

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Government Operations to which was referred House
3 Bill No. 878 entitled “An act relating to capital construction and state bonding
4 budget adjustment” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and
5 recommends that the Senate propose to the House that the bill be amended by
6 striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the
7 following:

8 * * * Capital Appropriations * * *

9 Sec. 1. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 2 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 2. STATE BUILDINGS

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12 (c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017:

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14 (5) Statewide, major maintenance: ~~\$8,000,000.00~~ \$8,300,000.00

15 (6) Statewide, BGS engineering and architectural project costs:

16 ~~\$3,677,448.00~~ \$3,553,061.00

17 (7) Statewide, physical security enhancements:

18 ~~\$200,000.00~~ \$1,000,000.00

19 (8) ~~Montpelier, 115 State Street, State House lawn, access~~

20 ~~improvements and water intrusion:~~ ~~\$300,000.00~~ [Repealed.]

1 Information for an ongoing project to update statewide quadrangle maps
2 through digital orthophotographic quadrangle mapping:

3 (1) ~~\$125,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2016.~~

4 (2) ~~\$125,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2017.~~

5 (b) The following sums are appropriated to the Department of Finance and
6 Management for the ERP expansion project (Phase II):

7 (1) \$5,000,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2016.

8 (2) ~~\$9,267,470.00~~ \$6,967,470.00 is appropriated in FY 2017.

9 (c) The sum of \$5,463,211.00 is appropriated in FY 2017 to the Agency of
10 Human Services for the Health and Human Services Enterprise IT System.

11 Appropriation – FY 2016 \$5,125,000.00

12 Appropriation – FY 2017 ~~\$14,855,681.00~~ \$12,430,681.00

13 Total Appropriation – Section 3 ~~\$19,980,681.00~~ \$17,555,681.00

14 Sec. 3. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 5 is amended to read:

15 Sec. 5. JUDICIARY

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17 (c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Judiciary:

18 (1) Statewide court security systems and improvements: ~~\$125,000.00~~

19 \$740,000.00

20 (2) Judicial case management system: \$4,000,000.00

1 Appropriation – FY 2017 \$295,000.00 \$420,000.00
2 Total Appropriation – Section 6 \$688,000.00 \$813,000.00

3 Sec. 5. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 7 is amended to read:

4 **Sec. 7. GRANT PROGRAMS**

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6 (h) The sum of \$200,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2017 to the Enhanced
7 911 Board for the Enhanced 911 Compliance Grant Program.

8 Appropriation – FY 2016 \$1,400,000.00

9 Appropriation – FY 2017 \$1,400,000.00 \$1,600,000.00

10 Total Appropriation – Section 7 \$2,800,000.00 \$3,000,000.00

11 Sec. 6. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 8 is amended to read:

12 Sec. 8. EDUCATION

13 (a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2016 to the Agency of
14 Education for funding the State share of completed school construction
15 projects pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 3448 and emergency projects:

16 (1) Emergency projects: \$82,188.00 \$62,175.00

17 (2) School construction projects: \$3,975,500.00 \$3,995,513.00

18 (b) The sum of \$60,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2017 to the Agency of
19 Education for State aid for emergency projects.

20 Appropriation – FY 2016 \$4,057,688.00

21 Appropriation – FY 2017 \$60,000.00

1 Total Appropriation – Section 8 \$4,117,688.00

2 Sec. 7. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 9 is amended to read:

3 Sec. 9. UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

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5 (b) The sum of \$1,400,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2017 to the University
6 of Vermont for construction, renovation, and major maintenance:

7 \$1,400,000.00

8 (c) The General Assembly acknowledges that, pursuant to the terms of the
9 deed, the property located at 195 Colchester Avenue in Burlington shall be
10 transferred from the State to the University of Vermont at no cost to the
11 University, and that the University of Vermont shall retain any proceeds from
12 the sale of the property.

13 Appropriation – FY 2016 \$1,400,000.00

14 Appropriation – FY 2017 \$1,400,000.00

15 Total Appropriation – Section 9 \$2,800,000.00

16 Sec. 8. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 10 is amended to read:

17 Sec. 10. VERMONT STATE COLLEGES

18 (a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2016 to the Vermont State
19 Colleges:

20 (1) Construction, renovation, and major maintenance: \$1,400,000.00

1 to match the appropriation in subdivision (b)(2) of this section and finance
2 additional costs of comprehensive laboratory improvements.

3 (d) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the amount appropriated in
4 subdivision (b)(3) of this section shall be used as a challenge grant to raise
5 funds to upgrade engineering technology laboratories at Castleton University.
6 Of the amount appropriated, \$500,000.00 shall become available upon passage
7 of this act, and the remaining funds shall only become available after Castleton
8 University has notified the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and
9 Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions and the Commissioner of
10 Finance and Management that \$500,000.00 in committed funds has been raised
11 as a match to finance costs associated with comprehensive laboratory
12 improvements.

13 (e) It is the intent of the General Assembly that of the amount appropriated
14 in subdivision (b)(4) of this section, \$100,000.00 shall become available upon
15 passage of this act for the installation of the solar array, and the remaining
16 funds shall only become available after Lyndon State College has notified the
17 Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate
18 Committee on Institutions and the Commissioner of Finance and Management
19 that \$50,000.00 in committed funds has been raised as a match to finance costs
20 associated with the purchase of weather instruments and equipment.

21 Appropriation – FY 2016

\$2,400,000.00

1 Appropriation – FY 2017 \$~~1,900,000.00~~ \$3,050,000.00
2 Total Appropriation – Section 10 \$~~4,300,000.00~~ \$5,450,000.00

3 Sec. 9. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 11 is amended to read:

4 Sec. 11. NATURAL RESOURCES

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6 (d) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Agency of
7 Natural Resources for the Department of Environmental Conservation for the
8 projects described in this subsection:

9 (1) the Water Pollution Control Fund for the Clean Water State/EPA
10 Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF) match: \$1,300,000.00

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12 (3) the Drinking Water Supply, Drinking Water State Revolving Fund:
13 \$~~2,538,000.00~~ \$2,738,000.00

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15 (7) Municipal Pollution Control Grants, pollution control projects and
16 planning advances for feasibility studies: \$2,276,494.00

17 (8) Bristol, closure of town landfill: \$145,000.00

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19 (f) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Agency of
20 Natural Resources for the Department of Fish and Wildlife:

21 (1) General infrastructure projects: \$875,000.00

1	(2) Lake Champlain Walleye Association, Inc. to upgrade and repair the	
2	walleye rearing, restoration, and stocking infrastructure:	\$25,000.00
3	<u>(3) Roxbury, fish hatchery, reconstruction project:</u>	<u>\$2,300,000.00</u>
4	Appropriation – FY 2016	\$13,481,601.00
5	Appropriation – FY 2017	\$13,243,000.00 <u>\$18,164,494.00</u>
6	Total Appropriation – Section 11	\$26,724,601.00 <u>\$31,646,095.00</u>

7 Sec. 10. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 12 is amended to read:

8 Sec. 12. MILITARY

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10 (b) ~~The sum of \$750,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2017 to the Department~~
11 ~~of Military for maintenance, renovations, roof replacements, ADA renovations,~~
12 ~~and energy upgrades at State armories. To the extent feasible, these funds~~
13 ~~shall be used to match federal funds. The following sums are appropriated in~~
14 ~~FY 2017 to the Department of Military for the projects described in this~~
15 ~~subsection:~~

16 (1) Construction, maintenance, renovations, roof replacements, and
17 energy upgrades at State armories. To the extent feasible, these funds shall be
18 used to match federal funds: \$750,000.00

19 (2) Randolph, Vermont Veterans Memorial Cemetery, project costs not
20 covered by federal grant funds: \$188,000.00

1	<u>(3) ADA projects, State armories. To the extent feasible, these funds</u>	
2	<u>shall be used to match federal funds:</u>	<u>\$120,000.00</u>
3	Appropriation – FY 2016	\$809,759.00
4	Appropriation – FY 2017	\$750,000.00 <u>\$1,058,000.00</u>
5	Total Appropriation – Section 12	\$1,559,759.00 <u>\$1,867,759.00</u>

6 Sec. 11. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 13 is amended to read:

7 Sec. 13. PUBLIC SAFETY

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9 (c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Department of
10 Buildings and General Services for the Department of Public Safety as
11 described in this subsection:

12 (1) Williston, State Police Barracks, site location and proposal,
13 feasibility studies, and program analysis: \$250,000.00

14 (2) Westminster, DPS Facility, project cost adjustment for unanticipated
15 site conditions and code modifications: \$400,000.00

16 (3) Waterbury State Office Complex, blood analysis laboratory,
17 renovations: \$460,000.00

18 (d) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
19 use up to \$50,000.00 of the amount appropriated in subdivision (c)(1) of this
20 section for acoustical enhancements at the Williston Public Safety Answer
21 Point Center (PSAP), if deemed necessary after consultation with the

1 Department of Public Safety. Any funds remaining at the end of the fiscal year
2 may be used to evaluate options to replace the Middlesex State Police
3 Barracks.

4 Appropriation – FY 2016 \$300,000.00

5 Appropriation – FY 2017 \$1,110,000.00

6 ~~Total Appropriation – § 13~~ Total Appropriation – Section 13 \$1,410,000.00

7 Sec. 12. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 14 is amended to read:

8 Sec. 14. AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND MARKETS

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10 (b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2017 to the Agency of
11 Agriculture, Food and Markets for the projects described in this subsection:

12 (1) Best Management Practices and Conservation Reserve Enhancement

13 Program: \$1,800,000.00

14 (2) Vermont Exposition Center Building, upgrades: \$115,000.00

15 (3) Vermont Environment and Agricultural Laboratory, equipment:

16 \$455,000.00

17 Appropriation – FY 2016 \$2,202,412.00

18 Appropriation – FY 2017 \$1,915,000.00 \$2,370,000.00

19 Total Appropriation – Section 14 \$4,117,412.00 \$5,724,412.00

20 Sec. 13. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 18 is amended to read:

21 Sec. 18. VERMONT HOUSING AND CONSERVATION BOARD

1 the fiscal year shall be reallocated to the Sergeant at Arms to support the
2 project described in subsection (c) of this section.

3 (c) The sum of \$145,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2017 to the Sergeant at
4 Arms for security enhancements in the State House, as described in Sec. 36 of
5 this act.

6 Total Appropriation – Section 20 \$180,000.00 \$325,000.00

7 Sec. 16. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 20a is added to read:

8 Sec. 20a. PUBLIC SERVICE

9 The sum of \$300,000.00 is appropriated to the Department of Public
10 Service for the Connectivity Initiative, established in 30 V.S.A. § 7515b.

11 Appropriation – FY 2017 \$300,000.00

12 Total Appropriation – Section 20a \$300,000.00

13 Sec. 17. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 26, Sec. 21 is amended to read:

14 Sec. 21. REALLOCATION OF FUNDS; TRANSFER OF FUNDS

15 (a) The following sums are reallocated to the Department of Buildings and
16 General Services from prior capital appropriations to defray expenditures
17 authorized in Sec. 2 of this act:

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19 (3) of the amount appropriated in ~~2011~~ 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 40
20 104, Sec. ~~2(b)~~ 2(c)(8) (State House committee renovations): \$28,702.15

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1 Total Revenues – Section 22 \$155,559,096.05 \$164,957,849.40

2 * * * Policy * * *

3 * * * Buildings and General Services * * *

4 Sec. 19. WATERBURY STATE OFFICE COMPLEX; PROPERTY

5 TRANSACTIONS

6 (a) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to
7 transfer the parcel of land designated as Lot 6A on the map prepared by
8 Engineering Ventures PC entitled “Waterbury State Office Complex
9 Restoration” and dated June 24, 2013, as revised by the Department of
10 Buildings and General Services on March 24, 2016, to the owners of the
11 property located at 28 Park Row in Waterbury; provided, however, that the
12 owners of the property shall be required to pay any costs associated with the
13 transfer.

14 (b) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall survey the
15 parcel of land designated as Lot 8 on the map prepared by Engineering
16 Ventures PC entitled “Waterbury State Office Complex Restoration” and dated
17 June 24, 2013, as revised by the Department of Buildings and General Services
18 on March 24, 2016.

19 Sec. 20. HOSKISON PROPERTY; PLYMOUTH; TRANSACTION

20 Notwithstanding 29 V.S.A. § 166(b), the Department of Buildings and
21 General Services is authorized to transfer, sell, demolish, or gift the house

1 located on the Hoskison property deeded to the State of Vermont in 2006 that
2 abuts the Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site in Plymouth Notch.

3 Sec. 21. MONTPELIER; 144 STATE STREET; PROPERTY

4 TRANSACTION

5 Notwithstanding 29 V.S.A. § 166(b), the Commissioner of Buildings and
6 General Services is authorized to sell, subdivide, lease, lease purchase, or enter
7 into a common interest community agreement for the property located at
8 144 State Street in Montpelier, if the Commissioner determines that it is in the
9 best interest of the State. Any agreement shall ensure that the State receives
10 fair market value for the property, and costs associated with the sale, including
11 relocation costs.

12 Sec. 22. VERMONT AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL

13 LABORATORY; BIOMASS FACILITY

14 (a) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall evaluate
15 opportunities for the future development of biomass facilities to support the
16 Vermont Agriculture and Environmental laboratory in Randolph if the
17 Commissioner determines that it is in the best interest of the State. The
18 Commissioner shall ensure that all opportunities are consistent with the State
19 Agency Energy Plan.

20 (b) On or before December 1, 2016, the Commissioner shall report back to
21 the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate

1 Committee on Institutions on the findings of the evaluation described in
2 subsection (a) of this section.

3 Sec. 23. VERMONT AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL
4 LABORATORY; ROXBURY HATCHERY; CONSTRUCTION

5 The Department of Buildings and General Services is authorized to enter
6 into contractual obligations for construction for the following projects:

7 (1) the Vermont Agriculture and Environmental Laboratory, located at
8 the Vermont Technical College site in Randolph, Vermont; and

9 (2) Roxbury Fish Hatchery, located in Roxbury, Vermont.

10 Sec. 24. 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 26(b) is amended to read:

11 (b) ~~The commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of
12 Buildings and General Services on behalf of the ~~division for historic~~
13 ~~preservation~~ Division for Historic Preservation is authorized to enter into the
14 agreements specified for the following properties, the proceeds of which shall
15 be dedicated to the fund created by Sec. 30 of this act:

16 (1) Fuller farmhouse at the Hubbardton Battlefield ~~state~~ State historic
17 site, authority to ~~sell or enter into a long-term lease with covenants~~ demolish
18 the farmhouse if the Town of Hubbardton and the Hubbardton Historical
19 Society are not able to find adequate funding to use the farmhouse by July 1,
20 2016; provided, however, that if the farmhouse is demolished, the foundation
21 shall be capped to preserve any potential archaeological sites.

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(3) Bishop Cabin at Mount Independence State Historic Site in Orwell,
authority to ~~sell or enter into a long term lease with covenants on the land~~
demolish the Cabin and remove all materials.

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Sec. 25. 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 29, amending 2010 Acts and
Resolves No. 161, Sec. 25(f), is amended to read:

(f) Following consultation with the ~~state advisory council on historic~~
~~preservation~~ State Advisory Council on Historic Preservation as required by
22 V.S.A. § 742(7) and pursuant to 29 V.S.A. § 166, the ~~commissioner of~~
~~buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General
Services is authorized to subdivide and sell the house, barn, and up to 10 acres
of land at 3469 Lower Newton Road in St. Albans. ~~Net proceeds of the sale~~
~~shall be deposited in the historic property stabilization and rehabilitation fund~~
~~established in Sec. 30 of this act.~~

Sec. 26. 29 V.S.A. § 155 is amended to read:

§ 155. ~~HISTORIC PROPERTY STABILIZATION AND~~
~~REHABILITATION SPECIAL FUND~~

(a) ~~There is established a special fund managed by and under the authority~~
~~and control of the Commissioner, comprising net revenue from the sale or~~
~~lease of underutilized State owned historic property to be used for the purposes~~

1 ~~set forth in this section. Any remaining balance at the end of the fiscal year~~
2 ~~shall be carried forward in the Fund; provided, however, that if the Fund~~
3 ~~balance exceeds \$250,000.00 as of November 15 in any year, then the General~~
4 ~~Assembly shall reallocate funds not subject to encumbrances for other~~
5 ~~purposes in the next enacted capital appropriations bill.~~

6 ~~(b) Monies in the Fund shall be available to the Department for the~~
7 ~~rehabilitation or stabilization of State-owned historic properties that are~~
8 ~~authorized by the General Assembly to be in the Fund program, for payment of~~
9 ~~costs of historic resource evaluations and archeological investigations, for~~
10 ~~building assessments related to a potential sale or lease, for one-time fees for~~
11 ~~easement stewardship and monitoring, and for related one-time expenses.~~

12 ~~(c) On or before January 15 of each year, the Department shall report to the~~
13 ~~House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee~~
14 ~~on Institutions concerning deposits into and disbursements from the Fund~~
15 ~~occurring in the previous calendar year, the properties sold, leased, stabilized,~~
16 ~~or rehabilitated during that period, and the Department's plans for future~~
17 ~~stabilization or rehabilitation of State-owned historic properties.~~

18 ~~(d) Annually, the list presented to the General Assembly of State-owned~~
19 ~~property the Commissioner seeks approval to sell pursuant to section 166 of~~
20 ~~this title shall identify those properties the Commissioner has identified as~~

1 ~~underutilized State-owned historic property pursuant to subsection (b) of this~~
2 ~~section.~~

3 ~~(e) For purposes of this section, “historic property” has the same meaning~~
4 ~~as defined in 22 V.S.A. § 701. [Repealed.]~~

5 Sec. 27. 29 V.S.A. § 1556 is amended to read:

6 § 1556. STATE SURPLUS PROPERTY

7 ~~(a) All material, equipment, and supplies found to be surplus by any state~~
8 ~~State agency or department shall be transferred to the commissioner of~~
9 ~~buildings and general services Commissioner of Buildings and General~~
10 ~~Services. The commissioner of buildings and general services Commissioner~~
11 ~~of Buildings and General Services shall be responsible for the disposal of~~
12 ~~surplus state State property. The commissioner of buildings and general~~
13 ~~services Commissioner of Buildings and General Services may:~~

14 (1) transfer the property to any other ~~state State~~ agency or department
15 having a justifiable need for the property, ~~or transfer to any municipality,~~
16 ~~school, or nonprofit organization having a justifiable need as determined by a~~
17 ~~State agency or department, and assess an administrative fee if deemed~~
18 ~~appropriate;~~

19 (2) store or warehouse the property for future needs of the ~~state State~~;

20 (3) transfer the property to municipalities for town highways and
21 bridges;

1 ~~(10) In Waterbury, “Dale Correctional Facility.”~~

2 Sec. 29. SOUTHEAST STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY; WINDSOR;

3 LAND TRANSFER

4 (a) On or before August 1, 2016, the Department of Buildings and General
5 Services shall conduct a survey of the 160-acre portion of the State-owned
6 parcel in the Town of Windsor known as the “Windsor Prison Farm” that is
7 under the jurisdiction of the Department of Buildings and General Services and
8 described in Executive Order 08-15. The survey shall identify the boundaries
9 for all of the land used by the Departments of Corrections and of Buildings and
10 General Services for the operation and security of the Southeast State
11 Correctional Facility.

12 (b) Within 30 days of receipt of the survey described in subsection (a) of
13 this section, the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall transfer
14 to the jurisdiction of the Department of Fish and Wildlife the portion of the
15 land identified in the survey that is not used by the Departments of Buildings
16 and General Services and of Corrections for the operation and security of the
17 Southeast State Correctional Facility.

* * * Corrections * * *

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2 Sec. 30. STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES; COMMITTEE;
3 ASSESSMENT; REPORT

4 (a) Creation. There is created a Correctional Facility Planning Committee
5 to develop a 20-year capital plan for, and assess the population needs at, State
6 correctional facilities.

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

8 (1) the Commissioner of Corrections or designee, who shall serve as
9 chair;

10 (2) the Commissioner of Finance and Management or designee;

11 (3) the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services or designee;

12 (4) the Commissioner for Children and Families or designee;

13 (5) the Commissioner of Mental Health or designee;

14 (6) the Commissioner of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living or
15 designee; and

16 (7) the Executive Director of the Crime Research Group or designee.

17 (c) Powers and duties. The Committee shall assess the capital and
18 programming needs of State correctional facilities, which shall include the
19 following:

20 (1) an evaluation of the use, condition, and maintenance needs of each
21 State correctional facility, including whether any facility should be closed

1 renovated, relocated, or repurposed. This evaluation shall include an update of
2 the most recent facilities assessment as of June 30, 2016:

3 (A) each facility's replacement value;

4 (B) each facility's deferred maintenance schedule; and

5 (C) the cost of each facility's five, ten, and 15 year scheduled
6 maintenance.

7 (2) an analysis of the historic population trends of State correctional
8 facilities, and anticipated future population trends, including age, gender, and
9 medical, mental health, and substance abuse conditions;

10 (3) an evaluation of whether the design and use of existing facilities
11 adequately serve the current population and anticipated future populations,
12 including whether the Out-of-State inmate program may be eliminated and the
13 feasibility of constructing new infrastructure more suitable for current and
14 future populations;

15 (4) an investigation into the options for cost-savings, including
16 public-private partnerships; and

17 (5) an evaluation on potential site locations for a replacement State
18 correctional facility.

19 (d) Report and recommendations. On or before February 1, 2017, the
20 Committee shall submit a report based on the assessment described in
21 subsection (c) of this section, and any recommendations for legislative action,

1 to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate
2 Committee on Institutions.

3 * * * Judiciary * * *

4 Sec. 31. JUDICIARY; COUNTY COURTHOUSE; CAPITAL BUDGET
5 REQUESTS

6 (a) On or before October 1 each year, any county requesting capital funds
7 for its courthouse, or court operations, shall submit a request to the Court
8 Administrator.

9 (b) The Court Administrator shall evaluate requests based on the following
10 criteria:

11 (1) whether the funding request relates to an emergency that will affect
12 the court operations and the administration of justice;

13 (2) whether there is a State-owned courthouse in the county that could
14 absorb court activities in lieu of this capital investment;

15 (3) whether the county consistently invested in major maintenance in the
16 courthouse;

17 (4) whether the request relates to a State-mandated function;

18 (5) whether the request diverts resources of other current Judiciary
19 capital priorities;

1 (6) whether the request is consistent with the long-term capital needs of
2 the Judiciary, including providing court services adapted to modern needs and
3 requirements; and

4 (7) any other criteria as deemed appropriate by the Court Administrator.

5 (c) Based on the criteria described in subsection (b) of this section, the
6 Court Administrator shall make a recommendation to the Commissioner of
7 Buildings and General Services regarding whether the county's request should
8 be included as part of the Judiciary's request for capital funding in the
9 Governor's annual proposed capital budget request.

10 (d) On or before January 15 of each year, the Court Administrator shall
11 advise the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate
12 Committee on Institutions of all county requests received and the Court
13 Administrator's recommendations for the proposed capital budget request.

14 * * * Natural Resources * * *

15 **Sec. 32. HAZARDOUS MATERIAL RESPONSE; PROJECTED CAPITAL**

16 **NEEDS; BENNINGTON**

17 On or before January 15, 2017, the Commissioner of Environmental
18 Conservation shall submit a report to the House Committee on Corrections and
19 Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions on the projected capital
20 costs in fiscal year 2018 for the Department to investigate and mitigate the
21 effects of hazardous material releases to the environment in Bennington.

1 described in subsection (a) of this section, in order to obtain approval for the
2 site location. It is the intent of the General Assembly that when evaluating site
3 locations, preference shall be first given to State-owned property located in
4 Chittenden County.

5 (c) With approval of the Speaker of the House and the President Pro
6 Tempore, as appropriate, the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions
7 and the Senate Committee on Institutions may meet up to one time when the
8 General Assembly is not in session to evaluate the recommendation described
9 in subsection (b) of this section. The Committees shall determine whether to
10 send the recommendation to the Joint Fiscal Committee for review. The
11 Committees shall notify the Commissioners of Buildings and General Services
12 and of Public Safety of the meeting. Committee members shall be entitled to
13 receive a per diem and expenses as provided in 2 V.S.A. § 406.

14 (d) If the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate
15 Committee on Institutions so determine, the Joint Fiscal Committee shall
16 review the recommendation of the Committees described in subsection (c) of
17 this section at its September 2016 meeting. The Joint Fiscal Committee shall
18 act either to approve or deny the proposal as recommended by the Committees.

19 (e) If a site location is approved by the Joint Fiscal Committee pursuant to
20 subsection (d) of this section, on or before December 1, 2016, the Department
21 of Buildings and General Services, in consultation with the Department of

1 Public Safety, shall develop a detailed proposal on the site location
2 recommended by the Committees. The proposal shall include programming,
3 size, design, and preliminary cost estimates for either separate or consolidated
4 facilities.

5 (f) On or before November 1, 2016, the Commissioner of Buildings and
6 General Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Safety,
7 shall submit a recommendation for a site location for the public safety field
8 station and the equipment storage facility to the House Committee on
9 Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions if the
10 Commissioner does not submit the recommendation by August 26, 2016 to the
11 Joint Fiscal Committee for review pursuant to subsections (b) through (e) of
12 this section.

13 (g) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall notify the
14 House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee
15 on Institutions at least monthly of updates on the proposals described in this
16 section.

17 Sec. 35. 24 V.S.A. § 5609 is added to read:

18 § 5609. ENHANCED 911 COMPLIANCE GRANTS PROGRAM

19 (a) Grant guidelines. The following guidelines shall apply to capital grants
20 associated with the planning and implementation of the Enhanced 911 program
21 in schools pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 7057:

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Senator _____

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FOR THE COMMITTEE