest system businesses and services providers pursuant to 6 V.S.A. § 4607 and consistent with the funding priorities in 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 142, Sec. 5, as amended by 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.224.1.

Sec. E.233 [Deleted.]

Sec. E.233.1 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE TRANSFER FROM RESERVES

(a) Notwithstanding 30 V.S.A. § 22(d)(1) and (3), on June 30 of fiscal year 2019, from any balance in the amount allocated to the Public Utility Commission from the special fund for the maintenance of engineering and accounting forces (special fund) pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 22(c), sufficient monies shall be transferred to the Department of Public Service for the sole purpose of closing any special fund sub-account fund deficit in the Department of Public Service.

* * * HUMAN SERVICES * * *

Sec. E.300 [Deleted.]

Sec. E.300.1 TRANSITION OF STATE HEALTH CARE RESOURCES FUND REVENUES TO THE GENERAL FUND

(a) The Department of Finance and Management shall report the total statewide revenues received from each of the following revenue sources both historically and prospectively and compare those amounts to the total amount of State fund sources appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act, as amended by the Budget Adjustment Act for fiscal year 2019:

(1) all revenue from cigarette and tobacco products taxes levied pursuant to 32 V.S.A. chapter 205;

(2) all revenue from health care provider assessments pursuant to

33 V.S.A. chapter 19, subchapter 2;

(3) all revenue from the Employers' Health Care Fund contribution pursuant to 32 V.S.A. chapter 245; and

(4) all revenue from health care claims assessments pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 10402.

(b) The State agency or department to which the revenue is remitted shall maintain the same level of accounting detail for each of the revenue sources listed in subdivisions (a)(1)–(4) of this section as was maintained prior to July 1, 2020.

Sec. E.300.2 DEPOSIT AND USE OF MASTER SETTLEMENT FUND

(a) Deposit of Master Tobacco Settlement receipts and appropriations of Tobacco Settlement funds in fiscal year 2020 are made, notwithstanding 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec. D.104.

Sec. E.300.3 FUNDING FOR THE OFFICE OF THE HEALTH CARE ADVOCATE

(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.300 of this act, \$1,482,406 shall be used for the contract with the Office of the Health Care Advocate.

Sec. E. 300.4 SPECIALIZED HOUSING VOUCHERS

(a) The Secretary of Human Services shall convene a work group to include one representative from each of the Departments of Mental Health, Corrections, Children and Families, the Housing and Community Development within the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, the Vermont State Housing Authority, and the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board to develop a strategy to fully utilize available federal rental assistance funds for vulnerable populations in Vermont. This rental assistance, in the form of specialized and rapid rehousing vouchers, serves specialized, vulnerable populations including homeless families with children, homeless youth, chronically homeless individuals with mental illness, and families that have lost or are at risk of losing a child to State custody. The working group shall examine the following:

(1) Whether existing expenditures on case management or other services for this vulnerable population could be utilized as match to draw federal specialized voucher funds and;

(2) Vermont's current allocation of housing assistance funds to ensure that Vermont maximizes the ability of the State to draw federal voucher funds.

(b) On or before January 15, 2020, the Secretary of Human Services shall report the findings of the work group to the House committees on Appropriations, on Health and Welfare and on General, Housing and Military

affairs and the Senate Committees on Appropriations, on Health and Welfare, and on Economic Development, Housing, and General Affairs.

Sec. E.300.5 18 V.S.A. § 4653(a) is amended to read:

(a) On or before July 1, 2019 2020, the Agency of Human Services shall submit a formal request to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for certification of the State's wholesale prescription drug importation program.

Sec. E.300.6 3 V.S.A. § 3028 is added to read:

§ 3028. WHOLESAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG IMPORTATION PROGRAM

(a) The Agency of Human Services shall be responsible for the development and, upon approval from the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the implementation and administration of a wholesale prescription drug importation program that complies with the applicable requirements of 21 U.S.C. § 384, including the requirements regarding safety and cost savings.

(b) The Secretary of Human Services may adopt rules pursuant to chapter 25 of this title as needed to develop, implement, and administer the program.

Sec. E.300.7 NEXT STEPS FOR IMPLEMENTING A WHOLESAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG IMPORTATION PROGRAM

(a) The Agency of Human Services shall consult with the National Academy for State Health Policy (NASHP) and with states pursuing or interested in pursuing a wholesale prescription drug importation program to identify opportunities to coordinate and work collaboratively in these efforts. On or before October 1, 2019, the Agency shall provide an update on its progress in obtaining federal approval for a wholesale prescription drug importation program pursuant to 18 V.S.A. § 4653, including the results of its consultations with NASHP and with other states, to the House Committees on Appropriations, on Health Care, and on Ways and Means; the Senate Committees on Appropriations, on Health and Welfare, and on Finance; and the Joint Fiscal Committee.

(b) The Board of Pharmacy in the Office of Professional Regulation, in consultation with the Agency of Human Services, shall explore whether any new prescription drug wholesaler license categories would be necessary in order to operate a wholesale prescription drug importation program in this State. On or before January 15, 2020, the Board shall provide its findings and recommendations with respect to new prescription drug wholesaler license categories to the House Committees on Government Operations and on Health Care and the Senate Committees on Government Operations and on Health and Welfare.

Sec. E.301 Secretary's office – Global Commitment:

(a) The Agency of Human Services shall use the funds appropriated in Sec. B.103 of this act for payment of the actuarially certified premium required under the intergovernmental agreement between the Agency of Human Services and the managed care entity, the Department of Vermont Health Access, as provided for in the Global Commitment for Health Waiver (Global Commitment) approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under Section 1115 of the Social Security Act.

(b) In addition to the State funds appropriated in this section, a total estimated sum of \$26,348,983 is anticipated to be certified as State matching funds under the Global Commitment as follows:

(1) \$23,295,650 certified State match available from local education agencies for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services under the Global Commitment. This amount combined with \$27,204,350 of federal funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act equals a total estimated expenditure of \$50,500,000. An amount equal to the amount of the federal matching funds for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services under Global Commitment shall be transferred from the Global Commitment Fund to the Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund created in 16 V.S.A. § 2959a.

(2) \$3,053,333 certified State match available from local designated mental health and developmental services agencies for eligible mental health services provided under Global Commitment.

(c) Up to \$15,400,000 is transferred from the AHS Federal Receipts Holding Account to the Interdepartmental Transfer Fund consistent with the amount appropriated in Sec. B.301 – Secretary's Office – global commitment of this act.

Sec. E.301.1 GLOBAL COMMITMENT APPROPRIATIONS; TRANSFER;
REPORT

(a) In order to facilitate the end-of-year closeout for fiscal year 2020, the Secretary of Human Services, with approval from the Secretary of Administration, may make transfers among the appropriations authorized for Medicaid and Medicaid-waiver program expenses, including Global Commitment appropriations outside the Agency of Human Services. At least three business days prior to any transfer, the Agency shall submit to the Joint Fiscal Office a proposal of transfers to be made pursuant to this section. A final report on all transfers made under this section shall be made to the Joint Fiscal Committee for review at the September 2020 meeting. The purpose of this section is to provide the Agency with limited authority to modify the appropriations to comply with the terms and conditions of the Global Commitment for Health waiver approved by the Centers for Medicare and

Medicaid Services under Section 1115 of the Social Security Act.

Sec. E.301.2 MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER
WORKFORCE;

(a) The \$1,500,000 allocated to the Agency of Human Services for fiscal year 2019 pursuant to 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. C.106.1(b)(2) shall be carried forward to fiscal year 2020 and be used for loan repayment and tuition assistance to promote the recruitment and retention of high-quality providers of mental health and substance use disorder treatment services in Vermont. The funds shall be made available to Vermont residents, and to residents of other states enrolled in Vermont educational institutions, based on a three-year commitment to provide mental health services or substance use disorder treatment services, or both, in Vermont, for the following uses:

(1) loan repayment for masters-level clinicians, bachelor's-level direct-service staff, and nurses; and

(2) tuition assistance for individuals pursuing degrees to become masters-level clinicians, bachelor's level direct service staff, and nurses.

(b) The Agency may contract with Area Health Education Centers or the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation or both to administer these programs.

(c) The fiscal year 2020 appropriation pursuant to 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. C.106.1(b)(2) shall be reserved to be addressed in the fiscal year 2020 budget adjustment or fiscal year 2021 budget processes.

Sec. E.306 VERMONT HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE RULES

(a) The Agency of Human Services may adopt rules pursuant to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 to conform Vermont's rules regarding health care eligibility and enrollment and the operation of the Vermont Health Benefit Exchange to state and federal law and guidance. The Agency may use the emergency rules process pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 844 prior to June 30, 2020, but only in the event that new state or federal law or guidance require Vermont to amend or adopt its rules in a time frame that cannot be accomplished under the traditional rulemaking process. An emergency rule adopted under these exigent circumstances shall be deemed to meet the standard for the adoption of emergency rules required pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 844(a).

Sec. E.306.1 33 V.S.A. chapter 19, subchapter 4 is added to read:

Subchapter 4. Coverage for Dental Services

§ 1991. DEFINITIONS

As used in this chapter:

(1) “Dental hygienist” means an individual licensed to practice as a dental hygienist under 26 V.S.A. chapter 12.

(2) “Dental services” means preventive, diagnostic, or corrective procedures related to the teeth and associated structures of the oral cavity.

(3) “Dental therapist” means an individual licensed to practice as a dental therapist under 26 V.S.A. chapter 12.

(4) “Dentist” means an individual licensed to practice dentistry under 26 V.S.A. chapter 12.

§ 1992. MEDICAID COVERAGE FOR ADULT DENTAL SERVICES

(a) Vermont Medicaid shall provide coverage for medically necessary dental services provided by a dentist, dental therapist, or dental hygienist working within the scope of the provider’s license as follows:

(1) Up to two visits per calendar year for preventive services, including prophylaxis and fluoride treatment, with no co-payment. These services shall not be counted toward the annual maximum benefit amount set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection.

(2) Diagnostic, restorative, and endodontic procedures, to a maximum of \$1,000.00 per calendar year, provided that the Department of Vermont Health Access may approve expenditures in excess of that amount when exceptional medical circumstances so require.

(3) Other dental services as determined by the Department by rule.

(b) The Department of Vermont Health Access shall develop a reimbursement structure for dental services in the Vermont Medicaid program that encourages dentists, dental therapists, and dental hygienists to provide preventive care.

Sec. E.306.2 AMENDMENT TO MEDICAID STATE PLAN

(a) If necessary, the Secretary of Human Services shall request approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for an amendment to Vermont’s Medicaid State Plan to include the expanded Medicaid dental benefits set forth in 33 V.S.A. § 1992.

Sec. E.306.3 DENTAL ACCESS AND REIMBURSEMENT WORKING GROUP; REPORT

(a) The Department of Vermont Health Access, in consultation with the Board of Dental Examiners and the Vermont State Dental Society, shall convene a working group of interested stakeholders to:

(1) evaluate current Medicaid reimbursement rates to dentists, dental therapists, and other providers of dental services and determine the amount of fiscally responsible increases to the rates for specific services that would be

needed in order to attract additional providers to participate in the Vermont Medicaid program;

(2) determine the feasibility of and costs associated with establishing a State dental assistance program to provide access to affordable dental services for Vermont residents who have lower income and are enrolled in Medicare; and

(3) explore opportunities to further expand access to dental care in Vermont, including:

(A) examining the potential to reimburse dentists, dental therapists, and dental hygienists for teledentistry services; and

(B) exploring the possible integration of dental services into the scope of services provided through accountable care organizations.

(b)(1) On or before November 1, 2019, the Department of Vermont Health Access shall provide to the House Committee on Health Care and the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare the working group's findings and recommendations regarding the feasibility and costs of creating a dental assistance program for Medicare beneficiaries as described in subdivision (a)(2) of this section and on opportunities to further expand access to dental care as described in subdivision (a)(3) of this section. The report shall also include the amount of funding that would be needed to achieve the reimbursement rates determined by the working group pursuant to subdivision (a)(1) of this section.

(2) The Department of Vermont Health Access shall report on the amount of funding necessary to achieve the reimbursement rates determined by the working group pursuant to subdivision (a)(1) of this section as part of the Department's fiscal year 2021 budget presentation.

Sec. E.308 LONG TERM CARE APPROPRIATION; TRANSFER

(a) In fiscal year 2020, the Administration is authorized to transfer the appropriation in Sec. B.308 of this act from the Department of Vermont Health Access to the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living. This change shall be reflected in future budget recommendations.

(b) The Secretary of Human Services shall review and assess the appropriation structure for funding licensed residential care facilities and make recommendations in the Agency's fiscal year 2021 budget proposal.

Sec. E.312 Health – public health

(a) AIDS/HIV funding:

(1) In fiscal year 2020 and as provided in this section, the Department of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$475,000 in AIDS Medication Rebates special funds to the Vermont AIDS service and peer-support

organizations for client-based support services. The Department of Health AIDS Program shall meet at least quarterly with the Community Advisory Group (CAG) with current information and data relating to service initiatives. The funds shall be allocated according to an RFP process.

(2) Ryan White Title II funds for AIDS services and the Vermont Medication Assistance Program (VMAP) shall be distributed in accordance with federal guidelines. The federal guidelines shall not apply to programs or services funded solely by State general funds.

(3)(A) The Secretary of Human Services shall immediately notify the Joint Fiscal Committee if at any time there are insufficient funds in VMAP to assist all eligible individuals. The Secretary shall work in collaboration with persons living with HIV/AIDS to develop a plan to continue access to VMAP medications until such time as the General Assembly can take action.

(B) As provided in this section, the Secretary of Human Services shall work in collaboration with the VMAP Advisory Committee, which shall be composed of not less than 50 percent of members who are living with HIV/AIDS. If a modification to the program's eligibility requirements or benefit coverage is considered, the Committee shall make recommendations regarding the program's formulary of approved medication, related laboratory testing, nutritional supplements, and eligibility for the program.

(4) In fiscal year 2020, the Department of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$100,000 in general funds to Vermont AIDS service organizations and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers for community-based HIV prevention programs and services. These funds shall be used for HIV/AIDS prevention purposes, including syringe exchange programs; improving the availability of confidential and anonymous HIV testing; prevention work with at-risk groups such as women, intravenous drug users, and people of color; and anti-stigma campaigns. Not more than 15 percent of the funds may be used for the administration of such services by the recipients of these funds. The method by which these prevention funds are distributed shall be determined by mutual agreement of the Department of Health and the Vermont AIDS service organizations and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers.

(5) In fiscal year 2020, the Department of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$150,000 in general funds to Vermont AIDS service organizations and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers for syringe exchange programs. The method by which these prevention funds are distributed shall be determined by mutual agreement of the Department of Health, the Vermont AIDS service organizations, and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers. The performance period for these grants will be State fiscal year 2020. Grant reporting shall include outcomes and results.

Sec. E.312.1 REPORT; PROMOTION OF IMMUNIZATION

(a) On or before July 1, 2019, the Commissioner of Health shall submit a report to the House Committee on Health Care and to the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare summarizing the Department's efforts to promote immunization in Vermont in accordance with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's recommendations. The report shall specifically address:

(1) existing efforts by the Department to promote immunization in Vermont, as well as the funding source and annual funding amount used for each effort; and

(2) the availability of additional federal funds to enhance Vermont's efforts to promote immunizations.

Sec. E.312.2 DISTRIBUTION OF FENTANYL TESTING STRIPS

(a) The Department of Health, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs shall allocate \$50,000 of special funds appropriated in fiscal year 2020 for the distribution of fentanyl testing strips through active syringe service programs in the state. Priority should be given to syringe service programs that do not currently distribute testing strips, to areas of the state with the highest overdose death rates and highest percentage of fentanyl involvement, and to pregnant and parenting women. The amount expended shall not exceed available funds. The Department shall establish participation requirements for the syringe service programs receiving strips under this pilot.

Sec. E.314 ENHANCED CRT; SUPPORTED HOUSING

(a) \$1,560,800 of the funds provided to the Department of Mental Health shall be utilized to create up to 12 supported housing arrangements for CRT individuals whose acuity and particular needs have been prohibitive to community re-entry. The intent of this funding is reduced inpatient use by individuals who have limited discharge options.

Sec. E.314.1 SUCCESS BEYOND SIX; REVIEW

(a) The Success Beyond Six program is based on agreements between the Designated Agencies and local schools, supervisory unions, or districts. The Agency of Human Services currently does not play a role in negotiating the contracts, however the overall program spending is part of the Medicaid program and impacts overall Medicaid spending and the budget neutrality cap.

(b) Given the limited room in the Global Commitment Medicaid budget neutrality cap, the Agency of Human Services (AHS) and Department of Mental Health (DMH) shall assess and determine how to evaluate Success Beyond Six program spending against other competing priorities in the Medicaid program..

(c) AHS/DMH shall report to the General Assembly on Success Beyond Six evaluation and oversight no later than January 15, 2020. The report shall include:

(1) Analysis of the trend in school based mental health programming that is funded through the Success Beyond Six program fiscal mechanism;

(2) Evaluation of the program attributes;

(3) Determination, in partnership with the with the Designated Agencies, of metrics for evaluating program outcomes; and

(4) Determination of how AHS/DMH should participate in Success Beyond Six spending decisions.

Sec. E.316 [Deleted.]

Sec. E.316.1 [Deleted.]

Sec. E.317 [Deleted.]

Sec. E.318 33 V.S.A. § 3512 is amended to read:

§ 3512. CHILD CARE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;
ELIGIBILITY

(a)(1) The Child Care Financial Assistance Program is established to subsidize, to the extent that funds permit, the costs of child care for families that need child care services in order to obtain employment, to retain employment, or to obtain training leading to employment. Families seeking employment shall ~~not~~ be entitled to participate in the Program for ~~a period in excess of one month, unless that period is extended by~~ up to three months and the Commissioner may further extend that period.

(2) The subsidy authorized by this subsection shall be on a sliding scale basis. The scale shall be established by the Commissioner, by rule, and shall bear a reasonable relationship to income and family size. The lower limit of the fee scale shall include families whose gross income is up to and including 100 percent of the current federal poverty guidelines. The upper income limit of the fee scale shall be neither less than 200 percent of the current federal poverty guidelines nor more than 100 percent of the State median income, adjusted for the size of the family. The scale shall be structured so that it encourages employment. If the federal poverty guidelines decrease in a given year, the Division shall maintain the previous year's federal poverty guidelines for the purpose of determining eligibility and benefit amount under this subsection.

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(4) After September 30, 2021, a regulated center-based child care program or family child care home as defined by the Department in rule shall

not receive funds pursuant to this subsection that are in excess of the usual and customary rate for services at the center-based child care program or family child care home.

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Sec. E.318.1 CHILD CARE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

(a) In fiscal year 2020 the Department for Children and Families' Child Development Division shall adjust the sliding fee scale and reimbursement rates as follows:

(1) to ensure that families whose gross income is up to 100 percent of the current federal poverty guidelines receive 100 percent of the available benefit and that families whose gross income is between 100 and 300 percent of the current federal poverty guidelines receive between 99 and 10 percent of the available financial assistance benefit, scaling between set eligibility levels as follows:

(A) 95 percent of the available financial assistance benefit for families at 125 percent of the current federal poverty guidelines;

(B) 75 percent of the available financial assistance benefit for families at 150 percent of the current federal poverty guidelines;

(C) 50 percent of the available financial assistance benefit for families at 200 percent of the current federal poverty guidelines; and

(D) 10 percent of the available financial assistance benefit for families at 300 percent of the current federal poverty guidelines; and

(2) align rates of reimbursement for preschool age children participating in CCFAP in fiscal year 2020 with the market rates reported on the 2012 Vermont Market Rate Survey, align rates of reimbursement for school age children participating in CCFAP in fiscal year 2020 with the market rates reported on the 2010 Vermont Market Rate Survey, and maintain rates of reimbursement for infants and toddlers participating in CCFAP in fiscal year 2020 with the market rates reported on the 2017 Vermont Market Rate Survey.

Sec. E.318.2 EARLY CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM CESSATION

(a) The Early Care and Child Development Grant Program shall cease operation on June 30, 2019.

Sec. E.318.3 33 V.S.A. § 3515 is added to read:

§ 3515. INFANT AND TODDLER CHILD CARE PROVIDER GRANTS

(a) There is established an infant and toddler child care provider grant program administered by the Division for the purpose of expanding infant and toddler child care capacity. The Division shall award grants to new or existing

center-based child care programs and family child care homes in accordance with subsections (b) and (c) of this section.

(b) An eligible applicant shall:

(1) be a regulated, privately-operated center-based child care program or family child care home in good standing;

(2) participate in the Child Care Financial Assistance Program (CCFAP) and maintain the enrollment of CCFAP supported children at a level of at least 30 percent;

(3) provide year-round, full-day child care and early learning services for infants and toddlers; and

(4) participate in the STep Ahead Recognition System (STARS).

(c) In determining how to distribute grants pursuant to this section, the Division shall give priority to center-based child care programs and family child care homes operating or opening in underserved regions of the State.

(d) The Division shall provide grants pursuant to this section as funds allow. Center-based child care programs or family child care homes receiving a grant shall remain in compliance with the Division's rules, continue participation in STARS, and maintain high enrollment of children receiving a CCFAP subsidy.

Sec. E.318.4 BRIGHT FUTURES INFORMATION SYSTEM;
MODERNIZATION PLAN

(a) In fiscal year 2020, up to \$100,000 of funds may be used by the Department for Children and Families' Child Development Division for the purpose of developing a modernization plan for the Bright Futures Information System. On or before Dec. 1, 2019, the Commissioner shall submit a report to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare providing:

(1) an initial project plan and timeline;

(2) a fiscal analysis of the plan; and

(3) the project team tasked with overseeing the project's implementation.

Sec. E.318.5 33 V.S.A. § 3516 is added to read:

§ 3516. GRANT INCENTIVIZING CHILD CARE PROFESSION

(a) There is established an incentive program that fosters an interest in the child care profession among students, including students participating in adult education. The incentive program shall provide grants to fund a combination

of opportunities for students employed in regulated, privately operated center-based child care programs and family child care homes, including:

- (1) scholarships;
- (2) paid internships; and
- (3) hiring or retention bonuses, or both.

(b) The Division shall administer the incentive program set forth in this section or contract for its administration and adopt policies, procedures, and guidelines necessary to implement the provisions of this section. Grants shall be available pursuant to this section on a first-come, first-served basis until appropriated funds are depleted.

(c) An individual shall not simultaneously receive funds from the Vermont Department of Labor to complete a paid internship in regulated, privately operated center-based child care programs and family child care homes while receiving funds pursuant to this section.

Sec. E.318.6 REPORT; EVALUATION OF EXPENDITURES AND PROGRAMS

(a) On or before January 1, 2024, the Commissioner for Children and Families, in consultation with stakeholders, shall submit a report to the House Committee on Human Services and to the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare:

(1) evaluating the effectiveness of the expenditures resulting from the Child Care Financial Assistance Program rate and subsidy changes enacted for fiscal year 2020, the infant and toddler child care provider grants set forth in 33 V.S.A. § 3515, and the grant incentivizing the child care profession set forth in 33 V.S.A. § 3516;

(2) making recommendations as to whether these programs and expenditures should continue; and

(3) evaluating how these expenditures and programs contribute to Vermont's children and young people reaching their potential pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 2311.

Sec. E.318.7 EDUCATIONAL AND EXPERIENTIAL VARIANCE

(a) For individuals operating or employed in a registered family child care home or as a director or teacher associate in a center-based program for 10 or more years prior to September 1, 2016, the Commissioner for Children and Families or designee may issue a variance to the Child Development Division's rule regarding educational and experiential requirements to allow an individual to maintain employment in that same role regardless of whether the family child care provider, family child care assistant, director, or teacher associate intends to attain the otherwise necessary educational requirements.

To be eligible for a variance, the family child care provider, family child care assistant, director, or teacher associate shall:

(1) work continuously in a regulated program with a full license in good standing; and

(2) meet the Divisions' educational and experiential requirements in place prior to the adoption of the new rule, which was effective beginning September 1, 2016.

(b) The Commissioner or designee shall review any violation occurring in a regulated program where a family child care provider, family child care assistant, director, or teacher associate is under variance and may revoke the variance granted by this section depending upon the seriousness and circumstances of the violation.

(c) Any variance granted under this section shall be terminated on July 1, 2024, and extensions shall not be granted beyond that date.

Sec. E.321 GENERAL ASSISTANCE HOUSING

(a) Funds appropriated to the Agency of Human Services in the General Assistance program in fiscal year 2020 may be used for temporary housing in catastrophic situations and for vulnerable populations, as defined in rules adopted by the Agency. The Commissioner for Children and Families may, by policy, provide temporary housing for a limited duration in adverse weather conditions when appropriate shelter space is not available.

Sec. E.321.1 HOUSING ASSISTANCE BENEFITS; FLEXIBILITY PROGRAM; COMMUNITY BASED ALTERNATIVES TO GENERAL ASSISTANCE TEMPORARY HOUSING

(a) For fiscal year 2020, the Agency of Human Services may continue to fund housing assistance programs within the General Assistance program to create flexibility to provide General Assistance benefits, as well as grants to support the establishment of community-based alternatives for temporary housing as part of the effort to reduce the number of individuals temporarily housed by the General Assistance program. The purpose of these housing assistance programs and community-based alternatives is to mitigate poverty and serve applicants more effectively than they are currently being served with General Assistance funds. Eligible activities shall include, among other things, the provision of shelter, overflow shelter, case management, transitional housing, deposits, down payments, rental assistance, upstream prevention, and related services that ensure that all Vermonters have access to shelter, housing, and the services they need to become safely housed. The Agency may award grants to homeless and housing service providers for eligible activities. Where such housing assistance programs and grants are provided, and community-based programs are established, the General Assistance rules

shall not apply. The assistance provided under this section is not an entitlement and may be discontinued when the appropriation has been fully spent.

(b) The housing assistance and community-based programs may operate in up to 12 districts designated by the Secretary of Human Services. The Agency shall establish goals and procedures for evaluating the program overall, including performance measures that demonstrate program results, and for each district in which the Agency operates the program, it shall establish procedures for evaluating the district program and its effects.

(c) The Agency shall continue to engage interested parties, including both statewide organizations and local agencies, in the design, implementation, and evaluation of housing assistance programs and community-based alternatives to General Assistance temporary housing.

Sec. E.323 REACH UP CASE MANAGEMENT REVIEW

(a) On or before October 2019, the Secretary of Human Services shall report to Joint Legislative Child Protection Oversight Committee and make recommendations on how Reach Up Case Management services can be more effectively directed to strengthen families and promote parental responsibilities. This report shall:

(1) outline the current components of the statutorily required Individualized Family Development Plan;

(2) identify what modifications are required to ensure a comprehensive assessment of the family's strengths and service needs is completed so that the family's individualized plan adequately addresses the nurturing and care of the children;

(3) review how families at risk of involvement in the child welfare system are identified and protocols for providing the preventive and upstream services to so that children can remain safely at home; and

(4) examine current practices of serving Reach Up families such as home visiting and referrals to enhance parental care and family stability.

Sec. E.323.1 33 V.S.A. § 1103 is amended to read:

§ 1103. ELIGIBILITY AND BENEFIT LEVELS

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(c) The Commissioner shall adopt rules for the determination of eligibility for the Reach Up program and benefit levels for all participating families that include the following provisions:

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(9) The amount of ~~\$115.00~~ \$58.00 of the Supplemental Security Income payment received by a parent excluding payments received on behalf of a child shall count toward the determination of the amount of the family's financial assistance grant.

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Sec. E.324 EXPEDITED CRISIS FUEL ASSISTANCE

(a) The Commissioner for Children and Families or designee may authorize crisis fuel assistance to those income-eligible households that have applied for an expedited seasonal fuel benefit but have not yet received it, if the benefit cannot be executed in time to prevent them from running out of fuel. The crisis fuel grants authorized pursuant to this section count toward the one crisis fuel grant allowed per household for the winter heating season pursuant to 33 V.S.A. § 2609(b).

Sec. E.325 Department for children and families – office of economic opportunity

(a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.325 of this act, \$1,092,000 shall be granted to community agencies for homeless assistance by preserving existing services, increasing services, or increasing resources available statewide. These funds may be granted alone or in conjunction with federal Emergency Solutions Grants funds. Grant decisions shall be made with assistance from the Vermont Coalition to End Homelessness.

Sec. E.326 Department for children and families – OEO – weatherization assistance

(a) Of the Special Fund appropriation in Sec. B.326 of this act, \$750,000 is for the replacement and repair of home heating equipment.

Sec. E.326.1 [Deleted.]

Sec. E.326.2 [Deleted.]

Sec. E.333 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICE PAYMENT REFORM UPDATE

(a) The Agency of Human Services shall submit an update to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare on the progress made on the developmental disability service delivery and payment reform model on or before January 15, 2020. The update will provide information on decisions made to date on the proposed model for developmental disabilities payment and service delivery reform, including information regarding:

(1) anticipated costs to both providers and the state of any potential changes including changes in the assessments process and any identified funding strategies;

- (2) the plan to use a standardized assessment tool;
- (3) how the proposed model addresses individualized services and community inclusion;
- (4) stakeholder engagement including how their feedback was incorporated into the plan;
- (5) a description of how the model works in relation to value-based payment and sustainability of the system and its workforce;
- (6) how the model covers the costs of high needs individuals;
- (7) the continuation of person-centered care planning and services;
- (8) maintaining choice of provider, service management, and service options; and
- (9) how it will hold providers accountable for service expenditures and individual recipient outcomes.

Sec. E.335 CORRECTIONS APPROPRIATIONS; TRANSFER; REPORT

(a) In fiscal year 2020, the Secretary of Administration may, upon recommendation of the Secretary of Human Services, transfer unexpended funds between the respective appropriations for correctional services and for correctional services out-of-state beds. At least three days prior to any such transfer being made, the Secretary of Administration shall report the intended transfer to the Joint Fiscal Office and shall report any completed transfers to the Joint Fiscal Committee at its next scheduled meeting.

Sec. E.335.1 JUSTICE REINVESTMENT ALLOCATIONS

(a) In fiscal year 2020 and each fiscal year thereafter the Department of Corrections shall redirect any budgetary savings in contracted services or caseload reductions in any area of corrections services, out-of-state bed need, as well as any savings to the following justice reinvestment priorities:

(1) court diversion, community justice programs and nonincarcerative treatment options for those suffering from either mental health or addiction problems.

(2) community organizations that develop transitional or long-term housing for offenders re-entering the community.

(3) programs operated by the Department or partner organizations serving re-entering offenders regarding employment, reliable transportation, education or vocational training, substance use disorder recovery, peer support, and housing.

Sec. E.335.2 COMMUNITY WORK CREW PROGRAM RESTRUCTURE

(a) On or before October 15, 2019, the Department of Corrections shall report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Judiciary regarding whether the Department should contract with local community justice programs to oversee the work crew sentence requirements of any individual with work crew obligations under the Department's supervision. The report shall consider the cost and public safety implications, as well as any anticipated effect on recidivism rates, of any such contractual approach to work crew supervision. This report is timely for the General Assembly because of the relatively small number of offenders with work crew obligations, the significant number of Department staff currently tasked with work crew oversight, and the opportunity to better partner with state-supported community and restorative justice programs.

Sec. E.338 Corrections - correctional services

(a) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 3709(a), the special funds appropriation of \$152,000 for the supplemental facility payments to Newport and Springfield shall be paid from the PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.

(b) The Department shall allocate \$20,000 of community program funding to the Caring Dads program in fiscal year 2020.

Sec. E.338.1 28 V.S.A. § 801 is amended to read:

§ 801. MEDICAL CARE OF INMATES

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(e)(1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, an inmate who is admitted to a correctional facility while under the medical care of a licensed physician, a licensed physician assistant, or a licensed advanced practice registered nurse and who is taking medication at the time of admission pursuant to a valid prescription as verified by the inmate's pharmacy of record, primary care provider, other licensed care provider, or as verified by the Vermont Prescription Monitoring System or other prescription monitoring or information system, including buprenorphine, methadone, or other medication prescribed in the course of medication-assisted treatment, shall be entitled to continue that medication and to be provided that medication by the Department pending an evaluation by a licensed physician, a licensed physician assistant, or a licensed advanced practice registered nurse.

(2)(A) Notwithstanding subdivision (1) of this subsection, the Department may defer provision of a validly prescribed medication in accordance with this subsection if, in the clinical judgment of a licensed physician, a physician assistant, or an advanced practice registered nurse, it is not medically necessary to continue the medication at that time.

(B) Notwithstanding subdivision (1) of this subsection, an inmate taking medication prescribed in the course of medication-assisted treatment

shall attend the counseling and behavioral therapy components of medication-assisted treatment.

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Sec. E.338.2 28 V.S.A. § 801b is amended to read:

§ 801b. MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT IN CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES

(a) If an inmate receiving medication-assisted treatment prior to entering the correctional facility continues to receive medication prescribed in the course of medication-assisted treatment pursuant to section 801 of this title, the inmate shall be authorized to receive that medication for as long as medically necessary. The inmate shall attend the counseling and behavioral therapy components of medication-assisted treatment.

(b)(1) If at any time an inmate screens positive as having an opioid use disorder, the inmate may elect to commence buprenorphine-specific medication-assisted treatment if it is deemed medically necessary by a provider authorized to prescribe buprenorphine. The inmate shall be authorized to receive the medication as soon as possible and for as long as medically necessary. The inmate shall attend the counseling and behavioral therapy components of medication-assisted treatment.

(2) Nothing in this subsection shall prevent an inmate who commences medication-assisted treatment while in a correctional facility from transferring from buprenorphine to methadone if:

(A) methadone is deemed medically necessary by a provider authorized to prescribe methadone; and

(B) the inmate elects to commence methadone as recommended by a provider authorized to prescribe methadone.

(c) The licensed practitioner who makes the clinical judgment to discontinue a medication shall cause the reason for the discontinuance to be entered into the inmate's medical record, specifically stating the reason for the discontinuance. The inmate shall be provided, both orally and in writing, with a specific explanation of the decision to discontinue the medication and with notice of the right to have his or her community-based prescriber notified of the decision. If the inmate provides signed authorization, the Department shall notify the community-based prescriber in writing of the decision to discontinue the medication.

(d)(1) As part of reentry planning, the Department shall commence medication-assisted treatment prior to an inmate's release if:

(A) the inmate screens positive for an opioid use disorder;

(B) medication-assisted treatment is medically necessary; ~~and~~

(C) the inmate elects to commence medication-assisted treatment;
and

(D) the inmate agrees to attend the counseling and behavioral therapy components of medication-assisted treatment.

(2) If medication-assisted treatment is indicated and despite best efforts induction is not possible prior to release, the Department shall ensure comprehensive care coordination with a community-based provider.

(e) ~~Any counseling or~~ Counseling and behavioral therapies shall be provided in conjunction with the use of medication for all medication-assisted treatment ~~shall be medically necessary.~~

Sec. E.338.3 CORRECTIONS HEALTH CARE; REPORTS

(a) On or before November 15, 2019, the Department of Corrections shall provide an interim report to the Joint Legislative Justice Oversight Committee regarding:

(1) the Department's current and planned future efforts, in consultation with the Agency of Human Services and the other departments in the Agency, to integrate health care services delivered in correctional facilities with Vermont's broader health care reform initiatives;

(2) the Department's implementation of the requirement pursuant to Secs. E.338.1 and E.338.2 of this act that counseling and behavioral therapy services be provided as an essential element of medication-assisted treatment provided in correctional, as well as community, settings; and

(3) the Department's current and planned future efforts to increase the use of local health care professionals and hospitals and to reduce its reliance on traveling nurses and other temporary providers.

(b) On or before January 15, 2020, the Department shall provide a final report on the topics described in subdivisions (a)(1)–(3) of this section to the House Committees on Appropriations, on Corrections and Institutions, on Health Care, and on Human Services and the Senate Committees on Appropriations, on Health and Welfare, on Institutions, and on Judiciary.

Sec. E.338.4 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 131, Sec. 135, as amended by 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 4, Sec. 71 and 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. E.338.2 and 2018 Acts and Resolves No.87, Sec. 51, is further amended to read:

Sec. 135. ~~EFFECTIVE DATES~~

~~This act shall take effect on passage, except that Secs. 118a and 118b (amending 18 V.S.A. § 4808 and adding 18 V.S.A. § 4809) shall take effect on July 1, 2021. [Repealed.]~~

Sec. E.342 20 V.S.A. § 1716 is amended to read:

§ 1716. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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~~(11) Report annually on or before July 1 to the Secretary of Administration and the Senate Committee on Appropriations on the number of employees who work at the Vermont Veterans' Home for 16 hours or fewer per week. [Repealed.]~~

Sec. E.342.1 VERMONT VETERANS' HOME SAFETY AND ACCESS CONTROL UPGRADES

(a) The Vermont Veterans' Home is authorized to use \$918,750 as 35 percent State match for its VA grant to address safety and access control. \$140,049 shall be reserved for further use with the approval of the General Assembly.

Sec. E.342.2 VERMONT VETERANS' HOME; PRESCRIPTION SAVINGS

(a) The Vermont Veterans' Home shall develop a program to access lower-cost, safe prescription drugs through the U.S. Veterans Administration to meet the prescription drug needs of as many residents of the Veterans' Home as possible. Savings from the program compared to purchasing the same prescription drugs under the existing process shall be accounted for, and savings shall be reflected in Medicaid rates.

* * * LABOR * * *

Sec. E.400 LABOR PROGRAMS

(a) \$1,335,900 of the General Funds appropriated in Sec. B.400 of this act are workforce education and training funds formerly allocated through the Next Generation fund. Up to 10 percent of these funds may be allocated for administration and the remaining funds are allocated in fiscal year 2020 as follows:

(1) \$350,000 for infrastructure and grants for internships through the Vermont Internship Program pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 544.

(2) \$400,000 for Adult Career Technical Education Programs for the purpose of awarding grants to regional technical centers and high schools to provide adult career technical education as the term is defined in 16 V.S.A. § 1522. Each of the seventeen (17) regional Career Technical Education (CTE) Centers that provides Adult CTE programs shall be awarded a base grant of \$20,000. These grants may be used to support adult program staff or instructor salaries, scholarships for eligible adult CTE students, or curriculum development for adult CTE courses. The remaining \$60,000 is to support the coordination and organization of the State's regional adult career technical education programs.

(3) \$100,000 to support the Vermont Returnship Program pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 545. The Department of Labor may award a performance grant to assist in the coordination, outreach, and implementation of the program.

(4) \$75,000 to support workforce education and training activities for Vermont inmates in the State's correctional facilities that are consistent with their re-entry plan. The Department may fund these activities directly or in coordination with the Department of Corrections, a local restorative justice center, a regional Career Technical Education Center, or other qualified training provider. Training opportunities funded with this allocation will be aligned with an identified employment need, and when possible, should result in an industry-recognized credential.

(5) \$277,310 to support of demand-driven trainings or programs aimed at meeting employment needs throughout the State. High-priority sectors include: health care, construction, manufacturing, transportation, hospitality, and business services. Grants may be awarded to training providers, businesses, or service providers who help out-of-school youth, veterans, dislocated workers, mature workers, individuals in recovery, or geographically isolated job seekers to overcome barriers to employment.

Sec. E.400.1 VERMONT YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

(a) On or before September 1, 2019 the Department of Labor shall design and begin implementation of the Vermont Youth Employment Program, the purpose of which shall be to provide paid work experiences and paid or unpaid internships for Vermont youth with individualized pre-employment, academic, occupational, and technical skill development supports available as needed. In coordination with existing federal youth education, training, and employment programs, the Vermont Youth Employment Program shall include:

(1) a summer youth employment program for individuals 15-24 years of age; and

(2) a non-seasonal youth employment program for out-of-school youth as defined in 20 CRF §681.210 or individuals 18-24 years of age who are not pursuing a post-secondary degree or credential.

(b) The Department shall implement the Program using funds from the State's Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act grant from the U.S. Department of Labor, and other State and federal sources, to the extent allowed under applicable law.

(c) The Department shall design the Program to serve approximately 150 individual Vermonters annually, and it shall be designed to support opportunities that are easily replicable throughout the State if the program is expanded in future years.

(d) Of the General Funds appropriated to the Department of Labor, \$150,000 is allocated to support the program and may be used for program administration, wages for non-WIOA eligible youth, academic or skill instruction, participant transportation, or other non-federally fundable expenses.

(e) The Department shall collect the following information and make it available to the General Assembly upon request:

(1) the number of youth enrolled and that have completed the program;

(2) the age and town of residence of youth at the time of enrollment;

(3) the number and types of certificates or credentials granted to participants;

(4) employment or post-secondary enrollment outcomes of participants in the second and fourth quarter of the year after enrollment;

(5) the total allocation of funding from federal, State, private, and philanthropic sources that is used to support the program; and

(6) any identified barriers that impede the success of the program either at the program or individual participant level.

* * * K-12 EDUCATION * * *

Sec. E.500 32 V.S.A. § 6075a is amended to read:

§ 6075a. ~~EDUCATION FINANCIAL SYSTEMS FUND~~

~~There is created a special fund to be called the “Education Financial Systems Fund.” The purpose of the Fund is to provide for implementation of a uniform chart of accounts by the Agency of Education as provided in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Secs. E.500.2 and E.500.3, and Sec. E.500.1 as amended by 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 58, Sec. E.500.1. [Repealed.]~~

Sec. E.500.1 16 V.S.A. § 4025 is amended to read:

§ 4025. EDUCATION FUND

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(b) Monies in the Education Fund may be used for the following:

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(5) To make payments for contracted services to support statewide administrative education systems, including the costs of the statewide school finance and financial management data system to complete the reporting required by 16 V.S.A. § 242(4) and pursuant to 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. E.500.1.

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Sec. E.500.2 EDUCATION FINANCIAL SYSTEMS FUND BALANCE
TRANSFER

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on July 1, 2019 any unencumbered balance in the Education Financial Systems Fund, established by 32 V.S.A. § 6075a, fund number 21244, shall be transferred to the Education Fund.

Sec. E.500.3 Education – finance and administration

(a) The Global Commitment funds appropriated in this section will be used for physician claims for determining medical necessity of Individualized Education Program (IEPs). It is the goal of these services to increase the access of quality health care to uninsured persons, underinsured persons, and Medicaid beneficiaries.

Sec. E.502 Education – special education: formula grants

(a) Of the appropriation authorized in this section, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, an amount not to exceed \$3,764,490 shall be used by the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2020 as funding for 16 V.S.A. § 2967(b)(2)–(6). In distributing such funds, the Secretary shall not be limited by the restrictions contained within 16 V.S.A. § 2969(c) and (d).

Sec. E.503 Education – state-placed students

(a) The Independence Place Program of the Lund Family Center shall be considered a 24-hour residential program for the purposes of reimbursement of education costs.

Sec. E.504.1 16 V.S.A. § 944 is amended to read:

§ 944. DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM

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(f) Tuition and funding.

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(2) The State shall pay ~~50~~ 100 percent of the tuition owed to public postsecondary institutions under subdivision (1)(A) of this subsection from the ~~Next Generation Initiative Fund created in section 2887 of this title, and 50 percent from~~ funds appropriated from the Education Fund, notwithstanding subsection 4025(b) of this title.

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Sec. E.504.2 Education – flexible pathways

(a) Of this appropriation, \$3,916,000 from the Education Fund shall be distributed to school districts for reimbursement of high school completion services pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 943(c). Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A.

§ 4025(b), of this Education Fund appropriation, the amount of:

(1) \$1,700,000 is available for dual enrollment programs and the amount of \$85,000 is available for need-based stipends pursuant to Sec. E.605.2(a)(1) of this act;

(2) \$100,000 is available to support the Vermont Virtual Learning Cooperative at the River Valley Technical Center School District;

(3) \$200,000 is available for secondary school reform grants; and

(4) \$450,000 is available for the Vermont Academy of Science and Technology and \$2,148,000 for Early College pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 946.

Sec. E.505 INTERSTATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, \$25,000 of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.505 of this act shall be granted to the Stamford school district for continued study of the formation of an interstate school district that would combine the Stamford school district with the Clarksburg, Massachusetts school district.

Sec. E.514 State teachers' retirement system

(a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(g)(2), the annual contribution to the State Teachers' Retirement System (STRS) shall be \$126,197,389 of which \$120,247,389 shall be the State's contribution and \$5,950,000 shall be contributed from local school systems or educational entities pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944c.

(b) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(c)(2), of the annual contribution, \$7,116,765 is the "normal contribution," and \$119,080,624 is the "accrued liability contribution."

Sec. E.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits

(a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944b(b)(2), \$31,067,652 will be contributed to the Retired Teachers' Health and Medical Benefits Fund.

Sec. E.515.1 PREFUNDING OF THE RETIRED TEACHERS' HEALTH CARE AND MEDICAL BENEFITS FUND

(a) Of the amount appropriated in Sec. B.515 of this act, \$2,400,000 is intended to prefund the Retired Teachers' Health and Medical Benefits Fund at the earliest possible date.

* * * HIGHER EDUCATION * * *

Sec. E.600 University of Vermont

(a) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall issue warrants to pay one-twelfth of this appropriation to the University of Vermont on or about the 15th day of each calendar month of the year.

(b) Of this appropriation, \$380,326 shall be transferred to EPSCoR (Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research) for the purpose of complying with State matching fund requirements necessary for the receipt of available federal or private funds, or both.

(c) If Global Commitment Fund monies are unavailable, the total grant funding for the University of Vermont shall be maintained through the General Fund or other State funding sources.

(d) The University of Vermont shall use the Global Commitment funds appropriated in this section to support Vermont physician training. The University of Vermont prepares students, both Vermonters and out-of-state, and awards approximately 100 medical degrees annually. Graduates of this program, currently representing a significant number of physicians practicing in Vermont, deliver high-quality health care services to Medicaid beneficiaries and to uninsured or underinsured persons, or both, in Vermont and across the nation.

Sec. E.602 Vermont state colleges

(a) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall issue warrants to pay one-twelfth of this appropriation to the Vermont State Colleges on or about the 15th day of each calendar month of the year.

(b) Of this appropriation, \$427,898 shall be transferred to the Vermont Manufacturing Extension Center for the purpose of complying with State matching fund requirements necessary for the receipt of available federal or private funds, or both.

Sec. E.602.1 [Deleted.]

Sec. E.603 Vermont state colleges – allied health

(a) If Global Commitment fund monies are unavailable, the total grant funding for the Vermont State Colleges shall be maintained through the General Fund or other State funding sources.

(b) The Vermont State Colleges shall use the Global Commitment funds appropriated in this section to support the dental hygiene, respiratory therapy, and nursing programs which graduate approximately 315 health care providers annually. These graduates deliver direct, high-quality health care services to Medicaid beneficiaries or uninsured or underinsured persons, or both.

Sec. E.603.1 UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT AND VERMONT STATE COLLEGES SYSTEM EFFICIENCIES AND IMPROVED RETENTION AND GRADUATION RATES

(a) The University of Vermont (UVM) and the Vermont State Colleges System (VSCS) shall:

(1) collaborate to identify cost efficiencies that would benefit both

institutions. Such efficiencies may include costs related to employee health care benefits, purchasing, and the processing of accounts payable, accounts receivable, and payroll; and

(2) collaborate to implement strategies to increase retention and graduation rates at the University of Vermont and each of the colleges in the VSCS.

(b) UVM and the VSCS shall submit an interim report to the Senate and House Committees on Appropriations and the Senate and House Committees on Education on or before October 15, 2019. This report shall include:

(1) preliminary recommendations for efficiencies that should be pursued;

(2) the estimated amount of annual savings;

(3) any one-time funds needed to implement the efficiencies;

(4) any further efficiencies that should be explored; and

(5) preliminary recommendations regarding strategies to increase retention and graduation rates.

(c) If the interim report is not submitted or when submitted does not include any recommendations pursuant to (b)(1) and (b)(5) above, a new workgroup shall immediately be created.

Sec. E.603.2 UVM AND VSCS EFFICIENCIES AND IMPROVED RETENTION AND GRADUATION RATES WORKGROUP

(a) Membership. The Workgroup shall consist of seven members as follows:

(1) two members of the Senate, one each from the Committees on Appropriations and Education, appointed by the Committee on Committees.

(2) two members of the House, one each from the Committees on Appropriations and Education, appointed by the Speaker of the House.

(3) the Commissioner of Finance and Management, or designee.

(4) one person representing the University of Vermont, selected by the President of the University.

(5) one person representing the Vermont State Colleges System, selected by the Chancellor.

(b) Meetings. The Workgroup may meet up to four times. For attending a meeting of the Workgroup when he or she is not receiving compensation as a member of the General Assembly, a member of the Workgroup who is a member of the General Assembly shall be entitled to the same per diem

compensation and reimbursement for necessary expenses as provided members of standing committees under section 406 of Title 2.

(c) Report. The Workgroup shall submit a report to the Senate and House Committees on Appropriations and the Senate and House Committees on Education on or before December 15, 2019. This report shall include:

- (1) recommendations for efficiencies that should be pursued;
- (2) the estimated amount of annual savings;
- (3) any one-time funds needed to implement the efficiencies;
- (4) any further efficiencies that should be explored; and
- (5) recommendations regarding strategies to increase retention and graduation rates.

Sec. E.605 Vermont student assistance corporation

(a) Of this appropriation, \$25,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation to be deposited into the Trust Fund established in 16 V.S.A. § 2845.

(b) Of this appropriation, not more than \$200,000 may be used by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for a student aspirational pilot initiative to serve one or more high schools.

(c) Of the appropriated amount remaining after accounting for subsections (a) and (b) of this section, not less than 93 percent of this appropriation shall be used for direct student aid.

Sec. E.605.1 [Deleted.]

Sec. E.605.2 NEED-BASED STIPEND FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT AND EARLY COLLEGE STUDENTS

(a) The sum of \$85,000 shall be transferred to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation (VSAC) from Sec. E.504.2(a)(1) and (b) of this act (flexible pathways funds appropriated for need-based stipend purposes) to fund a flat-rate, need-based stipend or voucher program for financially needy students enrolled in a dual enrollment course pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 944 or in early college pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 946 to be used for the purchase of books, cost of transportation, and payment of fees. VSAC shall establish the criteria for program eligibility. Funds shall be granted to eligible students on a first-come, first-served basis until funds are depleted.

(b) VSAC shall report on the program to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Commerce and Economic Development and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs on or before January 15, 2020.

* * * NATURAL RESOURCES * * *

Sec. E.700 24 V.S.A. § 4752 is amended to read:

§ 4752. DEFINITIONS

As used in this chapter:

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(20) “Hardship municipality” means a municipality served by a municipally owned public community water system that:

(A) has a residential population of 250 or less;

(B) has an annual household user cost that exceeds \$1,000.00 or 1.5 percent of the median household income after construction of the water supply improvements project as determined by the Secretary; and

(C) requires improvements to address an imminent public health hazard or a substantial threat to public health as determined by the Secretary.

Sec. E.700.1 24 V.S.A. § 4769 is added to read:

§ 4769. LOANS TO HARDSHIP MUNICIPALITIES

(a) Waiver of bond vote. A hardship municipality may receive a loan for an eligible project that includes a loan subsidy of up to \$200,000.00 in the form of 100 percent principal forgiveness with no interest or administrative fee from funds authorized in 24 V.S.A § 4753(a)(3), subject to the availability of such loan subsidy. Notwithstanding the provisions of 24 V.S.A. § 4755(a)(3), the loan is not required to be evidenced by a municipal bond up to the amount to be forgiven.

(b) Waiver of reimbursement method required in statute. Notwithstanding the provisions of 24 V.S.A. § 4755(b), loan funds may be disbursed to a hardship municipality for its approved project upon receipt by the Department of eligible project invoices without prior payment by the municipality.

Sec. E.702 WATER QUALITY TREATMENT AND TESTING:

SALISBURY FISH HATCHERY

(a) The Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Department of Environmental Conservation shall review the water quality treatment and testing currently implemented at the Salisbury fish hatchery. On or before January 15, 2022, the Department of Environmental Conservation and the Department of Fish and Wildlife, where appropriate, shall modify the water quality treatment and testing requirements at the hatchery in order to bring the hatchery into compliance with the Vermont water quality standards. The review conducted by the Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Department of Environmental Conservation shall include evaluation of:

(1) modifications to the discharge point of compliance at the hatchery;

(2) rate of discharge from the hatchery;

(3) the placement of the discharge output for the hatchery;

(4) potential discharge treatment systems designed to bring the hatchery into compliance with the Vermont water quality standards;

(5) an evaluation of the appropriate monitoring and sampling protocols of the receiving State waters.

(b) Beginning on January 15, 2020, and annually thereafter until January 15, 2023, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, after consultation with the Department of Environmental Conservation, shall report to the House Committees on Natural Resources, Fish, and Wildlife, on Corrections and Institutions, on Appropriations, and on Ways and Means and the Senate Committees on Natural Resources and Energy, on Institutions, on Finance, and on Appropriations regarding implementation of the modifications resulting from the review required under subsection (a) of this section.

Sec. E.711 ENVIRONMENTAL CONTINGENCY FUND; BENNINGTON WATER LINE EXTENSION

(a) In fiscal year 2019, there is transferred \$2,500,000 from the General Fund from a settlement with multiple gasoline refiners related to contamination from the gasoline additive methyl tertiary-butyl ether to the Environmental Contingency Fund established pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 1283 for the purpose of extending municipal water to contaminated properties in the Town of Bennington.

Sec. E.711.1 BENNINGTON WATER LINE EXTENSION

(a) Waiver of bond vote. The Town of Bennington shall receive a loan for the Operational Unit C / Chapel Road Project in an amount of up to \$1,500,000 to receive loan subsidy in the form of 100 percent principal forgiveness with no interest or administrative fee from funds authorized in 24 V.S.A. § 4753(a)(3). Notwithstanding the provisions of 24 V.S.A. § 4755(a)(3), the loan is not required to be evidenced by a municipal bond.

(b) Waiving reimbursement method required in statute. Notwithstanding the provisions of 24 V.S.A. § 4755(b), loan funds may be disbursed to the Town of Bennington for Operational Unit C / Chapel Road Project upon receipt by the Agency of Natural Resources of eligible project invoices without prior payment by the Town.

(c) Cost recovery of loan funds. The loan provided pursuant to this section is to implement a remedial action approved by the Agency of Natural Resources and shall be recoverable from any person responsible for the release of a hazardous material in the same manner as funds spent pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 1283.

Sec. E.711.2 10 V.S.A. § 1283 is amended to read:

§ 1283. CONTINGENCY FUND

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(b) Disbursements under this subsection may be made for emergency purposes or to respond to other than emergency situations; provided, however, that disbursements in response to an individual situation that is not an emergency situation shall not exceed \$100,000.00 for costs attributable to each of the subdivisions of this subsection, unless the Secretary has received the approval of the General Assembly, or the Joint Fiscal Committee, in case the General Assembly is not in session. Furthermore, the balance in the Fund shall not be drawn below the amount of \$100,000.00, except in emergency situations. If the balance of the Fund becomes insufficient to allow a proper response to one or more emergencies that have occurred, the Secretary shall appear before the Emergency Board, as soon as possible, and shall request that necessary funds be provided. Within these limitations, disbursements from the Fund may be made:

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(6) to pay administrative and field supervision costs incurred by the Secretary or by a municipality at the direction of the Secretary in carrying out the provisions of this subchapter. Annual disbursements, for these costs, to the Department of Environmental Conservation under this subdivision shall not exceed ~~2.0~~ 2.5 percent of annual revenues;

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* * * TRANSPORTATION * * *

Sec. E.903 Transportation – program development

(a) Of the Transportation Funds appropriated in Sec. B.903 of this act, \$300,000 shall be allocated for an Electric Vehicle purchase or lease incentive program. This funding allocation in combination with the appropriation in Sec. C.100(b)(2) of this act provides a total funding amount of \$2,000,000 for an EV incentive program.

Sec. E.903.1 [Deleted.]

Sec. E.915 Transportation – town highway aid program

(a) This appropriation is authorized notwithstanding the provisions of 19 V.S.A. § 306(a).

* * * EFFECTIVE DATES * * *

Sec. F.100 EFFECTIVE DATES

(a) This section and Secs. C.100 (fiscal year 2019 one-time appropriations),

C.101 (fiscal year 2019 one-time transfer), C.102 (fiscal year 2019 fund transfers, reversions and reserves), C.103 (fiscal year Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund transfer and year end balance), C.104-C.107 (fiscal year 2019 budget adjustments; Legislative Branch), C.108-C.109 (fiscal year 2019 budget adjustments, Agency of Education), C.110-C.113 (fiscal year 2019 budget adjustments, teachers' retirement system and health and medical benefits), C.114 (Green Mountain Secure Retirement Plan), C.116 (fiscal year 2019 budget adjustment, one-time appropriations), E.112 (energy efficiency; State buildings and facilities), E.127-E.127.2 (Joint Fiscal Committee, grants acceptance language), E.233.1 (Public Service transfer), E.301.2 (mental health and substance use disorder workforce), E.312.1 (report; promotion of immunization), and E.711-E.711.1 (Bennington water line funding and extension), shall take effect upon passage.

(b) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, Sec. C.115 (special fund appropriation for tax computer systems) shall take effect on passage and shall apply retroactively to January 1, 2019.

(c) All remaining sections shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

And by renumbering all of the sections of the bill to be numerically correct (including internal references) and adjusting all of the totals to be arithmetically correct.