1	H.490
2	Introduced by Committee on Appropriations
3	Date:
4	Subject: Omnibus appropriations act
5	Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to make
6	appropriations in support of government for the fiscal year beginning on
7	July 1, 2015.
8	An act relating to making appropriations for the support of government
9	It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:
10	Sec. A.100 SHORT TITLE
11	(a) This bill may be referred to as the BIG BILL – Fiscal Year 2016
12	Appropriations Act.
13	Sec. A.100.1 INTENT
14	(a) This fiscal year 2016 appropriations bill represents the beginning of a
15	multiyear process to bend the trend of State spending and bring revenues and
16	spending into a long-term balance. The fiscal year 2016 Appropriations Bill
17	contains difficult choices; however, these types of decisions will continue to
18	occur annually without a concerted effort to create a sustainable budget.
19	(b) It is the intent to move forward on the following goals:
20	(1) reduce the reliance on one-time funding for base budget needs;

1	(2) bend the rate of spending growth and bring the expenditure pressures
2	in line with revenue growth to end the cycle of annual budget gaps;
3	(3) create an ongoing expectation that Administration and Legislative
4	proposals for budget changes and new programs contain a multiyear analysis
5	of what the changes will cost;
6	(4) move toward budgeting based on using less than 100 percent of
7	forecasted revenue to build a reserve which can help offset the variability of
8	revenues that comes with a progressive tax system and the risk of reliance on
9	federal funds; and
10	(5) explore moving to a two-year budgeting cycle where the interim year
11	will be such as to allow time to be spent focusing on program performance,
12	results-based analysis, and evidenced-based program evaluation.
13	Sec. A.101 PURPOSE
14	(a) The purpose of this act is to provide appropriations for the operations of
15	State government during fiscal year 2016. It is the express intent of the
16	General Assembly that activities of the various agencies, departments,
17	divisions, boards, and commissions be limited to those which can be supported
18	by funds appropriated in this act or other acts passed prior to June 30, 2015.
19	Agency and department heads are directed to implement staffing and service
20	levels at the beginning of fiscal year 2016 so as to meet this condition unless

1	otherwise directed by specific language in this act or other acts of the General
2	Assembly.
3	Sec. A.102 APPROPRIATIONS
4	(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that this act serve as the primary
5	source and reference for appropriations for fiscal year 2016.
6	(b) The sums herein stated are appropriated for the purposes specified in
7	the following sections of this act. When no time is expressly stated during
8	which any of the appropriations are to continue, the appropriations are
9	single-year appropriations and only for the purpose indicated and shall be paid
10	from funds shown as the source of funds. If in this act there is an error in
11	either addition or subtraction, the totals shall be adjusted accordingly.
12	Apparent errors in referring to section numbers of statutory titles within this
13	act may be disregarded by the Commissioner of Finance and Management.
14	(c) Unless codified or otherwise specified, all narrative portions of this act
15	apply only to the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2016.
16	Sec. A.103 DEFINITIONS
17	(a) As used in this act:
18	(1) "Encumbrances" means a portion of an appropriation reserved for
19	the subsequent payment of existing purchase orders or contracts. The
20	Commissioner of Finance and Management shall make final decisions on the
21	appropriateness of encumbrances.

1	(2) "Grants" means subsidies, aid, or payments to local governments, to
2	community and quasi-public agencies for providing local services, and to
3	persons who are not wards of the State for services or supplies and means cash
4	or other direct assistance, including pension contributions.
5	(3) "Operating expenses" means property management, repair and
6	maintenance, rental expenses, insurance, postage, travel, energy and utilities,
7	office and other supplies, equipment, including motor vehicles, highway
8	materials, and construction, expenditures for the purchase of land and
9	construction of new buildings and permanent improvements, and similar items.
10	(4) "Personal services" means wages and salaries, fringe benefits, per
11	diems, and contracted third-party services, and similar items.
12	Sec. A.104 RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING LAWS
13	(a) Except as specifically provided, this act shall not be construed in any
14	way to negate or impair the full force and effect of existing laws.
15	Sec. A.105 OFFSETTING APPROPRIATIONS
16	(a) In the absence of specific provisions to the contrary in this act, when
17	total appropriations are offset by estimated receipts, the State appropriations
18	shall control, notwithstanding receipts being greater or less than anticipated.
19	Sec. A.106 FEDERAL FUNDS
20	(a) In fiscal year 2016, the Governor, with the approval of the Legislature
21	or the Joint Fiscal Committee if the Legislature is not in session, may accept

1	federal funds available to the State of Vermont, including block grants in lieu			
2	of or in addition to funds herein designated as federal. The Governor, with the			
3	approval of the Legislature or the Joint Fiscal Committee if the Legislature is			
4	not in session, may allocate all or any portion of such federal funds for any			
5	purpose consistent with the purposes for which the basic appropriations in this			
6	act have been made.			
7	(b) If, during fiscal year 2016, federal funds available to the State of			
8	Vermont and designated as federal in this and other acts of the 2015 session of			
9	the Vermont General Assembly are converted into block grants or are			
10	abolished under their current title in federal law and reestablished under a new			
11	title in federal law, the Governor may continue to accept such federal funds for			
12	any purpose consistent with the purposes for which the federal funds were			
13	appropriated. The Governor may spend such funds for such purposes for no			
14	more than 45 days prior to legislative or Joint Fiscal Committee approval.			
15	Notice shall be given to the Joint Fiscal Committee without delay if the			
16	Governor intends to use the authority granted by this section, and the Joint			
17	Fiscal Committee shall meet in an expedited manner to review the Governor's			
18	request for approval.			
19	Sec. A.107 NEW POSITIONS			
20	(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the total number of			
21	authorized State positions, both classified and exempt, excluding temporary			

1	positions as defined in 3 V.S.A. § 311(11), shall not be increased during fiscal		
2	year 2016 except for new positions authorized by the 2015 session. Limited		
3	service positions approved pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 5 shall not be subject to		
4	this restriction, nor shall positions created pursuant to the Position Pilot		
5	Program authorized in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.100(d).		
6	Sec. A.108 LEGEND		
7	(a) The bill is organized by functions of government. The sections between		
8	B.100 and B.9999 contain appropriations of funds for the upcoming budget		
9	year. The sections between E.100 and E.9999 contain language that relates to		
10	specific appropriations or government functions, or both. The function areas		
11	by section numbers are as follows:		
12	B.100-B.199 and E.100-E.199	General Government	
13	B.200-B.299 and E.200-E.299	Protection to Persons and Property	
14	B.300-B.399 and E.300-E.399	Human Services	
15	B.400-B.499 and E.400-E.499	<u>Labor</u>	
16	B.500-B.599 and E.500-E.599	General Education	
17	B.600-B.699 and E.600-E.699	Higher Education	
18	B.700-B.799 and E.700-E.799	Natural Resources	
19	B.800-B.899 and E.800-E.899	Commerce and Community	
20		<u>Development</u>	
21	B.900–B.999 and E.900–E.999	Transportation	

1	<u>B.1000–B.1099 and E.1000–E.1099</u> <u>Debt Service</u>	
2	B.1100–B.1199 and E.1100–E.1199 One-time and other appropriation	<u>on</u>
3	actions	
4	(b) The C sections contain any amendments to the current fiscal year ar	<u>ıd</u>
5	the D sections contain fund transfers and reserve allocations for the upcom	ing
6	budget year.	
7	Sec. B.100 Secretary of administration - secretary's office	
8	Personal services 3,054,	675
9	Operating expenses <u>132.</u>	<u>239</u>
10	Total 3,186,	914
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund 1,371,	774
13	Interdepartmental transfers <u>1,815</u> ,	140
14	Total 3,186,	914
15	Sec. B.101 Secretary of administration - finance	
16	Personal services 1,310,	972
17	Operating expenses <u>132</u> ,	<u>091</u>
18	Total 1,443,	063
19	Source of funds	
20	Interdepartmental transfers <u>1,443</u> .	<u>063</u>
21	Total 1,443,	063

1	Sec. B.102 Secretary of administration - workers' compensation insurance
2	Personal services 1,218,587
3	Operating expenses <u>282,937</u>
4	Total 1,501,524
5	Source of funds
6	Internal service funds 1,501,524
7	Total 1,501,524
8	Sec. B.103 Secretary of administration - general liability insurance
9	Personal services 243,597
10	Operating expenses <u>63,231</u>
11	Total 306,828
12	Source of funds
13	Internal service funds 306,828
14	Total 306,828
15	Sec. B.104 Secretary of administration - all other insurance
16	Personal services 13,677
17	Operating expenses 19,263
18	Total 32,940
19	Source of funds
20	Internal service funds 32,940
21	Total 32,940

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1	Sec. B.104.1 Secretary of administration - VTHR operations	.
2	Personal services	1,825,561
3	Operating expenses	623,105
4	Total	2,448,666
5	Source of funds	
6	Internal service funds	2,448,666
7	Total	2,448,666
8	Sec. B.105 Information and innovation - communications an	d information
9	technology	
10	Personal services	18,249,018
11	Operating expenses	16,924,990
12	Total	35,174,008
13	Source of funds	
14	Internal service funds	35,174,008
15	Total	35,174,008
16	Sec. B.106 Finance and management - budget and managem	ent
17	Personal services	1,120,501
18	Operating expenses	256,147
19	Total	1,376,648
20	Source of funds	

General fund

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1,109,412

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1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>267,236</u>
2	Total	
		1,376,648
3	Sec. B.107 Finance and management - financial operations	
4	Personal services	2,324,110
5	Operating expenses	495,220
6	Total	2,819,330
7	Source of funds	
8	Internal service funds	2,819,330
9	Total	2,819,330
10	Sec. B.108 Human resources - operations	
11	Personal services	7,205,166
12	Operating expenses	<u>1,074,570</u>
13	Total	8,279,736
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	1,863,255
16	Special funds	244,912
17	Internal service funds	5,634,261
18	Interdepartmental transfers	537,308
19	Total	8,279,736
20	Sec. B.109 Human resources - employee benefits & wellness	
21	Personal services	1,200,821

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1	Operating expenses	<u>559,846</u>
2	Total	1,760,667
3	Source of funds	
4	Internal service funds	1,760,667
5	Total	1,760,667
6	Sec. B.110 Libraries	
7	Personal services	1,757,183
8	Operating expenses	1,658,074
9	Grants	<u>98,576</u>
10	Total	3,513,833
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	2,275,682
13	Special funds	102,563
14	Federal funds	1,040,195
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>95,393</u>
16	Total	3,513,833
17	Sec. B.111 Tax - administration/collection	
18	Personal services	14,064,412
19	Operating expenses	<u>3,927,031</u>
20	Total	17,991,443

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1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	16,477,989
3	Special funds	1,370,888
4	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>142,566</u>
5	Total	17,991,443
6	Sec. B.112 Buildings and general services - administration	
7	Personal services	678,557
8	Operating expenses	<u>106,104</u>
9	Total	784,661
10	Source of funds	
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>784,661</u>
12	Total	784,661
13	Sec. B.113 Buildings and general services - engineering	
14	Personal services	2,689,779
15	Operating expenses	878,012
16	Total	3,567,791
17	Source of funds	
18	Interdepartmental transfers	3,567,791
19	Total	3,567,791
20	Sec. B.114 Buildings and general services - information center	rs
21	Personal services	3,557,425

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1	Operating expenses	1,208,041
2	Grants	33,000
3	Total	4,798,466
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	680,248
6	Transportation fund	4,034,714
7	Special funds	83,504
8	Total	4,798,466
9	Sec. B.115 Buildings and general services - purchasing	
10	Personal services	1,060,369
11	Operating expenses	<u>168,790</u>
12	Total	1,229,159
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	1,229,159
15	Total	1,229,159
16	Sec. B.116 Buildings and general services - postal services	
17	Personal services	659,813
18	Operating expenses	139,700
19	Total	799,513
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	83,221

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1	Internal service funds $\underline{716,292}$
2	Total 799,513
3	Sec. B.117 Buildings and general services - copy center
4	Personal services 682,547
5	Operating expenses <u>155,713</u>
6	Total 838,260
7	Source of funds
8	Internal service funds <u>838,260</u>
9	Total 838,260
10	Sec. B.118 Buildings and general services - fleet management services
11	Personal services 811,437
12	Operating expenses <u>185,822</u>
13	Total 997,259
14	Source of funds
15	Internal service funds 997,259
16	Total 997,259
17	Sec. B.119 Buildings and general services - federal surplus property
18	Personal services 937
19	Operating expenses <u>15,399</u>
20	Total 16,336

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1	Source of funds	
2	Enterprise funds	16,336
3	Total	16,336
4	Sec. B.120 Buildings and general services - state surplus property	
5	Personal services	224,967
6	Operating expenses	104,471
7	Total	329,438
8	Source of funds	
9	Internal service funds	305,454
10	Enterprise funds	23,984
11	Total	329,438
12	Sec. B.121 Buildings and general services - property management	
13	Personal services	1,010,552
14	Operating expenses	1,175,607
15	Total	2,186,159
16	Source of funds	
17	Internal service funds	<u>2,186,159</u>
18	Total	2,186,159
19	Sec. B.122 Buildings and general services - fee for space	
20	Personal services	14,777,935
21	Operating expenses	13,947,277

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1	Total	28,725,212
2	Source of funds	
3	Internal service funds	28,725,212
4	Total	28,725,212
5	Sec. B.124 Executive office - governor's office	
6	Personal services	1,599,215
7	Operating expenses	473,014
8	Total	2,072,229
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	1,658,841
11	Interdepartmental transfers	413,388
12	Total	2,072,229
13	Sec. B.125 Legislative council	
14	Personal services	3,410,872
15	Operating expenses	809,954
16	Total	4,220,826
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	4,220,826
19	Total	4,220,826
20	Sec. B.126 Legislature	
21	Personal services	3,725,991

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1	Operating expenses	<u>3,435,835</u>
2	Total	7,161,826
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	<u>7,161,826</u>
5	Total	7,161,826
6	Sec. B.127 Joint fiscal committee	
7	Personal services	1,508,581
8	Operating expenses	112,793
9	Total	1,621,374
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	1,621,374
12	Total	1,621,374
13	Sec. B.128 Sergeant at arms	
14	Personal services	565,389
15	Operating expenses	71,767
16	Total	637,156
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	637,156
19	Total	637,156
20	Sec. B.129 Lieutenant governor	
21	Personal services	155,084

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1	Operating expenses	<u>30,380</u>
2	Total	185,464
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	<u>185,464</u>
5	Total	185,464
6	Sec. B.130 Auditor of accounts	
7	Personal services	3,523,421
8	Operating expenses	<u>159,831</u>
9	Total	3,683,252
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	394,171
12	Special funds	53,145
13	Internal service funds	<u>3,235,936</u>
14	Total	3,683,252
15	Sec. B.131 State treasurer	
16	Personal services	3,194,143
17	Operating expenses	<u>250,778</u>
18	Total	3,444,921
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	998,306
21	Special funds	2,338,561

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1	Interdepartmental transfers	108,054
2	Total	3,444,921
3	Sec. B.132 State treasurer - unclaimed property	
4	Personal services	870,217
5	Operating expenses	<u>268,976</u>
6	Total	1,139,193
7	Source of funds	
8	Private purpose trust funds	<u>1,139,193</u>
9	Total	1,139,193
10	Sec. B.133 Vermont state retirement system	
11	Personal services	7,716,353
12	Operating expenses	<u>1,108,471</u>
13	Total	8,824,824
14	Source of funds	
15	Pension trust funds	<u>8,824,824</u>
16	Total	8,824,824
17	Sec. B.134 Municipal employees' retirement system	
18	Personal services	2,585,489
19	Operating expenses	655,390
20	Total	3,240,879

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1	Source of funds	
2	Pension trust funds	3,240,879
3	Total	3,240,879
4	Sec. B.135 State labor relations board	
5	Personal services	197,431
6	Operating expenses	43,972
7	Total	241,403
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	231,827
10	Special funds	6,788
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,788</u>
12	Total	241,403
13	Sec. B.136 VOSHA review board	
14	Personal services	44,903
15	Operating expenses	<u>15,403</u>
16	Total	60,306
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	30,153
19	Interdepartmental transfers	30,153
20	Total	60,306

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1	Sec. B.137 Homeowner rebate	
2	Grants	18,200,000
3	Total	18,200,000
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	18,200,000
6	Total	18,200,000
7	Sec. B.138 Renter rebate	
8	Grants	9,700,000
9	Total	9,700,000
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	2,910,000
12	Education fund	6,790,000
13	Total	9,700,000
14	Sec. B.139 Tax department - reappraisal and listing payments	
15	Grants	3,425,000
16	Total	3,425,000
17	Source of funds	
18	Education fund	3,425,000
19	Total	3,425,000
20	Sec. B.140 Municipal current use	
21	Grants	14,978,851

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1	Total	14,978,851
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	14,978,851
4	Total	14,978,851
5	Sec. B.141 Lottery commission	
6	Personal services	1,882,272
7	Operating expenses	1,060,171
8	Grants	<u>150,000</u>
9	Total	3,092,443
10	Source of funds	
11	Enterprise funds	3,092,443
12	Total	3,092,443
13	Sec. B.142 Payments in lieu of taxes	
14	Grants	<u>6,400,000</u>
15	Total	6,400,000
16	Source of funds	
17	Special funds	6,400,000
18	Total	6,400,000
19	Sec. B.143 Payments in lieu of taxes - Montpelier	
20	Grants	<u>184,000</u>
21	Total	184,000

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1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	<u>184,000</u>
3	Total	184,000
4	Sec. B.144 Payments in lieu of taxes - correctional facilities	
5	Grants	40,000
6	Total	40,000
7	Source of funds	
8	Special funds	40,000
9	Total	40,000
10	Sec. B.145 Total general government	
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	78,319,535
13	Transportation fund	4,034,714
14	Special funds	10,824,361
15	Education fund	10,215,000
16	Federal funds	1,040,195
17	Internal service funds	86,682,796
18	Interdepartmental transfers	9,207,541
19	Enterprise funds	3,132,763
20	Pension trust funds	12,065,703
21	Private purpose trust funds	1,139,193

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1	Total	216,661,801
2	Sec. B.200 Attorney general	
3	Personal services	8,491,876
4	Operating expenses	1,223,677
5	Total	9,715,553
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	4,232,072
8	Special funds	2,017,819
9	Tobacco fund	348,000
10	Federal funds	829,609
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,288,053</u>
12	Total	9,715,553
13	Sec. B.201 Vermont court diversion	
14	Grants	1,996,483
15	Total	1,996,483
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	1,396,486
18	Special funds	599,997
19	Total	1,996,483
20	Sec. B.202 Defender general - public defense	
21	Personal services	9,875,845

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1	Operating expenses	1,027,999
2	Total	10,903,844
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	10,265,292
5	Special funds	<u>638,552</u>
6	Total	10,903,844
7	Sec. B.203 Defender general - assigned counsel	
8	Personal services	4,799,403
9	Operating expenses	<u>49,819</u>
10	Total	4,849,222
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	4,849,222
13	Total	4,849,222
14	Sec. B.204 Judiciary	
15	Personal services	34,454,260
16	Operating expenses	8,683,467
17	Grants	<u>76,030</u>
18	Total	43,213,757
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	37,707,850
21	Special funds	2,667,462

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1	Tobacco fund	39,871
2	Federal funds	473,301
3	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,325,273</u>
4	Total	43,213,757
5	Sec. B.205 State's attorneys	
6	Personal services	11,190,808
7	Operating expenses	<u>1,807,815</u>
8	Total	12,998,623
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	10,328,495
11	Special funds	102,785
12	Federal funds	31,000
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,536,343</u>
14	Total	12,998,623
15	Sec. B.206 Special investigative unit	
16	Personal services	88,000
17	Grants	<u>1,590,000</u>
18	Total	1,678,000
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	<u>1,678,000</u>
21	Total	1,678,000

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1	Sec. B.207 Sheriffs	
2	Personal services	3,827,009
3	Operating expenses	445,493
4	Total	4,272,502
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	4,272,502
7	Total	4,272,502
8	Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration	
9	Personal services	2,495,022
10	Operating expenses	<u>2,669,588</u>
11	Total	5,164,610
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	3,367,381
14	Federal funds	296,229
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,501,000</u>
16	Total	5,164,610
17	Sec. B.209 Public safety - state police	
18	Personal services	49,451,041
19	Operating expenses	8,542,245
20	Grants	896,000
21	Total	58,889,286

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1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	29,298,898
3	Transportation fund	22,750,000
4	Special funds	2,965,856
5	Federal funds	2,294,098
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,580,434</u>
7	Total	58,889,286
8	Sec. B.210 Public safety - criminal justice services	
9	Personal services	7,871,533
10	Operating expenses	<u>2,503,895</u>
11	Total	10,375,428
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	7,056,952
14	Special funds	1,719,236
15	Federal funds	1,240,065
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>359,175</u>
17	Total	10,375,428
18	Sec. B.211 Public safety - emergency management and	l homeland security
19	Personal services	3,935,145
20	Operating expenses	1,302,179
21	Grants	14,754,210

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1	Total	19,991,534
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	621,885
4	Federal funds	19,189,575
5	Interdepartmental transfers	180,074
6	Total	19,991,534
7	Sec. B.212 Public safety - fire safety	
8	Personal services	5,865,973
9	Operating expenses	2,071,159
10	Grants	<u>107,000</u>
11	Total	8,044,132
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	633,349
14	Special funds	7,028,803
15	Federal funds	356,980
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>25,000</u>
17	Total	8,044,132
18	Sec. B.214 Radiological emergency response plan	
19	Personal services	352,238
20	Operating expenses	235,710
21	Grants	1,051,195

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1	Total	1,639,143
2	Source of funds	
3	Special funds	1,639,143
4	Total	1,639,143
5	Sec. B.215 Military - administration	
6	Personal services	682,752
7	Operating expenses	<u>354,292</u>
8	Total	1,037,044
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	1,037,044
11	Total	1,037,044
12	Sec. B.216 Military - air service contract	
13	Personal services	4,896,594
14	Operating expenses	935,308
15	Total	5,831,902
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	471,320
18	Federal funds	5,360,582
19	Total	5,831,902
20	Sec. B.217 Military - army service contract	
21	Personal services	6,304,421

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1	Operating expenses	<u>6,805,910</u>
2	Total	13,110,331
3	Source of funds	
4	Federal funds	<u>13,110,331</u>
5	Total	13,110,331
6	Sec. B.218 Military - building maintenance	
7	Personal services	678,770
8	Operating expenses	<u>819,404</u>
9	Total	1,498,174
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	<u>1,498,174</u>
12	Total	1,498,174
13	Sec. B.219 Military - veterans' affairs	
14	Personal services	722,415
15	Operating expenses	184,693
16	Grants	<u>118,984</u>
17	Total	1,026,092
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	796,084
20	Special funds	130,008
21	Federal funds	100,000

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1	Total	1,026,092
2	Sec. B.220 Center for crime victim services	
3	Personal services	1,497,512
4	Operating expenses	253,927
5	Grants	8,840,240
6	Total	10,591,679
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	1,264,008
9	Special funds	4,914,287
10	Federal funds	4,413,384
11	Total	10,591,679
12	Sec. B.221 Criminal justice training council	
13	Personal services	1,096,826
14	Operating expenses	1,409,569
15	Total	2,506,395
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	2,372,753
18	Interdepartmental transfers	133,642
19	Total	2,506,395
20	Sec. B.222 Agriculture, food and markets - administration	
21	Personal services	1,324,661

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1	Operating expenses	249,202
2	Grants	94,722
3	Total	1,668,585
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	849,681
6	Special funds	488,972
7	Federal funds	329,932
8	Total	1,668,585
9	Sec. B.223 Agriculture, food and markets - food safety	and consumer
10	protection	
11	Personal services	3,586,427
12	Operating expenses	737,012
13	Grants	<u>2,600,000</u>
14	Total	6,923,439
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	2,696,919
17	Special funds	3,296,653
18	Federal funds	888,939
19	Global Commitment fund	34,006
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>6,922</u>
21	Total	6,923,439

1	Sec. B.224 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural dev	elopment
2	Personal services	1,246,225
3	Operating expenses	690,516
4	Grants	936,562
5	Total	2,873,303
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	1,743,909
8	Special funds	609,016
9	Federal funds	478,711
10	Interdepartmental transfers	41,667
11	Total	2,873,303
12	Sec. B.225 Agriculture, food and markets - laboratories, ag	ricultural resource
13	management and environmental stewardship	
14	Personal services	3,279,314
15	Operating expenses	681,603
16	Grants	1,203,080
17	Total	5,163,997
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	2,014,510
20	Special funds	1,793,932
21	Federal funds	1,071,852

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1	Global Commitment fund	56,272
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>227,431</u>
3	Total	5,163,997
4	Sec. B.225.1 Agriculture, food and markets - Vermont Ag	ricultural and
5	Environmental	
6	Personal services	1,298,702
7	Operating expenses	<u>508,830</u>
8	Total	1,807,532
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	776,525
11	Special funds	1,031,007
12	Total	1,807,532
13	Sec. B.226 Financial regulation - administration	
14	Personal services	1,915,204
15	Operating expenses	<u>169,190</u>
16	Total	2,084,394
17	Source of funds	
18	Special funds	<u>2,084,394</u>
19	Total	2,084,394
20	Sec. B.227 Financial regulation - banking	

Personal services

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1,617,418

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1	Operating expenses	<u>309,540</u>
2	Total	1,926,958
3	Source of funds	
4	Special funds	1,926,958
5	Total	1,926,958
6	Sec. B.228 Financial regulation - insurance	
7	Personal services	5,058,364
8	Operating expenses	<u>503,064</u>
9	Total	5,561,428
10	Source of funds	
11	Special funds	5,383,512
12	Federal funds	110,716
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>67,200</u>
14	Total	5,561,428
15	Sec. B.229 Financial regulation - captive insurance	
16	Personal services	3,893,968
17	Operating expenses	485,238
18	Total	4,379,206
19	Source of funds	
20	Special funds	<u>4,379,206</u>
21	Total	4,379,206

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1	Sec. B.230 Financial regulation - securities	
2	Personal services	768,759
3	Operating expenses	<u>176,701</u>
4	Total	945,460
5	Source of funds	
6	Special funds	945,460
7	Total	945,460
8	Sec. B.232 Secretary of state	
9	Personal services	7,843,350
10	Operating expenses	2,158,749
11	Total	10,002,099
12	Source of funds	
13	Special funds	8,994,697
14	Federal funds	932,402
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>75,000</u>
16	Total	10,002,099
17	Sec. B.233 Public service - regulation and energy	
18	Personal services	10,430,192
19	Operating expenses	2,047,077
20	Grants	<u>3,791,667</u>
21	Total	16,268,936

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1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	14,964,433
3	Federal funds	1,002,268
4	ARRA funds	238,000
5	Interdepartmental transfers	41,667
6	Enterprise funds	22,568
7	Total	16,268,936
8	Sec. B.234 Public service board	
9	Personal services	3,027,893
10	Operating expenses	452,288
11	Total	3,480,181
12	Source of funds	
13	Special funds	3,480,181
14	Total	3,480,181
15	Sec. B.235 Enhanced 9-1-1 Board	
16	Personal services	3,511,243
17	Operating expenses	283,587
18	Grants	810,000
19	Total	4,604,830
20	Source of funds	
21	Special funds	4,604,830

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1	Total	4,604,830
2	Sec. B.236 Human rights commission	
3	Personal services	441,968
4	Operating expenses	<u>74,904</u>
5	Total	516,872
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	450,152
8	Federal funds	66,720
9	Total	516,872
10	Sec. B.237 Liquor control - administration	
11	Personal services	3,529,058
12	Operating expenses	497,522
13	Total	4,026,580
14	Source of funds	
15	Enterprise funds	4,026,580
16	Total	4,026,580
17	Sec. B.238 Liquor control - enforcement and licensing	
18	Personal services	2,461,479
19	Operating expenses	520,453
20	Total	2,981,932

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1	Source of funds	
2	Special funds	154,500
3	Tobacco fund	218,444
4	Federal funds	254,841
5	Interdepartmental transfers	46,000
6	Enterprise funds	2,308,147
7	Total	2,981,932
8	Sec. B.239 Liquor control - warehousing and distribution	
9	Personal services	1,041,590
10	Operating expenses	<u>457,706</u>
11	Total	1,499,296
12	Source of funds	
13	Enterprise funds	1,499,296
14	Total	1,499,296
15	Sec. B.240 Total protection to persons and property	
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	131,679,463
18	Transportation fund	22,750,000
19	Special funds	78,561,699
20	Tobacco fund	606,315
21	Federal funds	52,831,535

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1	ARRA funds	238,000
2	Global Commitment fund	90,278
3	Interdepartmental transfers	11,434,881
4	Enterprise funds	<u>7,856,591</u>
5	Total	306,048,762
6	Sec. B.300 Human services - agency of human services -	secretary's office
7	Personal services	16,664,613
8	Operating expenses	3,866,535
9	Grants	3,179,454
10	Total	23,710,602
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	6,035,747
13	Special funds	91,017
14	Tobacco fund	25,000
15	Federal funds	12,396,153
16	Global Commitment fund	499,667
17	Interdepartmental transfers	4,663,018
18	Total	23,710,602
19	Sec. B.301 Secretary's office - global commitment	
20	Operating expenses	8,041,736
21	Grants	1,373,257,914

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1	Total	1,381,299,650
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	210,670,951
4	Special funds	26,550,179
5	Tobacco fund	28,747,141
6	State health care resources fund	270,712,781
7	Federal funds	844,578,598
8	Interdepartmental transfers	40,000
9	Total	1,381,299,650
10	Sec. B.302 Rate setting	
11	Personal services	898,044
12	Operating expenses	<u>98,596</u>
13	Total	996,640
14	Source of funds	
15	Global Commitment fund	<u>996,640</u>
16	Total	996,640
17	Sec. B.303 Developmental disabilities council	
18	Personal services	246,454
19	Operating expenses	67,012
20	Grants	<u>248,388</u>
21	Total	561,854

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1	Source of funds	
2	Federal funds	<u>561,854</u>
3	Total	561,854
4	Sec. B.304 Human services board	
5	Personal services	693,325
6	Operating expenses	<u>89,986</u>
7	Total	783,311
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	223,361
10	Federal funds	262,858
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>297,092</u>
12	Total	783,311
13	Sec. B.305 AHS - administrative fund	
14	Personal services	350,000
15	Operating expenses	4,650,000

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Source of funds

Total

Personal services

Interdepartmental transfers

Sec. B.306 Department of Vermont health access - administration

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1	Operating expenses	4,538,736
2	Grants	18,136,469
3	Total	182,298,776
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	1,447,997
6	Special funds	797,332
7	Federal funds	84,243,588
8	Global Commitment fund	86,608,315
9	Interdepartmental transfers	9,201,544
10	Total	182,298,776
11	Sec. B.307 Department of Vermont health access - M	edicaid program - global
12	commitment	
13	Grants	657,725,183
14	Total	657,725,183
15	Source of funds	
16	Global Commitment fund	657,725,183
17	Total	657,725,183
18	Sec. B.308 Department of Vermont health access - M	edicaid program - long
19	term care waiver	
20	Grants	210,124,188
21	Total	210,124,188

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1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	94,492,829
3	Federal funds	115,631,359
4	Total	210,124,188
5	Sec. B.309 Department of Vermont health access	s - Medicaid program - state
6	only	
7	Grants	39,415,040
8	Total	39,415,040
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	31,425,153
11	Global Commitment fund	7,989,887
12	Total	39,415,040
13	Sec. B.310 Department of Vermont health access	s - Medicaid non-waiver
14	matched	
15	Grants	45,030,389
16	Total	45,030,389
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	18,868,848
19	Federal funds	<u>26,161,541</u>
20	Total	45,030,389

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1	Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support	
2	Personal services	7,070,805
3	Operating expenses	3,280,471
4	Grants	<u>2,595,000</u>
5	Total	12,946,276
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	2,579,027
8	Special funds	1,022,719
9	Federal funds	5,668,282
10	Global Commitment fund	3,676,248
11	Total	12,946,276
12	Sec. B.312 Health - public health	
13	Personal services	37,391,426
14	Operating expenses	8,229,404
15	Grants	39,972,373
16	Total	85,593,203
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	8,544,109
19	Special funds	16,854,895
20	Tobacco fund	2,461,377
21	Federal funds	38,184,687

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1	Global Commitment fund	18,401,274
2	Interdepartmental transfers	1,121,861
3	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
4	Total	85,593,203
5	Sec. B.313 Health - alcohol and drug abuse programs	
6	Personal services	3,995,245
7	Operating expenses	392,203
8	Grants	43,932,842
9	Total	48,320,290
10	Source of funds	
11	General fund	2,873,238
12	Special funds	442,829
13	Tobacco fund	1,386,234
14	Federal funds	9,865,175
15	Global Commitment fund	33,752,814
16	Total	48,320,290
17	Sec. B.314 Mental health - mental health	
18	Personal services	28,575,903
19	Operating expenses	3,927,176
20	Grants	188,266,046
21	Total	220,769,125

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1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	1,703,391
3	Special funds	434,904
4	Federal funds	4,881,255
5	Global Commitment fund	213,729,575
6	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>20,000</u>
7	Total	220,769,125
8	Sec. B.316 Department for children and families - admini	stration & support
9	services	
10	Personal services	45,539,991
11	Operating expenses	10,743,788
12	Grants	1,322,998
13	Total	57,606,777
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	21,705,290
16	Special funds	718,986
17	Federal funds	21,060,049
18	Global Commitment fund	13,456,637
19	Interdepartmental transfers	665,815
20	Total	57,606,777

1	Sec. B.317 Department for children and families - far	mily services
2	Personal services	27,279,227
3	Operating expenses	4,144,297
4	Grants	68,190,537
5	Total	99,614,061
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	29,164,732
8	Special funds	1,691,637
9	Federal funds	23,442,723
10	Global Commitment fund	45,178,915
11	Interdepartmental transfers	136,054
12	Total	99,614,061
13	Sec. B.318 Department for children and families - chi	ild development
14	Personal services	6,160,505
15	Operating expenses	712,850
16	Grants	74,243,412
17	Total	81,116,767
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	29,743,122
20	Special funds	1,820,000
21	Federal funds	38,248,914

1	Global Commitment fund	11,304,731
2	Total	81,116,767
3	Sec. B.319 Department for children and families - office	of child support
4	Personal services	10,216,130
5	Operating expenses	3,515,641
6	Total	13,731,771
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	3,430,564
9	Special funds	455,718
10	Federal funds	9,457,889
11	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>387,600</u>
12	Total	13,731,771
13	Sec. B.320 Department for children and families - aid to	aged, blind and
14	disabled	
15	Personal services	2,221,542
16	Grants	11,217,094
17	Total	13,438,636
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	9,688,636
20	Global Commitment fund	3,750,000
21	Total	13,438,636

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1	Sec. B.321 Department for children and families - general assi	stance
2	Grants	6,087,010
3	Total	6,087,010
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	4,680,025
6	Federal funds	1,111,320
7	Global Commitment fund	295,665
8	Total	6,087,010
9	Sec. B.322 Department for children and families - 3SquaresV	Γ
10	Grants	28,217,770
11	Total	28,217,770
12	Source of funds	
13	Federal funds	28,217,770
14	Total	28,217,770
15	Sec. B.323 Department for children and families - reach up	
16	Operating expenses	86,891
17	Grants	42,534,036
18	Total	42,620,927
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	12,308,629
21	Special funds	23,401,676

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1	Federal funds	4,152,222
2	Global Commitment fund	<u>2,758,400</u>
3	Total	42,620,927
4	Sec. B.324 Department for children and families - home he	ating fuel
5	assistance/LIHEAP	
6	Grants	17,351,664
7	Total	17,351,664
8	Source of funds	
9	Federal funds	<u>17,351,664</u>
10	Total	17,351,664
11	Sec. B.325 Department for children and families - office of	economic
12	opportunity	
13	Personal services	285,158
14	Operating expenses	28,069
15	Grants	8,605,335
16	Total	8,918,562
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	4,729,667
19	Special funds	57,990
20	Federal funds	3,928,417
21	Global Commitment fund	<u>202,488</u>

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1	Total	8,918,562
2	Sec. B.326 Department for children and families - OEO - weather	zation
3	assistance	
4	Personal services	404,273
5	Operating expenses	53,717
6	Grants	8,649,961
7	Total	9,107,951
8	Source of funds	
9	Special funds	8,107,951
10	Federal funds	1,000,000
11	Total	9,107,951
12	Sec. B.327 Department for children and families - Woodside rehal	oilitation
13	center	
14	Personal services	4,143,010
15	Operating expenses	656,181
16	Total	4,799,191
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	913,411
19	Global Commitment fund	3,788,780
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>97,000</u>
21	Total	4,799,191

1	Sec. B.328 Department for children and families - d	isability determination
2	services	
3	Personal services	5,691,593
4	Operating expenses	<u>524,133</u>
5	Total	6,215,726
6	Source of funds	
7	Federal funds	5,959,659
8	Global Commitment fund	<u>256,067</u>
9	Total	6,215,726
10	Sec. B.329 Disabilities, aging, and independent living	ng - administration &
11	support	
12	Personal services	29,024,981
13	Operating expenses	4,985,917
14	Total	34,010,898
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	11,213,165
17	Special funds	1,390,457
18	Federal funds	12,992,255
19	Global Commitment fund	5,740,234
20	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,674,787</u>
21	Total	34,010,898

1	Sec. B.330 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - ad	dvocacy and
2	independent living grants	
3	Grants	20,560,309
4	Total	20,560,309
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	7,862,665
7	Federal funds	6,992,730
8	Global Commitment fund	5,534,924
9	Interdepartmental transfers	169,990
10	Total	20,560,309
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11	Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - b	
11	Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - b	
11 12	Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - be impaired	lind and visually
11 12 13	Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - be impaired Grants	lind and visually <u>1,411,457</u>
11 12 13 14	Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - being impaired Grants Total	lind and visually 1,411,457
11 12 13 14 15	Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - be impaired Grants Total Source of funds	1,411,457 1,411,457
11 12 13 14 15 16	Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - be impaired Grants Total Source of funds General fund	1,411,457 1,411,457 349,154
11 12 13 14 15 16	Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - be impaired Grants Total Source of funds General fund Special funds	1,411,457 1,411,457 349,154 223,450

1	Sec. B.332 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - vocational	
2	rehabilitation	
3	Grants <u>8,972,2</u>	<u>255</u>
4	Total 8,972,2	255
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund 1,371,8	345
7	Special funds 70,0	000
8	Federal funds 4,552,5	523
9	Global Commitment fund 7,5	500
10	Interdepartmental transfers 2,970,3	<u> 887</u>
11	Total 8,972,2	255
12	Sec. B.333 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - developmental	
13	services	
14	Grants <u>185,990,0</u>	<u>)25</u>
15	Total 185,990,0)25
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund 155,1	25
18	Special funds 15,4	163
19	Federal funds 359,8	357
20	Global Commitment fund 185,459,5	<u> 80</u>
21	Total 185,990,0)25

1	Sec. B.334 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - T	BI home and
2	community based waiver	
3	Grants	5,647,336
4	Total	5,647,336
5	Source of funds	
6	Global Commitment fund	<u>5,647,336</u>
7	Total	5,647,336
8	Sec. B.335 Corrections - administration	
9	Personal services	2,335,909
10	Operating expenses	218,683
11	Total	2,554,592
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	<u>2,554,592</u>
14	Total	2,554,592
15	Sec. B.336 Corrections - parole board	
16	Personal services	241,447
17	Operating expenses	80,783
18	Total	322,230
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	322,230
21	Total	322,230

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1	Sec. B.337 Corrections - correctional education	
2	Personal services	3,252,135
3	Operating expenses	<u>530,774</u>
4	Total	3,782,909
5	Source of funds	
6	Education fund	3,554,425
7	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>228,484</u>
8	Total	3,782,909
9	Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services	
10	Personal services	109,869,570
11	Operating expenses	21,691,183
12	Grants	9,822,638
13	Total	141,383,391
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	134,508,672
16	Special funds	483,963
17	Federal funds	470,962
18	Global Commitment fund	5,523,479
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>396,315</u>
20	Total	141,383,391

1	Sec. B.339 Corrections - Correctional services - out of state beds	
2	Personal services	8,009,061
3	Total	8,009,061
4	Source of funds	
5	General fund	8,009,061
6	Total	8,009,061
7	Sec. B.340 Corrections - correctional facilities - recreation	
8	Personal services	541,428
9	Operating expenses	345,501
10	Total	886,929
11	Source of funds	
12	Special funds	886,929
13	Total	886,929
14	Sec. B.341 Corrections - Vermont offender work program	
15	Personal services	1,267,964
16	Operating expenses	<u>548,231</u>
17	Total	1,816,195
18	Source of funds	
19	Internal service funds	<u>1,816,195</u>
20	Total	1,816,195

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1	Sec. B.342 Vermont veterans' home - care and support services	
2	Personal services	16,173,696
3	Operating expenses	4,852,498
4	Total	21,026,194
5	Source of funds	
6	General fund	4,482,923
7	Special funds	8,732,204
8	Federal funds	7,400,081
9	Global Commitment fund	410,986
10	Total	21,026,194
11	Sec. B.343 Commission on women	
12	Personal services	273,960
13	Operating expenses	82,404
14	Total	356,364
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	351,364
17	Special funds	<u>5,000</u>
18	Total	356,364
19	Sec. B.344 Retired senior volunteer program	
20	Grants	151,096
21	Total	151,096

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1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	<u>151,096</u>
3	Total	151,096
4	Sec. B.345 Green Mountain Care Board	
5	Personal services	8,508,778
6	Operating expenses	<u>637,600</u>
7	Total	9,146,378
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	921,851
10	Special funds	1,412,836
11	Federal funds	928,466
12	Global Commitment fund	3,154,685
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>2,728,540</u>
14	Total	9,146,378
15	Sec. B.346 Total human services	
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	667,482,470
18	Special funds	95,668,135
19	Tobacco fund	32,619,752
20	State health care resources fund	270,712,781
21	Education fund	3,554,425

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1	Federal funds	1,330,656,704
2	Global Commitment fund	1,316,095,010
3	Internal service funds	1,816,195
4	Interdepartmental transfers	30,798,487
5	Permanent trust funds	<u>25,000</u>
6	Total	3,749,428,959
7	Sec. B.400 Labor - programs	
8	Personal services	26,785,755
9	Operating expenses	7,609,922
10	Grants	330,482
11	Total	34,726,159
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	3,264,327
14	Special funds	3,363,869
15	Federal funds	26,941,460
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,156,503</u>
17	Total	34,726,159
18	Sec. B.401 Total labor	
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	3,264,327
21	Special funds	3,363,869

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1	Federal funds	26,941,460
2	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>1,156,503</u>
3	Total	34,726,159
4	Sec. B.500 Education - finance and administration	
5	Personal services	8,452,624
6	Operating expenses	2,409,879
7	Grants	<u>15,811,200</u>
8	Total	26,673,703
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	3,338,940
11	Special funds	16,656,256
12	Education fund	962,145
13	Federal funds	4,778,175
14	Global Commitment fund	938,187
15	Total	26,673,703
16	Sec. B.501 Education - education services	
17	Personal services	16,454,867
18	Operating expenses	1,382,706
19	Grants	114,274,730
20	Total	132,112,303

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1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	5,415,726
3	Special funds	2,425,480
4	Federal funds	123,005,164
5	Interdepartmental transfers	1,265,933
6	Total	132,112,303
7	Sec. B.502 Education - special education: formula grants	
8	Grants	179,823,434
9	Total	179,823,434
10	Source of funds	
11	Education fund	179,823,434
12	Total	179,823,434
13	Sec. B.503 Education - state-placed students	
14	Grants	16,400,000
15	Total	16,400,000
16	Source of funds	
17	Education fund	16,400,000
18	Total	16,400,000
19	Sec. B.504 Education - adult education and literacy	
20	Grants	7,101,468
21	Total	7,101,468

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1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	787,995
3	Education fund	5,550,000
4	Federal funds	763,473
5	Total	7,101,468
6	Sec. B.505 Education - adjusted education payment	
7	Grants	1,295,574,706
8	Total	1,295,574,706
9	Source of funds	
10	Education fund	1,295,574,706
11	Total	1,295,574,706
12	Sec. B.506 Education - transportation	
13	Grants	17,734,913
14	Total	17,734,913
15	Source of funds	
16	Education fund	17,734,913
17	Total	17,734,913
18	Sec. B.507 Education - small school grants	
19	Grants	<u>7,615,000</u>
20	Total	7,615,000

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1	Source of funds	
2	Education fund	7,615,000
3	Total	7,615,000
4	Sec. B.508 Education - capital debt service aid	
5	Grants	<u>122,000</u>
6	Total	122,000
7	Source of funds	
8	Education fund	122,000
9	Total	122,000
10	Sec. B.509 Education - tobacco litigation	
11	Personal services	101,707
12	Operating expenses	29,115
13	Grants	635,719
14	Total	766,541
15	Source of funds	
16	Tobacco fund	766,541
17	Total	766,541
18	Sec. B.510 Education - essential early education grant	
19	Grants	<u>6,356,188</u>
20	Total	6,356,188

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1	Source of funds	
2	Education fund	6,356,188
3	Total	6,356,188
4	Sec. B.511 Education - technical education	
5	Grants	13,331,162
6	Total	13,331,162
7	Source of funds	
8	Education fund	13,331,162
9	Total	13,331,162
10	Sec. B.512 Education - Act 117 cost containment	
11	Personal services	1,086,783
12	Operating expenses	148,207
13	Grants	91,000
14	Total	1,325,990
15	Source of funds	
16	Special funds	1,325,990
17	Total	1,325,990
18	Sec. B.513 Appropriation and transfer to education fund	
19	Grants	303,343,381
20	Total	303,343,381

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1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	303,343,381
3	Total	303,343,381
4	Sec. B.514 State teachers' retirement system	
5	Grants	73,102,909
6	Total	73,102,909
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	73,102,909
9	Total	73,102,909
10	Sec. B.514.1 State teachers' retirement system administration	
11	Personal services	7,978,983
12	Operating expenses	1,325,835
13	Total	9,304,818
14	Source of funds	
15	Pension trust funds	9,304,818
16	Total	9,304,818
17	Sec. B.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits	
18	Grants	15,576,468
19	Total	15,576,468
20	Source of funds	
21	General fund	15,576,468

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1	Total	15,576,468
2	Sec. B.516 Total general education	
3	Source of funds	
4	General fund	401,565,419
5	Special funds	20,407,726
6	Tobacco fund	766,541
7	Education fund	1,543,469,548
8	Federal funds	128,546,812
9	Global Commitment fund	938,187
10	Interdepartmental transfers	1,265,933
11	Pension trust funds	9,304,818
12	Total	2,106,264,984
13	Sec. B.600 University of Vermont	
14	Grants	42,509,093
15	Total	42,509,093
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	38,462,876
18	Global Commitment fund	4,046,217
19	Total	42,509,093
20	Sec. B.601 Vermont Public Television	
21	Grants	<u>271,103</u>

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1	Total	271,103
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	<u>271,103</u>
4	Total	271,103
5	Sec. B.602 Vermont state colleges	
6	Grants	24,300,464
7	Total	24,300,464
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	24,300,464
10	Total	24,300,464
11	Sec. B.603 Vermont state colleges - allied health	
12	Grants	<u>1,520,775</u>
13	Total	1,520,775
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	748,314
16	Global Commitment fund	<u>772,461</u>
17	Total	1,520,775
18	Sec. B.604 Vermont interactive technology	
19	Grants	<u>500</u>
20	Total	500

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1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	<u>500</u>
3	Total	500
4	Sec. B.605 Vermont student assistance corporation	
5	Grants	19,414,588
6	Total	19,414,588
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	19,414,588
9	Total	19,414,588
10	Sec. B.606 New England higher education compact	
11	Grants	84,000
12	Total	84,000
13	Source of funds	
14	General fund	84,000
15	Total	84,000
16	Sec. B.607 University of Vermont - Morgan Horse Farm	
17	Grants	<u>1</u>
18	Total	1
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	<u>1</u>
21	Total	1

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1	Sec. B.608 Total higher education	
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	83,281,846
4	Global Commitment fund	<u>4,818,678</u>
5	Total	88,100,524
6	Sec. B.700 Natural resources - agency of natural resources - administration	
7	Personal services	3,450,486
8	Operating expenses	2,144,118
9	Grants	<u>125,510</u>
10	Total	5,720,114
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	4,701,176
13	Special funds	491,800
14	Federal funds	270,000
15	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>257,138</u>
16	Total	5,720,114
17	Sec. B.701 Natural resources - state land local property tax assessment	
18	Operating expenses	2,285,299
19	Total	2,285,299
20	Source of funds	

21

General fund

1,863,799

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1	Interdepartmental transfers	421,500
2	Total	2,285,299
3	Sec. B.702 Fish and wildlife - support and field services	
4	Personal services	16,199,539
5	Operating expenses	5,399,047
6	Grants	<u>2,145,000</u>
7	Total	23,743,586
8	Source of funds	
9	General fund	5,132,155
10	Special funds	100,000
11	Fish and wildlife fund	9,321,075
12	Federal funds	8,991,856
13	Interdepartmental transfers	197,500
14	Permanent trust funds	<u>1,000</u>
15	Total	23,743,586
16	Sec. B.703 Forests, parks and recreation - administration	
17	Personal services	1,090,003
18	Operating expenses	663,990
19	Grants	1,822,730
20	Total	3,576,723

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1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	1,099,310
3	Special funds	1,307,878
4	Federal funds	1,169,535
5	Total	3,576,723
6	Sec. B.704 Forests, parks and recreation - forestry	
7	Personal services	5,230,313
8	Operating expenses	685,288
9	Grants	<u>500,700</u>
10	Total	6,416,301
11	Source of funds	
12	General fund	3,848,398
13	Special funds	1,130,403
14	Federal funds	1,300,000
15	Interdepartmental transfers	137,500
16	Total	6,416,301
17	Sec. B.705 Forests, parks and recreation - state parks	
18	Personal services	6,845,755
19	Operating expenses	2,622,212
20	Total	9,467,967

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1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	637,328
3	Special funds	8,830,639
4	Total	9,467,967
5	Sec. B.706 Forests, parks and recreation - lands administration	
6	Personal services	508,184
7	Operating expenses	1,195,754
8	Total	1,703,938
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	437,559
11	Special funds	197,629
12	Federal funds	1,050,000
13	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>18,750</u>
14	Total	1,703,938
15	Sec. B.707 Forests, parks and recreation - youth conservation co	orps
16	Grants	<u>520,689</u>
17	Total	520,689
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	48,307
20	Special funds	188,382

Federal funds

94,000

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1	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>190,000</u>
2	Total	520,689
3	Sec. B.708 Forests, parks and recreation - forest highw	yay maintenance
4	Personal services	94,000
5	Operating expenses	<u>85,925</u>
6	Total	179,925
7	Source of funds	
8	General fund	<u>179,925</u>
9	Total	179,925
10	Sec. B.709 Environmental conservation - management	and support services
11	Personal services	5,608,526
12	Operating expenses	790,399
13	Grants	<u>111,280</u>
14	Total	6,510,205
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	354,188
17	Special funds	445,630
18	Federal funds	1,110,742
19	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>4,599,645</u>
20	Total	6,510,205

1	Sec. B.710 Environmental conservation - air and waste ma	nnagement
2	Personal services	10,423,688
3	Operating expenses	8,315,978
4	Grants	<u>2,044,754</u>
5	Total	20,784,420
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	442,163
8	Special funds	16,555,651
9	Federal funds	3,634,737
10	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>151,869</u>
11	Total	20,784,420
12	Sec. B.711 Environmental conservation - office of water p	rograms
13	Personal services	16,578,032
14	Operating expenses	4,911,506
15	Grants	<u>1,672,015</u>
16	Total	23,161,553
17	Source of funds	
18	General fund	8,240,152
19	Special funds	6,864,180
20	Federal funds	6,722,123
21	Interdepartmental transfers	1,335,098

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1	Total	23,161,553
2	Sec. B.712 Environmental conservation - tax-lo	oss Connecticut river flood
3	control	
4	Operating expenses	<u>34,700</u>
5	Total	34,700
6	Source of funds	
7	General fund	3,470
8	Special funds	<u>31,230</u>
9	Total	34,700
10	Sec. B.713 Natural resources board	
11	Personal services	2,733,698
12	Operating expenses	236,618
13	Total	2,970,316
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	639,419
16	Special funds	<u>2,330,897</u>
17	Total	2,970,316
18	Sec. B.714 Total natural resources	
19	Source of funds	
20	General fund	27,627,349
21	Special funds	38,474,319

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1	Fish and wildlife fund	9,321,075
2	Federal funds	24,342,993
3	Interdepartmental transfers	7,309,000
4	Permanent trust funds	<u>1,000</u>
5	Total	107,075,736
6	Sec. B.800 Commerce and community development - ag	gency of commerce
7	and community development - administration	
8	Personal services	2,794,805
9	Operating expenses	813,675
10	Grants	4,322,627
11	Total	7,931,107
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	3,391,307
14	Special funds	3,569,800
15	Federal funds	800,000
16	Interdepartmental transfers	<u>170,000</u>
17	Total	7,931,107
18	Sec. B.801 Economic development	
19	Personal services	3,293,135
20	Operating expenses	1,016,566
21	Grants	<u>1,921,821</u>

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1	Total	6,231,522
2	Source of funds	
3	General fund	4,563,634
4	Special funds	929,650
5	Federal funds	738,238
6	Total	6,231,522
7	Sec. B.802 Housing & community development	
8	Personal services	6,938,851
9	Operating expenses	892,571
10	Grants	<u>1,441,987</u>
11	Total	9,273,409
12	Source of funds	
13	General fund	2,536,040
14	Special funds	4,530,732
15	Federal funds	2,064,555
16	Interdepartmental transfers	142,082
17	Total	9,273,409
18	Sec. B.804 Community development block grants	
19	Grants	6,174,938
20	Total	6,174,938

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1	Source of funds	
2	Federal funds	<u>6,174,938</u>
3	Total	6,174,938
4	Sec. B.805 Downtown transportation and capital impro	vement fund
5	Personal services	88,815
6	Grants	<u>335,151</u>
7	Total	423,966
8	Source of funds	
9	Special funds	423,966
10	Total	423,966
11	Sec. B.806 Tourism and marketing	
12	Personal services	1,220,033
13	Operating expenses	1,841,289
14	Grants	<u>147,530</u>
15	Total	3,208,852
16	Source of funds	
17	General fund	3,108,852
18	Interdepartmental transfers	100,000
19	Total	3,208,852
20	Sec. B.807 Vermont life	
21	Personal services	806,790

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1	Operating expenses	<u>61,990</u>
2	Total	868,780
3	Source of funds	
4	Enterprise funds	868,780
5	Total	868,780
6	Sec. B.808 Vermont council on the arts	
7	Grants	645,307
8	Total	645,307
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	645,307
11	Total	645,307
12	Sec. B.809 Vermont symphony orchestra	
13	Grants	<u>141,214</u>
14	Total	141,214
15	Source of funds	
16	General fund	<u>141,214</u>
17	Total	141,214
18	Sec. B.810 Vermont historical society	
19	Grants	<u>947,620</u>
20	Total	947,620

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1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	<u>947,620</u>
3	Total	947,620
4	Sec. B.811 Vermont housing and conservation board	
5	Grants	21,785,605
6	Total	21,785,605
7	Source of funds	
8	Special funds	10,532,396
9	Federal funds	11,253,209
10	Total	21,785,605
11	Sec. B.812 Vermont humanities council	
12	Grants	<u>217,959</u>
13	Total	217,959
14	Source of funds	
15	General fund	217,959
16	Total	217,959
17	Sec. B.813 Total commerce and community development	
18	Source of funds	
19	General fund	15,551,933
20	Special funds	19,986,544
21	Federal funds	21,030,940

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1	Interdepartmental transfers	412,082
2	Enterprise funds	868,780
3	Total	57,850,279
4	Sec. B.900 Transportation - finance and administration	
5	Personal services	11,125,599
6	Operating expenses	2,359,830
7	Grants	<u>245,000</u>
8	Total	13,730,429
9	Source of funds	
10	Transportation fund	12,690,489
11	Federal funds	1,039,940
12	Total	13,730,429
13	Sec. B.901 Transportation - aviation	
14	Personal services	2,669,668
15	Operating expenses	11,883,200
16	Grants	<u>204,000</u>
17	Total	14,756,868
18	Source of funds	
19	Transportation fund	4,667,668
20	Federal funds	9,954,000
21	Local match	135,200

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1	Total	14,756,868
2	Sec. B.902 Transportation - buildings	
3	Operating expenses	2,000,000
4	Total	2,000,000
5	Source of funds	
6	Transportation fund	2,000,000
7	Total	2,000,000
8	Sec. B.903 Transportation - program development	
9	Personal services	45,225,656
10	Operating expenses	198,678,472
11	Grants	35,813,117
12	Total	279,717,245
13	Source of funds	
14	Transportation fund	37,861,065
15	TIB fund	11,033,002
16	Federal funds	229,708,772
17	Local match	<u>1,114,406</u>
18	Total	279,717,245
19	Sec. B.904 Transportation - rest areas construction	
20	Operating expenses	<u>625,000</u>
21	Total	625,000

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1	Source of funds	
2	Transportation fund	62,500
3	Federal funds	<u>562,500</u>
4	Total	625,000
5	Sec. B.905 Transportation - maintenance state system	
6	Personal services	43,784,445
7	Operating expenses	43,190,139
8	Grants	95,000
9	Total	87,069,584
10	Source of funds	
11	Transportation fund	82,469,447
12	Federal funds	4,500,137
13	Interdepartmental transfers	100,000
14	Total	87,069,584
15	Sec. B.906 Transportation - policy and planning	
16	Personal services	3,209,333
17	Operating expenses	685,773
18	Grants	6,112,542
19	Total	10,007,648
20	Source of funds	
21	Transportation fund	2,065,384

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1	Federal funds	7,942,264
2	Total	10,007,648
3	Sec. B.907 Transportation - rail	
4	Personal services	4,746,680
5	Operating expenses	30,032,151
6	Grants	<u>370,000</u>
7	Total	35,148,831
8	Source of funds	
9	Transportation fund	15,414,997
10	TIB fund	564,364
11	Federal funds	<u>19,169,470</u>
12	Total	35,148,831
13	Sec. B.908 Transportation - public transit	
14	Personal services	1,100,718
15	Operating expenses	187,326
16	Grants	<u>25,833,991</u>
17	Total	27,122,035
18	Source of funds	
19	Transportation fund	7,669,114
20	Federal funds	<u>19,452,921</u>
21	Total	27,122,035

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1	Sec. B.909 Transportation - central garage	
2	Personal services	4,508,403
3	Operating expenses	<u>15,801,157</u>
4	Total	20,309,560
5	Source of funds	
6	Internal service funds	20,309,560
7	Total	20,309,560
8	Sec. B.910 Department of motor vehicles	
9	Personal services	17,566,584
10	Operating expenses	9,426,323
11	Total	26,992,907
12	Source of funds	
13	Transportation fund	25,303,741
14	Federal funds	<u>1,689,166</u>
15	Total	26,992,907
16	Sec. B.911 Transportation - town highway structures	
17	Grants	9,483,500
18	Total	9,483,500
19	Source of funds	
20	Transportation fund	9,483,500
21	Total	9,483,500

1	Sec. B.912 Transportation - town highway local technical ass	sistance program
2	Grants	<u>394,700</u>
3	Total	394,700
4	Source of funds	
5	Transportation fund	239,700
6	Federal funds	<u>155,000</u>
7	Total	394,700
8	Sec. B.913 Transportation - town highway class 2 roadway	
9	Grants	7,248,750
10	Total	7,248,750
11	Source of funds	
12	Transportation fund	7,248,750
13	Total	7,248,750
14	Sec. B.914 Transportation - town highway bridges	
15	Personal services	4,250,000
16	Operating expenses	18,681,001
17	Grants	<u>25,000</u>
18	Total	22,956,001
19	Source of funds	
20	Transportation fund	1,058,925
21	TIB fund	1,901,221

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1	Federal funds	18,671,176
2	Local match	<u>1,324,679</u>
3	Total	22,956,001
4	Sec. B.915 Transportation - town highway aid progra	am
5	Grants	25,982,744
6	Total	25,982,744
7	Source of funds	
8	Transportation fund	25,982,744
9	Total	25,982,744
10	Sec. B.916 Transportation - town highway class 1 su	pplemental grants
11	Grants	128,750
12	Total	128,750
13	Source of funds	
14	Transportation fund	<u>128,750</u>
15	Total	128,750
16	Sec. B.917 Transportation - town highway: state aid	for nonfederal disasters
17	Grants	<u>1,150,000</u>
18	Total	1,150,000
19	Source of funds	
20	Transportation fund	<u>1,150,000</u>
21	Total	1,150,000

1	Sec. B.918 Transportation - town highway: state aid for federal d	isasters
2	Grants	1,440,000
3	Total	1,440,000
4	Source of funds	
5	Transportation fund	160,000
6	Federal funds	1,280,000
7	Total	1,440,000
8	Sec. B.919 Transportation - municipal mitigation grant program	
9	Grants	<u>650,000</u>
10	Total	650,000
11	Source of funds	
12	Transportation fund	440,000
13	Federal funds	180,000
14	Interdepartmental transfers	30,000
15	Total	650,000
16	Sec. B.920 Transportation - public assistance grant program	
17	Grants	33,865,000
18	Total	33,865,000
19	Source of funds	
20	Special funds	1,965,000
21	Federal funds	31,900,000

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1	Total	33,865,000
2	Sec. B.921 Transportation board	
3	Personal services	193,548
4	Operating expenses	<u>30,886</u>
5	Total	224,434
6	Source of funds	
7	Transportation fund	<u>224,434</u>
8	Total	224,434
9	Sec. B.922 Total transportation	
10	Source of funds	
11	Transportation fund	236,321,208
12	TIB fund	13,498,587
13	Special funds	1,965,000
14	Federal funds	346,205,346
15	Internal service funds	20,309,560
16	Interdepartmental transfers	130,000
17	Local match	<u>2,574,285</u>
18	Total	621,003,986
19	Sec. B.1000 Debt service	
20	Operating expenses	73,569,975
21	Total	73,569,975

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1	Source of funds	
2	General fund	67,337,515
3	Transportation fund	1,946,969
4	TIB debt service fund	2,504,913
5	Special funds	628,420
6	ARRA funds	<u>1,152,158</u>
7	Total	73,569,975
8	Sec. B.1001 Total debt service	
9	Source of funds	
10	General fund	67,337,515
11	Transportation fund	1,946,969
12	TIB debt service fund	2,504,913
13	Special funds	628,420
14	ARRA funds	<u>1,152,158</u>
15	Total	73,569,975
16	Sec. B.1100 NEXT GENERATION; APPROPRIATIONS	AND
17	TRANSFERS	
18	(a) In fiscal year 2016, \$2,943,000 is appropriated or tra	ansferred from the
19	Next Generation Initiative Fund created in 16 V.S.A. § 288	37 as prescribed:
20	(1) Workforce education and training. The amount of	of \$1,502,500 as
21	<u>follows:</u>	

1	(A) Workforce Education and Training Fund (WETF). The amount
2	of \$942,500 is transferred to the Vermont Workforce Education and Training
3	Fund created in 10 V.S.A. § 543 and subsequently appropriated to the
4	Department of Labor for workforce education and training. Up to seven
5	percent of the funds may be used for administration of the program. Of this
6	amount, \$350,000 shall be allocated for competitive grants for internships
7	through the Vermont Career Internship Program pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 544.
8	(B) Adult Technical Education Programs. The amount of \$360,000
9	is appropriated to the Department of Labor in consultation with the State
10	Workforce Investment Board. This appropriation is for the purpose of
11	awarding competitive grants to regional technical centers and high schools to
12	provide adult technical education, as that term is defined in 16 V.S.A. § 1522,
13	to unemployed and underemployed Vermont adults.
14	(C) The amount of \$200,000 is appropriated to the Agency of
15	Commerce and Community Development to issue performance grants to the
16	University of Vermont and the Vermont Center for Emerging Technologies for
17	patent development and commercialization of technology and to enhance the
18	development of high technology businesses and Next Generation employment
19	opportunities throughout Vermont.

1	(2) Loan repayment. The amount of \$171,000 as follows:
2	(A) Large animal veterinarians' loan forgiveness. The amount of
3	\$30,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets
4	for a loan forgiveness program for large animal veterinarians pursuant to
5	<u>6 V.S.A. § 20.</u>
6	(B) Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) incentive.
7	The amount of \$141,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Commerce and
8	Community Development for an incentive payment pursuant to 2011 Acts and
9	Resolves No. 52, Sec. 6.
10	(3) Scholarships and grants. The amount of \$1,244,500 as follows:
11	(A) Nondegree VSAC grants. The amount of \$494,500 is
12	appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation. These funds
13	shall be for the purpose of providing nondegree grants to Vermonters to
14	improve job skills and increase overall employability, enabling them to enroll
15	in a postsecondary education or training program, including adult technical
16	education that is not part of a degree or accredited certificate program. A
17	portion of these funds shall be used for grants for indirect educational expenses
18	to students enrolled in training programs. The grants shall not exceed \$3,000
19	per student. None of these funds shall be used for administrative overhead.
20	(B) National Guard Educational Assistance. The amount of
21	\$150,000 is appropriated to Military – administration to be transferred to the

1	Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for the National Guard Educational
2	Assistance Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 2856.
3	(C) Dual enrollment programs. The amount of \$625,000 is
4	appropriated to the Vermont State Colleges for dual enrollment programs
5	consistent with 16 V.S.A. § 944, of which amount \$25,000 is transferred to the
6	Vermont Student Assistance Corporation pursuant to Sec. E.605.1 of this act.
7	The State Colleges shall develop a voucher program that will allow Vermont
8	students to attend programs at a postsecondary institution other than the State
9	College system when the student will be better served at a non-State college or
10	when available programs are not geographically suited to student need.
11	Sec. B.1100.1 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR RECOMMENDATION FOR
12	FISCAL YEAR 2017 NEXT GENERATION FUND
13	DISTRIBUTION
14	(a) The Department of Labor, in coordination with the Agency of
15	Commerce and Community Development, the Agency of Human Services, and
16	the Agency of Education, and in consultation with the State Workforce
17	Investment Board, shall recommend to the Governor on or before December 1,
18	2015 how \$3,293,000 from the Next Generation Fund should be allocated or
19	appropriated in fiscal year 2017 to provide maximum benefit to workforce
20	education and training, participation in secondary or postsecondary education
21	by underrepresented groups, and support for promising economic sectors in

1	Vermont. The State agencies and departments listed herein shall promote
2	actively and publicly the availability of the funds to eligible entities.
3	Sec. B.1101 VERMONT VETERANS' HOME; TRANSITION FUNDING
4	(a) In fiscal year 2016, \$1,000,000 of general funds is appropriated to the
5	Vermont Veterans' Home. The funds are intended to provide one-year bridge
6	funding for the Vermont Veterans' Home as the home implements changes to
7	meet the goal achieving self-sustaining fiscal operations and requiring no
8	additional State support by 2018.
9	Sec. B.1102 SPECIAL FUND APPROPRIATION FOR TAX COMPUTER
10	SYSTEMS
10 11	SYSTEMS (a) The amount of \$15,500,000 is appropriated from the Tax Computer
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11 12	(a) The amount of \$15,500,000 is appropriated from the Tax Computer System Modernization Special Fund established pursuant to 2007 Acts and
11 12 13	(a) The amount of \$15,500,000 is appropriated 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,
11 12 13 14	(a) The amount of \$15,500,000 is appropriated 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 and 2013 Acts and Resolves No.1, Sec. 65, and as further amended
11 12 13 14 15	(a) The amount of \$15,500,000 is appropriated 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 and 2013 Acts and Resolves No.1, Sec. 65, and as further amended by 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 95, Sec. 62. This appropriation shall carry

I	Sec. B.1103 FISCAL YEAR 2016 STATEWIDE OPERATIONAL
2	REDUCTIONS
3	(a) Information Technology Charges: In fiscal year 2016 the Secretary of
4	Administration shall reduce the general funds appropriated to the agencies and
5	branches of State government by a total amount of \$400,000. This reduction
6	reflects reductions in the internal services charged to agencies as a result of
7	actions taken in the Department of Information and Innovation to provide
8	general services or specific projects in a more cost-effective manner to its State
9	government customers.
10	(b) Human Resources: In fiscal year 2016 the Secretary of Administration
11	shall reduce the general funds appropriated to the agencies and branches of
12	State government by a total amount of \$44,000. This reduction reflects the
13	reduction in human resources internal services charged to agencies specifically
14	related to maintaining the supervisory training unit at fiscal year 2015 staffing
15	levels and postponing full implementation of this new initiative.
16	(c) Building and General Services: In fiscal year 2016 the Secretary of
17	Administration shall reduce the general funds appropriated to the agencies and
18	branches of State government by a total amount of \$470,000 from the internal
19	services charged by the Department of Buildings and General Services
20	programs as follows:

(1) Facilities operations efficient use of space \$300,000 of which	
\$120,000 is general fund: The Commissioner is authorized to undertake	
consolidations of owned or leased space, and the divestiture of State-owned	<u>ed</u>
lands or buildings not currently used and not slated for reuse. In fiscal year	<u>ar</u>
2016, proceeds from the divesture of State-owned real property made as a	;
result of this section shall be reserved for future expenses identified within	<u>1 an</u>
overall State space/facilities strategic plan that aligns future space operation	<u>1g</u>
costs with a sustainable budget.	
(2) Energy efficiency: Notwithstanding any contrary provision of l	<u>aw</u>
or Public Service Board order, monies raised by the energy efficiency cha	<u>rge</u>
under 30 V.S.A. § 209(d) applicable to multiple utility service territories s	<u>hall</u>
be used by Efficiency Vermont to deliver energy efficiency measures and	
services to State buildings and facilities that, during fiscal year 2016, will	
reduce the State's energy costs by an amount not less than \$250,000 of wh	<u>iich</u>
\$100,000 is general fund.	
(3) Fleet \$625,000 of which \$250,000 is general fund: From more	
efficient management of the assets of the fleet program which may include	<u>e</u>
longer life cycles for the assets, a lower cost basis for newly acquired asset	ets,
and management control of travel resulting in reduced mileage reimburser	ment.

1	Sec. B.1104 SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION; FISCAL YEAR 2016
2	PERSONNEL AND LABOR COST SAVINGS
3	(a) The Secretary of Administration shall reduce appropriations and make
4	transfers to the General Fund for a total of \$5,000,000 from agreed-upon
5	personnel or labor cost savings.
6	Sec. B.1105 2014 Acts and Resolves No.160, Sec. 9 is amended to read:
7	Sec. 9. PAY ACT APPROPRIATIONS
8	* * *
9	(a)(2)(A) General Fund. The amount of $\$8,480,001.00$ $\$3,454,510.00$ is
10	appropriated from the General Fund to the Secretary of Administration for
11	distribution to departments to fund the fiscal year 2016 collective bargaining
12	agreements and the requirements of this act.
13	(B) Transportation Fund. The amount of $$2,000,000.00$
14	is appropriated from the Transportation Fund to the Secretary of
15	Administration for distribution to the Agency of Transportation and the
16	Department of Public Safety to fund the fiscal year 2016 collective bargaining
17	agreements and the requirements of this act.
18	* * *
19	(b)(2)(B) Fiscal Year 2016. The amount of $\$1,044,585.00$ $\$425,369.00$ is
20	appropriated from the General Fund to the Judiciary to fund the fiscal year
21	2015 collective bargaining agreement and the requirements of this act.

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2	(c)(2) Fiscal Year 2016. The amount of $$283,000.00 $115,286.00$ is
3	appropriated from the General Fund to the Legislative Branch.
4	Sec. B.1106 FISCAL YEAR 2016 PERSONNEL AND LABOR COST
5	SAVINGS; RECOMMENDATIONS
6	(a) For purposes of carrying out the personnel and labor cost reductions
7	provided for in sections B.1104 and B.1105 of this act as it relates to the
8	Executive Branch of State government, the General Assembly encourages the
9	Administration to do the following:
10	(1) target positions for layoff that are distributed proportionally across
11	management, supervisory, and line positions and across exempt and classified
12	positions in any reduction in force;
13	(2) provide limited or no salary increases to higher wage exempt
14	employees;
15	(3) reduce the amount of employee travel and encourage telephone and
16	video conferencing whenever possible;
17	(4) reduce the amount of overtime that State employees are permitted to
18	work;
19	(5) reduce bottled water allowances for State agencies and departments
20	and encourage the replacement of bottled water with water bottle filling
21	stations located at drinking fountains; and

1	(6) identify opportunities to reduce personnel costs through increasing
2	or decreasing the number of State employees or the use of outsourcing.
3	Sec. B.1107 COMMISSIONER OF HUMAN RESOURCES; REPORT:
4	STATE EMPLOYEE POSITION CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM
5	(a) On or before January 15, 2016, the Commissioner of Human Resources
6	shall report to the Senate and House Committees on Appropriations and on
7	Government Operations regarding recommended changes to the position
8	classification system applicable to State employees and the rules governing
9	such system as prescribed by 3 V.S.A. § 310. In addition to any analysis the
10	Commissioner deems relevant, the Commissioner will address the following:
11	(1) Whether the current position classification system, which is based
12	upon a point factor comparison method of job evaluation, effectively serves the
13	needs of State government.
14	(2) Alternatives to the current position classification system and an
15	analysis of the impacts of implementing such alternatives.
16	(b) In conducting this analysis, the Commissioner shall consult with the
17	Vermont State Employees' Association and the Vermont Troopers'
18	Association.

1	Sec. B.1108 32 V.S.A. § 1282 is added to read:
2	§ 1282. OFFICER COMPENSATION; VOLUNTARY DECREASE
3	An officer whose compensation is established by this chapter may choose to
4	be compensated at a lower rate.
5	Sec. B.1109 32 V.S.A. § 1002 is amended to read:
6	§ 1002. SALARY OF GOVERNOR-ELECT
7	* * *
8	(b) The Governor-Elect shall be entitled to receive a salary of 70 percent of
9	the regular weekly salary of the Governor for the period before a new
10	Governor qualifies for office. This amount shall be reduced by the amount the
11	Governor-Elect receives from the State during this period for services
12	performed in fulfilling the duties of any office to which he or she was elected
13	or appointed.
14	Sec. B.1110 32 V.S.A. 1003 is amended to read:
15	§ 1003. STATE OFFICERS
16	* * *
17	(c) The annual salaries of the officers of the Judicial Branch named below
18	shall be entitled to annual salaries as follows:

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1 Sec. B.1111 32 V.S.A. § 1012 is amended to read:

2 § 1012. PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

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- The annual salary of the Chairperson Chair of the Public Service Board shall be entitled to an annual salary that is the same as fixed for annual salary to which each Superior Court judge is entitled. The annual salary of each of the other members of the Public Service Board, each of whom shall serve on a part-time basis, shall be entitled to an annual salary equal to two-thirds of that of the annual salary to which the Chairperson Chair is entitled. The annual salary of the clerk of such Board shall be fixed by the Board with the approval of the Governor.
- 11 Sec. B.1112 32 V.S.A. § 1051 is amended to read:
 - § 1051. SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE; PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE
- 13 (a) The Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate 14 shall be entitled to receive annual compensation of \$10,080.00 for the 2005 15 Biennial Session and thereafter to be paid in biweekly payments; provided that, 16 beginning on January 1, 2007, the annual compensation shall be adjusted 17 annually thereafter by the cost of living adjustment negotiated for State 18 employees under the most recent collective bargaining agreement. In addition 19 to the annual compensation, the Speaker and President Pro Tempore shall be 20 entitled to receive:

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1	Sec. B.1113 32 V.S.A. § 1141 is amended to read:
2	§ 1141. ASSISTANT JUDGES
3	(a)(1) The compensation of each Each assistant judge of the Superior Court
4	shall be entitled to receive compensation in the amount of \$156.49 a day as of
5	July 13, 2014 and \$161.65 a day as of July 12, 2015 for time spent in the
6	performance of official duties and necessary expenses as allowed to classified
7	State employees. Compensation under this section shall be based on a
8	two-hour minimum and hourly thereafter.
9	(2)(A) The compensation paid to an assistant judge pursuant to this
10	section shall be paid by the State except as provided in subdivision (B) of this
11	subdivision (2).
12	(B) The compensation paid to an assistant judge pursuant to this
13	section shall be paid by the county at the State rate established in subdivision
14	(a)(1) of this section when an assistant judge is sitting with a presiding
15	Superior judge in the Civil or Family Division of the Superior Court.
16	(b) Assistant judges of the Superior Court shall be entitled to receive pay
17	for such days as they attend Court when it is in actual session, or during a

Court recess when engaged in the special performance of official duties.

1	Sec. B.1114 32 V.S.A. § 1142 is amended to read:
2	§ 1142. PROBATE JUDGES
3	(a) The annual salaries of the Probate judges in the several Probate Districts
4	shall be entitled to receive the following annual salaries, which shall be paid by
5	the State in lieu of all fees or other compensation, shall be as follows:
6	* * *
7	(b) Probate judges shall be entitled to be paid by the State for their actual
8	and necessary expenses under the rules and regulations pertaining to classified
9	State employees. The compensation for the Probate judge of the Chittenden
10	District shall be for full-time service.
11	* * *
12	Sec. B.1115 32 V.S.A. § 1182 is amended to read:
13	§ 1182. SHERIFFS
14	(a) The annual salaries of the sheriffs of all counties except Chittenden
15	shall be entitled to receive salaries in the amount of \$72,508.00 as of July 13,
16	2014 and \$74,901.00 as of July 12, 2015. The annual salary of the sheriff
17	Sheriff of Chittenden County shall be entitled to an annual salary in the amount
18	of \$76,732.00 as of July 13, 2014 and \$79,264.00 as of July 12, 2015.

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1	Sec. B.1116 32 V.S.A. § 1183 is amended to read:
2	§ 1183. STATE'S ATTORNEYS
3	(a) The annual salaries of State's Attorneys shall be entitled to receive
4	annual salaries as follows:
5	* * *
6	Sec. B.1117 PSAP; TRANSITION FUNDING
7	(a) In fiscal year 2016, \$425,000 of E-911 funds is appropriated to the
8	Department of Public Safety for the purposes of Sec. E.208.1 of this act.
9	Sec. C.101 BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON COST AND FINANCING
10	OPTIONS FOR HIGH QUALITY AFFORDABLE CHILD
11	CARE
12	(a) Creation. The Secretary of Administration shall establish a Blue
13	Ribbon Commission on Financing High Quality, Affordable Child Care.
14	(b) Purpose. The purposes of the Commission are as follows:
15	(1) to identify the totality of State, federal, and grant money currently
16	being expended on child care in Vermont, to examine the costs, affordability,
17	and availability of funding for high quality child care for children ages birth
18	through five; and
19	(2) to make recommendations to the General Assembly and the
20	Governor on the most effective use of existing public funding, whether a gap

1	exists between what is needed for adequate public funding and what is being
2	provided at the present time, and recommendations regarding a potential gap.
3	(c) The Blue Ribbon Commission will meet and support goals and
4	strategies within the Vermont Early Childhood Framework and the
5	accompanying Vermont Early Childhood Action Plan, especially goals three
6	and four.
7	(d) The goals of the Commission are as follows:
8	(1) To determine the total costs of providing equal access to voluntary,
9	high quality, early care and education for all Vermont children, ages birth
10	through five. The Commission shall consider the needs and preferences of
11	families, which may range along a continuum from partial day or partial year
12	services to full day or full year services and include nontraditional work hours
13	as well as usual business hours or a combination of these.
14	(2) To work in coordination with the ongoing efforts of Vermont's Early
15	<u>Learning Challenge – Race to the Top grant, Vermont's PreK Expansion</u>
16	Grant, and Vermont's implementation of Act 166 – Universal PreK.
17	(3) To examine current policies in Vermont's Child Care Financial
18	Assistance Program (CCFAP) in relation to national trends and innovation in
19	subsidy practice, as well as the relationship between CCFAP and other public
20	benefits taking into consideration the overall impact on families, and

1	recommend changes to maximize the use of CCFAP to support affordable
2	access to high quality, early care and education for eligible families.
3	(4) To consider various family compositions and income levels, to
4	recommend the amount that families should pay toward the costs of high
5	quality, early care and education, and to identify methods for reducing the
6	costs for families paying more than what has been established as affordable.
7	(5) To determine capacity of current funding mechanisms for high
8	quality, affordable early care and education and assess the need for expansion.
9	(6) To review and identify the sources of any potentially available
10	funding from the State and federal government for high quality, affordable
11	early care and education.
12	(7) To investigate the current economic impact of the child care
13	industry, including its importance for the role it plays in enabling parents to be
14	in the workforce.
15	(8) To review and identify potentially available public and private
16	funding sources, other than the federal government, for high quality, affordable
17	early care and education.
18	(9) To review and identify innovative funding mechanisms used to
19	finance high quality, affordable early care and education in other states and
20	countries.

1	(10) To explore possible various funding sources for equal access to
2	voluntary, high quality, early care and education for all of Vermont children,
3	ages birth through five, including:
4	(A) expansion of existing available child care tax credits for both
5	families and businesses, and investigation of other tax credits, deductions and
6	exemptions for families and businesses;
7	(B) development of a system for "Pay for Success" financing such as
8	"Social Impact Bonds";
9	(C) identification of available revenue from health care reform and
10	establishing requirements for designating those savings for use in funding early
11	care and education;
12	(D) identification of possible available revenue from changes in the
13	education system or funding and establishing requirements for designating
14	those savings for use in funding early care and education;
15	(E) identification of possible systems to generate funding sources,
16	such as fees, when new community or commercial development will create
17	increased demand for high quality, affordable early care and education;
18	(F) analysis of current State allocation of tax and fee revenues and
19	identification of possible reallocation, additional new revenue, and any other
20	possible source of funds in the existing tax structure; and
21	(G) evaluation of the long-term sustainability of the funding sources.

1	(11) To determine the return on investment by assessing future cost
2	savings to the State.
3	(12) To develop a specific plan and timeline for the implementation of
4	these recommendations.
5	(e) Membership. The Commission shall consist of members to be selected
6	as follows:
7	(1) the Secretary of Education or designee;
8	(2) the Secretary of Administration or designee;
9	(3) the Secretary of Human Services or designee;
10	(4) the following members appointed by the Governor:
11	(A) a representative from the Agency of Human Services' Child
12	Development Division;
13	(B) a representative from higher education;
14	(C) three representatives of the Vermont business community;
15	(D) a representative of the financial services industry in the State;
16	(E) a representative of licensed and registered home-based early
17	learning and development programs in the State;
18	(F) a representative of licensed center-based early learning and
19	development programs in the State;
20	(G) a representative of Head Start;
21	(H) a representative of the Parent Child Centers;

1	(I) a representative of Early Educators United;
2	(J) two parents of children enrolled in an early care and education
3	program in the State, one of whom is serving in the military;
4	(K) a representative of a child advocacy group; and
5	(L) a representative from the Building Bright Futures State Council.
6	(f) The Commission shall be appointed as soon as possible after this act
7	takes effect. The panel shall elect a chair and a vice chair from among its
8	members. The first meeting of the Commission shall be held on or before
9	July 15, 2015. The Commission shall hold subsequent meetings at times and
10	locations determined by the Commission.
11	(g) The Commission shall hold meetings across the State and actively seek
12	input from a broad spectrum of stakeholders.
13	(h) Members of the Commission that are not State employees shall receive
14	per diem compensation and reimbursement for expenses pursuant to 32 V.S.A
15	<u>§ 1010.</u>
16	(i) The Commission shall have the administrative, technical, and legal
17	assistance of the Secretary of Administration.
18	(j) The Commission is authorized to accept funding to offset costs related
19	to this study.
20	(k) The Commission shall report on its findings to the Governor and to the
21	Senate Committees on Education, on Finance, and on Health and Welfare and

1	to the House Committees on Education, on Human Services, and on Ways and
2	Means on or before November 1, 2016.
3	Sec. C.102 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 4, Sec. 61(a)(4) is amended to read:
4	(4) The following amounts shall be transferred to the Transportation
5	Infrastructure Bond Fund from the Transportation Fund:
6	3,150,000.00 <u>2,500,000.00</u>
7	Sec. C.103 32 V.S.A. § 704 is amended to read:
8	§ 704. INTERIM BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS
9	(a) The General Assembly recognizes that acts of appropriations and their
10	sources of funding reflect the priorities for expenditures of public funds
11	enacted by the Legislature, and that major reductions or adjustments transfers,
12	when required by reduced State revenues or other reasons, ought to be made
13	whenever possible by an act of the Legislature reflecting its revisions of those
14	priorities. Nevertheless, if the General Assembly also recognizes that when it
15	is not in session, it may be necessary to reduce or transfer authorized
16	appropriations and their sources of funding may be adjusted and to address
17	deficits and maintain a balanced State budget. Under these limited
18	circumstances, it is the intent of the General Assembly that funds may be
19	reduced and transferred when the General Assembly is not in session pursuant
20	to the provisions of this section.

(b)(1) If the official State revenue estimates of the Emergency Board for
the General Fund, the Transportation Fund, or federal funds, determined under
section 305a of this title have been reduced by one percent or more from the
estimates determined and assumed for purposes of the general appropriations
act or budget adjustment act, and if the General Assembly is not in session, in
order to adjust appropriations and their sources of funding under this
subdivision, the Secretary shall prepare a plan for approval by the Joint Fiscal
Committee, and authorized appropriations and their sources of funding may be
adjusted and funds transferred pursuant to a plan approved under this section
Except as otherwise provided in subsection (f) of this section, in each instance
that the official State revenue estimate for the General Fund, the
Transportation Fund, or federal funds has been reduced by one percent or more
from the estimates determined and assumed for purposes of the current fiscal
year's general appropriations, the Secretary shall prepare an expenditure
reduction plan for approval by the Joint Fiscal Committee, provided that any
reductions and transfers in appropriations are not greater than the reductions in
the official State revenue estimate.

(2) If the Secretary of Administration determines that the current fiscal year revenues for the General Fund, Transportation Fund, or federal funds are likely to be reduced from the official revenue estimates by less than one percent, the Secretary may prepare and implement an expenditure reduction

plan, and implement appropriations reductions in accordance with the plan.
The Secretary may implement a plan under this subdivision without the
approval of the Joint Fiscal Committee if reductions to any individual
appropriation do not exceed five percent of the appropriation's amount for
personal services, operating expenses, grants, and other categories, and
provided that the plan is designed to minimize any negative effects on the
delivery of services to the public, and shall not have any unduly
disproportionate effect on any single function, program, service, benefit, or
county. Plans not requiring the approval of the Joint Fiscal Committee shall be
filed with the Joint Fiscal Office prior to implementation. If the Secretary's
plan consists of disproportionate reductions greater than five percent in any
line item, such plan shall not be implemented without the approval of the Joint
Fiscal Committee In each instance that the official State revenue estimate for
the General Fund, the Transportation Fund, or federal funds has been reduced
by less than one percent from the estimates determined and assumed for
purposes of the current fiscal year's general appropriations, the Secretary of
Administration may prepare and implement an expenditure reduction plan
without the approval of the Joint Fiscal Committee. The Secretary may
implement an expenditure reduction plan under this subdivision if plan
reductions to the total amount appropriated in any section or subsection do not
exceed more than five percent, the plan is designed to minimize any negative

1	effects on the delivery of services to the public, and the plan does not have any
2	unduly disproportionate effect on any single function, program, service,
3	benefit, or county. Plans not requiring the approval of the Joint Fiscal
4	Committee shall be filed with the Joint Fiscal Office prior to implementation.
5	If the Secretary's plan consists of disproportionate reductions greater than five
6	percent to the total amount appropriated in any section or subsection, such plan
7	shall only be implemented in the manner provided for in subdivision (1) of this
8	subsection.
9	(c) A An expenditure reduction plan prepared by the Secretary
10	shall indicate:
11	(1) the amounts to be adjusted reduced or transferred in each
12	appropriation, and by funding source;
13	(2) in personal services, operating expenses, grants, and other
14	categories, shall indicate the effect of each adjustment reduction or transfer in
15	appropriations and their sources of funding, and each fund transfer, on the
16	primary purposes of the program, and;
17	(3) shall indicate how it is designed to minimize any negative effects on
18	the delivery of services to the public; and
19	(4) any unduly disproportionate effect the plan may have on any single
20	function, program, service, benefit, or county.

1	(d) An expenditure reduction plan <u>implemented</u> under subdivision (b)(2) of
2	this section shall not include any reduction or transfer in:
3	(1) appropriations authorized and necessary to fulfill the State's debt
4	obligations;
5	(2) appropriations authorized for the Judicial or Legislative Branch,
6	except that the plan may recommend reductions for consideration by the
7	Judicial or Legislative Branch; or
8	(3) appropriations for the salaries of elected officers of the Executive
9	Branch listed in subsection 1003(a) of this title.
10	(e)(1) The Joint Fiscal Committee shall have 21 days from the date of
11	submission of $\frac{1}{2}$ any expenditure reduction plan under subdivision (b)(1) of this
12	section to consider the plan, and may approve or disapprove the plan upon a
13	vote of a majority of the members of the Committee. If the Committee vote
14	results in a tie, the plan shall be deemed disapproved; and if the Committee
15	fails for any other reason to take final action on such plan within 21 days of its
16	submission to the Committee, it shall be deemed to be disapproved. During
17	the 21-day period for consideration of the plan, the Committee shall conduct a
18	public hearing and provide an opportunity for public comment on the plan.
19	(2) If the plan is disapproved, then in order to communicate the
20	priorities of the General Assembly, the Committee shall make

recommendations to the Secretary for amendments to the plan. Within seven

days after the Committee notifies the Secretary of its disapproval of a plan, the Secretary may submit a final plan to the Committee. The Committee shall have 14 days from the date of submission of a final plan to consider that plan and to vote by a majority of the members of the Committee to approve or disapprove the plan; but if the Committee fails to approve or disapprove the plan by a majority vote, the plan shall be deemed disapproved. If the Secretary's final plan includes any changes from the original plan other than those recommended by the Committee, then during the 14-day period for consideration of the final plan, the Committee shall conduct a public hearing and provide an opportunity for public comment, with the scope of the hearing and the comments limited to the changes from the original plan.

- (3) In determining whether to approve a plan submitted by the Secretary under this subsection, the Committee shall consider whether the plan minimizes any negative effects on the delivery of services to the public, and whether the plan will have any unduly disproportionate effect on any single function, program, service, benefit, or county.
- (4) Any plan disapproved under <u>subdivision (b)(1) of</u> this section shall not be implemented.
- (5) For purposes of this section, the Committee shall be convened at the call of the Chair or at the request of at least three members of the Committee.

(f) In the event of a reduction in the official revenue estimate of one
percent or more and the Joint Fiscal Committee does not approve the
Secretary's final expenditure reduction plan prepared under subdivision (b)(1)
of this section, the Secretary may implement an expenditure reduction plan in
the manner provided for in subdivision (b)(2) of this section, provided that the
reduction in appropriations is not greater than one percent of the prior official
revenue estimate. <u>If the Secretary implements an expenditure reduction plan</u>
under the authority of this subsection, any subsequent expenditure reduction
plan that is required to address the remaining deficit under the current official
State revenue estimate may only be implemented in the manner provided for in
subdivision (b)(1) of this section.

- (g) No <u>expenditure reduction</u> plan may be approved or implemented under this section which:
- (1) would reduce appropriations from any fund by more than the eumulative reductions in the official State revenue estimates of the Emergency Board for the General Fund, the Transportation Fund, or federal funds, determined under section 305a of this title, from the estimate originally determined and assumed for purposes of the general appropriations act or budget adjustment act; minus the total reductions in appropriations already taken under this section in that fund in the fiscal year;

(2) would result in total reductions under this section in appropriations
in the fiscal year from any fund or transfers to the total amount appropriated in
any section or subsection by more than four percent of the estimate originally
determined and assumed for purposes of the <u>current fiscal year's</u> general
appropriations act or budget adjustment act; or
(3)(2) would adjust reduce or transfer revenues or expenditures of the
Education Fund as prescribed by law.
(h) The provisions of this section shall apply to each An expenditure
reduction plan may only be implemented under subsection (b) of this section
subsequent to an official State revenue estimate of the Emergency Board in the
fiscal year and when the General Assembly is not in session.
(i) The provisions of 2 V.S.A. § 20(d) (expiration of required reports) shall
not apply to the plan to be made under this section.
(j) Annually, in each instance that cumulative revenue collections during
the month of September or October are four percent or more below the
respective cumulative monthly revenue targets, the Emergency Board shall
convene in the manner provided for in subsection 305a(b) of this title to
determine whether to revise the official State revenue estimate.

1	(k) As used in this section:
2	(1) "Cumulative monthly revenue targets" means monthly revenue
3	targets adopted based on the most current official State revenue estimates, as
4	agreed upon by the Legislative Joint Fiscal Office and the Secretary.
5	(2) "Expenditure Reduction Plan" means a rescission plan that includes
6	reducing, transferring, and adjusting funds, and their sources of funding, that
7	are authorized in the current fiscal year's general appropriations.
8	(3) "Official State revenue estimates" means a revenue estimate
9	determined by the Emergency Board or the Governor, as provided in
10	section 305a of this title. An official State revenue estimate does not mean
11	cumulative monthly revenue targets.
12	Sec. C.104 FISCAL YEAR 2015 ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS
13	(a) The amount of \$1,000,000 of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. settlement
14	proceeds that had been reserved for attorney's fees and other related
15	expenditures shall be transferred to the General Fund and distributed as
16	follows:
17	(1) The amount of \$289,912 shall be appropriated in fiscal year 2015 to
18	the Secretary of Administration for a grant to the Town of Westminster for
19	Tropical Storm Irene-related work expenses not reimbursed by FEMA but
20	undertaken based on guidance of State officials.

1	(2) The amount of \$210,088 shall be appropriated to the Secretary of
2	Administration in fiscal year 2015 to be utilized to reimburse costs to facilitate
3	the implementation of video conferencing and other actions to reduce the
4	long-term spending needs of the Judiciary and other components of the
5	criminal justice system.
6	(3) The amount of \$500,000 shall be appropriated to the Judiciary in
7	fiscal year 2015 to be reserved for use in fiscal year 2016. These funds shall
8	be used by the Judiciary as bridge funding as the Branch and its partners
9	implement changes that result in cost reductions that align the Judiciary's
10	future funding needs with a sustainable budget.
11	Sec. D.100 APPROPRIATIONS; PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX
12	(a) This act contains the following amounts appropriated from special
13	funds that receive revenue from the property transfer tax. Expenditures from
14	these appropriations shall not exceed available revenues.
15	(1) The sum of \$518,000 is appropriated from the Property Valuation
16	and Review Administration Special Fund to the Department of Taxes for
17	administration of the Use Tax Reimbursement Program. Notwithstanding
18	32 V.S.A. § 9610(c), amounts above \$518,000 from the property transfer tax
19	that are deposited into the Property Valuation and Review Administration
20	Special Fund shall be transferred into the General Fund.

1	(2) The sum of \$9,404,840 is appropriated from the Vermont Housing
2	and Conservation Trust Fund to the Vermont Housing and Conservation
3	Board. Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 312, amounts above \$9,404,840 from the
4	property transfer tax that are deposited into the Vermont Housing and
5	Conservation Trust Fund shall be transferred into the General Fund.
6	(3) The sum of \$3,760,599 is appropriated from the Municipal and
7	Regional Planning Fund. Notwithstanding 24 V.S.A. § 4306(a), amounts
8	above \$3,760,599 from the property transfer tax that are deposited into the
9	Municipal and Regional Planning Fund shall be transferred into the General
10	Fund. The \$3,760,599 shall be allocated as follows:
11	(A) \$2,924,417 for disbursement to regional planning commissions in
12	a manner consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b);
13	(B) \$457,482 for disbursement to municipalities in a manner
14	consistent with 24 V.S.A. § 4306(b);
15	(C) \$378,700 to the Agency of Commerce and Community
16	Development for the Vermont Center for Geographic Information.
17	Sec. D.101 FUND TRANSFERS, REVERSIONS, AND RESERVES
18	(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the following amounts are
19	transferred from the funds indicated:
20	(1) From the General Fund to the Next Generation Initiative Fund
21	established by 16 V.S.A. § 2887: \$2,943,000.

1	(2) From the Transportation Fund to the Downtown Transportation and
2	Related Capital Improvement Fund established by 24 V.S.A. § 2796 to be used
3	by the Vermont Downtown Development Board for the purposes of the Fund:
4	<u>\$423,966.</u>
5	(3) From the Transportation Infrastructure Bond Fund established by
6	19 V.S.A. § 11f to the Transportation Infrastructure Bonds Debt Service Fund
7	for the purpose of funding fiscal year 2017 transportation infrastructure bonds
8	<u>debt service: \$2,501,413.</u>
9	(4) From the Department of Public Safety boating safety fund to the
10	General Fund: \$167,000.
11	(b) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in fiscal year
12	2016 the following amounts shall revert to the General Fund from the accounts
13	indicated:
14	(1) Department of Labor: \$293,000.
15	(2) Department of Health, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs: \$92,000.
16	Sec. D.102 TOBACCO LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUND BALANCE
17	(a) Notwithstanding 18 V.S.A. § 9502(b), the actual balances at the end of
18	fiscal year 2015 in the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund shall remain for
19	appropriation in fiscal year 2016.

1	Sec. D.103 TRANSFER OF TOBACCO TRUST FUNDS
2	(a) Notwithstanding 18 V.S.A. § 9502(a)(3) and (4), the actual amount of
3	investment earnings of the Tobacco Trust Fund at the end of fiscal year 2016
4	and any additional amount necessary to ensure the balance in the Tobacco
5	Litigation Settlement Fund at the close of fiscal year 2016 is not negative shall
6	be transferred from the Tobacco Trust Fund to the Tobacco Litigation
7	Settlement Fund in fiscal year 2016.
8	* * * GENERAL GOVERNMENT * * *
9	Sec. E.100 EXECUTIVE BRANCH POSITION AUTHORIZATIONS
10	(a) The establishment of the following new permanent classified positions
11	is authorized in fiscal year 2016 as follows:
12	(1) In the Department of Information and Innovation – one (1) IT
13	Security Analyst and one (1) IT Security Specialist.
14	(2) In the Department of Buildings and General Services – one (1)
15	Buildings Project Manager, two (2) Security Guard, five (5) Custodian, one (1)
16	Custodial Supervisor, one (1) Maintenance Specialist, one (1) Electrician, three
17	(3) Maintenance Mechanic and two (2) HVAC Specialist.
18	(3) In the Military Department – one (1) Plant Maintenance Supervisor
19	and one (1) Maintenance Mechanic.
20	(4) In the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets – one (1) Dairy
21	Product Specialist and one (1) Water Quality Specialist.

1	(5) In the Department of Financial Regulation – one (1) Captives
2	Insurance Examiner.
3	(6) In the Office of the Secretary of State – one (1) Deputy Director of
4	Professional Regulation.
5	(7) In the Department of Public Service – two (2) Telecommunications
6	Infrastructure Project Manager and one (1) Financial Manager.
7	(8) In the Department of Liquor Control – one (1) Administrative
8	Secretary, one (1) Administrative Assistant, and two (2) Warehouse Worker.
9	(b) The establishment of the following new permanent exempt positions is
10	authorized in fiscal year 2016 as follows:
11	(1) In the Agency of Natural Resources – one (1) Attorney.
12	(c) The positions established in this section shall be transferred and
13	converted from existing vacant positions in the Executive Branch, and shall
14	not increase the total number of authorized State positions, as defined in
15	Sec. A.107 of this act.
16	Sec. E.100.1 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.100(d) is amended to
17	read:
18	(d) Position Pilot Program. A Position Pilot is hereby created to assist
19	participating departments in more effectively managing costs of overtime,
20	compensatory time, temporary employees, and contractual work by removing

1	the position cap with the goal of maximizing resources to the greatest benefit
2	of Vermont taxpayers.
3	(1) Notwithstanding Sec. A.107 of this act, the Agency of
4	Transportation, the Department for Children and Families, the Department of
5	Environmental Conservation, the Department of Corrections, and the
6	Department of Buildings and General Services shall not be subject to the cap
7	on positions for the duration of the Pilot.
8	* * *
9	Sec. E.100.2 3 V.S.A. § 2222(j) is added to read:
10	(j) Notwithstanding the provisions of 29 V.S.A. § 903(a), the Agency of
11	Administration will administer an Equipment Revolving Fund to be used for
12	internal lease purchase of equipment for State agencies. The Secretary of
13	Administration will establish criteria for equipment purchased through this
14	Fund, including types of equipment, limiting amounts for specific equipment,
15	and the useful life of the equipment.
16	(1) Agencies or departments acquiring such equipment shall repay the
17	Fund through their regular operating budgets according to an amortization
18	schedule established by the Commissioner of Finance and Management.
19	Repayment shall include charges for the administrative costs of the purchase
20	and estimated administrative inflation over the term of the payback.

1	(2) The Commissioner of Finance and Management may anticipate
2	receipts to this Fund and issue warrants based thereon.
3	Sec. E.100.3 REPEAL
4	(a) 29 V.S.A. § 903(e) (administration of the equipment revolving fund) is
5	repealed.
6	Sec. E.100.4 SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION; PROMOTION OF
7	EFFICIENT OPERATIONS
8	(a) All branches and agencies of State government can expect to face a
9	multiyear horizon of State resources growing at rates lower than previously
10	experienced. In order to achieve fiscal sustainability, the Secretary of
11	Administration shall review opportunities for changes that result in efficiency
12	and savings in the form of reduced resource need or reduced cost trend
13	pressure, or both, within the State budget.
14	(b) The Secretary is authorized to implement changes in operational
15	practices as specified in this subsection or additional areas that fall within the
16	Secretary's authority and that do not require statutory amendment.
17	(1) the contracting process of State government to identify methods of
18	streamlining the process of approval and evaluation while preserving and
19	strengthening the pay for performance aspects of contracting;

1	(2) reduction in the number of audits and reports internally required of
2	agencies and contractors and grantees to avoid duplication and unnecessary
3	cost;
4	(3) the expansion of the LEAN program to additional agencies and
5	departments to improve processes and operations of departments; and
6	(4) the exploration of the use of contracts where payments are dependent
7	on the provision of departments and State operational entities with offsetting
8	efficiency savings.
9	(c) The proposals shall be developed and presented to the Legislature
10	during the budget adjustment process.
11	(1) Proposed elimination or consolidation of legislative reporting
12	requirements to free up staff productivity while preserving effective oversight.
13	(2) Opportunities for possible elimination or consolidation of boards and
14	commissions, and opportunities for more efficient use of space by these
15	entities. Entity colocation should be pursued to enable shared services
16	reducing costs.
17	(3) Proposals to restructure of agencies and departments to identify
18	opportunities for merger and consolidation to streamline management and
19	coordination and reduce the need for high level State positions.
20	(d) At the 2015 September and November Joint Fiscal Committee
21	meetings, the Secretary shall provide a written report on the status of system

1	reviews or process changes implemented. These reports shall also be sent to
2	the House and Senate Committees on Government Operations and on
3	Appropriations.
4	Sec. E.111 Tax – administration/collection
5	(a) Of this appropriation, \$30,000 is from the Current Use Application Fee
6	Special Fund and shall be appropriated for programming changes to the
7	CAPTAP software used by municipalities for establishing property values and
8	administering their grand lists.
9	Sec. E.111.1 [DELETED]
10	Sec. E.113 Buildings and general services – engineering
11	(a) The \$3,567,791 interdepartmental transfer in this appropriation shall be
12	from the General Bond Fund appropriation in the Capital Bill of the 2015
13	legislative session.
14	Sec. E.113.1 2013 Acts and Resolves No.1, Sec. 100(c), as amended by 2014
15	Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.113.1, is further amended to read:
16	(c) Sec. 97 (general obligation debt financing) shall take effect on July 1,
17	2015 July 1, 2017.
18	Sec. E.125 Legislative council
19	(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, from fiscal year 2015
20	funds appropriated to the Legislative Council and carried forward into fiscal

year 2016, the amount of \$30,000 shall revert to the General Fund.

1	Sec. E.126 Legislature
2	(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, from fiscal year 2015
3	funds appropriated to the Legislature and carried forward into fiscal year 2016,
4	the amount of \$215,376 shall revert to the General Fund.
5	(b) It is the intent of the General Assembly that funding for the Legislature
6	in fiscal year 2016 be included at a level sufficient to support an 18-week
7	legislative session.
8	Sec. E.127 Joint fiscal committee
9	(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, from fiscal year 2015
10	funds appropriated to the Joint Fiscal Committee and carried forward into
11	fiscal year 2016, the amount of \$19,623 shall revert to the General Fund.
12	Sec. E.133 Vermont state retirement system
13	(a) Notwithstanding 3 V.S.A. § 473(d), in fiscal year 2016, investment fees
14	shall be paid from the corpus of the Fund.
15	Sec. E.139 GRAND LIST LITIGATION ASSISTANCE
16	(a) Of the appropriation in Sec. B.139 of this act, \$100,000 shall be
17	transferred to the Attorney General and \$50,000 shall be transferred to
18	Department of Taxes', Division of Property Evaluation and Review reserved
19	and used with any remaining funds from the amounts previously transferred for
20	payment of expenses incurred by the Department or towns in defense of grand
21	list appeals regarding the reappraisals of the hydroelectric plants and other

1	property owned by TransCanada Hydro Northeast, Inc. in the State of
2	Vermont. Expenditures for this purpose shall be considered qualified
3	expenditures under 16 V.S.A. § 4025(c).
4	Sec. E.141 Lottery commission
5	(a) From this appropriation, the Lottery Commission shall fund the
6	gambling addiction program.
7	(b) The Vermont Lottery Commission will continue to provide financial
8	support and recommendations to provide and promote problem gambling
9	services for Vermont's citizens, to include production of media marketing,
10	printed material, and other methods of communication.
11	Sec. E.142 Payments in lieu of taxes
12	(a) This appropriation is for State payments in lieu of property taxes under
13	32 V.S.A. chapter 123, subchapter 4, and the payments shall be calculated in
14	addition to and without regard to the appropriations for PILOT for Montpelier
15	and for correctional facilities elsewhere in this act.
16	Sec. E.143 Payments in lieu of taxes – Montpelier
17	(a) Payments in lieu of taxes under this section shall be paid from the
18	PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.
19	Sec. E.144 Payments in lieu of taxes – correctional facilities
20	(a) Payments in lieu of taxes under this section shall be paid from the
21	PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.

1	* * * PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY * * *
2	Sec. E.200 Attorney general
3	(a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the Office of the Attorney
4	General, Medicaid Fraud and Residential Abuse Unit, is authorized to retain,
5	subject to appropriation, one-half of the State share of any recoveries from
6	Medicaid fraud settlements, excluding interest, that exceed the State share of
7	restitution to the Medicaid Program. All such designated additional recoveries
8	retained shall be used to finance Medicaid Fraud and Residential Abuse Unit
9	activities.
10	(b) Of the revenue available to the Attorney General under 9 V.S.A.
11	§ 2458(b)(4), \$997,000 is appropriated in Sec. B.200 of this act.
12	Sec. E.204 SUSPENSION OF VIDEO ARRAIGNMENTS; REPEAL
13	(a) 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 41, Sec. 9 (suspension of video
14	arraignments) is repealed.
15	Sec. E.204.1 4 V.S.A. § 466 is amended to read:
16	§ 466. PROCEDURE
17	(a) A proceeding before a magistrate shall, in cases involving child support,
18	be initiated by the filing of a petition. If a proceeding for divorce, annulment,
19	or separation has been commenced before the Family Division of the Superior
20	Court, the magistrate shall have jurisdiction to determine a temporary amount

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1	of child support on the basis of the complaint or petition filed in the Family
2	Division of the Superior Court.
3	* * *
4	(e) The Family Division of the Superior Court clerk petitioner shall provide
5	for personal service or shall mail to the respondent, at one or more of the
6	addresses supplied by the respondent, by certified mail, return receipt
7	requested and delivery restricted to the addressee, the expense being paid by
8	the petitioner, a notice signed by the clerk petitioner. If acceptance of service
9	is refused, the elerk petitioner may serve the notice on the respondent by
10	sending it to the respondent by ordinary first class mail and by certifying that
11	such service has been made. In the alternative, the elerk petitioner may
12	provide for mail service as provided in Rule 4(1) of the Vermont Rules of Civil
13	Procedure.
14	* * *
15	Sec. E.204.2 33 V.S.A. § 5223 is amended to read:
16	§ 5223. FILING OF PETITION
17	(a) When notice to the child is provided by citation, the State's Attorney
18	shall file the petition and supporting affidavit at least 10 days prior to the date
19	for the preliminary hearing specified in the citation.

(b) The Court State's Attorney shall send or deliver a copy of the petition

and affidavit to all persons required to receive notice, including the

1	noncustodial parent, as soon as possible after the petition is filed and at least
2	five days prior to the date set for the preliminary hearing.
3	Sec. E.204.3 33 V.S.A. § 5224 is amended to read:
4	§ 5224. FAILURE TO APPEAR AT PRELIMINARY HEARING
5	If a child or custodial parent, guardian, or custodian fails to appear at the
6	preliminary hearing as directed by a citation, the Court may issue a summons
7	to appear, an order to have the child brought to Court, or a warrant as provided
8	in section 5108 of this title. The summons, order, or warrant shall be served by
9	the State's Attorney.
10	Sec. E.204.4 CONSIDERATION OF ON-THE-RECORD APPEALS
11	(a) The House Committee on Judiciary and other committees with affected
12	jurisdiction shall consider the appropriate use of on-the-record appeals in
13	executive, administrative, judicial, and other matters within the jurisdiction of
14	the Committee. Each committee shall evaluate how on-the-record appeals may
15	be employed to improve efficiency and reduce expense while preserving
16	access to justice for Vermonters.
17	Sec. E.204.5 ACHIEVING EFFICIENCIES IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM;
18	WORKING GROUP; REPORT
19	(a) Creation. There is created an Achieving Efficiencies in the Justice
20	System Working Group ("Working Group") to propose ways to increase
21	efficiencies and reduce costs in all aspects of the justice system.

1	(b) Membership. The Working Group shall be composed of the following
2	eight members:
3	(1) the Chief Justice or designee, who shall serve as Chair;
4	(2) the Secretary of Administration or designee;
5	(3) the Defender General or designee;
6	(4) the Attorney General or designee;
7	(5) the Commissioner of Corrections or designee;
8	(6) the Executive Director of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs or designee
9	(7) the Executive Director of the Vermont Bar Association or
10	designee; and
11	(8) the Commissioner for Children and Families or designee.
12	(c) Powers and duties. The Working Group shall study and make specific
13	recommendations on the following within all aspects of the justice system:
14	(1) How to increase efficiencies.
15	(2) How to reduce costs, eliminate redundancies, and streamline
16	processes.
17	(3) Current and future filing fees and their relationship to access to
18	justice and funding of the Judiciary.
19	(4) Consolidation of contracts for courthouse security.
20	(d) Report. The Committee shall report regularly to the Criminal Justice
21	Oversight Committee during calendar year 2015. On or before November 6,

1	2015, the Working Group shall submit a written report to the General
2	Assembly with its findings and recommendations, including any suggested
3	statutory language.
4	(e) Meetings.
5	(1) The Chief Justice or designee shall call the first meeting of the
6	Working Group.
7	(2) The Working Group shall cease to exist on November 6, 2015.
8	Sec. E.204.6 4 V.S.A. § 38 is added to read:
9	§ 38. COLLECTION OF PENALTIES, FINES, AND FEES
10	The Judiciary shall employ all reasonable measures authorized by law to
11	collect monetary penalties, fines, and fees ordered by a court. To encourage
12	timely compliance with court-ordered payments, the Judiciary shall ensure that
13	a person who is ordered to pay may satisfy the judgment by cash, check, debit
14	card, or credit card, or may establish a payment schedule to discharge the
15	judgment at the time and place the penalty, fine, or fee is ordered.
16	Sec. E.204.7 PAYMENT REPORT
17	(a) The Court Administrator shall conduct a review regarding collection of
18	monetary penalties, fines, and fees by the Judiciary to determine successful
19	strategies, as well as existing impediments, to efficient collections. The Court
20	Administrator shall report his or her findings and recommendations to increase

1	efficiency in collection and encourage compliance with court-ordered
2	payments to the Joint Fiscal Committee on or before November 1, 2015.
3	Sec. E.204.8 JUDICIAL BRANCH MILEAGE REPORT
4	(a) The Court Administrator shall consult with the Commissioner of
5	Buildings and General Services and the Secretary of Administration regarding
6	how judges and other employees of the Judicial Branch are compensated for
7	mileage and other expenses and how to reduce these expenses. The Court
8	Administrator shall report his or her findings and recommendations to the Joint
9	Fiscal Committee on or before November 1, 2015.
10	Sec. E.204.9 CUSTODIAL TRANSPORTATION CONTRACTS
11	(a) The Agency of Human Services, in consultation with the Auditor of
12	Accounts, shall review the contracts for custodial transportation of persons
13	between a correctional facility and a courthouse, and for the transportation by
14	sheriffs of mental health patients under the care and custody of the State, for
15	the purpose of identifying the most efficient and cost-effective ways to provide
16	such services. The Secretary shall report his or her findings and
17	recommendations to the Joint Fiscal Committee on or before November 1,
18	<u>2015.</u>
19	Sec. E.208 Public safety – administration
20	(a) The Commissioner of Public Safety is authorized to enter into a
21	performance-based contract with the Essex County Sheriff's Department to

1	provide law enforcement service activities agreed upon by both the
2	Commissioner of Public Safety and the Sheriff.
3	Sec. E.208.1 DISPATCH FUNDING
4	(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the
5	Commissioner of Public Safety shall use \$425,000 of funds held by the fiscal
6	agent under 30 V.S.A. chapter 88 to continue funding the operation of the four
7	public safety answering points in Derby, Rockingham, Rutland, and Williston
8	at current levels until September 15, 2015.
9	Sec. E.208.2 911 CALL TAKING
10	(a) By September 1, 2015, the Vermont Enhanced 911 Board shall meet
11	and report to the Secretary of Administration and the Joint Fiscal
12	Committee on:
13	(1) the number of 911 call centers in the State necessary to meet the
14	current requirements of the Enhanced 911 system;
15	(2) the number of 911 call seats necessary to meet the current
16	requirements of the Enhanced 911 system;
17	(3) the average cost per 911 call seat; and
18	(4) ways to provide 911 services to the State that optimize performance
19	and cost-effectiveness to meet Vermont's needs.

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Sec. E.200.3	DISPATCH REQ	CINEMIENTS

2 (a) By May 15, 2015, the Commissioner of Public Safety shall report to the 3 Joint Fiscal Committee on the costs required to support the current level of 4 dispatching services at the four State-operated public safety answering points 5 in Derby, Rockingham, Rutland, and Williston. For the purposes of this 6 section, costs required to support the current level of dispatching services shall 7 not include any costs associated with taking 911 calls, but shall include the 8 following types of dispatch calls: police departments, excluding the Vermont 9 State Police; constabularies; emergency medical services; and fire and rescue 10 departments. This information shall be made available to the municipalities 11 that rely on dispatch services from the four State-operated public safety 12 answering points. 13 Sec. E.208.4 CONTRACTS FOR SERVICES 14 (a) The Commissioner of Public Safety shall meet with regional groups to 15 determine if those groups want to contract for State dispatch services. As used 16 in this subsection, "regional groups" include the State legislators, assistant 17 judges, municipal officials, and emergency service representatives for the areas 18 served by the dispatching functions of the State-operating public safety

answering points. The Commissioner shall determine whether each regional

group can calculate the cost of dispatch services, and whether each regional

group would like to contract for dispatch services with the State.

1	(b) If agreement is reached with a regional group on or before
2	September 15, 2015, the Commissioner of Public Safety shall contract with the
3	assistant judges, acting on behalf of a county of the State under this section, to
4	provide dispatching functions, at a public safety answering point, paid for at
5	the local level as part of the county budget. Funds received by the
6	Commissioner under contracts entered into under this section shall be
7	deposited in a special fund called the Dispatch Fund, created in accordance
8	with 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5, and shall be available to provide full
9	funding of the operation of public safety answering points. The cost of
10	contracts entered into by a county under this section shall be considered an
11	expense and obligation of the county under 24 V.S.A. § 133(e).
12	(c) In order to reach an agreement under this section, the Commissioner of
13	Public Safety is authorized to lease, rent, or otherwise convey any personal
14	property, real property, fixtures, or intangible rights currently held by the State
15	for the provision of dispatch services at a public safety answering point.
16	(d) The Commissioner shall obtain the approval of the Joint Fiscal
17	Committee for the contract amounts to be entered into for fiscal year 2016
18	and after.
19	Sec. E.209 Public safety – state police
20	(a) Of this appropriation, \$35,000 in special funds shall be available for
21	snowmobile law enforcement activities and \$35,000 in general funds shall be

1	available to the Southern Vermont Wilderness Search and Rescue Team, which
2	comprises State Police, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, county sheriffs,
3	and local law enforcement personnel in Bennington, Windham, and Windsor
4	Counties, for snowmobile enforcement.
5	(b) Of this appropriation, \$405,000 is allocated for grants in support of the
6	Drug Task Force and the Gang Task Force. Of this amount, \$190,000 shall be
7	used by the Vermont Drug Task Force to fund three town task force officers.
8	These town task force officers shall be dedicated to enforcement efforts with
9	respect to both regulated drugs as defined in 18 V.S.A. § 4201(29) and the
10	diversion of legal prescription drugs. Any unobligated funds may be allocated
11	by the Commissioner to fund the work of the Drug Task Force and to support
12	the efforts of the Mobile Enforcement Team (Gang Task Force), or carried
13	forward.
14	Sec. E.212 Public safety – fire safety
15	(a) Of this General Fund appropriation, \$55,000 shall be granted to the
16	Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force for the purpose of designing dry
17	<u>hydrants.</u>
18	Sec. E.212.1 HAZMAT COOPERATION MEMORANDUM OF
19	AGREEMENT
20	(a) The National Guard shall assist the Department of Public Safety with its
21	HAZMAT responsibilities under 20 V.S.A. § 33. The Department of Public

1	Safety and the National Guard shall develop a memorandum of understanding
2	to provide for this assistance to offset the reduction in funding in the Division
3	of Fire Safety in the Department of Public Safety.
4	Sec. E.215 Military – administration
5	(a) The amount of \$250,000 shall be disbursed to the Vermont Student
6	Assistance Corporation for the National Guard Educational Assistance
7	Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 2856. Of this amount, \$100,000 shall be
8	general funds from this appropriation, and \$150,000 shall be Next Generation
9	special funds, as appropriated in Sec. B.1100(a)(3)(B) of this act.
10	Sec. E.219 Military – veterans' affairs
11	(a) Of this appropriation, \$2,500 shall be used for continuation of the
12	Vermont Medal Program; \$4,800 shall be used for the expenses of the
13	Governor's Veterans' Advisory Council; \$7,500 shall be used for the Veterans
14	Day parade; \$5,000 shall be granted to the Vermont State Council of the
15	Vietnam Veterans of America to fund the Service Officer Program; \$5,000
16	shall be used for the Military, Family, and Community Network; and \$10,000
17	shall be granted to the American Legion for the Boys' State and Girls' State
18	programs.
19	(b) Of this General Fund appropriation, \$39,484 shall be deposited into the
20	Armed Services Scholarship Fund established in 16 V.S.A. § 2541.

1	Sec. E.220 Center for crime victims services
2	(a) Notwithstanding 20 V.S.A. § 2365(c), the Vermont Center for Crime
3	Victims Services shall transfer \$55,435 from the Domestic and Sexual
4	Violence Special Fund established in 13 V.S.A. § 5360 to the Criminal Justice
5	Training Council for the purpose of funding one-half the costs of the Domestic
6	Violence Trainer position. The other half of the position will be funded with
7	an appropriation to the Criminal Justice Training Council.
8	Sec. E.223 Agriculture, food and markets – food safety and consumer
9	protection
10	(a) The Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets shall use the Global
11	Commitment funds appropriated in this section for the Food Safety and
12	Consumer Protection Division to provide public health approaches and other
13	innovative programs to improve the health outcomes, health status, and quality
14	of life for uninsured, underinsured, and Medicaid-eligible individuals in
15	Vermont.
16	Sec. E.224 Agriculture, food and markets – agricultural development
17	(a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.224 of this act, the amount of
18	\$496,136 in general funds is appropriated for expenditure by the Working
19	Lands Enterprise Board established in 6 V.S.A. § 4606 for administrative
20	expenses, direct grants, and investments in food and forest systems pursuant to

1	6 V.S.A. § 4607 and consistent with the funding priorities in 2012 Acts and
2	Resolves No. 142, Sec. 5.
3	Sec. E.225 Agriculture, food and markets – laboratories, agricultural resource
4	management and environmental stewardship
5	(a) The Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets shall use the Global
6	Commitment funds appropriated in this section to provide public health
7	approaches and other innovative programs to improve the health outcomes,
8	health status, and quality of life for uninsured, underinsured, and
9	Medicaid-eligible individuals in Vermont.
10	Sec. E.225.1 VERMONT AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL
11	LABORATORY
12	(a) Effective July 1, 2015, the functions of the Department of
13	Environmental Conservation environmental laboratory and the Agency of
14	Agriculture, Food and Markets agricultural laboratory are consolidated in the
15	Vermont Agricultural and Environmental Laboratory, under the direction of
16	the Agency and separately appropriated there. The environmental laboratory
17	positions in the Department and positions in the Agency associated with
18	agricultural laboratory operations are transferred to that appropriation.
19	(b) The Department of Environmental Conservation shall utilize the
20	Agricultural and Environmental Laboratory for chemical analytical samples
21	unless any of the following apply:

1	(1) The Agricultural and Environmental Laboratory cannot perform the
2	analysis being requested by the Department of Environmental Conservation.
3	(2) The Agricultural and Environmental Laboratory cannot process the
4	samples within the time frame established by the Department of Environmental
5	Conservation.
6	(3) The fees charged by the Agricultural and Environmental Laboratory
7	are 120 percent or greater than for comparable analyses performed by a private
8	environmental laboratory.
9	(c) On or before July 1, 2015, the Agencies of Agriculture, Food and
10	Markets and Natural Resources shall enter into a memorandum of
11	understanding for the purpose of establishing principles for governance and
12	operations of the Vermont Agriculture and Environmental Laboratory,
13	including creation of a governance board with equal representation from both
14	agencies that shall provide oversight and establish strategic priorities for the
15	collaborative Agriculture and Environmental Laboratory.
16	Sec. E.225.2 6 V.S.A. § 121 is amended to read:
17	§ 121. CREATION AND PURPOSE
18	There is created within the agency of agriculture, food and markets Agency
19	of Agriculture, Food and Markets a central testing laboratory for the purpose of
20	assisting the agency in the performance of the duties required of it by law
21	providing agricultural and environmental testing services.

1	Sec. E.225.3 6 V.S.A. § 122 is amended to read:
2	§ 122. FEES
3	Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 603, the agency Agency shall establish fees
4	for any tests conducted providing agricultural and environmental testing
5	services at the request of private individuals and State agencies. The fees shall
6	cover the costs of the tests and any administrative work performed in
7	conjunction with the test, including but not limited to collection costs be
8	reasonably related to the cost of providing the services. Fees collected under
9	this chapter shall be credited to a special fund which shall be established and
10	managed pursuant to 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5, and which shall be
11	available to the Agency to offset the cost of providing the services.
12	Sec. E.225.4 REPEAL
13	(a) 3 V.S.A. § 2822(n) (environmental testing laboratory services) is
14	repealed.
15	(b) The balance in the Environmental Conservation – Laboratory Receipts
16	Special Fund (SF#21861) is transferred to the Agriculture, Food and Markets –
17	Laboratory Testing Special Fund (SF#21667).
18	Sec. E.233 CONNECTIVITY INITIATIVE FUNDING
19	(a) Of the amount of monies determined by the fiscal agent as available to

the Connectivity Initiative, as prescribed by 30 V.S.A. § 7516, \$270,000.00

1	shall be for staffing and administering the Connectivity Initiative established in
2	30 V.S.A. § 7515b.
3	* * * HUMAN SERVICES * * *
4	Sec. E.300 DEPOSIT AND USE OF MASTER SETTLEMENT FUND
5	(a) Deposit of Master Tobacco Settlement receipts and appropriations of
6	Tobacco Settlement funds in fiscal year 2016 are made, notwithstanding
7	2013 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec. D.104.
8	Sec. E.300.1 EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION REVIEW; REPORT
9	(a) On or before November 1, 2015, each designated agency and
10	specialized service agency in the State shall submit to the Agency of Human
11	Services the following:
12	(1) the compensation packages received by its executives over the
13	course of the previous 10 years; and
14	(2) the anticipated compensation packages for its current executives.
15	(b) The Agency of Human Services shall compile the information received
16	pursuant to subsection (a) of this section and conduct a comparison of
17	designated agency and specialized service agency executive compensation
18	packages with compensation packages of high ranking State officials. Both the
19	information collected from the designated agencies and specialized service
20	agencies and the results of the Agency's comparison shall be submitted to the

1	House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on or before January 15,
2	<u>2016.</u>
3	Sec. E.300.3 [DELETED]
4	Sec. E.300.4 [DELETED]
5	Sec. E.300.5 [DELETED]
6	Sec. E.300.6 [DELETED]
7	Sec. E.301 Secretary's office – Global Commitment:
8	(a) The Agency of Human Services shall use the funds appropriated in this
9	section for payment of the actuarially certified premium required under the
10	intergovernmental agreement between the Agency of Human Services and the
11	managed care entity, the Department of Vermont Health Access, as provided
12	for in the Global Commitment for Health Waiver (Global Commitment)
13	approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under Section
14	1115 of the Social Security Act.
15	(b) In addition to the State funds appropriated in this section, a total
16	estimated sum of \$28,995,359 is anticipated to be certified as State matching
17	funds under the Global Commitment as follows:
18	(1) \$18,212,850 certified State match available from local education
19	agencies for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services under
20	the Global Commitment. This amount combined with \$22,287,150 of federal
21	funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act equals a total estimated

1	expenditure of \$40,500,000. An amount equal to the amount of the federal
2	matching funds for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services
3	under Global Commitment shall be transferred from the Global Commitment
4	Fund to the Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund created in 16 V.S.A.
5	<u>§ 2959a.</u>
6	(2) \$4,027,624 certified State match available from local education
7	agencies for direct school-based health services, including school nurse
8	services, that increase the access of quality health care to uninsured persons,
9	underinsured persons, and Medicaid beneficiaries.
10	(3) \$1,830,081 certified State match available from local education
11	agencies for eligible services as allowed by federal regulation for early
12	periodic screening, diagnosis, and treatment programs for school-aged
13	children.
14	(4) \$2,653,915 certified State match available via the University of
15	Vermont's Child Health Improvement Program for quality improvement
16	initiatives for the Medicaid program.
17	(5) \$2,270,889 certified State match available from local designated
18	mental health and developmental services agencies for eligible mental health
19	services provided under Global Commitment.

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2	(a) The Director of Health Care Reform in the Agency of Administration,
3	in consultation with the Department for Vermont Health Access, shall analyze
4	the covered services available to beneficiaries in Vermont's Medicaid program
5	and those offered in major medical health insurance plans in which Vermont
6	residents are enrolled to determine which services Medicaid covers that are not
7	covered by most health insurance plans and which services health insurance
8	plans cover that are not covered under Medicaid. For each service identified
9	for which Medicaid provides coverage and most health insurance plans do not,
10	the Director shall determine whether federal law would allow Vermont to
11	discontinue Medicaid coverage for that service and, if so, estimate the potential
12	cost savings associated with discontinuing coverage. For each service
13	identified for which health insurance plans provide coverage and Medicaid

does not, the Director shall determine whether federal law would allow

potential cost increases associated with providing coverage.

Vermont to provide Medicaid coverage for that service and, if so, estimate the

Sec. E.301.1 REVIEW OF VERMONT MEDICAID BENEFITS

(b) On or before December 1, 2015, the Director of Health Care Reform
shall provide a list of the services identified, including the services that
currently are or are not available under Medicaid for which modification would
not be allowed and the estimates of cost savings and cost increases associated
with services for which adding or discontinuing coverage is permitted, to the

1	House Committees on Appropriations and on Health Care, the Senate
2	Committees on Appropriations, on Health and Welfare, and on Finance, and
3	the Health Reform Oversight Committee.
4	Sec. E.306 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.306.1 is amended to read:
5	Sec. E.306.1 EMERGENCY RULES
6	(a) The Agency of Human Services shall adopt rules pursuant to 3 V.S.A.
7	chapter 25 prior to June 30, 2015 2016 to conform Vermont's rules regarding
8	operation of the Vermont Health Benefit Exchange to federal guidance and
9	regulations implementing the provisions of the Patient Protection and
10	Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. No. 111-148, as amended by the federal Health
11	Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, Pub. L. No. 111-152. The
12	rules shall be adopted to achieve timely compliance with federal laws and
13	guidance and shall be deemed to meet the standard for the adoption of
14	emergency rules required pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 844(a).
15	Sec. E. 306.2 HOME HEALTH AGENCY ASSESSMENT REVIEW
16	(a) By November 15, 2015, the Visiting Nurse Associations of Vermont, in
17	consultation with Bayada Home Health Care, the Department of Vermont
18	Health Access, and the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent
19	Living, shall study and develop recommendations regarding the home health
20	agency assessment as established in 33 V.S.A. § 1955a. The study shall
21	include a review of the base and tax revenue generated by the home health

1	agency assessment and shall recommend revisions to ensure that the
2	assessment is equitable to all home health agencies. These recommendations
3	shall be reported to the House Committees on Appropriations and on Ways and
4	Means and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Finance.
5	Sec. E.306.3 MEDICAID PROGRAM SAVINGS INITIATIVES
6	(a) Autism: The Agency of Human Services, with the Departments of
7	Health, of Vermont Health Access, of Mental Health, and of Disabilities,
8	Aging, and Independent Living shall review the scope and delivery method of
9	autism services to ensure these are consistent with the scope and methods
10	covered under private insurance.
11	(b) Geriatric Psyche Alternative: The Agency of Human Services, with the
12	Departments of Health, of Vermont Health Access, of Mental Health, and of
13	Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living is authorized to implement service
14	alternatives that reduce length of hospital stay for geriatric psyche patients who
15	would otherwise be discharged but for a lack of placement alternative to meet
16	their needs. The Agency shall consult with community providers, including
17	nursing homes, hospitals, and designated agencies in implementing a service
18	alternative for this population.

1	Sec. E.307 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 79, Sec. 53(d), as amended by 2014
2	Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.307, is further amended to read:
3	(d) Secs. 31 (Healthy Vermonters) and 32 (VPharm) shall take effect on
4	January 1, 2014, except that the Department of Vermont Health Access may
5	continue to calculate household income under the rules of the Vermont Health
6	Access Plan after that date if the system for calculating modified adjusted
7	gross income for the Healthy Vermonters and VPharm programs is not
8	operational by that date, but no later than December 31, 2015 2016.
9	Sec. E.307.1 33 V.S.A. Sec. 2001(c) is amended to read:
10	(c) The Commissioner of Vermont Health Access shall report quarterly
11	annually on or before August 31 to the Health Care Reform Oversight
12	Committee concerning the following aspects of the Pharmacy Best Practices
13	and Cost Control Program:
14	(1) the efforts undertaken to educate health care providers about the
15	preferred drug list and the Program's utilization review procedures;
16	(2) the number of prior authorization requests made; and
17	(3) the number of utilization review events (other than prior
18	authorization requests). Topics covered in the report will include issues related
19	to drug cost and utilization; the effect of national trends on the pharmacy
20	program; comparisons to other states; and decisions made by the Department's

1	Drug Utilization Review Board in relation to both drug utilization review
2	efforts and the placement of drugs on the Department's preferred drug list.
3	Sec. E.307.2 33 V.S.A. § 1901f is amended to read:
4	§ 1901f. MEDICAID PROGRAM ENROLLMENT AND EXPENDITURE
5	REPORTS
6	By January 30, April 30, July 30 March 1, June 1, September 1, and
7	October 30 December 1 of each year, the Commissioner of Vermont Health
8	Access or designee shall submit to the General Assembly a quarterly report on
9	enrollment and total expenditures by Medicaid eligibility group for all
10	programs paid for by the Department of Vermont Health Access during the
11	preceding calendar quarter and for the fiscal year to date. Total expenditures
12	for Medicaid-related programs paid for by other departments within the
13	Agency of Human Services shall be included in this report by Medicaid
14	eligibility group to the extent such information is available.
15	Sec. E.307.3 [DELETED]
16	Sec. E.307.4 [DELETED]
17	Sec. E.307.5 [DELETED]
18	Sec. E.307.6 [DELETED]
19	Sec. E.307.7 [DELETED]
20	Sec. E.307.8 [DELETED]

1	Sec. E.308 CHOICES FOR CARE; SAVINGS, REINVESTMENTS, AND
2	SYSTEM ASSESSMENT
3	(a) In the Choices for Care program, "savings" means the difference
4	remaining at the conclusion of fiscal year 2015 between the amount of funds
5	appropriated for Choices for Care, excluding allocations for the provision of
6	acute care services, and the sum of expended and obligated funds, less an
7	amount equal to one-percent of the fiscal year 2015 year total Choices for Care
8	expenditure. The one-percent shall function as a reserve to be used in the
9	event of a fiscal need to freeze Moderate Needs Group enrollment. Savings
10	shall be calculated by the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent
11	Living and reported to the Joint Fiscal Office.
12	(1) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Department of
13	Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living only obligate funds for
14	expenditures approved under current law.
15	(b)(1) Any funds appropriated for long-term care under the Choices for
16	Care program shall be used for long-term services and supports to recipients.
17	In using these funds, the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent
18	Living shall give priority for services to individuals assessed as having high
19	and highest needs and meeting the terms and conditions of the Choices for
20	Care waiver.

1	(2)(A) First priority for the use of any savings from the long-term care
2	appropriation after the needs of all individuals meeting the terms and
3	conditions of the waiver have been met shall be given to home- and
4	community-based services. Savings may also be used for quality improvement
5	purposes in nursing homes but shall not be used to increase nursing home rates
6	under 33 V.S.A. § 905.
7	(B) Savings either shall be one-time investments or shall be used in
8	ways that are sustainable into the future. Excluding appropriations allocated
9	for acute services, any unexpended and unobligated State General Fund or
10	Special Fund appropriation remaining at the close of a fiscal year shall be
11	carried forward to the next fiscal year.
12	(C) The Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living
13	shall not reduce the base funding needed in a subsequent fiscal year prior to
14	calculating savings for the current fiscal year.
15	(c) The Department, in collaboration with Choices for Care participants,
16	participants' families, and long-term care providers, shall conduct an annual
17	assessment of the adequacy of the provider system for delivery of home- and
18	community-based services and nursing home services. On or before
19	October 1, 2015, the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent
20	Living shall report the results of this assessment to the House Committees on
21	Appropriations and on Human Services and the Senate Committees on

1	Appropriations and on Health and Welfare in order to inform the reinvestment
2	of savings during the budget adjustment process.
3	(d) On or before January 15, 2016, the Department of Disabilities, Aging,
4	and Independent Living shall propose reinvestment of the savings calculated
5	pursuant to this section to the General Assembly as part of the Department's
6	proposed budget adjustment presentation.
7	(e) Concurrent with the procedures set forth in 32 V.S.A. § 305a, the Joint
8	Fiscal Office and the Secretary of Administration shall provide to the
9	Emergency Board their respective estimates of caseloads and expenditures for
10	programs under the Choices for Care Medicaid Section 1115 waiver.
11	Sec. E.312 Health – public health
12	(a) AIDS/HIV funding:
13	(1) In fiscal year 2016 and as provided in this section, the Department of
14	Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$475,000 in AIDS Medication
15	Rebates special funds to the Vermont AIDS service and peer-support
16	organizations for client-based support services. The Department of Health
17	AIDS Program shall meet at least quarterly with the Community Advisory
18	Group (CAG) with current information and data relating to service initiatives.
19	The funds shall be allocated as follows:
20	(A) AIDS Project of Southern Vermont, \$120,281;
21	(B) HIV/HCV Resource Center, \$38,063;

1	(C) VT CARES, \$219,246;
2	(D) Twin States Network, \$45,160;
3	(E) People with AIDS Coalition, \$52,250.
4	(2) Ryan White Title II funds for AIDS services and the Vermont
5	Medication Assistance Program (VMAP) shall be distributed in accordance
6	with federal guidelines. The federal guidelines shall not apply to programs or
7	services funded solely by State general funds.
8	(3)(A) The Secretary of Human Services shall immediately notify the
9	Joint Fiscal Committee if at any time there are insufficient funds in VMAP to
10	assist all eligible individuals. The Secretary shall work in collaboration with
11	persons living with HIV/AIDS to develop a plan to continue access to VMAP
12	medications until such time as the General Assembly can take action.
13	(B) As provided in this section, the Secretary of Human Services
14	shall work in collaboration with the VMAP Advisory Committee, which shall
15	be composed of no less than 50 percent of members who are living with
16	HIV/AIDS. If a modification to the program's eligibility requirements or
17	benefit coverage is considered, the Committee shall make recommendations
18	regarding the program's formulary of approved medication, related laboratory
19	testing, nutritional supplements, and eligibility for the program.
20	(4) In fiscal year 2016, the Department of Health shall provide grants in
21	the amount of \$100,000 in general funds to Vermont AIDS service

1	organizations and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers for
2	community-based HIV prevention programs and services. These funds shall
3	be used for HIV/AIDS prevention purposes, including improving the
4	availability of confidential and anonymous HIV testing; prevention work with
5	at-risk groups such as women, intravenous drug users, and people of color; and
6	anti-stigma campaigns. No more than 15 percent of the funds may be used for
7	the administration of such services by the recipients of these funds. The
8	method by which these prevention funds are distributed shall be determined by
9	mutual agreement of the Department of Health and the Vermont AIDS service
10	organizations and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers.
11	Sec. E.312.1 LADIES FIRST PROGRAM
12	(a) The Commissioner of Health shall develop a marketing plan for Ladies
13	First, a health screening program for women, to increase awareness of the
14	available services provided to eligible women. In addition, the Commissioner
15	shall provide a plan to be submitted to the Joint Fiscal Committee on or before
16	September 1, 2015, that details how the Ladies First program will be
17	implemented.
18	Sec. E.313 Health – alcohol and drug abuse programs
19	(a) For the purpose of meeting the need for outpatient substance abuse
20	services when the preferred provider system has a waiting list of five days or
21	more or there is a lack of qualified clinicians to provide services in a region of

1	the State, a State-qualified alcohol and drug abuse counselor may apply to the
2	Department of Health, Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs, for
3	time-limited authorization to participate as a Medicaid provider to deliver
4	clinical and case coordination services, as authorized.
5	(b)(1) In accordance with federal law, the Division of Alcohol and Drug
6	Abuse Programs may use the following criteria to determine whether to enroll
7	a State-supported Medicaid and uninsured population substance abuse program
8	in the Division's network of designated providers, as described in the State
9	<u>plan:</u>
10	(A) The program is able to provide the quality, quantity, and levels of
11	care required under the Division's standards, licensure standards, and
12	accreditation standards established by the Commission on Accreditation of
13	Rehabilitation Facilities, the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health
14	Care Organizations, or the Commission on Accreditation for Family Services.
15	(B) Any program that is currently being funded in the existing
16	network shall continue to be a designated program until further standards are
17	developed, provided the standards identified in this subdivision (b)(1) are
18	satisfied.
19	(C) All programs shall continue to fulfill grant or contract
20	agreements.

1	(2) The provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall not
2	preclude the Division's "request for bids" process.
3	Sec. E.314 18 V.S.A. § 7511 is amended to read:
4	§ 7511. TRANSPORTATION
5	(a) The commissioner Commissioner shall ensure that all reasonable and
6	appropriate measures consistent with public safety are made to transport or
7	escort a person subject to this chapter to and from any inpatient setting,
8	including escorts within a designated hospital or the Vermont State Hospital or
9	its successor in interest or otherwise being transported under the jurisdiction of
10	the commissioner Commissioner in any manner which that:
11	(1) prevents physical and psychological trauma;
12	(2) respects the privacy of the individual; and
13	(3) represents the least restrictive means necessary for the safety of the
14	patient.
15	(b) The commissioner Commissioner shall have the authority to designate
16	the professionals or law enforcement officers who may authorize the method of
17	transport of patients under the eommissioner's Commissioner's care and
18	custody.
19	(c) The Commissioner shall establish standards for reimbursement for the
20	transport of patients that ensure statutory compliance with this chapter,
21	including the following:

1	(1) the necessary training that a professional or law enforcement officer
2	shall complete prior to receiving the Commissioner's designation to transport
3	patients;
4	(2) the authorization process for transporting patients, including the
5	necessary documentation and with whom the documentation shall be filed;
6	(3) the specific requirements and timelines for reporting the transport of
7	patients to the Department; and
8	(4) the manner of payment for designated professionals and law
9	enforcement officers transporting patients.
10	(d) When a professional or law enforcement officer designated pursuant to
11	subsection (b) of this section decides an individual is in need of secure
12	transport with mechanical restraints, the reasons for such determination shall
13	be documented in writing.
14	(d)(e) It is the policy of the state State of Vermont that mechanical
15	restraints are not routinely used on persons subject to this chapter unless
16	circumstances dictate that such methods are necessary.
17	Sec. E.314.1 MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET PRESENTATION
18	(a) In order for the General Assembly to evaluate whether the State is
19	meeting the goals in 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 79 of increasing community
20	supports, decreasing inpatient care, and moving toward a less coercive system
21	and to evaluate the outcomes of the systemwide investments made as the result

1	of Act 79, the Departments of Mental Health and of Vermont Health Access
2	shall in consultation with the State's Chief Performance Officer, as designee of
3	the Secretary of Administration, provide a longitudinal capacity, caseload,
4	expenditure, and utilization analysis with the fiscal year 2017 budget
5	presentation for:
6	(1) Inpatient services by the following funding categories:
7	(A) Level 1 inpatient psychiatric services;
8	(B) other involuntary inpatient psychiatric services;
9	(C) inpatient psychiatric services for community rehabilitation and
10	treatment clients;
11	(D) inpatient psychiatric services for other Medicaid patients; and
12	(E) emergency department wait times for an acute inpatient
13	psychiatric bed for minors and adults.
14	(2) Residential services by categories of service, including:
15	(A) Intensive Recovery;
16	(B) Crisis Residential and Hospital Diversion;
17	(C) group homes;
18	(D) supported independent living; and
19	(E) secure residential.
20	(3) Community mental services by categories of service, including:
21	(A) community rehabilitation and treatment;

1	(B) crisis programs;
2	(C) outpatient clinics; and
3	(D) peer support programs.
4	(4) Other mental health support services and administration.
5	Sec. E.314.2 UNIFIED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
6	IMPLEMENTATION PLAN
7	(a) As part of their 2017 budget presentations, the Departments of Mental
8	Health and of Vermont Health Access shall present an implementation plan for
9	a unified service and financial allocation for publically funded mental health
10	services as part of an integrated health care system. The implementation plan
11	shall contain a projected timeline for moving toward the goals presented
12	therein.
13	(b) On or before both August 1, 2015 and October 1, 2015, the
14	Departments of Mental Health and of Vermont Health Access shall present a
15	status update on the development of the implementation plan required pursuant
16	to subsection (a) of this section to the Health Reform Oversight Committee.
17	Sec. E.316 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; REVISED
18	APPROPRIATIONS STRUCTURE
19	(a) As part of its fiscal year 2016 budget presentation, the Department for
20	Children and Families shall propose a revised appropriations structure for

1	fiscal year 2017. The House and Senate Committees on Appropriations may
2	provide their endorsement of the revised structure.
3	Sec. E. 316.1 2006 Acts and Resolves No. 180, Sec. 3 as amended by 2008
4	Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. 23 and 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 19,
5	Sec. 1 is further amended to read:
6	Sec. 3. DATA COLLECTION
7	(a) On or before January 31, 2013, and January 31, 2015, the
8	commissioner of the department for children and families Commissioner for
9	<u>Children and Families</u> shall report to the house committee on human services
10	and the senate committee on health and welfare House Committee on Human
11	Services and the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare data for the
12	preceding two years year regarding the transportation of children in the
13	custody of the commissioner Commissioner by a sheriff, or deputy sheriff, or
14	other professional. The data shall include the number and gender of children
15	transported to various locations and geographic distribution of the use of such
16	transports, and what type of restraint was used, if any. The Commissioner
17	shall also submit recommendations aimed at improving the transport of
18	children and reducing the number of children transported in restraints.

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1	Sec. E.316.2 DEPARTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES; GRANT
2	REVIEW
3	(a) The Commissioner for Children and Families or designee shall
4	undertake a comprehensive review of the grants provided by the Department
5	for Children and Families in order to compile an inventory of all current and
6	anticipated grants to public and private entities. On or before January 15,
7	2016, the Commissioner or designee shall provide the inventory, including a
8	detailed description of each grant, to the House Committees on Appropriations
9	and on Human Services and the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on
10	Health and Welfare.
11	Sec. E.318 33 V.S.A. § 3505 is amended to read:
12	§ 3505. SUPPLEMENTAL CHILD CARE GRANTS
13	(a)(1) The Commissioner for Children and Families may reserve up to
14	one-half of one percent of the child care programs that are at risk of closing
15	due to financial hardship. The Commissioner shall develop guidelines for
16	providing assistance and shall prioritize extraordinary financial relief to child
17	care programs in areas of the State with high poverty and low access to high
18	quality child care. If the Commissioner determines a child care program is at
19	risk of closure because its operations are not fiscally sustainable, he or she may
20	provide assistance to transition children served by the child care operator in an
21	orderly fashion and to help secure other child care opportunities for children

served by the program in an effort to minimize a disruption of services. The
Commissioner has the authority to request tax returns and other financial
documents to verify the financial hardship and ability to sustain operations.
(2) Annually on or before January 15, the Commissioner shall report to
the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare and to the House Committee on
Human Services regarding any funds distributed pursuant to subdivision (1) of
this subsection. Specifically, the report shall address how funds were
distributed and used. It shall also address outcomes related to any distribution
of funds.
(b) In instances in which extraordinary financial relief will not maintain
ongoing access to high quality child care, the Department for Children and
Families may provide additional support to ensure access to high-quality,
comprehensive child care that meets the needs of working parents in
high-poverty areas of Vermont. Licensed child care centers may be considered
for this additional financial support to help ensure ongoing access to
high-quality child care in areas of the State where none exists, as determined
by the Commissioner. Financial assistance may be granted, at the discretion of
the Commissioner, if the child care center meets the following criteria:
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1	Sec. E.318.1 33 V.S.A. § 3512 is amended to read:
2	§ 3512. CHILD CARE SERVICES PROGRAMS; ELIGIBILITY
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4	(b)(1) An Enhanced Child Care Services Subsidy Program is established
5	for families participating in the Reach Ahead program.
6	(2) The Enhanced Child Care Services Subsidy Program established by
7	this subsection shall be administered by the Department's Child Development
8	Division. The Commissioner shall adopt rules necessary for the administration
9	of the Program pursuant to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25.
10	(3) The subsidy authorized by this subsection shall be no greater than
11	100 percent of the subsidy provided in subsection (a) of this section.
12	(4) A participating family shall remain eligible for the Enhanced Child
13	Care Services Subsidy Program between 12 and 24 months as long as one or
14	more dependent children of a working parent or parents are receiving child
15	care services. The Commissioner for Children and Families may extend the
16	subsidy beyond 24 months if the Commissioners for Children and Families and
17	of Finance and Management determine jointly that an extension can be
18	accommodated within appropriated resources.
19	(5) The Enhanced Child Care Services Subsidy Program shall be funded
20	through savings resulting from caseload reductions in the Reach Up program.

but no more than the amount appropriated for this purpose in fiscal year 2016.

1	If there are insufficient savings from caseload reductions to fund the Program,
2	the Program shall be suspended or modified.
3	Sec. E 321 HOUSING ASSISTANCE RENEFITS: FLEXIBILITY

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(a) For State fiscal year 2016, the Agency of Human Services may continue a housing assistance program within the General Assistance program to create flexibility to provide these General Assistance benefits. The purpose of the program is to mitigate poverty and serve applicants more effectively than they are currently being served with General Assistance funds. The program shall operate in a consistent manner within existing statutes and rules and policies effective on July 1, 2013, and any succeeding amendments thereto, and may create programs and provide services consistent with these policies. Eligible activities shall include, among others, 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. The assistance provided under this section is not an entitlement and may be discontinued when the appropriation has been fully spent.

1	(b) The program may operate in up to 12 districts designated by the
2	Secretary of Human Services. The Agency shall establish outcomes and
3	procedures for evaluating the program overall, and for each district in which
4	the Agency operates the program, it shall establish procedures for evaluating
5	the district program and its effects.
6	(c) The Agency shall continue to engage interested parties, including both
7	statewide organizations and local agencies, in the design, implementation, and
8	evaluation of the General Assistance flexibility program.
9	Sec. E.321.1 GENERAL ASSISTANCE HOUSING
10	(a) Funds appropriated to the Agency of Human Services in the General
11	Assistance program in fiscal year 2016 may be used for temporary housing in
12	catastrophic situations and for vulnerable populations, as defined in rules
13	adopted by the Agency. The cold weather exception issued by the Department
14	for Children and Families' Economic Services Division dated October 25,
15	2012, and any succeeding amendments to it, shall remain in effect.
16	Sec. E.321.2 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec. E.321.2(c) is amended
17	to read:
18	(c) On or before January 15 January 31 and July 15 July 31 of each year
19	beginning in 2014 2015, the Agency of Human Services shall report statewide
20	statistics related to the use of emergency housing vouchers during the
21	preceding calendar half-year, including demographic information, deidentified

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client data, shelter and motel usage rates, clients' primary stated cause of
homelessness, average lengths of stay in emergency housing by demographic
group and by type of housing, and such other relevant data as the Secretary
deems appropriate. When the General Assembly is in session, the Agency
shall provide its report to the House Committee on General, Housing and
Military Affairs, the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Housing
and General Affairs, and the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations
When the General Assembly is not in session, the Agency shall provide its
report to the Joint Fiscal Committee.
Sec. E.321.3 9 V.S.A. § 4452(8) is added to read:
(8) transient occupancy in a hotel, motel, or lodgings during the time the
occupant is a recipient of General Assistance or Emergency Assistance temporary
housing assistance, regardless of whether the occupancy is subject to a tax levied
under 32 V. S.A. chapter 225.
Sec. E.323 33 V.S.A. § 1103(c) is amended to read:
(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 \$125.00 of the Supplemental Security Income
payment received by a parent shall count toward the determination of the
amount of the family's financial assistance grant

1 Sec. E.323.1 33 V.S.A. § 1134 is amended to read:

§ 1134. PROGRAM EVALUATION

- (a) On or before January 31 of each year, the Commissioner shall design and implement procedures to evaluate, measure, and report to the Governor and the General Assembly the Department's progress in implementing Reach First, Reach Up, and Reach Ahead and achieving the goals of the programs provided for in sections 1002, 1102, and 1202 of this title. The report shall include:
- (1) the types of barriers facing Reach Up families seeking economic self-sufficiency, the number of families with each type of barrier, the frequency of occurrence of each type of barrier, and how support services and incentives assist in overcoming barriers;
- (2) documentation of participant outcomes, including specific information relating to the number of persons employed, by occupation, industry, and wage; the types of subsidized and unsubsidized jobs secured by participants; any available information about outcomes for children who have participated in the programs, including objective indicators of improved conditions; the number of participating families involved in training programs; and whether the support services and incentives assist in keeping families employed;

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1	(3) data about the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
2	participation of households who have left the programs during the last fiscal
3	year, including the number of households, adults, and children participating in
4	the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program three months after leaving the
5	applicable program, broken down by reason for termination or leaving, and the
6	Department's plan to identify and assist eligible households to apply for
7	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits;
8	(4) data about the enrollment of individuals who have left the programs
9	during the last fiscal year in a Health Care Assistance Program, including the
10	number of adults and children enrolled in a Health Care Assistance Program
11	three months after leaving the applicable program, broken down by reason for
12	termination or leaving, and the Department's plan to identify and assist eligible
13	households to apply for health care assistance;
14	(5) a summary of all interim and final reports submitted by independent
15	evaluation contractors to the Agency or the Department relating to the
16	programs;
17	(6) a description of the work participation rates, including the method of
18	calculating the caseload reduction credit, for the most recent federal fiscal
19	year;

(7) a description of the current basic needs budget and housing

allowance, the current maximum grant amounts, and the basic needs budget

1	and housing allowance adjusted to reflect an annual cost-of-living
2	increase; and
3	(8) a summary of the analysis done under subsection (b) of this section.
4	(b) On or before January 15, 2010 for the analysis of Reach First and on or
5	before January 15, 2012 for the analysis of all programs, the Department shall
6	analyze the effectiveness of the programs and shall consider the following
7	indicators:
8	(1) for Reach First, the types of crises presented by applicants; the type
9	and duration of case management necessary to respond to a crisis; and the
10	impact of the services on the family, including the actual and perceived
11	outcomes and material indicators of stability;
12	(2) for Reach Up, the type and duration of case management provided;
13	and the impact of the services on the family; the family's achievement of the
14	goals in the family development plan; the types of employment engaged in by
15	families; the duration of employment; and actual and perceived outcomes and
16	material indicators of stability and well-being;
17	(3) for Reach Ahead, the types of employment engaged in by families;
18	the duration of employment; the type and duration of services necessary to
19	maintain employment; the duration of time the family received food assistance
20	and services in the program; and the impact of the services on the family,

1	including the actual and perceived well-being of the family and material
2	indicators of well-being; and
3	(4) whether the programs are effectively integrated and transitions
4	between programs are simple, and the number of families who choose not to
5	participate, and why.
6	(c) Beginning on or before January 15, 2008, and annually thereafter, the
7	Commissioner shall report to the House Committees on Human Services and
8	on Appropriations and Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and on
9	Appropriations on families' long-term receipt of financial assistance
10	authorized by this chapter. Such reports shall include:
11	(1) the number of families receiving financial assistance in the most
12	recent federal fiscal year that included an adult family member who has
13	received TANF funded financial assistance, as an adult, 60 or more months in
14	his or her lifetime;
15	(2) the average proportion of the monthly TANF-funded caseload
16	during the same fiscal year that such families represent;
17	(3) when such proportion exceeds 20 percent, the sufficiency of
18	general funds appropriated to support financial assistance authorized by this
19	chapter to fund financial assistance for those families in excess of 20 percent
20	while, at the same time, providing financial assistance and services, supported
21	solely by general funds, to other families as authorized by this chapter; and

(4) when appropriated general funds are insufficient to fund financial
assistance for all such families, the modifications in policy, appropriated
general funds, or combination thereof that the Commissioner recommends to
support families receiving financial assistance under this chapter in their
achievement of self-sufficiency and to protect the children in these families.
a description of the families, during the last fiscal year, that included an adult
family member receiving financial assistance for 60 or more months in his or
her lifetime, including:
(A) the number of families and the types of barriers facing these
families; and
(B) the number of families that became ineligible for the Reach Up
program pursuant to subsection 1108(a) of this title, and the types of income
and financial assistance received by those families that did not return to the
Reach Up program within 90 days of becoming ineligible.
Sec. E.323.2 33 V.S.A. § 1205 is amended to read:
§ 1205. REQUIRED SERVICES TO PARTICIPATING FAMILIES
(a) The Commissioner shall provide participating families Reach Ahead
services, case management services if necessary, and referral to any agencies
or programs, including workforce development, that provide the services
needed by participating families to improve the family's prospects for
employment retention. Reach Ahead services shall be provided for 24 months.

1	(b) A 10 the extent runds are available, a participating ramity shall be
2	eligible for an Enhanced Child Care Services Subsidy during its 12th through
3	24th months on the Reach Ahead program pursuant to subsection 3512(b) of
4	this title.
5	Sec. E.324 HOME HEATING FUEL ASSISTANCE/LIHEAP
6	(a) For the purpose of a crisis set-aside, for seasonal home heating fuel
7	assistance through December 31, 2015, and for program administration, the
8	Commissioner of Finance and Management shall transfer \$2,550,000 from the
9	Home Weatherization Assistance Fund to the Home Heating Fuel Assistance
10	Fund to the extent that federal LIHEAP or similar federal funds are not
11	available. An equivalent amount shall be returned to the Home Weatherization
12	Fund from the Home Heating Fuel Assistance Fund to the extent that federal
13	LIHEAP or similar federal funds are received. Should a transfer of funds from
14	the Home Weatherization Assistance Fund be necessary for the 2015–2016
15	crisis set-aside and for seasonal home heating fuel assistance through
16	December 31, 2015 and if LIHEAP funds awarded as of December 31, 2015
17	for fiscal year 2016 do not exceed \$2,550,000, subsequent payments under the
18	Home Heating Fuel Assistance Program shall not be made prior to January 30,
19	2016. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, payments authorized by the
20	Department for Children and Families' Economic Services Division shall not
21	exceed funds available, except that for fuel assistance payments made through

1	December 31, 2015, the Commissioner of Finance and Management may
2	anticipate receipts into the Home Weatherization Assistance Fund.
3	Sec. E.324.1 EXPEDITED CRISIS FUEL ASSISTANCE
4	(a) The Commissioner for Children and Families or designee may authorize
5	crisis fuel assistance to those income-eligible households that have applied for
6	an expedited seasonal fuel benefit but have not yet received it, if the benefit
7	cannot be executed in time to prevent them from running out of fuel. The
8	crisis fuel grants authorized pursuant to this section count toward the one crisis
9	fuel grant allowed per household for the winter heating season pursuant to
10	33 V.S.A. § 2609(b).
11	Sec. 324.2 LIHEAP AND WEATHERIZATION
12	(a) Notwithstanding 33 V.S.A. §§ 2603 and 2503, in fiscal year 2016, the
13	Secretary of Administration may, upon recommendation of the Secretary of
14	Human Services, transfer up to 15 percent of the federal fiscal year 2016
15	federal Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) block grant
16	from the federal funds appropriation in Sec. B.324 of this act to the Home
17	Weatherization Assistance appropriation in Sec. B.326 of this act to be used
18	for weatherization in State fiscal year 2016. An equivalent appropriation
19	transfer shall be made to Sec. B.324, Low Income Home Energy Assistance
20	Program, from the Home Weatherization Assistance Fund in Sec. B.326 to
21	provide home heating fuel benefits in State fiscal year 2016. At least three

1	days prior to any such transfer being made, the Secretary of Administration
2	shall report the intended transfer to the Joint Fiscal Office and shall report any
3	completed transfers to the Joint Fiscal Committee at its next scheduled
4	meeting.
5	Sec. E.325 Department for children and families – office of economic
6	opportunity
7	(a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.325 of this act, \$1,092,000
8	shall be granted to community agencies for homeless assistance by preserving
9	existing services, increasing services, or increasing resources available
10	statewide. These funds may be granted alone or in conjunction with federal
11	Emergency Solutions Grants funds. Grant decisions shall be made with
12	assistance from the Vermont Coalition to End Homelessness.
13	Sec. E.326 Department for children and families – OEO – weatherization
14	assistance
15	(a) Of the Special Fund appropriation in Sec. B.326 of this act, \$750,000 is
16	for the replacement and repair of home heating equipment.
17	Sec. E.333 Disabilities, aging, and independent living – developmental
18	services
19	(a) If adequate caseload funds are not available to meet new needs in
20	developmental services during the 2016 fiscal year, the welfare of existing
21	consumers should be prioritized over expanding services to new individuals.

1	The Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living should
2	establish a waitlist of people seeking services, triage criteria, and a
3	methodology for people to come off the waitlist as funds become available to
4	serve more people.
5	Sec. E.335 2 V.S.A. chapter 23 is redesignated to read:
6	CHAPTER 23. JOINT LEGISLATIVE CORRECTIONS CRIMINAL
7	JUSTICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
8	Sec. E.335.1 2 V.S.A. § 801 is amended to read:
9	§ 801. CREATION OF COMMITTEE
10	(a) There is created a joint legislative corrections oversight committee Joint
11	<u>Legislative Criminal Justice Oversight Committee</u> whose membership shall be
12	appointed each biennial session of the general assembly General Assembly.
13	The committee Committee shall exercise oversight over the department of
14	corrections Department of Corrections and work with and provide assistance to
15	other legislative committees on matters related to corrections criminal justice
16	policies.
17	(b) The committee Committee shall be composed of 10 members: five
18	members of the house of representatives House of Representatives, who shall
19	not all be from the same party, appointed by the speaker of the house Speaker
20	of the House; and five members of the senate Senate, who shall not all be from
21	the same party, appointed by the committee on committees Committee on

1	Committees. In addition to one member-at-large appointed from each
2	chamber, one appointment shall be made from each of the following house and
3	senate House and Senate Committees: appropriations, judiciary, institutions or
4	Appropriations and on Judiciary, the senate committee on health and welfare,
5	and the house committee on human services Senate Committees on Health and
6	Welfare and on Institutions, and the House Committees on Corrections and
7	Institutions and on Human Services.
8	(c) The committee Committee shall elect a chair, vice chair, and clerk from
9	among its members and shall adopt rules of procedure. The chair Chair shall
10	rotate biennially between the house House and the senate Senate members.
11	The committee Committee shall keep minutes of its meetings and maintain a
12	file thereof. A quorum shall consist of six members.
13	(d) When the general assembly General Assembly is in session, the
14	committee Committee shall meet at the call of the chair Chair. The committee
15	Committee may meet six times during adjournment, and may meet more often
16	subject to approval of the speaker of the house Speaker of the House and the
17	president pro tempore of the senate President Pro Tempore of the Senate.
18	(e) For attendance at a meeting when the general assembly General
19	Assembly is not in session, members of the committee Committee shall be
20	entitled to compensation for services and reimbursement of expenses as

provided under subsection 406(a) of this title.

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1	(f) The professional and clerical services of the joint fiscal office Joint
2	Fiscal Office and the legislative council Office of Legislative Council shall be
3	available to the committee Committee.
4	Sec. E.335.2 2 V.S.A. § 802 is amended to read:
5	§ 802. DUTIES
6	(a) In addition to the general responsibilities set forth in subsection 801(a)
7	of this title, the Committee shall:
8	(1) Review review and make recommendations regarding the
9	Department of Corrections' strategic, operating, and capital plans-:
10	(2) Review review and make recommendations to the House and Senate
11	Committees on Appropriations regarding departmental budget proposals-:
12	(3) Provide provide general oversight on departmental policy
13	development-;
14	(4) Encourage encourage improved communication between the
15	department Department and other relevant components of the administrative
16	branch and the criminal justice system;
17	(5) evaluate the statewide system of pretrial services, court diversion
18	programs, community justice center services, and other relevant programs and
19	services, and determine whether there is variation in policies, procedures,
20	practices, and outcomes between different areas of the State and the causes of
21	any such variation;

1	(6) make recommendations to the General Assembly regarding the
2	creation of a consistent and cost-efficient statewide criminal justice system;
3	(7) review and make recommendations to the General Assembly to
4	ensure the criminal justice statutes reflect principles of restorative justice; and
5	(8) review and make recommendations to the General Assembly
6	regarding the timeliness of judicial proceedings.
7	(b) At least annually, the Committee shall report its activities, together
8	with recommendations, if any, to the General Assembly. The provisions of
9	subsection 20(d) (expiration of required reports) of this title shall not apply to
10	the report to be made under this subsection. The Committee shall report any
11	proposed legislation on or before January 15, 2016 to the House Committees
12	on Corrections and Institutions, on Judiciary, and on Human Services, and the
13	Senate Committees on Institutions, on Judiciary, and on Health and Welfare.
14	Sec. E.335.3 JOINT LEGISLATIVE CRIMINAL JUSTICE OVERSIGHT
15	COMMITTEE; MEMBERSHIP
16	(a) The membership of the Joint Legislative Corrections Oversight
17	Committee appointed for the 2015-2016 biennial session of the General
18	Assembly shall also be the first appointed membership of the Joint Legislative
19	Criminal Justice Oversight Committee, as established in Sec. E.335.1 of
20	this act.

1	Sec. E.337 28 V.S.A. § 120 is amended to read:
2	§ 120. DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS EDUCATION PROGRAM;
3	INDEPENDENT SCHOOL
4	(a) Authority. An education program is established within the Department
5	of Corrections for the education of persons who have not completed secondary
6	education and who are committed to the custody of the Commissioner.
7	* * *
8	(d) Curriculum. The education program shall offer a minimum course of
9	study, as defined in 16 V.S.A. § 906, and special education programs as
10	required in 16 V.S.A. chapter 101 at each correctional facility and Department
11	service center, but is not required to offer a driver training course or a physical
12	educational course.
13	* * *
14	Sec. E.338 SOUTHEAST STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY;
15	TRANSITION
16	(a) In fiscal year 2016, the Commissioner of Corrections shall use
17	\$750,000 of the funds appropriated to the Department of Corrections in
18	Sec. B.339 of this act to provide housing and substance abuse and other
19	support services to facilitate the transition of 100 offenders to the community.
20	Of this amount, \$60,984 is the State fund match transferred to the Global
21	Commitment fund, \$135,610 of Global Commitment funds shall be transferred

1	to the Department of Mental Health for the Washington County Mental Health
2	Collaborative Solutions Integration Project.
3	(b) In fiscal year 2017, it is the intent of the General Assembly that the
4	Southeast State Correctional Facility shall cease operations.
5	Sec. E.342 Vermont veterans' home – care and support services
6	(a) The Vermont Veterans' Home will use the Global Commitment funds
7	appropriated in this section for the purpose of increasing the access of quality
8	health care to uninsured persons, underinsured persons, and Medicaid
9	beneficiaries.
10	Sec. E.342.1 REPEAL
11	(a) 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.342.2 (eliminating classified
12	employee position on Vermont Veterans' Home Board of Trustees) is repealed.
13	Sec. E.345 Green mountain care board
14	(a) The Green Mountain Care Board shall use the Global Commitment
15	Funds appropriated in this section to encourage the formation and maintenance
16	of public-private partnerships in health care, including initiatives to support
17	and improve the health care delivery system.
18	* * * K-12 EDUCATION * * *
19	Sec. E.500 Education – finance and administration
20	(a) The Global Commitment funds appropriated in this section for school
21	health services, including school nurses, shall be used for the purpose of

1	funding certain health-care-related projects. It is the goal of these projects to
2	reduce the rate of uninsured or underinsured persons, or both, in Vermont and
3	to increase the access of quality health care to uninsured persons, underinsured
4	persons, and Medicaid beneficiaries.
5	Sec. E.500.1 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.500.1 is amended to
6	read:
7	Sec. E.500.1 UNIFORM CHART OF ACCOUNTS COMPLETION,
8	TRANSITION, TRAINING AND SUPPORT
9	(a) On or before June 30, 2015, A GASB compliant Uniform Chart of
10	Accounts and Financial Reporting requirements shall be established by the
11	Agency of Education which shall:
12	(1) be comprehensive in respect to compliance with federal funds
13	reporting requirements; and
14	(2) provide the financial information necessary for State and local
15	education decision makers in regard to specific program costs and evaluation
16	of student outcomes.
17	(b) The Agency of Education shall hire a contractor or contractors through
18	the State's procurement process to assist them in the establishment and
19	completion of the requirements of subsection (a) of this section. Contract
20	deliverables shall include but not be limited to:
21	(1) a comprehensive accounting manual, with related business rules;

1	(2) specifications for school financial software; and
2	(3) a detailed transition and support plan that ensures local reporting
3	entities required to record and report information consistent with requirements
4	of subsection (a) of this section can fully comply on or before July 1,
5	2017; and
6	(4) the requirements of subsection (a) of this section shall be in effect by
7	July 1, 2017.
8	Sec. E.502 Education – special education: formula grants
9	(a) Of the appropriation authorized in this section, and notwithstanding any
10	other provision of law, an amount not to exceed \$3,646,521 shall be used by
11	the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2016 as funding for 16 V.S.A.
12	§ 2967(b)(2)–(6). In distributing such funds, the Secretary shall not be limited
13	by the restrictions contained within 16 V.S.A. § 2969(c) and (d). In addition to
14	funding for 16 V.S.A. § 2967(b)(2)–(6), up to \$181,438 may be used by the
15	Agency of Education for its participation in the higher education
16	partnership plan.
17	Sec. E.503 Education – state-placed students
18	(a) The Independence Place Program of the Lund Family Center shall be
19	considered a 24-hour residential program for the purposes of reimbursement of
20	education costs.

1	Sec. E.504 Education – adult education and literacy
2	(a) Of this appropriation, \$3,225,000 from the Education Fund shall be
3	distributed to school districts for reimbursement of high school completion
4	services pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1049a(c). Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A.
5	§ 4025(b), of this Education Fund appropriation, the amount of:
6	(1) \$625,000 is available for dual enrollment programs consistent with
7	16 V.S.A. § 944(f)(2), of which amount \$25,000 is transferred to the Vermont
8	Student Assistance Corporation pursuant to Sec. E.605.1 of this act; and
9	(2) \$100,000 is available to support the Vermont Virtual Learning
10	Collaborative at the River Valley Regional Technical Center School District.
11	Sec. E.504.1 16 V.S.A. § 944 is amended to read:
12	§ 944. DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM
13	* * *
14	(f) Tuition and funding
15	(1) Tuition shall be paid to public postsecondary institutions in Vermont
16	as follows:
17	(A) For any course for which the postsecondary institution pays the
18	instructor, the student's school district of residence shall pay tuition shall be
19	paid to the postsecondary institution in an amount equal to the tuition rate
20	charged by the Community College of Vermont (CCV) at the time the dual

enrollment course is offered; provided however, that tuition paid to CCV under this subdivision (A) shall be in an amount equal to 90 percent of the CCV rate.

- (B) For any course that is taught by an instructor who is paid as part of employment by a secondary school, the student's school district of residence shall pay tuition shall be paid to the postsecondary institution in an amount equal to 20 percent of the tuition rate charged by the Community College of Vermont at the time the dual enrollment course is offered.
- (2) Notwithstanding subdivision (1) of this subsection requiring the district of residence to pay tuition, the The State shall pay 50 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; provided, however, that the total amount paid by the State in any fiscal year shall not exceed the total amount of General Fund dollars the General Assembly appropriated from the Fund in that year for dual enrollment purposes plus any balance carried forward from the previous fiscal year; and further provided that, notwithstanding subdivision (b)(2) of this section, the eumulative amount to be paid by school districts under subdivision (1)(A) in any fiscal year shall not exceed the amount available to be paid by General Fund dollars in that year, and 50 percent from funds appropriated from the Education Fund, notwithstanding subsection 4025(b) of this title.

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1	Sec. E.512 Education – Act 117 cost containment
2	(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, expenditures made from
3	this section shall be counted under 16 V.S.A. § 2967(b) as part of the State's
4	60 percent of the statewide total special education expenditures of funds which
5	are not derived from federal sources.
6	Sec. E.513 Appropriation and transfer to education fund
7	(a) Pursuant to Sec. B.513 and 16 V.S.A. § 4025(a)(2), there is
8	appropriated in fiscal year 2016 from the General Fund for transfer to the
9	Education Fund the amount of \$303,343,381.
10	Sec. E.514 State teachers' retirement system
11	(a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(g)(2), the annual contribution to
12	the State Teachers' Retirement System (STRS) shall be \$73,102,909.
13	(b) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(c)(2), of the annual contribution,
14	\$10,384,106 is the "normal contribution," and \$65,718,803 is the "accrued
15	liability contribution."
16	Sec. E.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits
17	(a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944b(b)(2), \$15,576,468 will be
18	contributed to the Retired Teachers' Health and Medical Benefits plan.

1	* * * HIGHER EDUCATION * * *
2	Sec. E.600 University of Vermont
3	(a) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall issue warrants to
4	pay one-twelfth of this appropriation to the University of Vermont on or about
5	the 15th day of each calendar month of the year.
6	(b) Of this appropriation, \$380,326 shall be transferred to EPSCoR
7	(Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research) for the purpose of
8	complying with State matching fund requirements necessary for the receipt of
9	available federal or private funds, or both.
10	(c) If Global Commitment fund monies are unavailable, the total grant
11	funding for the University of Vermont shall be maintained through the General
12	Fund or other State funding sources.
13	(d) The University of Vermont will use the Global Commitment funds
14	appropriated in this section to support Vermont physician training. The
15	University of Vermont prepares students, both Vermonters and out-of-state,
16	and awards approximately 100 medical degrees annually. Graduates of this
17	program, currently representing a significant number of physicians practicing
18	in Vermont, deliver high-quality health care services to Medicaid beneficiaries
19	and to the uninsured or underinsured persons, or both, in Vermont and across
20	the nation.

1	Sec. E.602 Vermont state colleges
2	(a) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall issue warrants to
3	pay one-twelfth of this appropriation to the Vermont State Colleges on or
4	about the 15th day of each calendar month of the year.
5	(b) Of this appropriation, \$427,898 shall be transferred to the Vermont
6	Manufacturing Extension Center for the purpose of complying with State
7	matching fund requirements necessary for the receipt of available federal or
8	private funds, or both.
9	Sec. E.603 Vermont state colleges – allied health
10	(a) If Global Commitment fund monies are unavailable, the total grant
11	funding for the Vermont State Colleges shall be maintained through the
12	General Fund or other State funding sources.
13	(b) The Vermont State Colleges shall use the Global Commitment funds
14	appropriated in this section to support the dental hygiene, respiratory therapy,
15	and nursing programs which graduate approximately 315 health care providers
16	annually. These graduates deliver direct, high-quality health care services to
17	Medicaid beneficiaries and uninsured or underinsured persons, or both.
18	(c) Of the Global Commitment funds appropriated in Sec. B.603 of this act
19	\$363,000 shall be to make payments to Vermont Interactive Technologies for
20	health education and training services.

1	Sec. E.605 Vermont student assistance corporation
2	(a) Of this appropriation, \$25,000 is appropriated from the General Fund to
3	the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation to be deposited into the Trust
4	Fund established in 16 V.S.A. § 2845.
5	(b) Except as provided in subsection (a) of this section, not less than
6	93 percent of grants shall be used for direct student aid.
7	(c) Funds available to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation
8	pursuant to Sec. E.215(a) of this act shall be used for the purposes of 16 V.S.A.
9	§ 2856. Any unexpended funds from this allocation shall carry forward for
10	this purpose.
11	(d) Of this appropriation, not more than \$100,000 may be used by the
12	Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for a student aspirational pilot
13	initiative to serve one or more high schools.
14	Sec. E.605.1 NEED-BASED STIPEND FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT AND
15	EARLY COLLEGE STUDENTS
16	(a) The sum of \$50,000 shall be transferred to the Vermont Student
17	Assistance Corporation (VSAC) as follows:
18	(1) \$25,000 from Sec. B.1100(a)(3)(C) (Next Generation funds
19	appropriated for dual enrollment purposes).
20	(2) \$25,000 from Sec. E.504(a) (adult education and literacy funds
21	appropriated for dual enrollment purposes).

1	(b) The sums transferred to VSAC in this section shall be used to fund a
2	flat-rate, need-based stipend or voucher program for financially needy students
3	enrolled in a dual enrollment course pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 944 or in early
4	college pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 4011(e) to be used for the purchase of books,
5	cost of transportation, and payment of fees. VSAC shall establish the criteria
6	for program eligibility. Funds shall be granted to eligible students on a
7	first-come, first-served basis until funds are depleted.
8	(c) VSAC shall report on the program to the House and Senate Committees
9	on Education and on Appropriations on or before January 15, 2016.
10	* * * NATURAL RESOURCES * * *
11	Sec. E.701 AGENCY OF NATURAL RESOURCES PAYMENT IN LIEU
12	OF TAXES
13	(a) Appraisal moratorium. For the purpose of payments in lieu of taxes to
14	municipalities in fiscal year 2016, lands held by the Agency of Natural
15	Resources (ANR) and subject to the provisions of 32 V.S.A. § 3708(a)(1) shall
16	be appraised at the fair market value of the land in fiscal year 2014, as certified
17	by the Director of Property Valuation and Review, provided that in fiscal year
18	2016, such lands held by ANR shall be appraised at 102 percent of the fair
19	market value of the land in fiscal year 2014. For lands held by ANR and
20	subject to the provisions of 32 V.S.A. § 3708(a)(2), payments in lieu of taxes
21	to municipalities in fiscal year 2016 shall be made as specified in 32 V S A

1	§ 3708(a)(2). Payments with respect to parcels acquired or reconfigured after
2	June 30, 2014 shall be based on values established using the methodology
3	applied to other parcels in fiscal year 2015.
4	(b) Appeals of appraisal. During the moratorium established under
5	subsection (a) of this section, there shall be no right, in fiscal year 2015, for a
6	municipality to appeal the appraised values of ANR lands certified by the
7	Director of Property Valuation and Review in fiscal year 2014.
8	(c) Repeal. Subsections (a) and (b) of this section shall be repealed on
9	<u>July 1, 2016.</u>
10	Sec. E.704 Forests, parks and recreation - forestry
11	(a) This Special Fund appropriation shall be authorized, notwithstanding
12	the provisions of 3 V.S.A. § 2807(c)(2).
13	Sec. E.706 Forests, parks and recreation – lands administration
14	(a) This Special Fund appropriation shall be authorized, notwithstanding
15	the provisions of 3 V.S.A. § 2807(c)(2).
16	Sec. E.713 Natural resources board
17	(a) As part of budget testimony in the 2015 legislative session, the Agency
18	of Natural Resources in conjunction with the Natural Resources Board shall on
19	or before March 31, 2015 submit a plan to the House and Senate Committees
20	on Appropriations for sharing of administrative services in order to achieve a
21	General Fund appropriation reduction of at least \$200,000 in fiscal year 2016.

1	* * * COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT * * *
2	Sec. E.802 REPEAL
3	(a) 3V.S.A. § 2471c (Office of Creative Economy) is repealed.
4	Sec. E.804 Community development block grants
5	(a) Community Development Block Grants shall carry forward until
6	expended.
7	Sec. E.805 24 V.S.A. § 2796 is amended to read:
8	§ 2796. DOWNTOWN TRANSPORTATION AND RELATED CAPITAL
9	IMPROVEMENT FUND
10	(a) There is created a downtown transportation and related capital
11	improvement fund Downtown Transportation and Related Capital
12	Improvement Fund, to be also known as the fund Fund, which shall be a
13	special fund created under 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5 of chapter 7 of
14	Title 32, to be administered by the Vermont downtown development board
15	Downtown Development Board in accordance with this chapter to aid
16	municipalities with designated downtown districts in financing capital
17	transportation and related improvement projects to support economic
18	development.
19	* * *
20	(c) Any municipality with a designated downtown development district
21	may apply to the Vermont downtown development board Downtown

1	Development Board for financial assistance from the fund Fund for capital
2	transportation and related improvement projects within or serving the district.
3	The board Board may award to any municipality grants in amounts not to
4	exceed \$250,000.00 annually, loans, or loan guarantees for financing capital
5	transportation projects, including but not limited to construction or alteration of
6	roads and highways, parking facilities, and rail or bus facilities or equipment,
7	or for the underground relocation of electric utility, cable and
8	telecommunications lines, but shall not include assistance for operating costs.
9	Grants awarded by the board Board shall not exceed 50 80 percent of the
10	overall cost of the project. The approval of the board Board may be
11	conditioned upon the repayment to the fund Fund of some or all of the amount
12	of a loan or other financial benefits and such repayment may be from local
13	taxes, fees, or other local revenues sources. The board Board shall consider
14	geographical distribution in awarding the resources of the fund Fund.
15	(d) Each fiscal year, \$40,000.00 of the fund The Fund shall be available to
16	the department of housing and community affairs Department of Housing and
17	Community Development for the reasonable and necessary costs of
18	administering the fund. The amount projected to be spent on
19	administration shall be included in the Department's fiscal year budget
20	presentations to the General Assembly.
21	Sec. E.806 [DELETED]

1	* * * TRANSPORTATION * * *
2	Sec. E.900 19 V.S.A. § 11a is amended to read:
3	§ 11a. TRANSPORTATION FUNDS APPROPRIATED FOR THE
4	DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
5	No transportation funds shall be appropriated for the support of government
6	other than for the Agency, the Board, Transportation Pay Act Funds,
7	construction of transportation capital facilities, transportation debt service, the
8	operation of information centers by the Department of Buildings and General
9	Services, and the Department of Public Safety. The amount of transportation
10	funds appropriated to the Department of Public Safety shall not exceed:
11	(1) \$25,250,000.00 in fiscal year 2014;
12	(2) \$22,750,000.00 in fiscal year years 2015 and 2016; and
13	(3) $$20,250,000.00$ in fiscal year $\frac{2016}{2017}$ and in succeeding fiscal
14	years.
15	Sec. E.909 Transportation – central garage
16	(a) Of this appropriation, \$7,123,455 is appropriated from the
17	Transportation Equipment Replacement Account within the Central Garage
18	Fund for the purchase of equipment as authorized in 19 V.S.A. § 13(b).
19	Sec. E.915 Transportation – town highway aid program
20	(a) This appropriation is authorized, notwithstanding the provisions of
21	19 V.S.A. § 306(a).

1	Sec. F.100 EFFECTIVE DATES
2	(a) This section and Secs. C.101 (Blue Ribbon Commission on Cost and
3	Financing Options for High Quality Affordable Child Care), C.102 (fiscal year
4	2015 transfer to the Transportation Infrastructure Bond Fund), C.103
5	(Rescission process), C.104 (fiscal year 2015 one-time appropriations), D.102
6	(tobacco litigation settlement fund balance), E.225.1(c) (Agriculture/Natural
7	Resources lab MOU/governance), E.308 (Choices for Care), E.316
8	(Department for Children and Families revised appropriations structure),
9	E.500.1 (Agency of Education uniform chart of accounts), E.713 (ANR - NRB
10	plan to achieve savings), and E.802 (Office of Creative Economy) of this act
11	shall take effect on passage.
12	(b) All remaining sections shall take effect on July 1, 2015.