

Budget Adjustment: Fiscal Year 2022

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Overview

- Budget Adjustment Act increases unduplicated appropriations by \$358.6 million, which is 4.9% over the budget passed in May.
- Reflects one-time General Funds currently available in the FY 2022 forecast, appropriating an additional \$113 million.
- Bill allocates \$106.3 million more in ARPA State Fiscal Recovery (SFR) funds.
- Federal matching funds in Medicaid and other smaller special funds adjustments make up the balance of the total increase.



G. 400 Housing and Homelessness Related Investments

G.400		Housing Investments		Under consideration			
Program	Fund	2021 Session		Recommendations			
		Act 9 (H315)	Act 74	FY22 BAA	FY22 BAA	FY22 BAA	FY23
				Governor	House Appropriations	Senate Appropriations	Governor
VHCB	ARPA-SFR		64,000,000	50,000,000	25,000,000	TBD	50,000,000
VHCB	General Fund	10,000,000	70,000,000		30,000,000	TBD	
VHCB	Total	10,000,000	134,000,000	50,000,000	55,000,000		50,000,000
VHIP	ARPA-SFR		5,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000	TBD	5,000,000
VHFA	ARPA-SFR			5,000,000	-	TBD	10,000,000
Muni- Mixed Use	ARPA-SFR						5,000,000
TOTAL		10,000,000	139,000,000	75,000,000	75,000,000		70,000,000

- Refresher:
 - Act 9 was the COVID Relief Bill and Act 74 was the “Big Bill” as passed for FY2022.
 - Act 9 was passed in addition to Act 74 last year and the Budget Adjustment bill this year is in addition to Act 74.



G. 400 Housing and Homelessness Related Investments– House Highlights

- House proposal provides \$25 million ARRA-SFR funds and \$30 million GF increase for VHCB to provide housing and increase shelter capacity. GF is intended to maximize federal low-income housing tax credits. This in total is \$5 million over the Governor’s \$50 million BAA proposal which was entirely in ARPA-SFR funds.
- House concurs with recommendation to add \$20 million to the Vermont Housing Improvement Program VHIP.
- House declined to provide funding at this time to VHFA ‘Missing Middle’ home builder program. This \$5 million of ARPA-SFR was redirected to VHCB in House proposal.
- Total Housing investment increase in BAA is \$75 million from all funds



G.300 Investments in Vermont's Economy, Workforce and Communities – House Highlights

- **ARPA State Fiscal Funding**

- +\$12.8 million funding for VDOL Unemployment Insurance program expenses.
 - Previously recommended by the Governor using GF dollars in section B.400. This is on top of \$5.5 million provided through CRF funds in the Summer/Fall of 2021
- +\$7.35 million for Vermont State Colleges critical occupations scholarship which funds them through second year.
 - Funds scholarships through second year.
 - Governor's recommendation was for \$2.4 million which covered the second semester of this year since the \$5 million initial allocation was over subscribed.



G.300 Investments in Vermont's Economy, Workforce and Communities – House Highlights continued...

• **ARPA State Fiscal Funding**

- +\$1 million for up to two free classes in a calendar year at UVM for VT residents seeking a transition to a new career or to enhance job skills.
- +\$500,000 for three public independent career technical education centers.
- +\$6 million in retention payments for Childcare workforce.

Other: \$60 million Healthcare and social service retention program. \$26 million from ARPA funds, \$16 million from Medicaid GCF and \$18 million in HCBS Federal funding increase funds.



Miscellaneous One-time Appropriations – House Highlights

- **General Fund:**

- +\$250,000 to ACCD for Municipal Planning Grants.

