

1 SPECIAL SESSION

2 H.16

3 Introduced by Committee on Government Operations

4 Date:

5 Subject: Government operations; health; vital records

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to extend from  
7 July 1, 2018 until July 1, 2019 the date on which birth or death records shall  
8 be issued from a statewide registration system.

9 ~~An act relating to vital records~~ *An act relating to making appropriations for*  
10 *the support of government, financing education and vital records.*

11 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

12 ~~Sec. 1. 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 46, Sec. 63 is amended to read:~~

13 ~~Sec. 63. EFFECTIVE DATES~~

14 ~~(a) This section, in Sec. 3, 18 V.S.A. § 5000(e)(8) and (f) (rulemaking~~  
15 ~~authority); and in Sec. 39, 18 V.S.A. § 5131(a)(2) (marriage license~~  
16 ~~application form) shall take effect on passage.~~

17 ~~(b) All other sections of this act shall take effect on July 1, 2018 2019.~~

18 ~~Sec. 2. REPEAL~~

19 ~~The following sections of 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 46 shall be repealed:~~

20 ~~(1) Sec. 2, amending 18 V.S.A. § 5007,~~

1 ~~(2) Sec. 17, adding 18 V.S.A. § 5016;~~

2 ~~(3) Sec. 22, amending 18 V.S.A. § 5073;~~

3 ~~(4) Sec. 24, amending 18 V.S.A. § 5075;~~

4 ~~(5) Sec. 29, amending 15A V.S.A. § 3-802;~~

5 ~~(6) Sec. 30, amending 18 V.S.A. § 5078; and~~

6 ~~(7) Sec. 52, amending 18 V.S.A. § 5202a.~~

7 Sec. 3. 18 V.S.A. § 5000(c)(2) is added to read:

8 (2) On and after July 1, 2019:

9 (A) upon registration of a birth or death in the Statewide Registration  
10 System, the System shall automatically notify the town clerk of the town of  
11 occurrence and the town clerk of residence of the registrant;

12 (B) upon the correction or amendment of a birth or death  
13 certificate registered in the System, or upon issuance of a new birth  
14 certificate to replace a birth certificate registered in the System, the System  
15 shall automatically notify the town clerk of the town of occurrence and the  
16 town clerk of residence of the registrant.

17 Sec. 4. 18 V.S.A. § 5007 is amended to read:

18 § 5007. PRESERVATION OF DATA RECORDS

19 A town clerk shall receive, number, and file for record certificates of births,  
20 marriages, civil unions, and deaths, and shall preserve such certificates  
21 together with the and burial-transit and removal permits returned to the clerk  
22 in a fireproof vault or safe, as provided by 24 V.S.A. § 1178. A town clerk

1 shall permanently preserve at the office of the clerk birth and death certificates  
2 registered prior to July 1, 2019 and marriage and civil union certificates.

3 Sec. 5. 18 V.S.A. § 5016 is added to read:

4 § 5016. BIRTH AND DEATH CERTIFICATES; COPIES; INSPECTION

5 (a) Access and issuance generally.

6 (1) Except as provided in subdivisions (2) and (3) of this subsection:

7 (A) only the State Registrar and issuing agents may issue certified  
8 copies of birth and death certificates registered before July 1, 2019, and such  
9 certificates shall only be issued from the Statewide Registration System; and

10 (B) only the State Registrar and issuing agents may issue certified or  
11 noncertified copies of birth and death certificates registered on or after July 1,  
12 2019, and such certificates shall only be issued from the Statewide  
13 Registration System.

14 (2) Copies of birth and death certificates registered prior to January  
15 1, 1909 shall not be issued from the Statewide Registration System. Any  
16 town clerk may issue a certified copy of a pre-1909 birth or death  
17 certificate, provided he or she fulfills the requirements of subsection (b) of  
18 this section and such additional requirements as the State Registrar may  
19 prescribe as necessary to track antifraud paper used to produce such copies.

20 (3) A certified or noncertified birth or death certificate shall only be  
21 issued as authorized and prescribed in this section, except that in either of  
22 the following circumstances, a public agency may issue a noncertified copy

1 ~~even if it does not follow the requirements of this section governing~~

2 non-certified copies:

3 (A) if the public agency is an agency other than the Office of Vital  
4 Records, the Vermont State Archives and Records Administration, or the  
5 office of a town or county, and the public agency has custody of a birth or  
6 death certificate acquired in the course of its business; or

7 (B) if the birth or death certificate was filed in the records of a  
8 town or county office, such as land records, for a reason unrelated to its  
9 official role under law as a repository of registered birth or death  
10 certificates.

11 (4) The word "illegitimate" shall be redacted from any certified or  
12 noncertified copy of a birth certificate.

13 (5) If necessary to prevent fraud, the State Registrar may limit the  
14 issuance of a certified or noncertified copy of a certificate of live birth for a  
15 foreign born child in the same manner as copies of birth certificates are limited  
16 under this section.

17 (b) Certified copies.

18 (1) The State Registrar and issuing agents may issue certified copies  
19 of birth and death certificates only upon receipt of a complete application  
20 accompanied by a form of identification prescribed in rules adopted by the  
21 State Registrar. The State Registrar and issuing agents shall record in a  
22 database maintained by the State Registrar any application received.

1 ~~(2) Only the following persons shall be eligible for a certified copy~~  
2 ~~of a birth or death certificate:~~

3 ~~(A) the registrant or his or her spouse, child, parent, sibling,~~  
4 ~~grandparent, or guardian; a person petitioning to open a decedent's estate; a~~  
5 ~~court-appointed executor or administrator; or the legal representative of any of~~  
6 ~~these;~~

7 ~~(B) a specific person pursuant to a court order finding that a~~  
8 ~~noncertified copy is not sufficient for the applicant's legal purpose and that a~~  
9 ~~certified copy of the birth or death certificate is needed for the determination~~  
10 ~~or protection of a person's right; or~~

11 ~~(C) in the case of a death certificate only, additionally to:~~

12 ~~(i) the individual with authority for final disposition as provided~~  
13 ~~in section 5227 of this title or a funeral home or crematorium acting on the~~  
14 ~~individual's behalf;~~

15 ~~(ii) the Social Security Administration;~~

16 ~~(iii) the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; or~~

17 ~~(iv) the deceased's insurance carrier, if such carrier provides~~  
18 ~~benefits to the decedent's survivors or beneficiaries.~~

19 ~~(3) Antifraud paper. Certified copies of birth and death certificates shall be~~  
20 ~~issued only on unique paper with antifraud features approved by the State Registrar.~~

21 ~~(4) Legal effect. A certified copy of a birth or death certificate shall be prima~~  
22 ~~facie evidence of the facts stated therein.~~

(c) Noncertified copies

(1) Form. A noncertified copy of a birth or death certificate issued from the Statewide Registration System shall indicate the term "Noncertified" on its face and shall not be issued on antifraud paper.

(2) Legal effect. A noncertified copy of a birth or death certificate shall not serve as prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein, except that it may be recorded in the land records of a municipality to establish the date of birth or death of a person with an ownership interest in property.

(d) Inspection. In addition to the provisions of the Public Records Act, the State Registrar may prescribe procedures governing the inspection of birth and death certificates if necessary to protect the integrity of the certificates or to prevent fraud.

Sec. 6. 18 V.S.A. § 5073 is amended to read:

§ 5073. AMENDMENT OF MINOR ERRORS ON BIRTH CERTIFICATE  
CORRECTIONS, COMPLETIONS

(a)(1) Within Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, within six months after the date of birth, amendment of obvious errors, transpositions of letters in words of common knowledge, or omissions, may be made by the town clerk either upon his or her own observation or the State Registrar may correct or complete a birth certificate in the Statewide Registration System upon request application of a parent, the hospital, in which the birth occurred, or the certifying attendant, or the Supervisor of Vital

1 Records Registration

2 (2) At any time after the date of birth, the State Registrar may complete  
3 a birth certificate to add the name of a parent only upon request of the  
4 registrant or his or her parent or guardian and upon the receipt of:

5 (A) a properly executed voluntary acknowledgment of parentage; or

6 (B) a decree of a court or administrative agency of competent  
7 jurisdiction adjudicating parentage.

8 (3) Within six months after the date of birth, the State Registrar may  
9 complete or change the name of a child upon joint application of the parents or  
10 upon application of the parent if only one parent is listed on the birth  
11 certificate. A court order shall not be required, except for completions or  
12 changes of name more than six months after the date of birth.

13 (b) If the State Registrar determines that a correction or completion  
14 requested under this section is unwarranted, he or she may deny an application,  
15 in which case the applicant may petition the Probate Division of the Superior  
16 Court. The court shall review the petition and relevant evidence de novo to  
17 determine if the correction or completion is warranted. The court shall  
18 transmit a decree ordering a correction or completion to the State Registrar,  
19 who shall correct or complete the certificate in accordance with the decree.

20 (c) The amended A corrected or completed certificate shall be free of any  
21 evidence of such correction except that the clerk shall make a notation as to the  
22 change and shall not be marked "Amended." However, the State Registrar

1 ~~shall record and maintain in the Statewide Registration System the source of~~  
2 ~~the information, together with his or her name the nature and content of the~~  
3 ~~change, the identity of the person making the change, and the date the change~~  
4 ~~was made, on the margin of the certificate. This notation shall not be included~~  
5 ~~on any certified copy of the certificate issued except as specified in subsection~~  
6 ~~(b) of this section. The certificate shall not be marked "Amended."~~

7 ~~(b) The town clerk shall send a certified copy of any certificate amended~~  
8 ~~under subsection (a) of this section to the Commissioner and also to the clerk~~  
9 ~~of any town to whom a copy of the original record was sent under the~~  
10 ~~provisions of section 5009 of this title, and shall enclose with that copy, but~~  
11 ~~not endorsed thereon, a notation identifying the copy to be replaced. The copy~~  
12 ~~shall show the notations specified in subsection (a) of this section. The~~  
13 ~~Commissioner shall file this return or copy by attaching the same to the~~  
14 ~~original return or copy.~~

15 ~~(d) If the State Registrar corrects or completes a certificate that was~~  
16 ~~registered prior to July 1, 2019, he or she shall notify the town clerk or clerks~~  
17 ~~with custody of the certificate, who shall replace and dispose of the~~  
18 ~~uncorrected certificate and update indexes as directed by the State Registrar.~~  
19 ~~Corrected or completed originals shall not be marked "Amended."~~

20 Sec. 7. 18 V.S.A. § 5075 is amended to read:

21 § 5075. ~~ISSUANCE OF NEW OR CORRECTED AMENDED OR~~  
22 ~~DELAYED BIRTH CERTIFICATE BY PROBATE DIVISION OF~~  
23 ~~THE SUPERIOR COURT APPLICATION~~

1 ~~(a) After Except as otherwise provided in subdivision 5073(a)(2) of this~~  
2 ~~title, after six months from the date of birth, any alteration of the birth~~  
3 ~~certificate of a person born in this state may be amended only by the decree of~~  
4 ~~the Probate Division of the Superior Court of the district in which such birth~~  
5 ~~occurred. State shall be deemed an amendment. A petition for such~~  
6 ~~amendment may be brought by the person, the person's Upon application by~~  
7 ~~the registrant, his or her parent or guardian, the hospital in which the birth~~  
8 ~~occurred, or the certifying attendant, or custodian setting forth the reason for~~  
9 ~~such petition and the correction or amendment desired and the reason for it,~~  
10 ~~the State Registrar may amend the birth certificate if the application and~~  
11 ~~relevant evidence, if any, show that the amendment is warranted.~~

12 (b) A person born in this State for whom no certificate of birth was filed  
13 during the first year following birth, or his or her parent or guardian, may  
14 petition the Probate Division of the Superior Court of the district in which  
15 such person was born apply to the State Registrar to determine the facts with  
16 respect to this the birth and to order the issuance of issue a delayed certificate  
17 of birth.

18 (b) Birth certificates issued under this section for minor errors as defined in  
19 subsection 5073(a) of this title shall be corrected without payment of a fee.

20 (c) If the State Registrar denies an application under this section, the  
21 applicant may petition the Probate Division of the Superior Court, which shall  
22 review the application and relevant evidence de novo to determine if the

1 ~~amendment or issuance of a delayed certificate is warranted. The court shall~~  
2 ~~transmit a decree ordering an amendment or issuance of a delayed certificate to~~  
3 ~~the State Registrar, who shall amend or issue the certificate in accordance with~~  
4 ~~the decree.~~

5 (d) The State Registrar shall make any amendment and register any  
6 delayed certificate in the Statewide Registration System. Any amended birth  
7 certificate issued from the System shall indicate the word “Amended” and the  
8 date of amendment, and any delayed certificate issued from the System shall  
9 indicate the word “Delayed” and the date of registration. The State Registrar  
10 shall record and maintain in the System the identity of the person requesting  
11 the amendment or delayed certificate, the nature and content of the change  
12 made in the System, the person who made the amendment or registered the  
13 delayed certificate in the System, and the date of the amendment or  
14 registration.

15 (e) If the State Registrar amends a certificate that was registered prior to  
16 July 1, 2019, he or she shall notify the town clerk or clerks with custody of the  
17 certificate, who shall replace and dispose of the unamended certificate and  
18 update indexes as directed by the State Registrar.

19 Sec. 8. 18 V.S.A. § 5078 is amended to read:

20 § 5078. ADOPTION; NEW AND AMENDED BIRTH CERTIFICATE

21 (a) The Supervisor of Vital Records Registration shall establish a new birth  
22 certificate for a person born in the State when the Supervisor ~~which the State~~

1 ~~Registrar receives a record report of adoption, a report of an amended~~  
2 ~~adoption, or a report that an adoption has been set aside as provided in~~  
3 ~~15 V.S.A. § 449 15A V.S.A. § 3-801, or a record of adoption prepared and~~  
4 ~~filed in accordance with the laws of another state or foreign country, he or she~~  
5 ~~shall proceed as prescribed in 15A V.S.A. § 3-802.~~

6 (b) ~~The new birth certificate shall be on a form prescribed by the~~  
7 ~~Commissioner of Health. The new birth certificate shall include:~~

8 (1) ~~the actual place and date of birth;~~

9 (2) ~~the adoptive parents as though they were natural parents;~~

10 (3) ~~If prior to July 1, 2019 a new birth certificate was issued following~~  
11 ~~an adoption that contains a notation that it was issued by authority of this~~  
12 ~~chapter, contains the filing dates of the original and the new birth certificate,~~  
13 ~~or otherwise contains information that facially distinguishes it from an~~  
14 ~~original, the adoptive parent or the adoptee if 14 years of age or older may~~  
15 ~~apply to the State Registrar to issue a replacement birth certificate that does~~  
16 ~~not contain distinguishing information. The State Registrar shall issue the~~  
17 ~~replacement and notify any town clerk with custody of the version that~~  
18 ~~contains distinguishing information, who shall substitute the latter with the~~  
19 ~~replacement birth certificate. The town clerk shall send the version that~~  
20 ~~contains distinguishing information to the State Registrar, who shall keep it~~  
21 ~~confidential.~~

22 (c) ~~The new birth certificate shall not contain a statement whether the~~

1 ~~adopted person was illegitimate. [Repealed.]~~

2 ~~(d) The new certificate, and sufficient information to identify the original~~  
3 ~~certificate, shall be transmitted to the clerk of the town of birth to be filed~~  
4 ~~according to the procedures in 15 V.S.A. § 451. [Repealed.]~~

5 ~~(e) The Supervisor of Vital Records Registration shall not establish a new~~  
6 ~~birth certificate if the supervisor receives, accompanying the record of~~  
7 ~~adoption, a written request that a new certificate not be established:~~

8 ~~(1) from the adopted person if 18 years or older; or~~

9 ~~(2) from the adoptive parent or parents if the adopted person is under 18~~  
10 ~~years of age. [Repealed.]~~

11 ~~(f) When the Supervisor of Vital Records Registration receives a record of~~  
12 ~~adoption for a person born in another state, the Supervisor shall forward a~~  
13 ~~certified copy of the record of adoption to the state registrar in the state of~~  
14 ~~birth, with a request that a new birth certificate be established under the laws~~  
15 ~~of that state. [Repealed.]~~

16 Sec. 9. 18 V.S.A. § 5202a is amended to read:

17 § 5202a. CORRECTION, COMPLETION, OR AMENDMENT OF DEATH  
18 CERTIFICATE

19 (a) Corrections, completions. Within six months after the date of death, the  
20 ~~town clerk~~ State Registrar may correct or complete a death certificate upon  
21 application by the certifying ~~physician~~ licensed health care professional,  
22 medical examiner, hospital, nursing home, or funeral director, if the  
23 application and relevant evidence, if any, show that the correction or

1 ~~completion is warranted. The town clerk may correct or complete the~~  
2 ~~certificate accordingly and shall certify thereon that such correction or~~  
3 ~~completion was made pursuant to this section, with the date thereof. In his or~~  
4 ~~her discretion, the town clerk may refuse an application for correction or~~  
5 ~~completion, in which case, the applicant may petition the Probate Division of~~  
6 ~~the Superior Court for such correction or completion.~~

7 (b)(1) ~~Amendment.~~ After six months from the date of death, any  
8 alteration of a death certificate may only be corrected or amended pursuant to  
9 decree of the Probate Division of the Superior Court in which district the  
10 original certificate is filed shall be deemed an amendment. Upon application  
11 by a person specified in subsection (a) of this section, the State Registrar may  
12 amend the death certificate if the application and relevant evidence, if any,  
13 show that the amendment is warranted.

14 (2) ~~The Probate Division of the Superior Court to which such~~  
15 ~~application is made shall set a time for hearing thereon and, if such court~~  
16 ~~deems necessary, cause notice of the time and place thereof to be given by~~  
17 ~~posting the same in the Probate Division of the Superior Court office and, after~~  
18 ~~hearing, shall make such findings, with respect to the correction of such death~~  
19 ~~certificate as are supported by the evidence. The court shall thereupon issue a~~  
20 ~~decree setting forth the facts as found and transmit a certified copy of such~~  
21 ~~decree to the Supervisor of Vital Records Registration. The Supervisor of~~  
22 ~~Vital Records Registration~~

1 ~~(c) Appeal. If the State Registrar denies an application for a correction,~~  
2 ~~completion, or amendment under this section, the applicant may petition the~~  
3 ~~Probate Division of the Superior Court, which shall review the application and~~  
4 ~~relevant evidence de novo to determine if the requested action is warranted.~~  
5 ~~The court shall transmit a decree ordering a correction, completion, or~~  
6 ~~amendment to the State Registrar, who shall take action in accordance with the~~  
7 ~~decree.~~

8 ~~(d) Documentation of changes. The State Registrar shall make corrections,~~  
9 ~~completions, and amendments in the Statewide Registration System. A~~  
10 ~~corrected or completed certificate issued from the System shall be free of any~~  
11 ~~evidence of the alteration and shall not be marked "Amended." Any amended~~  
12 ~~death certificate issued from the System shall indicate the word "Amended"~~  
13 ~~and the date of amendment. The State Registrar shall enter into and maintain~~  
14 ~~in the System the identity of the person requesting the correction, completion,~~  
15 ~~or amendment, the nature and content of the change, the identity of the person~~  
16 ~~making the change in the System, and the date the change was made.~~

17 ~~(e) Original certificates. If the State Registrar corrects, completes, or~~  
18 ~~amends a certificate that was registered prior to July 1, 2019, he or she shall~~  
19 ~~transmit the same to the appropriate town clerk to amend notify the town clerk~~  
20 ~~or clerks with custody of the original or issue a new certificate, who shall~~  
21 ~~replace and dispose of the original and update indexes, as directed by the State~~  
22 ~~Registrar. The words "Court Amended" shall be typed, written, or stamped at~~

1 ~~the top of the new or amended certificates with the date of the decree and the~~  
2 ~~name of the issuing court.~~

3 ~~(c)(2) Provided, however, that only the medical examiner or the certifying~~  
4 ~~physician may apply to Cause of death. The State Registrar shall only correct~~  
5 ~~or, complete the certificate as to, or amend the medical certification of the~~  
6 ~~cause of death upon application by the medical examiner or certifying licensed~~  
7 ~~health care professional.~~

8 Sec. 10. 15A V.S.A. § 3-802 is amended to read:

9 § 3-802. ISSUANCE OF NEW, AMENDED BIRTH CERTIFICATE

10 (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (d) of this section, upon  
11 receipt of a report of adoption prepared pursuant to ~~section~~  
12 ~~3-801~~ subsection 3-801(a) of this title, a report of adoption prepared in  
13 accordance with the law of another state or country, a certified copy of a  
14 decree of adoption together with information necessary to identify the  
15 adoptee's original birth certificate and to issue a new certificate, or a report of  
16 an amended adoption prepared pursuant to subsection 3-801(b) of this title, the  
17 ~~supervisor of vital records~~ State Registrar shall either:

18 (1) ~~issue a new birth certificate for an adoptee born in this state~~ State,  
19 update the Statewide Registration System in accordance with the decree, and  
20 furnish a certified copy of ~~the~~ a new birth certificate to the adoptive parent and  
21 to an adoptee who ~~has attained~~ is 14 years of age or older;

22 ~~(2) Forward a certified copy of a report of adoption for an adoptee born~~

1 ~~in another state, forward a certified copy of the report of adoption to the~~  
2 ~~supervisor of vital records appropriate office of the state of birth;~~

3 (3) ~~issue a certificate of foreign birth for an adoptee adopted in this state~~  
4 ~~and State who was born outside the United States and was not a citizen of the~~  
5 ~~United States at the time of birth, create and register in the Statewide~~  
6 ~~Registration System a "certificate of live birth for a foreign born child" upon~~  
7 ~~request and in the form specified in 18 V.S.A. § 5078a, and furnish a certified~~  
8 ~~copy of the certificate to the adoptive parent and to an adoptee who has~~  
9 ~~attained is 14 years of age or older;~~

10 (4) ~~notify an adoptive parent of the procedure for obtaining a revised~~  
11 ~~birth certificate through the U.S. Department of State for an adoptee born~~  
12 ~~outside the United States who was a citizen of the United States at the time of~~  
13 ~~birth, notify the adoptive parent of the procedure for obtaining a revised birth~~  
14 ~~certificate through the U.S. Department of State, or~~

15 (5) ~~in the case of an amended decree of adoption, issue an amended~~  
16 ~~birth certificate according to either update the Statewide Registration System~~  
17 ~~in accordance with the decree and follow the procedure in subdivision (a)(1) or~~  
18 ~~(3) of this section, or follow the procedure in subdivision (2) or (4) of this~~  
19 ~~section.~~

20 (b) Unless otherwise specified by the court, a new birth certificate ~~or~~  
21 ~~certificate of live birth for a foreign born child issued pursuant to subdivision~~

22 ~~(a)(1) or (3) or an amended certificate issued pursuant to subdivision (a)(3) or~~

1 ~~this section shall:~~

2 ~~(1) be signed by the supervisor of vital records State Registrar;~~

3 ~~(2) include the date, time, and place of birth of the adoptee;~~

4 ~~(3) substitute the name of the adoptive parent for the name of the person~~  
5 ~~listed as the adoptee's parent on the original birth certificate;~~

6 ~~(4) include the filing date of the original birth certificate and the filing~~  
7 ~~date of the new birth certificate; [Repealed.]~~

8 ~~(5) contain any other information prescribed by the supervisor of vital~~  
9 ~~records State Registrar.~~

10 ~~(c) The supervisor of vital records, and any other custodian of such~~  
11 ~~records, In the case of birth certificates registered prior to July 1, 2019 that are~~  
12 ~~to be replaced or amended pursuant to subdivision (a)(1) or (5) of this section,~~  
13 ~~the State Registrar shall notify the town clerk or clerks with custody of the~~  
14 ~~certificate, who shall substitute the new or amended birth certificate for the~~  
15 ~~original birth certificate. The original certificate and all copies of the~~  
16 ~~certificate in the files shall be sealed and shall not be subject to inspection or~~  
17 ~~copying until 99 years after the adoptee's date of birth, except as provided by~~  
18 ~~this title.~~

19 ~~(d) If the court, the adoptive parent, or an adoptee who has attained is~~  
20 ~~14 years of age or older requests that a new or amended birth certificate not be~~  
21 ~~issued, the supervisor of vital records may State Registrar shall not issue a new~~  
22 ~~or amended certificate for an adoptee pursuant to subsection (a) of this section;~~

1 ~~but. Nonetheless, for an adoptee born in another state, the State Registrar shall~~  
2 forward a certified copy of the report of adoption or of an amended decree of  
3 adoption ~~for an adoptee who was born in another state~~ to the appropriate office  
4 in the adoptee's state of birth.

5 (e) Upon receipt of a report that an adoption has been ~~vacated~~ set aside, the  
6 supervisor of vital records ~~State Registrar~~ shall:

7 (1) ~~restore the original birth certificate for a person born in this state to~~  
8 ~~its place in the files, State~~ for whom a new birth certificate was issued, update  
9 the Statewide Registration System to reflect the original birth certificate data  
10 and, in the case of an original birth certificate registered prior to July 1, 2019,  
11 notify the town clerk or clerks with custody of the certificate, who shall seal  
12 any new or amended birth certificate issued pursuant to subsection (a) of this  
13 section, restore the original, update indexes as directed by the State Registrar,  
14 and not allow inspection or copying of a the sealed certificate except upon  
15 court order or as otherwise provided in this title;

16 (2) ~~forward the report with respect to~~ for a person born in another state,  
17 forward the report to the appropriate office in the state of birth; or

18 (3) for an adoptee born outside the United States who was not a citizen  
19 of the United States at the time of birth for whom a certificate of live birth for  
20 a foreign born child was issued, update the Statewide Registration System to  
21 reflect that the adoption was set aside; or

22 ~~(4) notify the person who is granted legal custody of a former adoptee~~

1 ~~after an adoption is vacated of the procedure for obtaining an original birth~~  
2 ~~certificate through the U.S. Department of State for a former adoptee born~~  
3 ~~outside the United States who was a citizen of the United States at the time of~~  
4 ~~birth, notify the person who is granted legal custody of a former adoptee after~~  
5 ~~an adoption is set aside of the procedure for obtaining an original birth~~  
6 ~~certificate through the U.S. Department of State.~~

7 (f) Upon request by a person who was listed as a parent on an adoptee's  
8 original birth certificate and who furnishes appropriate proof of the person's  
9 identity, the ~~supervisor of vital records~~ State Registrar shall give the person a  
10 noncertified copy of the original birth certificate.

11 Sec. 11. EFFECTIVE DATES

12 (a) This section and Secs. 1 (Act 46 effective dates) and 2 (repeal of Act 46  
13 sections) shall take effect on passage.

14 (b) Sec. 3 (18 V.S.A. § 5000(c)(2)) shall take effect on July 1, 2019 and  
15 shall supersede amendments to 18 V.S.A. § 5000(c)(2) made by 2017 Acts and  
16 Resolves No. 46, Sec. 3.

17 ~~(c) All other sections shall take effect on July 1, 2019.~~

18 *Sec. A.100 SHORT TITLE*

19 *(a) This bill may be referred to as the BIG BILL – Fiscal Year 2019*  
20 *Appropriations Act.*

21 *Sec. A.101 PURPOSE*

22 *(a) The purpose of this act is to provide appropriations for the operations*

1 of State government during fiscal year 2019. It is the express intent of the  
2 General Assembly that activities of the various agencies, departments,  
3 divisions, boards, and commissions be limited to those which can be supported  
4 by funds appropriated in this act or other acts passed prior to June 30, 2018.  
5 Agency and department heads are directed to implement staffing and service  
6 levels at the beginning of fiscal year 2019 so as to meet this condition unless  
7 otherwise directed by specific language in this act or other acts of the General  
8 Assembly.

9 *Sec. A.102 APPROPRIATIONS*

10 (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that this act serves as the  
11 primary source and reference for appropriations for fiscal year 2019.

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

20 (c) Unless codified or otherwise specified, all narrative portions of this act  
21 apply only to the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2019.

22 *Sec. A.103 DEFINITIONS*

1       (a) As used in this act:

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

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

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

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

17       Sec. A.104 RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING LAWS

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

20       Sec. A.105 OFFSETTING APPROPRIATIONS

21              (a) In the absence of specific provisions to the contrary in this act, when  
22 total appropriations are offset by estimated receipts, the State appropriations

1 shall control, notwithstanding receipts being greater or less than anticipated.

2 Sec. A.106 FEDERAL FUNDS

3 (a) In fiscal year 2019, the Governor, with the approval of the Legislature  
4 or the Joint Fiscal Committee if the Legislature is not in session, may accept  
5 federal funds available to the State of Vermont, including block grants in lieu  
6 of or in addition to funds herein designated as federal. The Governor, with the  
7 approval of the Legislature or the Joint Fiscal Committee if the Legislature is  
8 not in session, may allocate all or any portion of such federal funds for any  
9 purpose consistent with the purposes for which the basic appropriations in this  
10 act have been made.

11 (b) If, during fiscal year 2019, federal funds available to the State of  
12 Vermont and designated as federal in this and other acts of the 2018 session of  
13 the Vermont General Assembly are converted into block grants or are  
14 abolished under their current title in federal law and reestablished under a  
15 new title in federal law, the Governor may continue to accept such federal  
16 funds for any purpose consistent with the purposes for which the federal funds  
17 were appropriated. The Governor may spend such funds for such purposes for  
18 no more than 45 days prior to Legislative or Joint Fiscal Committee approval.  
19 Notice shall be given to the Joint Fiscal Committee without delay if the  
20 Governor intends to use the authority granted by this section, and the Joint  
21 Fiscal Committee shall meet in an expedited manner to review the Governor's  
22 request for approval.

1 *Sec. A.107 NEW POSITIONS*

2 *(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the total number of*  
3 *authorized State positions, both classified and exempt, excluding temporary*  
4 *positions as defined in 3 V.S.A. § 311(11), shall not be increased during fiscal*  
5 *year 2019 except for new positions authorized by the 2018 session. Limited*  
6 *service positions approved pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 5 shall not be subject to this*  
7 *restriction, nor shall positions created pursuant to the Position Pilot Program*  
8 *authorized in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.100(d), as amended by*  
9 *2015 Acts and Resolves No. 4, Sec. 74, by 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172,*  
10 *Sec. E.100.2, and by 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. E.100.1, and as*  
11 *further amended by Sec. E.100.1 of this act.*

12 *Sec. A.108 LEGEND*

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

18 *B.100–B.199 and E.100–E.199* *General Government*

19 *B.200–B.299 and E.200–E.299* *Protection to Persons and Property*

20 *B.300–B.399 and E.300–E.399* *Human Services*

21 *B.400–B.499 and E.400–E.499* *Labor*

22 *B.500–B.599 and E.500–E.599* *General Education*

1	<u>B.600–B.699 and E.600–E.699</u>	<u>Higher Education</u>
2	<u>B.700–B.799 and E.700–E.799</u>	<u>Natural Resources</u>
3	<u>B.800–B.899 and E.800–E.899</u>	<u>Commerce and Community</u>
4		<u>Development</u>
5	<u>B.900–B.999 and E.900–E.999</u>	<u>Transportation</u>
6	<u>B.1000–B.1099 and E.1000–E.1099</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>
7	<u>B.1100–B.1199 and E.1100–E.1199</u>	<u>One-time and other appropriation</u>
8		<u>actions</u>

9       (b) The C sections contain any amendments to the current fiscal year; the  
10 D sections contain fund transfers and reserve allocations for the upcoming  
11 budget year; the F sections contain miscellaneous and technical statutory  
12 corrections, H sections contain personal tax and revenue allocation changes,  
13 and the I sections contain vital records amendments.

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

15	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>783,191</i>
16	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>203,429</u></i>
17	<i>Total</i>	<i>986,620</i>
18	<i>Source of funds</i>	
19	<i>General fund</i>	<i>886,620</i>
20	<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>100,000</u></i>
21	<i>Total</i>	<i>986,620</i>

22 *Sec. B.101 Secretary of administration - finance*

1	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,144,274</i>
2	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>135,457</u></i>
3	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,279,731</i>
4	<i>Source of funds</i>	
5	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,279,731</u></i>
6	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,279,731</i>
7	<i>Sec. B.102 Secretary of administration - workers' compensation insurance</i>	
8	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>537,944</i>
9	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>238,973</u></i>
10	<i>Total</i>	<i>776,917</i>
11	<i>Source of funds</i>	
12	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>776,917</u></i>
13	<i>Total</i>	<i>776,917</i>
14	<i>Sec. B.103 Secretary of administration - general liability insurance</i>	
15	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>573,575</i>
16	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>73,548</u></i>
17	<i>Total</i>	<i>647,123</i>
18	<i>Source of funds</i>	
19	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>647,123</u></i>
20	<i>Total</i>	<i>647,123</i>
21	<i>Sec. B.104 Secretary of administration - all other insurance</i>	
22	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>22,982</i>

1	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>16,066</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	39,048
3	<i>Source of funds</i>	
4	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<u>39,048</u>
5	<i>Total</i>	39,048
6	<i>Sec. B.105 Agency of digital services - communications and information</i>	
7	<i>technology</i>	
8	<i>Personal services</i>	47,776,877
9	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>21,008,573</u>
10	<i>Total</i>	68,785,450
11	<i>Source of funds</i>	
12	<i>General fund</i>	177,615
13	<i>Special funds</i>	383,700
14	<i>Internal service funds</i>	67,963,553
15	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>260,582</u>
16	<i>Total</i>	68,785,450
17	<i>Sec. B.106 Finance and management - budget and management</i>	
18	<i>Personal services</i>	1,404,712
19	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>202,070</u>
20	<i>Total</i>	1,606,782
21	<i>Source of funds</i>	
22	<i>General fund</i>	1,258,956

1	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<u>347,826</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	1,606,782
3	<i>Sec. B.107 Finance and management - financial operations</i>	
4	<i>Personal services</i>	2,156,558
5	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>654,972</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	2,811,530
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<u>2,811,530</u>
9	<i>Total</i>	2,811,530
10	<i>Sec. B.108 Human resources - operations</i>	
11	<i>Personal services</i>	7,996,814
12	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>964,845</u>
13	<i>Total</i>	8,961,659
14	<i>Source of funds</i>	
15	<i>General fund</i>	1,940,451
16	<i>Special funds</i>	277,462
17	<i>Internal service funds</i>	6,206,438
18	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>537,308</u>
19	<i>Total</i>	8,961,659
20	<i>Sec. B.108.1 Human resources - VTHR operations</i>	
21	<i>Personal services</i>	1,742,267
22	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>826,247</u>

1	<i>Total</i>	<i>2,568,514</i>
2	<i>Source of funds</i>	
3	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>2,568,514</u></i>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>2,568,514</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.109 Human resources - employee benefits &amp; wellness</i>	
6	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,086,810</i>
7	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>588,021</u></i>
8	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,674,831</i>
9	<i>Source of funds</i>	
10	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>1,674,831</u></i>
11	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,674,831</i>
12	<i>Sec. B.110 Libraries</i>	
13	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,896,316</i>
14	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,141,410</i>
15	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>246,453</u></i>
16	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,284,179</i>
17	<i>Source of funds</i>	
18	<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,025,918</i>
19	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>97,571</i>
20	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,064,162</i>
21	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>96,528</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,284,179</i>

1	<i>Sec. B.111 Tax - administration/collection</i>	
2	<i>Personal services</i>	13,739,129
3	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>6,661,305</u>
4	<i>Total</i>	20,400,434
5	<i>Source of funds</i>	
6	<i>General fund</i>	18,686,980
7	<i>Special funds</i>	1,570,888
8	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>142,566</u>
9	<i>Total</i>	20,400,434
10	<i>Sec. B.112 Buildings and general services - administration</i>	
11	<i>Personal services</i>	658,069
12	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>98,172</u>
13	<i>Total</i>	756,241
14	<i>Source of funds</i>	
15	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>756,241</u>
16	<i>Total</i>	756,241
17	<i>Sec. B.113 Buildings and general services - engineering</i>	
18	<i>Personal services</i>	2,580,949
19	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>851,576</u>
20	<i>Total</i>	3,432,525
21	<i>Source of funds</i>	
22	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>3,432,525</u>

1	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,432,525</i>
2	<i>Sec. B.114 Buildings and general services - information centers</i>	
3	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,360,294</i>
4	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,566,365</i>
5	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>35,750</u></i>
6	<i>Total</i>	<i>4,962,409</i>
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>General fund</i>	<i>642,885</i>
9	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>3,868,566</i>
10	<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>450,958</u></i>
11	<i>Total</i>	<i>4,962,409</i>
12	<i>Sec. B.115 Buildings and general services - purchasing</i>	
13	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,035,471</i>
14	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>194,860</u></i>
15	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,230,331</i>
16	<i>Source of funds</i>	
17	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>1,230,331</u></i>
18	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,230,331</i>
19	<i>Sec. B.116 Buildings and general services - postal services</i>	
20	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>744,615</i>
21	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>116,495</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>861,110</i>

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>General fund</i>	<i>85,063</i>
3	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>776,047</u></i>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>861,110</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.117 Buildings and general services - copy center</i>	
6	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>744,283</i>
7	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>127,416</u></i>
8	<i>Total</i>	<i>871,699</i>
9	<i>Source of funds</i>	
10	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>871,699</u></i>
11	<i>Total</i>	<i>871,699</i>
12	<i>Sec. B.118 Buildings and general services - fleet management services</i>	
13	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>698,806</i>
14	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>234,969</u></i>
15	<i>Total</i>	<i>933,775</i>
16	<i>Source of funds</i>	
17	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>933,775</u></i>
18	<i>Total</i>	<i>933,775</i>
19	<i>Sec. B.119 Buildings and general services - federal surplus property</i>	
20	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>20,052</i>
21	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>6,239</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>26,291</i>

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<u>26,291</u>
3	<i>Total</i>	26,291
4	<i>Sec. B.120 Buildings and general services - state surplus property</i>	
5	<i>Personal services</i>	160,360
6	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>110,630</u>
7	<i>Total</i>	270,990
8	<i>Source of funds</i>	
9	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<u>270,990</u>
10	<i>Total</i>	270,990
11	<i>Sec. B.121 Buildings and general services - property management</i>	
12	<i>Personal services</i>	1,197,164
13	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>457,316</u>
14	<i>Total</i>	1,654,480
15	<i>Source of funds</i>	
16	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<u>1,654,480</u>
17	<i>Total</i>	1,654,480
18	<i>Sec. B.122 Buildings and general services - fee for space</i>	
19	<i>Personal services</i>	16,277,217
20	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>13,710,792</u>
21	<i>Total</i>	29,988,009
22	<i>Source of funds</i>	

1	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<u>29,988,009</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	29,988,009
3	<i>Sec. B.124 Executive office - governor's office</i>	
4	<i>Personal services</i>	1,384,251
5	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>460,831</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	1,845,082
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>General fund</i>	1,658,582
9	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>186,500</u>
10	<i>Total</i>	1,845,082
11	<i>Sec. B.125 Legislative council</i>	
12	<i>Personal services</i>	4,063,930
13	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>827,857</u>
14	<i>Total</i>	4,891,787
15	<i>Source of funds</i>	
16	<i>General fund</i>	<u>4,891,787</u>
17	<i>Total</i>	4,891,787
18	<i>Sec. B.126 Legislature</i>	
19	<i>Personal services</i>	4,091,578
20	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>3,809,338</u>
21	<i>Total</i>	7,900,916
22	<i>Source of funds</i>	

1	<i>General fund</i>	<u>7,900,916</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	7,900,916
3	<i>Sec. B.127 Joint fiscal committee</i>	
4	<i>Personal services</i>	1,696,568
5	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>159,358</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	1,855,926
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>General fund</i>	<u>1,855,926</u>
9	<i>Total</i>	1,855,926
10	<i>Sec. B.128 Sergeant at arms</i>	
11	<i>Personal services</i>	737,216
12	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>68,612</u>
13	<i>Total</i>	805,828
14	<i>Source of funds</i>	
15	<i>General fund</i>	<u>805,828</u>
16	<i>Total</i>	805,828
17	<i>Sec. B.129 Lieutenant governor</i>	
18	<i>Personal services</i>	223,583
19	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>30,968</u>
20	<i>Total</i>	254,551
21	<i>Source of funds</i>	
22	<i>General fund</i>	<u>254,551</u>

1	<i>Total</i>	<i>254,551</i>
2	<i>Sec. B.130 Auditor of accounts</i>	
3	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,343,827</i>
4	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>158,619</u></i>
5	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,502,446</i>
6	<i>Source of funds</i>	
7	<i>General fund</i>	<i>390,871</i>
8	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>53,145</i>
9	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>3,058,430</u></i>
10	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,502,446</i>
11	<i>Sec. B.131 State treasurer</i>	
12	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,653,014</i>
13	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>211,031</u></i>
14	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,864,045</i>
15	<i>Source of funds</i>	
16	<i>General fund</i>	<i>969,366</i>
17	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>2,781,017</i>
18	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>113,662</u></i>
19	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,864,045</i>
20	<i>Sec. B.132 State treasurer - unclaimed property</i>	
21	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>821,158</i>
22	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>304,543</u></i>

1	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,125,701</i>
2	<i>Source of funds</i>	
3	<i>Private purpose trust funds</i>	<i><u>1,125,701</u></i>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,125,701</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.133 Vermont state retirement system</i>	
6	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>6,111,601</i>
7	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,365,073</u></i>
8	<i>Total</i>	<i>7,476,674</i>
9	<i>Source of funds</i>	
10	<i>Pension trust funds</i>	<i><u>7,476,674</u></i>
11	<i>Total</i>	<i>7,476,674</i>
12	<i>Sec. B.134 Municipal employees' retirement system</i>	
13	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,215,683</i>
14	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>789,980</u></i>
15	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,005,663</i>
16	<i>Source of funds</i>	
17	<i>Pension trust funds</i>	<i><u>3,005,663</u></i>
18	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,005,663</i>
19	<i>Sec. B.135 State labor relations board</i>	
20	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>212,663</i>
21	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>48,378</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>261,041</i>

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>General fund</i>	<i>251,465</i>
3	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>6,788</i>
4	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>2,788</u></i>
5	<i>Total</i>	<i>261,041</i>
6	<i>Sec. B.136 VOSHA review board</i>	
7	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>75,650</i>
8	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>13,016</u></i>
9	<i>Total</i>	<i>88,666</i>
10	<i>Source of funds</i>	
11	<i>General fund</i>	<i>44,333</i>
12	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>44,333</u></i>
13	<i>Total</i>	<i>88,666</i>
14	<i>Sec. B.136.1 Ethics Commission</i>	
15	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>106,862</i>
16	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>13,981</u></i>
17	<i>Total</i>	<i>120,843</i>
18	<i>Source of funds</i>	
19	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>120,843</u></i>
20	<i>Total</i>	<i>120,843</i>
21	<i>Sec. B.137 Homeowner rebate</i>	
22	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>16,600,000</u></i>

1	<i>Total</i>	<i>16,600,000</i>
2	<i>Source of funds</i>	
3	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>16,600,000</u></i>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>16,600,000</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.138 Renter rebate</i>	
6	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>10,500,000</u></i>
7	<i>Total</i>	<i>10,500,000</i>
8	<i>Source of funds</i>	
9	<i>General fund</i>	<i>10,500,000</i>
10	<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>0</u></i>
11	<i>Total</i>	<i>10,500,000</i>
12	<i>Sec. B.139 Tax department - reappraisal and listing payments</i>	
13	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>3,295,021</u></i>
14	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,295,021</i>
15	<i>Source of funds</i>	
16	<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,295,021</i>
17	<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>0</u></i>
18	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,295,021</i>
19	<i>Sec. B.140 Municipal current use</i>	
20	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>15,981,672</u></i>
21	<i>Total</i>	<i>15,981,672</i>
22	<i>Source of funds</i>	

1	<i>General fund</i>	<u>15,981,672</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	15,981,672
3	<i>Sec. B.141 Lottery commission</i>	
4	<i>Personal services</i>	1,881,368
5	<i>Operating expenses</i>	1,427,706
6	<i>Grants</i>	<u>100,000</u>
7	<i>Total</i>	3,409,074
8	<i>Source of funds</i>	
9	<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<u>3,409,074</u>
10	<i>Total</i>	3,409,074
11	<i>Sec. B.142 Payments in lieu of taxes</i>	
12	<i>Grants</i>	<u>8,036,000</u>
13	<i>Total</i>	8,036,000
14	<i>Source of funds</i>	
15	<i>Special funds</i>	<u>8,036,000</u>
16	<i>Total</i>	8,036,000
17	<i>Sec. B.143 Payments in lieu of taxes - Montpelier</i>	
18	<i>Grants</i>	<u>184,000</u>
19	<i>Total</i>	184,000
20	<i>Source of funds</i>	
21	<i>Special funds</i>	<u>184,000</u>
22	<i>Total</i>	184,000

1	<i>Sec. B.144 Payments in lieu of taxes - correctional facilities</i>	
2	<i>Grants</i>	<u>40,000</u>
3	<i>Total</i>	40,000
4	<i>Source of funds</i>	
5	<i>Special funds</i>	<u>40,000</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	40,000
7	<i>Sec. B.145 Total general government</i>	
8	<i>Source of funds</i>	
9	<i>General fund</i>	92,335,137
10	<i>Transportation fund</i>	3,868,566
11	<i>Special funds</i>	13,981,529
12	<i>Education fund</i>	0
13	<i>Federal funds</i>	1,064,162
14	<i>Internal service funds</i>	120,710,053
15	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	6,852,764
16	<i>Enterprise funds</i>	3,435,365
17	<i>Pension trust funds</i>	10,482,337
18	<i>Private purpose trust funds</i>	<u>1,125,701</u>
19	<i>Total</i>	253,855,614
20	<i>Sec. B.200 Attorney general</i>	
21	<i>Personal services</i>	10,228,901
22	<i>Operating expenses</i>	1,423,414

1	<i>Grants</i>	<u>26,894</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	11,679,209
3	<i>Source of funds</i>	
4	<i>General fund</i>	5,206,635
5	<i>Special funds</i>	1,960,836
6	<i>Tobacco fund</i>	348,000
7	<i>Federal funds</i>	1,220,634
8	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>2,943,104</u>
9	<i>Total</i>	11,679,209
10	<i>Sec. B.201 Vermont court diversion</i>	
11	<i>Personal services</i>	874,000
12	<i>Grants</i>	<u>1,996,483</u>
13	<i>Total</i>	2,870,483
14	<i>Source of funds</i>	
15	<i>General fund</i>	2,270,486
16	<i>Special funds</i>	<u>599,997</u>
17	<i>Total</i>	2,870,483
18	<i>Sec. B.202 Defender general - public defense</i>	
19	<i>Personal services</i>	11,613,891
20	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>1,082,613</u>
21	<i>Total</i>	12,696,504
22	<i>Source of funds</i>	

1	<i>General fund</i>	<i>12,106,851</i>
2	<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>589,653</u></i>
3	<i>Total</i>	<i>12,696,504</i>
4	<i>Sec. B.203 Defender general - assigned counsel</i>	
5	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,679,410</i>
6	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>49,819</u></i>
7	<i>Total</i>	<i>5,729,229</i>
8	<i>Source of funds</i>	
9	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>5,729,229</u></i>
10	<i>Total</i>	<i>5,729,229</i>
11	<i>Sec. B.204 Judiciary</i>	
12	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>40,424,989</i>
13	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>9,550,786</i>
14	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>76,030</u></i>
15	<i>Total</i>	<i>50,051,805</i>
16	<i>Source of funds</i>	
17	<i>General fund</i>	<i>43,911,694</i>
18	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>3,174,315</i>
19	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>640,524</i>
20	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>2,325,272</u></i>
21	<i>Total</i>	<i>50,051,805</i>
22	<i>Sec. B.205 State's attorneys</i>	

1	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>13,277,576</i>
2	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,834,103</u></i>
3	<i>Total</i>	<i>15,111,679</i>
4	<i>Source of funds</i>	
5	<i>General fund</i>	<i>12,291,761</i>
6	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>106,471</i>
7	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>31,000</i>
8	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>2,682,447</u></i>
9	<i>Total</i>	<i>15,111,679</i>
10	<i>Sec. B.206 Special investigative unit</i>	
11	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>85,000</i>
12	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,100</i>
13	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,913,000</u></i>
14	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,999,100</i>
15	<i>Source of funds</i>	
16	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>1,999,100</u></i>
17	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,999,100</i>
18	<i>Sec. B.207 Sheriffs</i>	
19	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>4,111,739</i>
20	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>395,623</u></i>
21	<i>Total</i>	<i>4,507,362</i>
22	<i>Source of funds</i>	

1	<i>General fund</i>	<u>4,507,362</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	4,507,362
3	<i>Sec. B.208 Public safety - administration</i>	
4	<i>Personal services</i>	2,686,370
5	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>2,992,157</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	5,678,527
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>General fund</i>	2,671,645
9	<i>Special funds</i>	5,000
10	<i>Federal funds</i>	263,124
11	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>2,738,758</u>
12	<i>Total</i>	5,678,527
13	<i>Sec. B.209 Public safety - state police</i>	
14	<i>Personal services</i>	54,187,733
15	<i>Operating expenses</i>	10,167,293
16	<i>Grants</i>	<u>1,356,805</u>
17	<i>Total</i>	65,711,831
18	<i>Source of funds</i>	
19	<i>General fund</i>	36,604,914
20	<i>Transportation fund</i>	20,250,000
21	<i>Special funds</i>	2,984,667
22	<i>Federal funds</i>	3,798,422

1	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>2,073,828</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	65,711,831
3	<i>Sec. B.210 Public safety - criminal justice services</i>	
4	<i>Personal services</i>	4,541,909
5	<i>Operating expenses</i>	3,505,387
6	<i>Grants</i>	<u>120,000</u>
7	<i>Total</i>	8,167,296
8	<i>Source of funds</i>	
9	<i>General fund</i>	4,302,246
10	<i>Special funds</i>	1,930,061
11	<i>Federal funds</i>	1,754,848
12	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>180,141</u>
13	<i>Total</i>	8,167,296
14	<i>Sec. B.211 Public safety - emergency management</i>	
15	<i>Personal services</i>	2,943,888
16	<i>Operating expenses</i>	1,351,913
17	<i>Grants</i>	<u>9,555,611</u>
18	<i>Total</i>	13,851,412
19	<i>Source of funds</i>	
20	<i>General fund</i>	421,265
21	<i>Special funds</i>	230,000
22	<i>Federal funds</i>	13,002,034

1	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>198,113</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	13,851,412
3	<i>Sec. B.212 Public safety - fire safety</i>	
4	<i>Personal services</i>	6,507,997
5	<i>Operating expenses</i>	3,372,767
6	<i>Grants</i>	<u>107,000</u>
7	<i>Total</i>	9,987,764
8	<i>Source of funds</i>	
9	<i>General fund</i>	399,264
10	<i>Special funds</i>	8,667,177
11	<i>Federal funds</i>	876,323
12	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>45,000</u>
13	<i>Total</i>	9,987,764
14	<i>Sec. B.213 Public safety - Forensic Laboratory</i>	
15	<i>Personal services</i>	2,979,721
16	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>1,345,832</u>
17	<i>Total</i>	4,325,553
18	<i>Source of funds</i>	
19	<i>General fund</i>	3,032,024
20	<i>Special funds</i>	94,238
21	<i>Federal funds</i>	414,702
22	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>784,589</u>

1	<i>Total</i>	<i>4,325,553</i>
2	<i>Sec. B.215 Military - administration</i>	
3	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>780,557</i>
4	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>364,404</i>
5	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>324,000</u></i>
6	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,468,961</i>
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>1,468,961</u></i>
9	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,468,961</i>
10	<i>Sec. B.216 Military - air service contract</i>	
11	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,849,570</i>
12	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>892,643</u></i>
13	<i>Total</i>	<i>6,742,213</i>
14	<i>Source of funds</i>	
15	<i>General fund</i>	<i>575,144</i>
16	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>6,167,069</u></i>
17	<i>Total</i>	<i>6,742,213</i>
18	<i>Sec. B.217 Military - army service contract</i>	
19	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>7,823,655</i>
20	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>6,155,064</u></i>
21	<i>Total</i>	<i>13,978,719</i>
22	<i>Source of funds</i>	

1	<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>13,978,719</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	13,978,719
3	<i>Sec. B.218 Military - building maintenance</i>	
4	<i>Personal services</i>	752,009
5	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>745,028</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	1,497,037
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>General fund</i>	1,437,037
9	<i>Special funds</i>	<u>60,000</u>
10	<i>Total</i>	1,497,037
11	<i>Sec. B.219 Military - veterans' affairs</i>	
12	<i>Personal services</i>	784,278
13	<i>Operating expenses</i>	169,972
14	<i>Grants</i>	<u>85,484</u>
15	<i>Total</i>	1,039,734
16	<i>Source of funds</i>	
17	<i>General fund</i>	799,724
18	<i>Special funds</i>	140,010
19	<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>100,000</u>
20	<i>Total</i>	1,039,734
21	<i>Sec. B.220 Center for crime victim services</i>	
22	<i>Personal services</i>	1,908,428

1	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>345,834</i>
2	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>10,632,103</u></i>
3	<i>Total</i>	<i>12,886,365</i>
4	<i>Source of funds</i>	
5	<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,264,158</i>
6	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>5,341,178</i>
7	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>6,281,029</u></i>
8	<i>Total</i>	<i>12,886,365</i>
9	<i>Sec. B.221 Criminal justice training council</i>	
10	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,193,040</i>
11	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,283,697</u></i>
12	<i>Total</i>	<i>2,476,737</i>
13	<i>Source of funds</i>	
14	<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,355,582</i>
15	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>121,155</u></i>
16	<i>Total</i>	<i>2,476,737</i>
17	<i>Sec. B.222 Agriculture, food and markets - administration</i>	
18	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,419,565</i>
19	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>499,463</i>
20	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>272,972</u></i>
21	<i>Total</i>	<i>2,192,000</i>
22	<i>Source of funds</i>	

1	<i>General fund</i>	<i>969,921</i>
2	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>809,473</i>
3	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>412,606</u></i>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>2,192,000</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.223 Agriculture, food and markets - food safety and consumer</i>	
6	<i>protection</i>	
7	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>4,228,755</i>
8	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>866,590</i>
9	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>2,750,000</u></i>
10	<i>Total</i>	<i>7,845,345</i>
11	<i>Source of funds</i>	
12	<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,829,250</i>
13	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>3,743,410</i>
14	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,265,685</i>
15	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>7,000</u></i>
16	<i>Total</i>	<i>7,845,345</i>
17	<i>Sec. B.224 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural development</i>	
18	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,478,216</i>
19	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,045,214</i>
20	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,240,875</u></i>
21	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,764,305</i>
22	<i>Source of funds</i>	

1	<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,920,068</i>
2	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>666,160</i>
3	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,136,040</i>
4	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>42,037</u></i>
5	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,764,305</i>
6	<i>Sec. B.225 Agriculture, food and markets - agricultural resource management</i>	
7	<i>and environmental stewardship</i>	
8	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,047,494</i>
9	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>488,054</i>
10	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>140,000</u></i>
11	<i>Total</i>	<i>2,675,548</i>
12	<i>Source of funds</i>	
13	<i>General fund</i>	<i>662,248</i>
14	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>1,515,661</i>
15	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>397,224</i>
16	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>100,415</u></i>
17	<i>Total</i>	<i>2,675,548</i>
18	<i>Sec. B.225.1 Agriculture, food and markets - Vermont Agriculture and</i>	
19	<i>Environmental Lab</i>	
20	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,422,582</i>
21	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>2,350,767</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,773,349</i>

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>General fund</i>	<i>857,420</i>
3	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>2,505,055</i>
4	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>350,000</i>
5	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>60,874</u></i>
6	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,773,349</i>
7	<i>Sec. B.225.2 Agriculture, Food and Markets - Clean Water</i>	
8	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,460,376</i>
9	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>415,019</i>
10	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,707,000</u></i>
11	<i>Total</i>	<i>4,582,395</i>
12	<i>Source of funds</i>	
13	<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,149,854</i>
14	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>3,145,906</i>
15	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>48,812</i>
16	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>237,823</u></i>
17	<i>Total</i>	<i>4,582,395</i>
18	<i>Sec. B.226 Financial regulation - administration</i>	
19	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,848,070</i>
20	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>394,685</u></i>
21	<i>Total</i>	<i>2,242,755</i>
22	<i>Source of funds</i>	

1	<i>Special funds</i>	<u>2,242,755</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	2,242,755
3	<i>Sec. B.227 Financial regulation - banking</i>	
4	<i>Personal services</i>	1,723,226
5	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>400,714</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	2,123,940
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>Special funds</i>	<u>2,123,940</u>
9	<i>Total</i>	2,123,940
10	<i>Sec. B.228 Financial regulation - insurance</i>	
11	<i>Personal services</i>	3,982,567
12	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>579,112</u>
13	<i>Total</i>	4,561,679
14	<i>Source of funds</i>	
15	<i>Special funds</i>	<u>4,561,679</u>
16	<i>Total</i>	4,561,679
17	<i>Sec. B.229 Financial regulation - captive insurance</i>	
18	<i>Personal services</i>	4,528,647
19	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>568,615</u>
20	<i>Total</i>	5,097,262
21	<i>Source of funds</i>	
22	<i>Special funds</i>	<u>5,097,262</u>

1	<i>Total</i>	<i>5,097,262</i>
2	<i>Sec. B.230 Financial regulation - securities</i>	
3	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>884,305</i>
4	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>191,805</u></i>
5	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,076,110</i>
6	<i>Source of funds</i>	
7	<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>1,076,110</u></i>
8	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,076,110</i>
9	<i>Sec. B.232 Secretary of state</i>	
10	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>9,247,500</i>
11	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>2,501,529</u></i>
12	<i>Total</i>	<i>11,749,029</i>
13	<i>Source of funds</i>	
14	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>10,453,613</i>
15	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,220,416</i>
16	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>75,000</u></i>
17	<i>Total</i>	<i>11,749,029</i>
18	<i>Sec. B.233 Public service - regulation and energy</i>	
19	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>10,977,385</i>
20	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,818,966</i>
21	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>3,768,878</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>16,565,229</i>

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>14,296,660</i>
3	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,182,983</i>
4	<i>ARRA funds</i>	<i>1,010,000</i>
5	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>50,000</i>
6	<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<u><i>25,586</i></u>
7	<i>Total</i>	<i>16,565,229</i>
8	<i>Sec. B.234 Public utility commission</i>	
9	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,238,861</i>
10	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u><i>461,954</i></u>
11	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,700,815</i>
12	<i>Source of funds</i>	
13	<i>Special funds</i>	<u><i>3,700,815</i></u>
14	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,700,815</i>
15	<i>Sec. B.235 Enhanced 9-1-1 Board</i>	
16	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,715,294</i>
17	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>395,889</i>
18	<i>Grants</i>	<u><i>720,000</i></u>
19	<i>Total</i>	<i>4,831,183</i>
20	<i>Source of funds</i>	
21	<i>Special funds</i>	<u><i>4,831,183</i></u>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>4,831,183</i>

1	<i>Sec. B.236 Human rights commission</i>	
2	<i>Personal services</i>	497,679
3	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>70,557</u>
4	<i>Total</i>	568,236
5	<i>Source of funds</i>	
6	<i>General fund</i>	492,122
7	<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>76,114</u>
8	<i>Total</i>	568,236
9	<i>Sec. B.237 Liquor control - administration</i>	
10	<i>Personal services</i>	5,751,696
11	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>970,391</u>
12	<i>Total</i>	6,722,087
13	<i>Source of funds</i>	
14	<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<u>6,722,087</u>
15	<i>Total</i>	6,722,087
16	<i>Sec. B.238 Liquor control - enforcement and licensing</i>	
17	<i>Personal services</i>	2,152,769
18	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>554,933</u>
19	<i>Total</i>	2,707,702
20	<i>Source of funds</i>	
21	<i>Special funds</i>	20,000
22	<i>Tobacco fund</i>	213,843

1	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>312,503</i>
2	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>16,300</i>
3	<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<u><i>2,145,056</i></u>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>2,707,702</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.239 Liquor control - warehousing and distribution</i>	
6	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,020,365</i>
7	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u><i>495,462</i></u>
8	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,515,827</i>
9	<i>Source of funds</i>	
10	<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<u><i>1,515,827</i></u>
11	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,515,827</i>
12	<i>Sec. B.240 Total protection to persons and property</i>	
13	<i>Source of funds</i>	
14	<i>General fund</i>	<i>152,235,965</i>
15	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>20,250,000</i>
16	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>86,673,285</i>
17	<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>561,843</i>
18	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>54,930,811</i>
19	<i>ARRA funds</i>	<i>1,010,000</i>
20	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>14,681,856</i>
21	<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<u><i>10,408,556</i></u>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>340,752,316</i>

1	<i>Sec. B.300 Human services - agency of human services - secretary's office</i>	
2	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>8,771,938</i>
3	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>11,443,486</i>
4	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>4,983,315</u></i>
5	<i>Total</i>	<i>25,198,739</i>
6	<i>Source of funds</i>	
7	<i>General fund</i>	<i>7,387,754</i>
8	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>91,017</i>
9	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>16,056,135</i>
10	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>453,000</i>
11	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,210,833</u></i>
12	<i>Total</i>	<i>25,198,739</i>
13	<i>Sec. B.301 Secretary's office - global commitment</i>	
14	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>3,156,749</i>
15	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,585,123,038</u></i>
16	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,588,279,787</i>
17	<i>Source of funds</i>	
18	<i>General fund</i>	<i>283,423,430</i>
19	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>27,902,465</i>
20	<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>20,299,373</i>
21	<i>State health care resources fund</i>	<i>284,480,725</i>
22	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>955,341,512</i>

1	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>16,832,282</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	1,588,279,787
3	<i>Sec. B.302 Rate setting</i>	
4	<i>Personal services</i>	916,668
5	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>96,744</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	1,013,412
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>General fund</i>	506,706
9	<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>506,706</u>
10	<i>Total</i>	1,013,412
11	<i>Sec. B.303 Developmental disabilities council</i>	
12	<i>Personal services</i>	402,333
13	<i>Operating expenses</i>	71,003
14	<i>Grants</i>	<u>150,000</u>
15	<i>Total</i>	623,336
16	<i>Source of funds</i>	
17	<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>623,336</u>
18	<i>Total</i>	623,336
19	<i>Sec. B.304 Human services board</i>	
20	<i>Personal services</i>	703,725
21	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>83,296</u>
22	<i>Total</i>	787,021

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>General fund</i>	<i>425,466</i>
3	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>319,974</i>
4	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>41,581</u></i>
5	<i>Total</i>	<i>787,021</i>
6	<i>Sec. B.305 AHS - administrative fund</i>	
7	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>350,000</i>
8	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>10,150,000</u></i>
9	<i>Total</i>	<i>10,500,000</i>
10	<i>Source of funds</i>	
11	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>10,500,000</u></i>
12	<i>Total</i>	<i>10,500,000</i>
13	<i>Sec. B.306 Department of Vermont health access - administration</i>	
14	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>150,000,858</i>
15	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>5,878,419</i>
16	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>7,314,742</u></i>
17	<i>Total</i>	<i>163,194,019</i>
18	<i>Source of funds</i>	
19	<i>General fund</i>	<i>26,674,061</i>
20	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>3,522,585</i>
21	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>118,955,295</i>
22	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>6,795,089</i>

1	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>7,246,989</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	163,194,019
3	<i>Sec. B.307 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - global</i>	
4	<i>commitment</i>	
5	<i>Grants</i>	<u>730,388,202</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	730,388,202
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<u>730,388,202</u>
9	<i>Total</i>	730,388,202
10	<i>Sec. B.308 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - long</i>	
11	<i>term care waiver</i>	
12	<i>Grants</i>	<u>204,515,915</u>
13	<i>Total</i>	204,515,915
14	<i>Source of funds</i>	
15	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<u>204,515,915</u>
16	<i>Total</i>	204,515,915
17	<i>Sec. B.309 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid program - state</i>	
18	<i>only</i>	
19	<i>Grants</i>	<u>47,955,940</u>
20	<i>Total</i>	47,955,940
21	<i>Source of funds</i>	
22	<i>General fund</i>	39,074,163

1	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<u>8,881,777</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	47,955,940
3	<i>Sec. B.310 Department of Vermont health access - Medicaid non-waiver</i>	
4	<i>matched</i>	
5	<i>Grants</i>	<u>31,345,248</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	31,345,248
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>General fund</i>	11,400,406
9	<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>19,944,842</u>
10	<i>Total</i>	31,345,248
11	<i>Sec. B.311 Health - administration and support</i>	
12	<i>Personal services</i>	5,369,099
13	<i>Operating expenses</i>	5,125,954
14	<i>Grants</i>	<u>4,065,000</u>
15	<i>Total</i>	14,560,053
16	<i>Source of funds</i>	
17	<i>General fund</i>	2,756,570
18	<i>Special funds</i>	1,737,815
19	<i>Federal funds</i>	6,577,531
20	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	3,443,137
21	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>45,000</u>
22	<i>Total</i>	14,560,053

1	<i>Sec. B.312 Health - public health</i>	
2	<i>Personal services</i>	42,670,151
3	<i>Operating expenses</i>	8,262,008
4	<i>Grants</i>	<u>36,443,759</u>
5	<i>Total</i>	87,375,918
6	<i>Source of funds</i>	
7	<i>General fund</i>	9,483,976
8	<i>Special funds</i>	17,368,655
9	<i>Tobacco fund</i>	1,088,918
10	<i>Federal funds</i>	45,853,114
11	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	12,436,255
12	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	1,120,000
13	<i>Permanent trust funds</i>	<u>25,000</u>
14	<i>Total</i>	87,375,918
15	<i>Sec. B.313 Health - alcohol and drug abuse programs</i>	
16	<i>Personal services</i>	4,228,751
17	<i>Operating expenses</i>	255,634
18	<i>Grants</i>	<u>49,572,962</u>
19	<i>Total</i>	54,057,347
20	<i>Source of funds</i>	
21	<i>General fund</i>	2,468,452
22	<i>Special funds</i>	1,163,962

1	<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>949,917</i>
2	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>14,495,543</i>
3	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>34,979,473</u></i>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>54,057,347</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.314 Mental health - mental health</i>	
6	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>30,983,975</i>
7	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>3,754,146</i>
8	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>208,515,176</u></i>
9	<i>Total</i>	<i>243,253,297</i>
10	<i>Source of funds</i>	
11	<i>General fund</i>	<i>6,131,693</i>
12	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>434,904</i>
13	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>8,782,053</i>
14	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>227,884,647</i>
15	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>20,000</u></i>
16	<i>Total</i>	<i>243,253,297</i>
17	<i>Sec. B.316 Department for children and families - administration &amp; support</i>	
18	<i>services</i>	
19	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>39,883,238</i>
20	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>11,312,882</i>
21	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>3,019,141</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>54,215,261</i>

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>General fund</i>	<i>26,574,313</i>
3	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>2,591,557</i>
4	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>22,956,549</i>
5	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>1,875,508</i>
6	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>217,334</u></i>
7	<i>Total</i>	<i>54,215,261</i>
8	<i>Sec. B.317 Department for children and families - family services</i>	
9	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>33,519,525</i>
10	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>4,951,233</i>
11	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>75,193,282</u></i>
12	<i>Total</i>	<i>113,664,040</i>
13	<i>Source of funds</i>	
14	<i>General fund</i>	<i>36,682,377</i>
15	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>967,587</i>
16	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>27,125,458</i>
17	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>48,754,229</i>
18	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>134,389</u></i>
19	<i>Total</i>	<i>113,664,040</i>
20	<i>Sec. B.318 Department for children and families - child development</i>	
21	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>4,373,097</i>
22	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>666,405</i>

1	<i>Grants</i>	<u>78,641,229</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	83,680,731
3	<i>Source of funds</i>	
4	<i>General fund</i>	33,309,452
5	<i>Special funds</i>	1,820,000
6	<i>Federal funds</i>	37,067,384
7	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<u>11,483,895</u>
8	<i>Total</i>	83,680,731
9	<i>Sec. B.319 Department for children and families - office of child support</i>	
10	<i>Personal services</i>	10,358,904
11	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>3,664,980</u>
12	<i>Total</i>	14,023,884
13	<i>Source of funds</i>	
14	<i>General fund</i>	3,811,164
15	<i>Special funds</i>	455,719
16	<i>Federal funds</i>	9,369,401
17	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>387,600</u>
18	<i>Total</i>	14,023,884
19	<i>Sec. B.320 Department for children and families - aid to aged, blind and</i>	
20	<i>disabled</i>	
21	<i>Personal services</i>	2,252,206
22	<i>Grants</i>	<u>11,298,023</u>

1	<i>Total</i>	<i>13,550,229</i>
2	<i>Source of funds</i>	
3	<i>General fund</i>	<i>9,649,899</i>
4	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>3,900,330</u></i>
5	<i>Total</i>	<i>13,550,229</i>
6	<i>Sec. B.321 Department for children and families - general assistance</i>	
7	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>15,000</i>
8	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>6,912,360</u></i>
9	<i>Total</i>	<i>6,927,360</i>
10	<i>Source of funds</i>	
11	<i>General fund</i>	<i>6,530,025</i>
12	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>111,320</i>
13	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>286,015</u></i>
14	<i>Total</i>	<i>6,927,360</i>
15	<i>Sec. B.322 Department for children and families - 3SquaresVT</i>	
16	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>29,827,906</u></i>
17	<i>Total</i>	<i>29,827,906</i>
18	<i>Source of funds</i>	
19	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>29,827,906</u></i>
20	<i>Total</i>	<i>29,827,906</i>
21	<i>Sec. B.323 Department for children and families - reach up</i>	
22	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>51,519</i>

1	<i>Grants</i>	<u>32,420,849</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	32,472,368
3	<i>Source of funds</i>	
4	<i>General fund</i>	6,423,546
5	<i>Special funds</i>	21,024,984
6	<i>Federal funds</i>	2,342,220
7	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<u>2,681,618</u>
8	<i>Total</i>	32,472,368
9	<i>Sec. B.324 Department for children and families - home heating fuel</i>	
10	<i>assistance/LIHEAP</i>	
11	<i>Grants</i>	<u>15,019,953</u>
12	<i>Total</i>	15,019,953
13	<i>Source of funds</i>	
14	<i>Special funds</i>	1,434,217
15	<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>13,585,736</u>
16	<i>Total</i>	15,019,953
17	<i>Sec. B.325 Department for children and families - office of economic</i>	
18	<i>opportunity</i>	
19	<i>Personal services</i>	496,450
20	<i>Operating expenses</i>	43,133
21	<i>Grants</i>	<u>9,610,253</u>
22	<i>Total</i>	10,149,836

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>General fund</i>	<i>4,767,340</i>
3	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>57,990</i>
4	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>4,494,818</i>
5	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>829,688</u></i>
6	<i>Total</i>	<i>10,149,836</i>
7	<i>Sec. B.326 Department for children and families - OEO - weatherization</i>	
8	<i>assistance</i>	
9	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>321,661</i>
10	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>43,448</i>
11	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>10,554,220</u></i>
12	<i>Total</i>	<i>10,919,329</i>
13	<i>Source of funds</i>	
14	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>6,325,418</i>
15	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>4,593,911</u></i>
16	<i>Total</i>	<i>10,919,329</i>
17	<i>Sec. B.327 Department for children and families - Woodside rehabilitation</i>	
18	<i>center</i>	
19	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,478,901</i>
20	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>717,907</u></i>
21	<i>Total</i>	<i>6,196,808</i>
22	<i>Source of funds</i>	

1	<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,134,164</i>
2	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>4,965,644</i>
3	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>97,000</u></i>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>6,196,808</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.328 Department for children and families - disability determination</i>	
6	<i>services</i>	
7	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,978,035</i>
8	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>411,111</u></i>
9	<i>Total</i>	<i>6,389,146</i>
10	<i>Source of funds</i>	
11	<i>General fund</i>	<i>103,081</i>
12	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>6,286,065</u></i>
13	<i>Total</i>	<i>6,389,146</i>
14	<i>Sec. B.329 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - administration &amp;</i>	
15	<i>support</i>	
16	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>31,585,910</i>
17	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>5,477,387</u></i>
18	<i>Total</i>	<i>37,063,297</i>
19	<i>Source of funds</i>	
20	<i>General fund</i>	<i>16,304,973</i>
21	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>1,390,457</i>
22	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>18,301,583</i>

1	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>1,066,284</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	37,063,297
3	<i>Sec. B.330 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - advocacy and</i>	
4	<i>independent living grants</i>	
5	<i>Grants</i>	<u>20,067,904</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	20,067,904
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>General fund</i>	7,553,375
9	<i>Federal funds</i>	7,148,466
10	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<u>5,366,063</u>
11	<i>Total</i>	20,067,904
12	<i>Sec. B.331 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - blind and visually</i>	
13	<i>impaired</i>	
14	<i>Grants</i>	<u>1,451,457</u>
15	<i>Total</i>	1,451,457
16	<i>Source of funds</i>	
17	<i>General fund</i>	389,154
18	<i>Special funds</i>	223,450
19	<i>Federal funds</i>	593,853
20	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<u>245,000</u>
21	<i>Total</i>	1,451,457
22	<i>Sec. B.332 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - vocational</i>	

1	<i>rehabilitation</i>	
2	<i>Grants</i>	<u>7,174,368</u>
3	<i>Total</i>	7,174,368
4	<i>Source of funds</i>	
5	<i>General fund</i>	1,371,845
6	<i>Federal funds</i>	4,552,523
7	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>1,250,000</u>
8	<i>Total</i>	7,174,368
9	<i>Sec. B.333 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - developmental</i>	
10	<i>services</i>	
11	<i>Grants</i>	<u>221,097,985</u>
12	<i>Total</i>	221,097,985
13	<i>Source of funds</i>	
14	<i>General fund</i>	155,125
15	<i>Special funds</i>	15,463
16	<i>Federal funds</i>	359,857
17	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	220,522,540
18	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>45,000</u>
19	<i>Total</i>	221,097,985
20	<i>Sec. B.334 Disabilities, aging, and independent living - TBI home and</i>	
21	<i>community based waiver</i>	
22	<i>Grants</i>	<u>6,005,225</u>

1	<i>Total</i>	<i>6,005,225</i>
2	<i>Source of funds</i>	
3	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>6,005,225</u></i>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>6,005,225</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.335 Corrections - administration</i>	
6	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>2,947,820</i>
7	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>238,644</u></i>
8	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,186,464</i>
9	<i>Source of funds</i>	
10	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>3,186,464</u></i>
11	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,186,464</i>
12	<i>Sec. B.336 Corrections - parole board</i>	
13	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>300,845</i>
14	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>81,081</u></i>
15	<i>Total</i>	<i>381,926</i>
16	<i>Source of funds</i>	
17	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>381,926</u></i>
18	<i>Total</i>	<i>381,926</i>
19	<i>Sec. B.337 Corrections - correctional education</i>	
20	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,172,318</i>
21	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>244,932</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,417,250</i>

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,268,466</i>
3	<i>Education fund</i>	<i>0</i>
4	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>148,784</u></i>
5	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,417,250</i>
6	<i>Sec. B.338 Corrections - correctional services</i>	
7	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>109,065,960</i>
8	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>21,128,473</i>
9	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>9,163,138</u></i>
10	<i>Total</i>	<i>139,357,571</i>
11	<i>Source of funds</i>	
12	<i>General fund</i>	<i>132,472,462</i>
13	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>629,963</i>
14	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>470,962</i>
15	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>5,387,869</i>
16	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>396,315</u></i>
17	<i>Total</i>	<i>139,357,571</i>
18	<i>Sec. B.339 Corrections - Correctional services-out of state beds</i>	
19	<i>Personal services</i>	<i><u>7,351,324</u></i>
20	<i>Total</i>	<i>7,351,324</i>
21	<i>Source of funds</i>	
22	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>7,351,324</u></i>

1	<i>Total</i>	<i>7,351,324</i>
2	<i>Sec. B.340 Corrections - correctional facilities - recreation</i>	
3	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>406,528</i>
4	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>455,845</u></i>
5	<i>Total</i>	<i>862,373</i>
6	<i>Source of funds</i>	
7	<i>Special funds</i>	<i><u>862,373</u></i>
8	<i>Total</i>	<i>862,373</i>
9	<i>Sec. B.341 Corrections - Vermont offender work program</i>	
10	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,447,800</i>
11	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>525,784</u></i>
12	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,973,584</i>
13	<i>Source of funds</i>	
14	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i><u>1,973,584</u></i>
15	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,973,584</i>
16	<i>Sec. B.342 Vermont veterans' home - care and support services</i>	
17	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>18,756,245</i>
18	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>4,949,905</u></i>
19	<i>Total</i>	<i>23,706,150</i>
20	<i>Source of funds</i>	
21	<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,998,789</i>
22	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>11,281,346</i>

1	<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>8,426,015</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	23,706,150
3	<i>Sec. B.343 Commission on women</i>	
4	<i>Personal services</i>	316,110
5	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>67,352</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	383,462
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>General fund</i>	380,962
9	<i>Special funds</i>	<u>2,500</u>
10	<i>Total</i>	383,462
11	<i>Sec. B.344 Retired senior volunteer program</i>	
12	<i>Grants</i>	<u>151,096</u>
13	<i>Total</i>	151,096
14	<i>Source of funds</i>	
15	<i>General fund</i>	<u>151,096</u>
16	<i>Total</i>	151,096
17	<i>Sec. B.345 Green Mountain Care Board</i>	
18	<i>Personal services</i>	7,702,068
19	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>342,708</u>
20	<i>Total</i>	8,044,776
21	<i>Source of funds</i>	
22	<i>General fund</i>	2,032,469

1	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>3,446,789</i>
2	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>70,000</i>
3	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>2,495,518</u></i>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>8,044,776</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.346 Total human services</i>	
6	<i>Source of funds</i>	
7	<i>General fund</i>	<i>697,716,468</i>
8	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>104,751,216</i>
9	<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>22,338,208</i>
10	<i>State health care resources fund</i>	<i>284,480,725</i>
11	<i>Education fund</i>	<i>0</i>
12	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,385,140,068</i>
13	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>1,544,576,637</i>
14	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>1,973,584</i>
15	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>40,759,391</i>
16	<i>Permanent trust funds</i>	<i><u>25,000</u></i>
17	<i>Total</i>	<i>4,081,761,297</i>
18	<i>Sec. B.400 Labor - programs</i>	
19	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>29,773,882</i>
20	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>9,518,580</i>
21	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,876,867</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>41,169,329</i>

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,980,386</i>
3	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>3,616,477</i>
4	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>33,222,466</i>
5	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,350,000</u></i>
6	<i>Total</i>	<i>41,169,329</i>
7	<i>Sec. B.401 Total labor</i>	
8	<i>Source of funds</i>	
9	<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,980,386</i>
10	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>3,616,477</i>
11	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>33,222,466</i>
12	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,350,000</u></i>
13	<i>Total</i>	<i>41,169,329</i>
14	<i>Sec. B.500 Education - finance and administration</i>	
15	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>7,569,932</i>
16	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>3,575,080</i>
17	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>15,540,935</u></i>
18	<i>Total</i>	<i>26,685,947</i>
19	<i>Source of funds</i>	
20	<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,795,807</i>
21	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>16,280,409</i>
22	<i>Education fund</i>	<i>995,597</i>

1	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>2,396,087</i>
2	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>260,000</i>
3	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>2,958,047</u></i>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>26,685,947</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.501 Education - education services</i>	
6	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>18,451,314</i>
7	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,473,983</i>
8	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>126,074,411</u></i>
9	<i>Total</i>	<i>145,999,708</i>
10	<i>Source of funds</i>	
11	<i>General fund</i>	<i>5,681,029</i>
12	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>3,202,682</i>
13	<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>750,388</i>
14	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>135,118,942</i>
15	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>1,246,667</u></i>
16	<i>Total</i>	<i>145,999,708</i>
17	<i>Sec. B.502 Education - special education: formula grants</i>	
18	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>198,471,642</u></i>
19	<i>Total</i>	<i>198,471,642</i>
20	<i>Source of funds</i>	
21	<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>198,471,642</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>198,471,642</i>

1	<i>Sec. B.503 Education - state-placed students</i>	
2	<i>Grants</i>	<u>15,700,000</u>
3	<i>Total</i>	15,700,000
4	<i>Source of funds</i>	
5	<i>Education fund</i>	<u>15,700,000</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	15,700,000
7	<i>Sec. B.504 Education - adult education and literacy</i>	
8	<i>Grants</i>	<u>4,371,050</u>
9	<i>Total</i>	4,371,050
10	<i>Source of funds</i>	
11	<i>General fund</i>	3,605,000
12	<i>Education fund</i>	0
13	<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>766,050</u>
14	<i>Total</i>	4,371,050
15	<i>Sec. B.504.1 Education - Flexible Pathways</i>	
16	<i>Grants</i>	<u>7,346,000</u>
17	<i>Total</i>	7,346,000
18	<i>Source of funds</i>	
19	<i>Education fund</i>	<u>7,346,000</u>
20	<i>Total</i>	7,346,000
21	<i>Sec. B.505 Education - adjusted education payment</i>	
22	<i>Grants</i>	<u>1,371,075,706</u>

1	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,371,075,706</i>
2	<i>Source of funds</i>	
3	<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>1,371,075,706</u></i>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,371,075,706</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.506 Education - transportation</i>	
6	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>19,226,000</u></i>
7	<i>Total</i>	<i>19,226,000</i>
8	<i>Source of funds</i>	
9	<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>19,226,000</u></i>
10	<i>Total</i>	<i>19,226,000</i>
11	<i>Sec. B.507 Education - small school grants</i>	
12	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>7,600,000</u></i>
13	<i>Total</i>	<i>7,600,000</i>
14	<i>Source of funds</i>	
15	<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>7,600,000</u></i>
16	<i>Total</i>	<i>7,600,000</i>
17	<i>Sec. B.510 Education - essential early education grant</i>	
18	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>6,617,213</u></i>
19	<i>Total</i>	<i>6,617,213</i>
20	<i>Source of funds</i>	
21	<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>6,617,213</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>6,617,213</i>

1	<i>Sec. B.511 Education - technical education</i>	
2	<i>Grants</i>	<u>13,932,162</u>
3	<i>Total</i>	13,932,162
4	<i>Source of funds</i>	
5	<i>Education fund</i>	<u>13,932,162</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	13,932,162
7	<i>Sec. B.514 State teachers' retirement system</i>	
8	<i>Grants</i>	<u>99,940,777</u>
9	<i>Total</i>	99,940,777
10	<i>Source of funds</i>	
11	<i>General fund</i>	92,241,519
12	<i>Education fund</i>	<u>7,699,258</u>
13	<i>Total</i>	99,940,777
14	<i>Sec. B.514.1 State teachers' retirement system administration</i>	
15	<i>Personal services</i>	6,217,105
16	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>1,564,274</u>
17	<i>Total</i>	7,781,379
18	<i>Source of funds</i>	
19	<i>Pension trust funds</i>	<u>7,781,379</u>
20	<i>Total</i>	7,781,379
21	<i>Sec. B.515 Retired teachers' health care and medical benefits</i>	
22	<i>Grants</i>	<u>31,639,205</u>

1	<i>Total</i>	<i>31,639,205</i>
2	<i>Source of funds</i>	
3	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>31,639,205</u></i>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>31,639,205</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.516 Total general education</i>	
6	<i>Source of funds</i>	
7	<i>General fund</i>	<i>136,962,560</i>
8	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>19,483,091</i>
9	<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>750,388</i>
10	<i>Education fund</i>	<i>1,648,663,578</i>
11	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>138,281,079</i>
12	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>260,000</i>
13	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>4,204,714</i>
14	<i>Pension trust funds</i>	<i><u>7,781,379</u></i>
15	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,956,386,789</i>
16	<i>Sec. B.600 University of Vermont</i>	
17	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>42,509,093</u></i>
18	<i>Total</i>	<i>42,509,093</i>
19	<i>Source of funds</i>	
20	<i>General fund</i>	<i>39,129,876</i>
21	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>3,379,217</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>42,509,093</i>

1	<i>Sec. B.601 Vermont Public Broadcast System</i>	
2	<i>Grants</i>	<u>1</u>
3	<i>Total</i>	1
4	<i>Source of funds</i>	
5	<i>General fund</i>	<u>1</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	1
7	<i>Sec. B.602 Vermont state colleges</i>	
8	<i>Grants</i>	<u>27,300,464</u>
9	<i>Total</i>	27,300,464
10	<i>Source of funds</i>	
11	<i>General fund</i>	<u>27,300,464</u>
12	<i>Total</i>	27,300,464
13	<i>Sec. B.602.1 Vermont state colleges - Supplemental Aid</i>	
14	<i>Grants</i>	<u>700,000</u>
15	<i>Total</i>	700,000
16	<i>Source of funds</i>	
17	<i>General fund</i>	<u>700,000</u>
18	<i>Total</i>	700,000
19	<i>Sec. B.603 Vermont state colleges - allied health</i>	
20	<i>Grants</i>	<u>1,157,775</u>
21	<i>Total</i>	1,157,775
22	<i>Source of funds</i>	

1	<i>General fund</i>	<i>748,314</i>
2	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i><u>409,461</u></i>
3	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,157,775</i>
4	<i>Sec. B.605 Vermont student assistance corporation</i>	
5	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>19,414,588</u></i>
6	<i>Total</i>	<i>19,414,588</i>
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>19,414,588</u></i>
9	<i>Total</i>	<i>19,414,588</i>
10	<i>Sec. B.606 New England higher education compact</i>	
11	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>84,000</u></i>
12	<i>Total</i>	<i>84,000</i>
13	<i>Source of funds</i>	
14	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>84,000</u></i>
15	<i>Total</i>	<i>84,000</i>
16	<i>Sec. B.607 University of Vermont - Morgan Horse Farm</i>	
17	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1</u></i>
18	<i>Total</i>	<i>1</i>
19	<i>Source of funds</i>	
20	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>1</u></i>
21	<i>Total</i>	<i>1</i>
22	<i>Sec. B.608 Total higher education</i>	

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>General fund</i>	87,377,244
3	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<u>3,788,678</u>
4	<i>Total</i>	91,165,922
5	<i>Sec. B.700 Natural resources - agency of natural resources - administration</i>	
6	<i>Personal services</i>	2,179,464
7	<i>Operating expenses</i>	1,105,224
8	<i>Grants</i>	<u>34,960</u>
9	<i>Total</i>	3,319,648
10	<i>Source of funds</i>	
11	<i>General fund</i>	2,670,382
12	<i>Special funds</i>	554,112
13	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>95,154</u>
14	<i>Total</i>	3,319,648
15	<i>Sec. B.701 Natural resources - state land local property tax assessment</i>	
16	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>2,532,755</u>
17	<i>Total</i>	2,532,755
18	<i>Source of funds</i>	
19	<i>General fund</i>	2,111,255
20	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>421,500</u>
21	<i>Total</i>	2,532,755
22	<i>Sec. B.702 Fish and wildlife - support and field services</i>	

1	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>17,559,395</i>
2	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>5,511,383</i>
3	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>1,078,000</u></i>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>24,148,778</i>
5	<i>Source of funds</i>	
6	<i>General fund</i>	<i>5,652,621</i>
7	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>196,212</i>
8	<i>Fish and wildlife fund</i>	<i>9,505,629</i>
9	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>8,691,203</i>
10	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>93,102</i>
11	<i>Permanent trust funds</i>	<i><u>10,011</u></i>
12	<i>Total</i>	<i>24,148,778</i>
13	<i>Sec. B.703 Forests, parks and recreation - administration</i>	
14	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>889,376</i>
15	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>940,315</u></i>
16	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,829,691</i>
17	<i>Source of funds</i>	
18	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>1,829,691</u></i>
19	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,829,691</i>
20	<i>Sec. B.704 Forests, parks and recreation - forestry</i>	
21	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,587,322</i>
22	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>761,503</i>

1	<i>Grants</i>	<u>500,000</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	6,848,825
3	<i>Source of funds</i>	
4	<i>General fund</i>	4,610,156
5	<i>Special funds</i>	412,999
6	<i>Federal funds</i>	1,487,097
7	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>338,573</u>
8	<i>Total</i>	6,848,825
9	<i>Sec. B.705 Forests, parks and recreation - state parks</i>	
10	<i>Personal services</i>	8,403,655
11	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>2,621,163</u>
12	<i>Total</i>	11,024,818
13	<i>Source of funds</i>	
14	<i>General fund</i>	434,313
15	<i>Special funds</i>	10,590,505
16	<i>Permanent trust funds</i>	<u>0</u>
17	<i>Total</i>	11,024,818
18	<i>Sec. B.706 Forests, parks and recreation - lands administration and recreation</i>	
19	<i>Personal services</i>	1,269,132
20	<i>Operating expenses</i>	1,378,483
21	<i>Grants</i>	<u>2,506,787</u>
22	<i>Total</i>	5,154,402

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>General fund</i>	<i>673,966</i>
3	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>2,020,151</i>
4	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>2,336,535</i>
5	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>123,750</u></i>
6	<i>Total</i>	<i>5,154,402</i>
7	<i>Sec. B.708 Forests, parks and recreation - forest and parks access roads</i>	
8	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>65,425</i>
9	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>114,500</u></i>
10	<i>Total</i>	<i>179,925</i>
11	<i>Source of funds</i>	
12	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>179,925</u></i>
13	<i>Total</i>	<i>179,925</i>
14	<i>Sec. B.709 Environmental conservation - management and support services</i>	
15	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>6,288,392</i>
16	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>3,391,844</i>
17	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>150,000</u></i>
18	<i>Total</i>	<i>9,830,236</i>
19	<i>Source of funds</i>	
20	<i>General fund</i>	<i>1,074,364</i>
21	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>457,591</i>
22	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>744,676</i>

1	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>7,553,605</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	9,830,236
3	<i>Sec. B.710 Environmental conservation - air and waste management</i>	
4	<i>Personal services</i>	12,383,436
5	<i>Operating expenses</i>	8,691,215
6	<i>Grants</i>	<u>5,076,000</u>
7	<i>Total</i>	26,150,651
8	<i>Source of funds</i>	
9	<i>General fund</i>	425,825
10	<i>Special funds</i>	21,875,082
11	<i>Federal funds</i>	3,655,939
12	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>193,805</u>
13	<i>Total</i>	26,150,651
14	<i>Sec. B.711 Environmental conservation - office of water programs</i>	
15	<i>Personal services</i>	18,292,585
16	<i>Operating expenses</i>	6,676,548
17	<i>Grants</i>	<u>23,754,400</u>
18	<i>Total</i>	48,723,533
19	<i>Source of funds</i>	
20	<i>General fund</i>	7,815,563
21	<i>Special funds</i>	10,333,268
22	<i>Federal funds</i>	29,486,364

1	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<u>1,088,338</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	48,723,533
3	<i>Sec. B.713 Natural resources board</i>	
4	<i>Personal services</i>	2,643,689
5	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>495,779</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	3,139,468
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>General fund</i>	608,163
9	<i>Special funds</i>	<u>2,531,305</u>
10	<i>Total</i>	3,139,468
11	<i>Sec. B.714 Total natural resources</i>	
12	<i>Source of funds</i>	
13	<i>General fund</i>	28,086,224
14	<i>Special funds</i>	48,971,225
15	<i>Fish and wildlife fund</i>	9,505,629
16	<i>Federal funds</i>	46,401,814
17	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	9,907,827
18	<i>Permanent trust funds</i>	<u>10,011</u>
19	<i>Total</i>	142,882,730
20	<i>Sec. B.800 Commerce and community development - agency of commerce and</i>	
21	<i>community development - administration</i>	
22	<i>Personal services</i>	1,717,913

1	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,373,839</i>
2	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>452,627</u></i>
3	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,544,379</i>
4	<i>Source of funds</i>	
5	<i>General fund</i>	<i>3,524,379</i>
6	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>0</i>
7	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>20,000</u></i>
8	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,544,379</i>
9	<i>Sec. B.801 Economic development</i>	
10	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,512,700</i>
11	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>903,397</i>
12	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>5,554,735</u></i>
13	<i>Total</i>	<i>9,970,832</i>
14	<i>Source of funds</i>	
15	<i>General fund</i>	<i>4,563,197</i>
16	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>2,625,350</i>
17	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>2,782,285</u></i>
18	<i>Total</i>	<i>9,970,832</i>
19	<i>Sec. B.802 Housing &amp; community development</i>	
20	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>3,677,757</i>
21	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>745,690</i>
22	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>11,167,128</u></i>

1	<i>Total</i>	<i>15,590,575</i>
2	<i>Source of funds</i>	
3	<i>General fund</i>	<i>2,760,297</i>
4	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>4,991,756</i>
5	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>7,747,771</i>
6	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>90,751</u></i>
7	<i>Total</i>	<i>15,590,575</i>
8	<i>Sec. B.806 Tourism and marketing</i>	
9	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>1,151,255</i>
10	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>1,743,242</i>
11	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>121,880</u></i>
12	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,016,377</i>
13	<i>Source of funds</i>	
14	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>3,016,377</u></i>
15	<i>Total</i>	<i>3,016,377</i>
16	<i>Sec. B.807 Vermont life</i>	
17	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>604,497</i>
18	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>46,108</u></i>
19	<i>Total</i>	<i>650,605</i>
20	<i>Source of funds</i>	
21	<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<i><u>650,605</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>650,605</i>

1	<i>Sec. B.808 Vermont council on the arts</i>	
2	<i>Grants</i>	<u>717,735</u>
3	<i>Total</i>	717,735
4	<i>Source of funds</i>	
5	<i>General fund</i>	<u>717,735</u>
6	<i>Total</i>	717,735
7	<i>Sec. B.809 Vermont symphony orchestra</i>	
8	<i>Grants</i>	<u>141,214</u>
9	<i>Total</i>	141,214
10	<i>Source of funds</i>	
11	<i>General fund</i>	<u>141,214</u>
12	<i>Total</i>	141,214
13	<i>Sec. B.810 Vermont historical society</i>	
14	<i>Grants</i>	<u>961,426</u>
15	<i>Total</i>	961,426
16	<i>Source of funds</i>	
17	<i>General fund</i>	<u>961,426</u>
18	<i>Total</i>	961,426
19	<i>Sec. B.811 Vermont housing and conservation board</i>	
20	<i>Grants</i>	<u>26,361,035</u>
21	<i>Total</i>	26,361,035
22	<i>Source of funds</i>	

1	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>10,940,222</i>
2	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>15,420,813</u></i>
3	<i>Total</i>	<i>26,361,035</i>
4	<i>Sec. B.812 Vermont humanities council</i>	
5	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>217,959</u></i>
6	<i>Total</i>	<i>217,959</i>
7	<i>Source of funds</i>	
8	<i>General fund</i>	<i><u>217,959</u></i>
9	<i>Total</i>	<i>217,959</i>
10	<i>Sec. B.813 Total commerce and community development</i>	
11	<i>Source of funds</i>	
12	<i>General fund</i>	<i>15,902,584</i>
13	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>18,557,328</i>
14	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>25,950,869</i>
15	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>110,751</i>
16	<i>Enterprise funds</i>	<i><u>650,605</u></i>
17	<i>Total</i>	<i>61,172,137</i>
18	<i>Sec. B.900 Transportation - finance and administration</i>	
19	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>11,841,671</i>
20	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>2,759,243</i>
21	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>55,000</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>14,655,914</i>

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>13,637,714</i>
3	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>1,018,200</u></i>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>14,655,914</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.901 Transportation - aviation</i>	
6	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,163,838</i>
7	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>8,404,249</i>
8	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>231,676</u></i>
9	<i>Total</i>	<i>13,799,763</i>
10	<i>Source of funds</i>	
11	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>4,628,763</i>
12	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>9,171,000</u></i>
13	<i>Total</i>	<i>13,799,763</i>
14	<i>Sec. B.902 Transportation - buildings</i>	
15	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>1,578,050</u></i>
16	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,578,050</i>
17	<i>Source of funds</i>	
18	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i><u>1,578,050</u></i>
19	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,578,050</i>
20	<i>Sec. B.903 Transportation - program development</i>	
21	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>50,457,603</i>
22	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>216,263,480</i>

1	<i>Grants</i>	<u>34,168,390</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	300,889,473
3	<i>Source of funds</i>	
4	<i>Transportation fund</i>	42,549,882
5	<i>TIB fund</i>	11,894,706
6	<i>Federal funds</i>	244,766,072
7	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	239,345
8	<i>Local match</i>	<u>1,439,468</u>
9	<i>Total</i>	300,889,473
10	<i>Sec. B.904 Transportation - rest areas construction</i>	
11	<i>Personal services</i>	43,000
12	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>701,802</u>
13	<i>Total</i>	744,802
14	<i>Source of funds</i>	
15	<i>Transportation fund</i>	76,242
16	<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>668,560</u>
17	<i>Total</i>	744,802
18	<i>Sec. B.905 Transportation - maintenance state system</i>	
19	<i>Personal services</i>	43,007,903
20	<i>Operating expenses</i>	44,516,596
21	<i>Grants</i>	<u>371,780</u>
22	<i>Total</i>	87,896,279

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>85,018,492</i>
3	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>2,777,787</i>
4	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>100,000</u></i>
5	<i>Total</i>	<i>87,896,279</i>
6	<i>Sec. B.906 Transportation - policy and planning</i>	
7	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>4,258,996</i>
8	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>923,797</i>
9	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>5,903,691</u></i>
10	<i>Total</i>	<i>11,086,484</i>
11	<i>Source of funds</i>	
12	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>2,822,771</i>
13	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>8,171,508</i>
14	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>92,205</u></i>
15	<i>Total</i>	<i>11,086,484</i>
16	<i>Sec. B.907 Transportation - rail</i>	
17	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>5,511,324</i>
18	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>24,087,727</u></i>
19	<i>Total</i>	<i>29,599,051</i>
20	<i>Source of funds</i>	
21	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>18,675,520</i>
22	<i>TIB fund</i>	<i>760,000</i>

1	<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>10,163,531</u>
2	<i>Total</i>	29,599,051
3	<i>Sec. B.908 Transportation - public transit</i>	
4	<i>Personal services</i>	1,226,680
5	<i>Operating expenses</i>	244,440
6	<i>Grants</i>	<u>27,549,109</u>
7	<i>Total</i>	29,020,229
8	<i>Source of funds</i>	
9	<i>Transportation fund</i>	7,795,281
10	<i>Federal funds</i>	<u>21,224,948</u>
11	<i>Total</i>	29,020,229
12	<i>Sec. B.909 Transportation - central garage</i>	
13	<i>Personal services</i>	4,283,427
14	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>16,401,097</u>
15	<i>Total</i>	20,684,524
16	<i>Source of funds</i>	
17	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<u>20,684,524</u>
18	<i>Total</i>	20,684,524
19	<i>Sec. B.910 Department of motor vehicles</i>	
20	<i>Personal services</i>	19,894,921
21	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<u>11,465,811</u>
22	<i>Total</i>	31,360,732

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>29,760,414</i>
3	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>1,458,768</i>
4	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>141,550</u></i>
5	<i>Total</i>	<i>31,360,732</i>
6	<i>Sec. B.911 Transportation - town highway structures</i>	
7	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>6,333,500</u></i>
8	<i>Total</i>	<i>6,333,500</i>
9	<i>Source of funds</i>	
10	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i><u>6,333,500</u></i>
11	<i>Total</i>	<i>6,333,500</i>
12	<i>Sec. B.912 Transportation - town highway local technical assistance program</i>	
13	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>363,490</i>
14	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>40,224</u></i>
15	<i>Total</i>	<i>403,714</i>
16	<i>Source of funds</i>	
17	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>103,714</i>
18	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>300,000</u></i>
19	<i>Total</i>	<i>403,714</i>
20	<i>Sec. B.913 Transportation - town highway class 2 roadway</i>	
21	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>7,648,750</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>7,648,750</i>

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<u>7,648,750</u>
3	<i>Total</i>	7,648,750
4	<i>Sec. B.914 Transportation - town highway bridges</i>	
5	<i>Personal services</i>	3,181,488
6	<i>Operating expenses</i>	8,683,506
7	<i>Grants</i>	<u>1,460,000</u>
8	<i>Total</i>	13,324,994
9	<i>Source of funds</i>	
10	<i>Transportation fund</i>	1,490,612
11	<i>TIB fund</i>	547,631
12	<i>Federal funds</i>	10,594,419
13	<i>Local match</i>	<u>692,332</u>
14	<i>Total</i>	13,324,994
15	<i>Sec. B.915 Transportation - town highway aid program</i>	
16	<i>Grants</i>	<u>25,982,744</u>
17	<i>Total</i>	25,982,744
18	<i>Source of funds</i>	
19	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<u>25,982,744</u>
20	<i>Total</i>	25,982,744
21	<i>Sec. B.916 Transportation - town highway class 1 supplemental grants</i>	
22	<i>Grants</i>	<u>128,750</u>

1	<i>Total</i>	<i>128,750</i>
2	<i>Source of funds</i>	
3	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<u><i>128,750</i></u>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>128,750</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.917 Transportation - town highway: state aid for nonfederal disasters</i>	
6	<i>Grants</i>	<u><i>1,150,000</i></u>
7	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,150,000</i>
8	<i>Source of funds</i>	
9	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<u><i>1,150,000</i></u>
10	<i>Total</i>	<i>1,150,000</i>
11	<i>Sec. B.918 Transportation - town highway: state aid for federal disasters</i>	
12	<i>Grants</i>	<u><i>180,000</i></u>
13	<i>Total</i>	<i>180,000</i>
14	<i>Source of funds</i>	
15	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>20,000</i>
16	<i>Federal funds</i>	<u><i>160,000</i></u>
17	<i>Total</i>	<i>180,000</i>
18	<i>Sec. B.919 Transportation - municipal mitigation assistance program</i>	
19	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>200,000</i>
20	<i>Grants</i>	<u><i>8,882,342</i></u>
21	<i>Total</i>	<i>9,082,342</i>
22	<i>Source of funds</i>	

1	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>1,240,000</i>
2	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>2,400,000</i>
3	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i><u>5,442,342</u></i>
4	<i>Total</i>	<i>9,082,342</i>
5	<i>Sec. B.920 Transportation - public assistance grant program</i>	
6	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i>640,000</i>
7	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>4,419,457</u></i>
8	<i>Total</i>	<i>5,059,457</i>
9	<i>Source of funds</i>	
10	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>160,000</i>
11	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>1,419,457</i>
12	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>3,000,000</i>
13	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i><u>480,000</u></i>
14	<i>Total</i>	<i>5,059,457</i>
15	<i>Sec. B.921 Transportation board</i>	
16	<i>Personal services</i>	<i>235,619</i>
17	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>35,924</u></i>
18	<i>Total</i>	<i>271,543</i>
19	<i>Source of funds</i>	
20	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i><u>271,543</u></i>
21	<i>Total</i>	<i>271,543</i>
22	<i>Sec. B.922 Total transportation</i>	

1	<i>Source of funds</i>	
2	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>251,072,742</i>
3	<i>TIB fund</i>	<i>13,202,337</i>
4	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>3,819,457</i>
5	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>318,917,135</i>
6	<i>Internal service funds</i>	<i>20,684,524</i>
7	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>1,053,100</i>
8	<i>Local match</i>	<i><u>2,131,800</u></i>
9	<i>Total</i>	<i>610,881,095</i>
10	<i>Sec. B.1000 Debt service</i>	
11	<i>Operating expenses</i>	<i><u>78,097,467</u></i>
12	<i>Total</i>	<i>78,097,467</i>
13	<i>Source of funds</i>	
14	<i>General fund</i>	<i>72,860,749</i>
15	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>1,629,544</i>
16	<i>ARRA funds</i>	<i>1,102,486</i>
17	<i>TIB debt service fund</i>	<i><u>2,504,688</u></i>
18	<i>Total</i>	<i>78,097,467</i>
19	<i>Sec. B.1001 Total debt service</i>	
20	<i>Source of funds</i>	
21	<i>General fund</i>	<i>72,860,749</i>
22	<i>Transportation fund</i>	<i>1,629,544</i>

1	<i>ARRA funds</i>	<i>1,102,486</i>
2	<i>TIB debt service fund</i>	<i><u>2,504,688</u></i>
3	<i>Total</i>	<i>78,097,467</i>

4 *Sec. B.1100 NEXT GENERATION; APPROPRIATIONS AND*

5 *TRANSFERS*

6 *(a) In fiscal year 2019, \$3,055,900 is appropriated or transferred from the*  
7 *Next Generation Initiative Fund created in 16 V.S.A. § 2887 as prescribed:*

8 *(1) Workforce education and training. The amount of \$1,605,400 as*  
9 *follows:*

10 *(A) Workforce Education and Training Fund (WETF). The amount*  
11 *of \$1,045,400 is transferred to the Vermont Workforce Education and Training*  
12 *Fund created in 10 V.S.A. § 543 and subsequently appropriated to the*  
13 *Department of Labor for workforce education and training. Up to seven*  
14 *percent of the funds may be used for administration of the program. Of this*  
15 *amount, \$350,000 shall be allocated for competitive grants for internships*  
16 *through the Vermont Strong Internship Program pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 544.*

17 *(B) Adult Career Technical Education Programs. The amount of*  
18 *\$360,000 is appropriated to the Department of Labor in consultation with the*  
19 *State Workforce Development Board. This appropriation is for the purpose of*  
20 *awarding competitive grants to regional technical centers and high schools to*  
21 *provide adult career technical education, as that term is defined in 16 V.S.A.*  
22 *§ 1522, to unemployed and underemployed Vermont adults.*

1           (C) The amount of \$200,000 is appropriated to the Agency of  
2           Commerce and Community Development to issue performance grants to the  
3           University of Vermont and the Vermont Center for Emerging Technologies for  
4           patent development and commercialization of technology and to enhance the  
5           development of high-technology businesses and Next Generation employment  
6           opportunities throughout Vermont.

7           (2) Loan repayment. The amount of \$30,000 as follows:

8           (A) Large animal veterinarians' loan repayment. The amount of  
9           \$30,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets  
10           for a loan repayment program for large animal veterinarians pursuant to  
11           6 V.S.A. § 20.

12           (3) Scholarships and grants. The amount of \$1,420,500 as follows:

13           (A) Non-degree VSAC grants. The amount of \$494,500 is  
14           appropriated to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation. These funds  
15           shall be for the purpose of providing nondegree grants to Vermonters to  
16           improve job skills and increase overall employability, enabling them to enroll  
17           in a postsecondary education or training program, with equal emphasis on  
18           adult technical education that is not part of a degree or accredited certificate  
19           program. A portion of these funds shall be used for grants for indirect  
20           educational expenses to students enrolled in training programs. The grants  
21           shall not exceed \$3,000 per student. None of these funds shall be used for  
22           administrative overhead.

1           (B) National Guard Educational Assistance. The amount of  
2           \$150,000 is appropriated to Military – administration to be transferred to the  
3           Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for the National Guard Educational  
4           Assistance Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 2856.

5           (C) Dual enrollment programs and need-based stipend. The amount  
6           of \$740,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Education for dual enrollment  
7           programs and \$36,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Education to be  
8           transferred to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation for need-based  
9           stipends pursuant to Sec. E.605.1 of this act.

10           Sec. B.1100.1 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR RECOMMENDATION FOR

11                           FISCAL YEAR 2020 NEXT GENERATION INITIATIVE

12                           FUND DISTRIBUTION

13           (a) The Department of Labor, in coordination with the Agencies of  
14           Commerce and Community Development, of Human Services, and of  
15           Education, and in consultation with the State Workforce Development Board,  
16           shall recommend to the Governor on or before December 1, 2018 how  
17           \$3,055,900 from the Next Generation Initiative Fund should be allocated or  
18           appropriated in fiscal year 2020 to provide maximum benefit to workforce  
19           education and training, participation in secondary or postsecondary education  
20           by underrepresented groups, and support for promising economic sectors in  
21           Vermont. The State agencies and departments listed herein shall promote  
22           actively and publicly the availability of the funds to eligible entities.

1 *Sec. B.1101 FISCAL YEAR 2019 ONE-TIME APPROPRIATION FROM*  
2 *THE ALBERT C. LORD PERMANENT TRUST FUND*

3 *(a) The sum of \$86,267 is appropriated from the Albert C. Lord Permanent*  
4 *Trust Fund to the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation – state parks,*  
5 *for conservation education activities, consistent with the intended purpose of*  
6 *the Fund. These funds will be used to pay the cost of one conservation*  
7 *education position and the cost of publishing conservation education outreach*  
8 *materials.*

9 *Sec. B.1102 ONE-TIME CLEAN ENERGY DEVELOPMENT FUND*  
10 *APPROPRIATION*

11 *(a) In fiscal year 2019, \$200,000 is appropriated from the Clean Energy*  
12 *Development Fund created in 30 V.S.A. § 8015 to the Department of*  
13 *Environmental Conservation to increase the amount available for woodstove*  
14 *change outs to improve air quality and reduce air emissions related to*  
15 *woodstoves.*

16 *Sec. C.100 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. E.605 is amended to read:*

17 *Sec. E.605 Vermont student assistance corporation*

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

21 \* \* \*

22 *Sec. C.101 REPEAL*

1       (a) 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. E.301.1 (General Fund reversion)  
2       is repealed.

3       Sec. C.102 FISCAL YEAR 2018 MEDICAID AUTHORIZED PAYMENT  
4               AND CARRY FORWARD REQUIREMENT

5       (a) In fiscal year 2018, to the extent funds are available within the funds  
6       appropriated in 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. B.301 as amended by  
7       2018 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 8, as determined by the Secretary of  
8       Human Services in consultation with the Commissioner of Finance and  
9       Management and the Legislative Chief Fiscal Officer, the Agency of Human  
10       Services:

11               (1) Shall carry forward to fiscal year 2019 a total of \$1,500,000 in  
12       General Funds for fiscal year 2019 obligations. The Commissioner of Finance  
13       and Management is authorized to adjust fiscal year 2018 Federal Fund and  
14       Global Commitment Fund appropriations in the Agency of Human Services  
15       and Department of Vermont Health Access to comport with this provision.

16               (A) The Commissioner of Finance and Management and the  
17       Secretary of Human Services shall ensure that the budget proposal submitted  
18       for Global Commitment as part of the requirement of 32 V.S.A. § 306 does not  
19       rely upon anticipated carry forward General Funds, and appropriates general  
20       funds in fiscal year 2020 to the Secretary of Human Services in an amount  
21       sufficient to fund the most current official Medicaid forecast adopted for fiscal  
22       year 2020 under 32 V.S.A. § 305a(c) adjusted for any recommended changes to

1 policy or operations that impact the official forecast.

2 (2) Is authorized to spend \$4,500,000 in General Funds to fund a  
3 negotiated agreement to settle financial reconciliation of the 2016 year of the  
4 Vermont Health Connect operations.

5 (3) Shall carry forward to fiscal year 2019 a total of \$1,100,000 in  
6 General Funds for premium processing by Vermont Health Connect during  
7 fiscal year 2019. It is anticipated that premium processing functions will be  
8 performed by insurance carriers in the 2020 health insurance year. The  
9 Commissioner of Finance and Management is authorized to adjust fiscal year  
10 2018 Federal Fund and Global Commitment Fund appropriations in the  
11 Agency of Human Services and Department of Vermont Health Access to  
12 comport with this requirement.

13 *Sec. C.103 FISCAL YEAR 2017 ONE-TIME APPROPRIATION CARRY*

14 *FORWARD*

15 (a) In fiscal year 2018, the sum of \$1,300,000 remaining of the amount  
16 appropriated to the Secretary of Administration in 2017 Acts and Resolves No.  
17 85, Sec. C.100(a), shall be carried forward into fiscal year 2019 for  
18 distribution to the Department for Children and Families to provide funding  
19 for changes in employee classification that were previously approved in  
20 accordance with the collective bargaining agreement.

21 *Sec. C.104 [DELETED]*

22 *Sec. C.105 FISCAL YEAR 2018 ONE-TIME TRANSFERS FROM THE*

1                    *TOBACCO LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUND*

2            *(a) Transfers: Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 435a(a) the following transfers*  
3 *shall be made from the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund:*

4            *(1) \$13,500,000 is transferred to the General Fund;*

5            *(2) \$750,000 is transferred to the Environmental Contingency Fund*  
6 *established pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 1283 for the purpose of conducting an*  
7 *evaluation of cleanup alternatives and, if required, a corrective action plan for*  
8 *PFOA and PFOS releases in the Town of Bennington; and*

9            *(3) \$1,000,000 is transferred to the Complex Litigation Special Fund*  
10 *established in 3 V.S.A. § 167a.*

11 *Sec. C.105.1 FISCAL YEAR 2018 ONE-TIME APPROPRIATIONS FROM*

12                    *THE TOBACCO LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUND*

13            *(a) Appropriations: Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 435a(a), the following*  
14 *appropriations shall be made from the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund:*

15            *(1) \$1,000,000 to the Department of Buildings and General Services to*  
16 *be used in combination with capital funds appropriated in fiscal year 2019 for*  
17 *renovation and fit-up at the Brattleboro Retreat to provide a minimum of 12*  
18 *beds, including level-1 beds, to the State for a period determined by the*  
19 *Secretary of Human Services to be in the best interest of the State. The*  
20 *Department of Buildings and General Services shall not expend any funds from*  
21 *this appropriation until the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services*  
22 *and the Secretary of Human Services have notified the Commissioner of*

1 Finance and Management and the Chairs of the House Committee on  
2 Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions that an  
3 agreement has been executed between the Brattleboro Retreat and the State.

4 (2) \$500,000 to the University of Vermont.

5 (3) \$500,000 to the Vermont State Treasurer to offset costs of interest  
6 and principal at the Treasurer's discretion for longer-term State building  
7 efficiency investment funding. The Treasurer and the Commissioner of  
8 Buildings and General Services shall report to the House and Senate  
9 Committees on Appropriations, the House Committee on Corrections and  
10 Institutions, and the Senate Committee on Institutions on the use of these  
11 funds.

12 (4) \$1,000,000 to the Agency of Human Services. The use of these funds  
13 shall be pursuant to the plan specified by the Tobacco Evaluation and Review  
14 Board.

15 (5) \$200,000 to the Department of Health to conduct two blood draw  
16 clinics in Bennington in calendar year 2018 for current and prior members of  
17 the community who may have had long-term exposure to PFOA and PFOS  
18 releases in the greater Bennington area.

19 (6) \$350,000 to the Department of Corrections to design reentry  
20 programming that will result in stronger support and reintegration into the  
21 community for inmates and lower recidivism.

22 (7) \$400,000 to the Department of Corrections for Medication-Assisted

1 Treatment as specified in S.166 of 2018.

2 (8) \$300,000 to the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation to be  
3 granted to the Vermont Youth Conservation Corps in even increments of  
4 \$100,000 in fiscal years 2018, 2019, and 2020.

5 (9) \$100,000 to the Department for Children and Families' Child  
6 Development Division to analyze how Vermont's families make early care and  
7 education arrangements for their children. These funds shall be used to  
8 contract with an independent organization to survey families in Vermont with  
9 children under six years of age about their child care arrangements and  
10 preferences and what factors may constrain parental choices. The Department  
11 shall provide a copy of the survey instrument to the House and Senate  
12 Committees on Appropriations, the House Committee on Human Services and  
13 the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare prior to finalizing the instrument  
14 for survey implementation. The Department shall provide a report on the  
15 results of the survey to the General Assembly on January 15, 2019.

16 (10) \$200,000 to the Department for Children and Families to prepare  
17 for the expansion of services to juvenile offenders 18 and 19 years of age  
18 pursuant to 33 V.S.A. chapters 52 and 52A as amended in S.234 of 2018  
19 beginning in fiscal year 2021, with any unexpended funds to carry forward.

20 (11) \$100,000 to the Office of Economic Opportunity in the Department  
21 for Children and Families for pass-through grants to the Community Action  
22 Agencies to provide funding for the regional Microbusiness Development

1 Programs pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 3722.

2 (12) \$100,000 to the Agency of Education for fiscal year 2019 for  
3 administration in accordance with the Prekindergarten study required by  
4 Sec. E.500.7 of this act.

5 (13) \$150,000 to the Joint Fiscal Office for the study of Corrections  
6 Health Care as specified in Sec. E.127 of this act.

7 Sec. C.106 CHINS CASES SYSTEM-WIDE REFORM

8 (a) The sum of \$7,000,000 is appropriated from the Tobacco Litigation  
9 Settlement Fund to the Judiciary in fiscal year 2018 and shall carry forward  
10 for the uses and based on the allocations set forth in subsections (b) and (c) of  
11 this section. The purpose of the funds is to make strategic investments to  
12 transform the adjudication of CHINS cases in Vermont.

13 (b) The sum appropriated from the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund in  
14 subsection (a) of this section shall be allocated as follows:

15 (1) \$1,250,000 for fiscal year 2019, which shall not be distributed until  
16 the group defined in subsection (c) of this section provides proposed  
17 expenditures as part of its fiscal year 2019 budget adjustment request;

18 (2) \$2,500,000 for fiscal year 2020, for which the group shall provide  
19 proposed expenditures as part of its fiscal year 2020 budget request or budget  
20 adjustment request, or both;

21 (3) \$2,500,000 for fiscal year 2021, for which the group shall provide  
22 proposed expenditures as part of its fiscal year 2021 budget request or budget

1 adjustment request, or both; and

2 (4) \$750,000 in fiscal year 2022 or after as needed.

3 (c) During the 2018 legislative interim, the Chief Superior Judge, the  
4 Executive Director of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs, the Defender General, and  
5 the Commissioner for Children and Families, shall review and propose  
6 changes to the system by which CHINS cases are processed and adjudicated.

7 In undertaking this review the group shall evaluate successful models used in  
8 other countries, states, or cities. The proposal shall incorporate innovative  
9 approaches to holistic reform and strategies to reduce the need for court  
10 intervention, and may include the use of regional and mobile models, judicial  
11 masters, mediation, dedicated resources, and other alternative dispute  
12 resolution options to the CHINS process. The proposal for reform shall:

13 (1) support and improve child safety;

14 (2) provide early screening for substance abuse, mental health, and  
15 trauma of children and parents;

16 (3) provide early access to services designed to address screening  
17 outcomes;

18 (4) improve timeliness of adjudication, including timeliness to  
19 permanency for children, whether permanency is reunification with parents or  
20 termination of parental rights;

21 (5) ensure due process;

22 (6) serve the best interests of the affected children;

1 (7) relieve systemic resource and budget pressures; and

2 (8) lead to lasting changes.

3 (d) The Chief Superior Judge, the Executive Director of State's Attorneys  
4 and Sheriffs, the Defender General, and the Commissioner for Children and  
5 Families shall report on the proposal developed pursuant to subsection (c) of  
6 this section, and shall include a recommendation on how to allocate the  
7 \$1,250,000 allocated for fiscal year 2019 to reflect the vision for reforming the  
8 CHINS docket that achieves the outcomes set forth in subsection (c) of this  
9 section:

10 (1) on or before December 1, 2018 shall report to a combined meeting  
11 of the Joint Legislative Justice Oversight Committee and Joint Legislative  
12 Child Protection Committee; and

13 (2) shall report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations,  
14 the House and Senate Committees on Judiciary, the House Committee on  
15 Human Services, and the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare on or  
16 before January 15, 2019 as a part of the Judiciary's recommendations for the  
17 fiscal year 2020 budget.

18 Sec. C.106.1 EXPANDING THE VERMONT WORKFORCE FOR  
19 SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT AND  
20 MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

21 (a) The sum of \$5,000,000 is appropriated from the Tobacco Litigation  
22 Settlement Fund to the Agency of Human Services in fiscal year 2018 and shall

1 carry forward for the uses and based on the allocations set forth in subsections  
2 (b) and (c) of this section. The purpose of the funds is to make strategic  
3 investments in order to expand the supply of high-quality substance use  
4 disorder treatment and mental health professionals available to Vermont  
5 residents in need of their services.

6 (b) The sum appropriated to the Agency of Human Services in subsection  
7 (a) of this section shall be allocated to the Agency as follows:

8 (1) \$1,500,000 for fiscal year 2019, which shall not be distributed until  
9 the Agency provides proposed expenditures as part of its fiscal year 2019  
10 budget adjustment request;

11 (2) \$1,500,000 for fiscal year 2020, for which the Agency shall provide  
12 proposed expenditures as part of its fiscal year 2020 budget request or budget  
13 adjustment request, or both;

14 (3) \$1,500,000 for fiscal year 2021, for which the Agency shall provide  
15 proposed expenditures as part of its fiscal year 2021 budget request or budget  
16 adjustment request, or both; and

17 (4) \$500,000 which may be provided in fiscal year 2022 or after as  
18 needed to ensure successful and sustainable implementation of the workforce  
19 expansion initiatives developed pursuant to this section.

20 (c)(1) The Secretary of Human Services shall convene a work group  
21 composed of representatives of the University of Vermont, the Vermont State  
22 Colleges, the Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) program and others

1 including consumers, primary care doctors to select from among all proposals  
2 for use of the funds allocated pursuant to subsection (b) of this section those  
3 most likely to build capacity in Vermont's substance use disorder treatment and  
4 mental health systems in a cost-effective and sustainable manner by  
5 cultivating, attracting, recruiting, and retaining high-quality substance use  
6 disorder treatment and mental health professionals. The Secretary of Human  
7 Services shall present the selected proposals to the General Assembly within  
8 the allocations set forth in subsection (b) of this section for approval as part of  
9 the applicable budget or budget adjustment process.

10 (2) Successful proposals for use of the funds allocated pursuant to  
11 subsection (b) of this section may include scholarships; loan repayment for  
12 high-quality substance use disorder treatment and mental health professionals  
13 who commit to practicing in Vermont; hiring bonuses or loan repayment, or  
14 both, for faculty and staff at institutions of higher education in Vermont to  
15 teach prospective substance use disorder treatment and mental health  
16 professionals; strategic bonuses for high-quality substance use disorder  
17 treatment and mental health professionals in Vermont's existing workforce; and  
18 appropriate continuing education and training for substance use disorder  
19 treatment and mental health professionals in Vermont's existing workforce.  
20 Loan repayment funds shall be distributed using the AHEC system as  
21 appropriate.

22 Sec. C.106.2 SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER RESPONSE INITIATIVES

1       (a) The sum of \$2,500,000 is appropriated from the Tobacco Litigation  
2       Settlement Fund to the Agency of Human Services in fiscal year 2018 and shall  
3       carry forward for the uses and based on the allocations set forth in this  
4       section. These funds shall be used to finance time-limited or self-sustaining  
5       substance use disorder initiatives including initiatives relating to prevention,  
6       intervention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery.

7       (b) The sum appropriated to the Agency of Human Services in subsection  
8       (a) of this section shall be allocated to the Agency as follows:

9               (1) \$1,000,000 for fiscal year 2019, which shall not be distributed until  
10              the Agency provides proposed expenditures as part of its fiscal year 2019  
11              budget adjustment request;

12              (2) \$750,000 for fiscal year 2020, for which the Agency shall provide  
13              proposed expenditures as part of its fiscal year 2020 budget request or budget  
14              adjustment request, or both;

15              (3) \$750,000 for fiscal year 2021, for which the Agency shall provide  
16              proposed expenditures as part of its fiscal year 2021 budget request or budget  
17              adjustment request, or both.

18       (c) The Secretary of Human Services shall present a plan to fund fiscal  
19       year initiatives relating to prevention, intervention, harm reduction, treatment,  
20       and recovery for approval at the Joint Fiscal Committee July 2018 meeting.

21       Sec. C.106.3 [DELETED]

22       Sec. C.106.4 [DELETED]

1 *Sec. C.106.5 [DELETED]*

2 *Sec. C.107 [DELETED]*

3 *Sec. C.108 REPEALS*

4 *(a) 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 37 (Temporary General Fund*  
5 *Reserve) is repealed.*

6 *(b) 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 43 (Use of General Fund Balance*  
7 *Reserve) is repealed.*

8 *Sec. C.109 FISCAL YEAR 2018 FEDERAL FUNDS CONTINGENT*

9 *APPROPRIATION*

10 *(a) In the event a federal infrastructure bill providing additional federal*  
11 *funding to Vermont for transportation-related projects is enacted and takes*  
12 *effect in fiscal year 2018 or fiscal year 2019, such federal funds are*  
13 *appropriated to the Agency of Transportation in fiscal year 2018 or fiscal*  
14 *year 2019 as provided and under the conditions prescribed in Sec. 2 of H.917*  
15 *of 2018.*

16 *Sec. C.110 IMPLEMENTATION OF PRELIMINARY*

17 *RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE VERMONT CLIMATE*

18 *ACTION COMMISSION*

19 *(a) On December 29, 2017, the Vermont Climate Action Commission*  
20 *(Commission) created by the Governor through Executive Order No. 12-17*  
21 *made five preliminary recommendations to advance Vermont's ability to*  
22 *achieve the Comprehensive Energy Plan's goals for 2050 to reduce greenhouse*

1 gas (GHG) emissions and increase renewable energy. Those recommendations  
2 are implemented by the provisions of this section and those other sections and  
3 bills described in this section.

4 (b) Recommendations of the Commission and actions taken on them  
5 include:

6 (1) Support advanced wood heat: In Sec. B.1102 of this act \$200,000  
7 shall be dedicated for additional woodstove change outs to improve air quality  
8 and reduce air emissions related to woodstoves, funded on a one-time basis;

9 (2) Increase the pace of weatherization: Two specific actions include:

10 (A) In H.907 of 2018, the State Treasurer is authorized in fiscal years  
11 2019 and 2020 to invest up to \$5,000,000 of funds from the credit facility  
12 established in 10 V.S.A. § 10 for an accelerated weatherization and housing  
13 improvement program. The funds shall be used to support efforts for  
14 households and multi-family rental homes as specified in H.907 of 2018.

15 (B) The Department of Buildings and General Services shall work  
16 with the Treasurer to maximize use of the credit facility for local investments  
17 established in 10 V.S.A. § 10, to fund energy efficiency projects for State  
18 buildings. The amount of \$500,000 is appropriated in Sec. C.105.1(a)(3) of  
19 this act to the Treasurer to offset costs of interest and principal at the  
20 Treasurer's discretion for longer-term State building efficiency investment  
21 funding.

22 (3) Study regulatory and market decarbonization mechanisms: The

1 Joint Fiscal Committee shall contract for independent professional assistance  
2 to analyze the costs and benefits for Vermont of adopting and implementing  
3 policies to reduce GHG emissions caused by Vermont's consumption of fossil  
4 fuels. There is \$120,000 appropriated in Sec. C.1000(a)(1) of this act to the  
5 Joint Fiscal Committee for this study.

6 (A) The analysis shall include the comparative ability or potential of  
7 the policies to achieve reductions in GHG emissions; to spur economic  
8 development in the State; to encourage innovation in the State; to cause shifts  
9 in employment, including job creation, job loss, and sectors affected; and to  
10 affect the cost of living in Vermont.

11 (B) The Joint Fiscal Office and the contractor shall consult with the  
12 Climate Commission and the Chairs of the House Committees on Energy and  
13 Technology and on Natural Resources, Wildlife, and Water Resources and the  
14 Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Energy. On or before January  
15 15, 2019, the Joint Fiscal Office shall submit the analysis to those same  
16 standing committees, with a copy to the Climate Commission.

17 (4) Foster the climate economy: The recommendations in subdivisions  
18 (1), (2), (3), and (5) of this subsection should result in added economic activity  
19 to foster a climate economy.

20 (5) Electrify the transportation system: The direction concerning the  
21 use of Environmental Mitigation Trust monies resulting from the Volkswagen  
22 litigation set forth in Sec. E.700 of this act is designed to increase

1 electrification of transportation.

2 *Sec. C.111 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. B.502 is amended to read:*

3 *Sec. B.502 Education – special education: formula grants*

4 *Grants* 180,749,796 188,749,796

5 *Total* 180,749,796 188,749,796

6 *Source of funds*

7 *Education fund* 180,749,796 188,749,796

8 *Total* 180,749,796 188,749,796

9 *Sec. C.112 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. B.503 is amended to read:*

10 *Sec. B.503 Education – state placed students*

11 *Grants* 16,700,000 14,700,000

12 *Total* 16,700,000 14,700,000

13 *Source of funds*

14 *Education fund* 16,700,000 14,700,000

15 *Total* 16,700,000 14,700,000

16 *Sec. C.113 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. B.504.1 as amended by 2018*

17 *Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 32 is further amended to read:*

18 *Sec. B.504.1 Education - Flexible Pathways*

19 *Grants* 7,850,000 7,100,000

20 *Total* 7,850,000 7,100,000

21 *Source of funds*

22 *Education fund* 7,850,000 7,100,000

1	<i>Total</i>	<i>7,850,000</i>	<i>7,100,000</i>
2	<i>Sec. C.114 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. B.516 as amended by 2018</i>		
3	<i>Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 33 is further amended to read:</i>		
4	<i>Sec. B.516 Total general education</i>		
5	<i>Source of funds</i>		
6	<i>General fund</i>	<i>427,964,287</i>	<i>427,964,287</i>
7	<i>Special funds</i>	<i>22,238,547</i>	<i>22,238,547</i>
8	<i>Tobacco fund</i>	<i>750,388</i>	<i>750,388</i>
9	<i>Education fund</i>	<i><del>1,615,538,843</del></i>	<i>1,620,788,843</i>
10	<i>Federal funds</i>	<i>136,958,720</i>	<i>136,958,720</i>
11	<i>Global Commitment fund</i>	<i>260,000</i>	<i>260,000</i>
12	<i>Interdepartmental transfers</i>	<i>4,608,110</i>	<i>4,608,110</i>
13	<i>Pension trust funds</i>	<i><u>7,687,431</u></i>	<i><u>7,687,431</u></i>
14	<i>Total</i>	<i><del>2,216,006,326</del></i>	<i>2,221,256,326</i>
15	<i>Sec. C.115 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. B.514 is amended to read:</i>		
16	<i>Sec. B.514 State teachers' retirement system</i>		
17	<i>Grants</i>	<i><u>83,809,437</u></i>	<i><u>84,109,437</u></i>
18	<i>Total</i>	<i><u>83,809,437</u></i>	<i>84,109,437</i>
19	<i>Source of funds</i>		
20	<i>General fund</i>	<i>75,912,816</i>	<i>76,212,816</i>
21	<i>Education fund</i>	<i><u>7,896,621</u></i>	<i><u>7,896,621</u></i>
22	<i>Total</i>	<i>83,809,437</i>	<i>84,109,437</i>

1 *Sec. C.116 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. B.515 is amended to read:*

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

3 *Grants* 27,560,966 27,260,966

4 *Total* 27,560,966 27,260,966

5 *Source of funds*

6 *General fund* 27,560,966 27,260,966

7 *Education fund* 0

8 *Total* 27,560,966 27,260,966

9 *Sec. C.117 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. E.514 is amended to read:*

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 \$88,409,437 of which*  
13 *~~\$83,809,437~~ \$84,109,437 shall be the State's contribution and ~~\$4,600,000~~*  
14 *\$4,300,000 shall be contributed from local school systems or educational*  
15 *entities pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944c.*

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17 *Sec. C.118 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. E.515 is amended to read:*

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

19 *(a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944b(b)(2), ~~\$27,560,966~~ \$27,260,966*  
20 *will be contributed to the Retired Teachers' Health and Medical Benefits plan.*

21 *Sec. C.119 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. D.101 as amended by 2018*

22 *Acts and Resolves No. 87, Sec. 36 is further amended to read:*





1 for fiscal year 2019 under 16 V.S.A. § 2969(c) for the Agency to administer the  
2 grant program in accordance with Sec. E.500.6 of this act.           \$250,000

3 (8) To the Secretary of State for costs associated with administering  
4 primary and general election efforts.                                 \$400,000

5 (9) To the State's Attorneys for the purchase of a case management  
6 system.   \$200,000

7 (10) To the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets to be carried  
8 forward for Farm to School initiatives in fiscal year 2019.           \$50,000

9 (11) To the Vermont Economic Development Authority (VEDA) to be  
10 used by VEDA's agricultural subsidiary the Vermont Agricultural Credit  
11 Corporation (VACC) established under 10 V.S.A. § 374a. These funds are for  
12 a loss reserve in the 2018 Farm Operating Program which provides Vermont  
13 cow dairy farmers with loans to spring operating and related needs including  
14 refinancing debt. VEDA shall report to the Emergency Board at its July 2018  
15 meeting on final program design and the use of these funds.           \$250,000

16 (12) To the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets to partially offset  
17 costs of participation in the Federal Margin Protection Program (MPP) for  
18 dairy producers during the 2018 calendar year. Specifically these funds shall  
19 be used to provide reimbursement grants to partially offset the premiums for  
20 participation in Tier 1 of the MPP program. The Agency of Agriculture, Food  
21 and Markets shall request that the Farm Services Agency provide participation  
22 information for dairy producers in the margin protection program and other

1 information to assist the Agency to administer the grant program. Dairy  
2 producers shall receive a single payment of approximately \$600, not to exceed  
3 the premium paid for calendar year 2018, by separate check from the State of  
4 Vermont. The Agency shall calculate a single farm payment amount based on  
5 the funds appropriated and the actual participation in this program and shall  
6 report to the Joint Fiscal Committee on or before November 10, 2019 on the  
7 amount of the calculated payment. \$450,000

8 (13) To the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets to be carried  
9 forward for a grant to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board for  
10 federal rural development grant writing assistance in fiscal year 2019.

11 \$75,000

12 (14) To the Agency of Human Services in fiscal year 2018 for any  
13 remaining amount of the Medicaid financial requirements specified in Sec.  
14 C.102 of this act that are not available within the funds appropriated in 2017  
15 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. B.301 as amended by 2018 Acts and Resolves  
16 No. 87, Sec. 8. The Agency shall expend funds available in this appropriation  
17 after meeting the requirements specified in Sec. C.102 of this act to the extent  
18 available to maintain critical healthcare services that have lost federal funding  
19 and to support substance use disorder activities including needle exchange  
20 programs, active case management of opioid addicted persons and the  
21 distribution of naloxone. The Agency shall report to the Joint Fiscal  
22 Committee at its July and September 2018 meetings on the funds allocated for

1 the purposes allowed by this subdivision. \$7,100,000

2 (15) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development to fund  
3 expenses including the refund of subscriptions related to Vermont Life  
4 Magazine. \$350,000

5 (b) Transfers:

6 (1) The amount of \$1,790,000 in General Funds shall be transferred  
7 and reserved in the 27/53 Reserve in fiscal year 2018. This action is the fiscal  
8 year 2019 contribution to the 27th payroll reserve as required by 32 V.S.A.  
9 § 308e.

10 (2) The amount of \$453,292 in General Funds shall be transferred to  
11 the Clean Energy Development Fund as a result of final accounting  
12 reconciliation for the cost of solar energy tax credits.

13 (3) The amount of \$9,800,000 in General Funds shall be transferred to  
14 the Education Fund to bring the Education Fund reserve to its statutory  
15 maximum of five percent at the close of fiscal year 2018 and the close of fiscal  
16 year 2019.

17 (4) The amount of \$3,536,000 in General Funds is transferred to the  
18 Vermont Life Magazine Enterprise Fund to address accumulated operational  
19 deficits.

20 (5) The amount of \$20,400,000 in General Funds is transferred from the  
21 General Fund to the Education Fund and carried forward to fiscal year 2019.

22 (6) The amount of \$15,000,000 in General Funds is transferred to the

1 Vermont Teachers' Retirement Fund established pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944.

2 (c) Reversion: In fiscal year 2018, \$120,000 of the appropriation made in  
3 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. C.100(c), shall revert to the General  
4 Fund.

5 (d) Fund Balance Carried Forward:

6 (1) \$500,000 shall be reserved in the General Fund to carry forward to  
7 be available in fiscal year 2019 to obviate any transfer of funds from the Clean  
8 Energy Development Fund to the General Fund in fiscal year 2019.

9 (e) Contingent Reserves: In fiscal year 2018, to the extent any remaining  
10 unreserved and undesignated end-of-fiscal-year General Fund surplus remains  
11 after satisfying the requirements of 32 V.S.A. § 308 and prior to the provisions  
12 of 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. C.120 as amended by this act:

13 (1) \$10,000,000 shall be reserved in the General Fund and shall be  
14 carried forward to be available in fiscal year 2019 to offset any one-time  
15 personal income tax or corporate tax refund liabilities.

16 (2) Any remaining unreserved and undesignated end-of-fiscal-year  
17 General Fund surplus is transferred to the Vermont Teachers' Retirement Fund  
18 established pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944.

19 Sec. D.100 APPROPRIATIONS; PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX

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

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

7           (2) The sum of \$9,804,840 is appropriated from the Vermont Housing  
8           and Conservation Trust Fund to the Vermont Housing and Conservation  
9           Board. Notwithstanding 10 V.S.A. § 312, amounts above \$9,804,840 from the  
10           property transfer tax and surcharge established by 32 V.S.A. § 9602a that are  
11           deposited into the Vermont Housing and Conservation Trust Fund shall be  
12           transferred into the General Fund.

13           (A) The dedication of \$2,500,000 in revenue from the property  
14           transfer tax pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 9610(d) for the debt payments on the  
15           affordable housing bond (10 V.S.A. § 314) is to be offset by the reduction of  
16           \$1,500,000 in the appropriation to the Vermont Housing and Conservation  
17           Board (VHCB) and \$1,000,000 from the surcharge established by 32 V.S.A.  
18           § 9602a. The fiscal year 2019 appropriation of \$9,804,840 to VHCB reflects  
19           the \$1,500,000 reduction. The affordable housing bond and related property  
20           transfer tax and surcharge provisions are repealed after the life of the bond on  
21           July 1, 2039. Once the bond is retired, the \$1,500,000 reduction in the  
22           appropriation to VHCB is intended to be restored.

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

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

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

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

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

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

15                           (1) From the General Fund to the Next Generation Initiative Fund  
16                           established by 16 V.S.A. § 2887: \$3,055,900.

17                           (2) From the Clean Water Fund established by 10 V.S.A. § 1388 to the  
18                           Agricultural Water Quality Special Fund created under 6 V.S.A. § 4803:  
19                           \$1,670,000.

20                           (3) From the Transportation Fund to the Downtown Transportation and  
21                           Related Capital Improvement Fund established by 24 V.S.A. § 2796 to be used  
22                           by the Vermont Downtown Development Board for the purposes of the Fund:

1 \$423,966.

2 (4) From the Transportation Infrastructure Bond Fund established by  
3 19 V.S.A. § 11f to the Transportation Infrastructure Bonds Debt Service Fund  
4 established by 32 V.S.A. § 951a for funding fiscal year 2020 transportation  
5 infrastructure bonds debt service: \$2,497,663.

6 (b) Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, in fiscal year  
7 2019:

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

10	<u>22005</u>	<u>AHS Central Office earned federal receipts</u>	<u>8,193,326.00</u>
11	<u>50300</u>	<u>Liquor Control Fund</u>	<u>1,805,000.00</u>
12		<u>Caledonia Fair</u>	<u>5,000.00</u>
13		<u>North Country Hospital Loan</u>	<u>24,250.00</u>

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

21	<u>21638</u>	<u>AG-Fees &amp; Reimbursements-Court Order</u>	<u>2,000,000.00</u>
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22	<u>21928</u>	<u>Secretary of State Services Fund</u>	<u>2,607,923.00</u>
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1 meeting that the fiscal year 2019 available General Fund forecast exceeds  
2 \$1,568,200,000 as adjusted by any tax or revenue changes made through the  
3 2018 legislative session:

4 (1) Funds carried forward in accordance with the provisions of  
5 Sec. C.1000(e) of this act shall be transferred to the Vermont Teachers'  
6 Retirement Fund established pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 1944.

7 Sec. D.102 TOBACCO LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUND BALANCE

8 (a) Notwithstanding 18 V.S.A. § 9502(b), the actual balances at the end of  
9 fiscal year 2018 in the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund established by  
10 32 V.S.A. § 435a shall remain for appropriation in fiscal year 2019.

11 Sec. D.103 TRANSFER OF TOBACCO TRUST FUNDS

12 (a) Notwithstanding 18 V.S.A. § 9502(a)(3) and (4), the actual amount of  
13 investment earnings of the Tobacco Trust Fund at the end of fiscal year 2019  
14 and any additional amount necessary to ensure the balance in the Tobacco  
15 Litigation Settlement Fund at the close of fiscal year 2019 is not negative shall  
16 be transferred in fiscal year 2019 from the Tobacco Trust Fund established by  
17 18 V.S.A. § 9502(a) to the Tobacco Litigation Settlement Fund established by  
18 32 V.S.A. § 435a.

19 Sec. D.104 GLOBAL COMMITMENT TRANSFER

20 (a) The fund balance in the Global Commitment Fund, estimated to be up  
21 to \$79,846,983 as of June 30, 2018, shall be transferred as follows:

22 (1) \$1,760,000 shall be transferred to the General Fund and reserved in

1 the 27/53 Reserve under 32 V.S.A. § 308e in order to fund the fiscal year 2019  
2 obligation of the next year in which a 53rd week of Medicaid payments is due,  
3 scheduled to occur in fiscal year 2022.

4 (2) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 308b, \$64,022,729 shall be transferred  
5 to the General Fund and reserved in the Human Services Caseload Reserve  
6 and, within that Reserve, specifically reserved in the sub-account for any  
7 incurred but not reported Medicaid expenses associated with the current  
8 Medicaid Global Commitment waiver, reflecting the estimated amount of the  
9 State share of this potential obligation as of June 30, 2017.

10 (3) Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 308b, up to \$14,064,254 shall be  
11 transferred to the General Fund and reserved in the Human Services Caseload  
12 Reserve, and within that Reserve, specifically reserved in the sub-account for  
13 Medicaid-related pressures related to caseload, utilization, and changes in  
14 federal participation in existing human services programs.

15 *Sec. D.104.1 [DELETED]*

16 *Sec. D.105 32 V.S.A. § 308b is amended to read:*

17 *§ 308b. HUMAN SERVICES CASELOAD RESERVE*

18 *(a) There is created within the General Fund a Human Services Caseload*  
19 *Management Reserve. Expenditures from the Reserve shall be subject to an*  
20 *appropriation by the General Assembly or approval by the Emergency Board.*  
21 *Expenditures from the Reserve shall be limited to Agency of Human Services*  
22 *caseload-related needs primarily in the Departments for Children and*

1 Families; of Health; of Mental Health; of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent  
2 Living; and of Vermont Health Access; and settlement costs associated with  
3 managing the Global Commitment waiver.

4 (b) The Secretary of Administration may transfer to the Human Services  
5 Caseload Reserve any General Fund carry-forward directly attributable to  
6 Agency of Human Services caseload reductions and the effective management  
7 of related federal receipts, with the exclusion of the Department of Corrections.

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

9 (1) A sub-account for incurred but not reported Medicaid expenses.

10 Each year beginning with fiscal year 2020, the Department of Finance and  
11 Management shall adjust the amount reserved for incurred but not reported  
12 Medicaid expenses to equal the amount specified in the Comprehensive Annual  
13 Financial Report as of June 30th of the prior fiscal year for the estimated  
14 amount of incurred but not reported Medicaid expenses associated with the  
15 current Medicaid Global Commitment waiver.

16 (2) A sub-account for Medicaid-related pressures related to caseload,  
17 utilization, changes in federal participation in existing human services  
18 programs, and settlement costs associated with managing the Global  
19 Commitment waiver. Any decrease in the amount of required reserves in  
20 subdivision (1) of this subsection shall first be reserved in the 27/53 Reserve  
21 under section 308e of this title in order to fund the current fiscal year  
22 obligation for the next year in which a 53rd week of Medicaid payments is due,

1 next scheduled to occur in fiscal year 2022. The remainder shall result in an  
2 offsetting increase in the account for Medicaid-related pressures, as defined in  
3 subdivision (2) of this subsection. Any increase in the amount of required  
4 reserve in subdivision (1) of this subsection shall require a corresponding  
5 transfer from the funds reserved in subdivision (2) of this subsection, to the  
6 extent there are funds available.

7 *Sec. D.106 [DELETED]*

8 *Sec. D.107 32 V.S.A. § 308c is amended to read:*

9 *§ 308c. GENERAL FUND AND TRANSPORTATION FUND BALANCE*

10 *RESERVES*

11 *(a) There is hereby created within the General Fund a General Fund*  
12 *Balance Reserve, also known as the “Rainy Day Reserve.” After satisfying the*  
13 *requirements of section 308 of this title, and after other reserve requirements*  
14 *have been met, any remaining unreserved and undesignated end of fiscal year*  
15 *General Fund surplus shall be reserved in the General Fund Balance Reserve.*  
16 *The General Fund Balance Reserve shall not exceed five percent of the*  
17 *appropriations from the General Fund for the prior fiscal year without*  
18 *legislative authorization.*

19 ~~*(1) The Emergency Board shall determine annually at its July meeting*~~  
20 ~~*the amount of available general funds that is greater than the amount of*~~  
21 ~~*forecasted available general funds most recently adopted by the Board for the*~~  
22 ~~*current fiscal year adjusted by any legislative action projected to increase*~~

1 ~~General Fund taxes that result in additional revenue in excess of~~  
2 ~~\$1,000,000.00 over the revenue raised without legislative action in the current~~  
3 ~~fiscal year. An amount not to exceed 33 percent of the amount determined in~~  
4 ~~subdivision (1) shall be added to the base amount used to calculate the~~  
5 ~~General Fund transfer under 16 V.S.A. § 4025(a)(2) for the next fiscal year.~~  
6 ~~However, the amount to be added to the base amount used to calculate the~~  
7 ~~General Fund transfer shall also not exceed 33 percent of the total amount~~  
8 ~~which would be reserved in this subsection if not for the requirements of~~  
9 ~~subdivisions (2) and (3) of this subsection. [Repealed.]~~

10 ~~(2) Of the funds that would otherwise be reserved in the General Fund~~  
11 ~~Balance Reserve under this subsection, 25 percent of any such funds shall be~~  
12 ~~transferred from the General Fund to the Education Fund. [Repealed.]~~

13 ~~(3) Of the funds that would otherwise be reserved in the General Fund~~  
14 ~~Balance Reserve under this subsection, 50 percent of any such funds shall be~~  
15 ~~reserved as necessary and transferred from the General Fund to the Retired~~  
16 ~~Teachers' Health and Medical Benefits Fund established by 16 V.S.A. § 1944b~~  
17 ~~to reduce any outstanding balance of any interfund loan authorized by the~~  
18 ~~State Treasurer from the General Fund. Upon joint determination by the~~  
19 ~~Commissioner of Finance and Management and the State Treasurer that there~~  
20 ~~is no longer any outstanding balance, no further transfers in accordance with~~  
21 ~~this subdivision shall occur.~~

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1 *Sec. D.108 STATE HEALTH CARE RESOURCES FUND TRANSITION*

2 *(a) The Commissioner of Finance and Management may include in the*  
3 *Governor's proposed fiscal year 2019 budget adjustment report any*  
4 *recommendations and draft legislation necessary to transfer revenues and*  
5 *expenditures as appropriate that make up the State Health Care Resources*  
6 *Fund to the General Fund by the close of fiscal year 2019.*

7 *Sec. D.109 REVIEW OF THE STATUTORY RESERVE LEVELS*

8 *(a) On or before October 31, 2018, the Joint Fiscal Office and the*  
9 *Department of Finance and Management shall review the statutory reserve*  
10 *requirements for the General Fund, the Education Fund, and the State Health*  
11 *Care Resources Fund, and make recommendations for changes to the existing*  
12 *statutory requirements, taking into consideration actions taken during the 2018*  
13 *legislative session.*

14 *Sec. D.110 FORECAST CONTINGENT TRANSFER FROM GENERAL*

15 *FUND TO EDUCATION FUND*

16 *(a) If the total sales and use tax forecast adopted by the Emergency Board*  
17 *in July 2018 for fiscal year 2019 (the "adopted forecast") is less than*  
18 *\$403,900,000, then the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall*  
19 *unreserve from the General Fund Balance Reserve (the "Rainy Day Fund")*  
20 *and transfer to the Education Fund an amount equaling the difference between*  
21 *the adopted forecast and \$403,900,000; provided, however, that not more than*  
22 *\$3,000,000 shall be unreserved and transferred. The Commissioner of*

1 Finance and Management shall not transfer any funds if the adopted forecast  
2 is greater than \$403,900,000.

3 \* \* \* GENERAL GOVERNMENT \* \* \*

4 Sec. E.100 EXECUTIVE BRANCH POSITION AUTHORIZATIONS

5 (a) The establishment of the following new permanent classified positions  
6 is authorized in fiscal year 2019:

7 (1) In the Agency of Education – one (1) Finance Administrator II and  
8 one (1) School Finance Analyst. The positions established in this subdivision  
9 shall be transferred and converted from existing vacant positions in the  
10 Executive Branch and shall not increase the total number of authorized State  
11 positions, as defined in Sec. A.107 of this act.

12 (b) The conversion of classified limited service positions to classified  
13 permanent status is authorized in fiscal year 2019 as follows:

14 (1) In the Department of Public Safety – one (1) Financial  
15 Administrator II (position #330359) and one (1) Public Assistance  
16 Administrator (position #330361).

17 (2) In the Green Mountain Care Board – one (1) Board Legal  
18 Technician (position #270012), one (1) Health Policy Advisor (position  
19 #270013), and one (1) Evaluation Manager (position #270017).

20 (3) In the Agency of Education – one (1) Education Programs  
21 Coordinator I (position #770468).

22 (c) The conversion of exempt limited service positions to classified

1 permanent status is authorized in fiscal year 2019 as follows:

2 (1) In the Department of Public Safety – one Public Assistance Officer  
3 (position #337013).

4 *Sec. E.100.1 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.100(d), as amended by*  
5 *2015 Acts and Resolves No. 4, Sec. 74, by 2016 Acts and Resolves No.172,*  
6 *Sec. E.100.2, and by 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. E.100.1, is further*  
7 *amended to read:*

8 *(d) Position Pilot Program. A Position Pilot is hereby created to assist*  
9 *participating departments in more effectively managing costs of overtime,*  
10 *compensatory time, temporary employees, and contractual work by removing*  
11 *the position cap with the goal of maximizing resources to the greatest benefit of*  
12 *Vermont taxpayers.*

13 *(1) Notwithstanding Sec. A.107 of this act, the Agency of*  
14 *Transportation, the Department for Children and Families, the Agency of*  
15 *Natural Resources, the Department of Buildings and General Services, the*  
16 *Department of Labor, the Department of Corrections, and the Department of*  
17 *Public Safety, the Department of State’s Attorneys and Sheriffs, and the*  
18 *Vermont Veterans’ Home shall not be subject to the cap on positions for the*  
19 *duration of the Pilot.*

20 *(A) The Department of Corrections is authorized to add only*  
21 *Correctional Officer I and II positions.*

22 *(B) The Department of State’s Attorneys and Sheriffs is authorized to*

1 add only State's Attorney positions.

2 (C) The Vermont Veterans' Home is authorized to add direct care  
3 positions, including part-time positions. Prior to authorizing positions under  
4 subdivision (d)(2) of this section, the Secretary of Administration shall be  
5 provided the financial analysis from the Vermont Veterans' Home reviewed by  
6 the Commissioner of Finance and Management which demonstrates reduction  
7 in the cost of overtime expenses or other expenses equal to or greater than the  
8 projected cost of the positions for the current and successive fiscal year of  
9 operations.

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11 (7) This Pilot shall sunset on July 1, 2018 2020, unless extended or  
12 modified by the General Assembly.

13 (8) On or before January 15, 2018 2019, the Commissioner of Human  
14 Resources, in coordination with the Vermont State Employees' Association  
15 (VSEA), shall provide a report ~~by department~~ on the total number of positions  
16 created under the authority of this section to the House and Senate Committees  
17 on Appropriations. The ~~Commissioner~~ report shall include ~~in the report~~ a  
18 recommendation on whether this program should be expanded and continue  
19 and, if so, should it be extended but remain in session law or be made  
20 permanent by codification in statute.

21 Sec. E.100.2 [DELETED]

22 Sec. E.105 Agency of digital services

1       (a) Of the internal service funds appropriated in Sec. B.105 of this act, up  
2       to \$600,000 is appropriated for a 24/7 cybersecurity operations center. These  
3       funds may only be spent upon approval of a budget and a spending plan by the  
4       Joint Fiscal Committee at its July 2018 meeting.

5               (1) The Agency shall consult with the information technology consultant  
6       to the Joint Fiscal Office in developing the budget and plan.

7               (2) The Joint Fiscal Office Information Technology Consultant shall  
8       present a report to the Joint Fiscal Committee to accompany the Agency's  
9       submission to provide an independent recommendation and review of the  
10       proposed budget and plan.

11       Sec. E.105.1 AGENCY OF DIGITAL SERVICES; REPORT ON STATE

12                       INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EFFICIENCIES

13       (a) On or before January 15, 2019, the Secretary of Digital Services shall  
14       demonstrate in a report to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on  
15       Government Operations and the House Committees on Appropriations and on  
16       Energy and Technology that the consolidation of State information technology  
17       services under the jurisdiction of the Agency has been at a minimum cost-  
18       neutral and shall specifically provide in this report the estimated dates on  
19       which the following will occur:

20               (1) the Agency's internal service fund negative balance will be  
21       reduced; and

22               (2) agency and department information technology charges paid to the

1 Agency will be lowered.

2 *Sec. E.111 Tax – administration/collection*

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

7 *Sec. E.111.1 2007 Acts and Resolves No. 65, Sec. 282, as amended by 2011*  
8 *Acts and Resolves No. 63, Sec. C.103, as amended by 2013 Acts and Resolves*  
9 *No. 1, Sec. 65, as amended by 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 95, Sec. 62, as*  
10 *amended by 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 85, Sec. 47, is further amended to*  
11 *read:*

12 *Sec. 282. TAX COMPUTER SYSTEM MODERNIZATION FUND*

13 *(a) Creation of fund.*

14 *(1) There is established the Tax Computer System Modernization Special*  
15 *Fund to consist of:*

16 *(A) The tax receipts received as a direct result of the data warehouse*  
17 *project initiated by the Department of Taxes beginning in calendar year*  
18 *2011; and*

19 *(B) Eighty percent of tax receipts received as a direct result of the*  
20 *data sharing and comparison project between the Vermont Department of*  
21 *Labor and the Department of Taxes relative to entity and employee filings at*  
22 *both departments and/or lack thereof; and*

1           (C) *The incremental tax receipts received as a direct result of the*  
2 *implementation of the integrated tax system beginning in calendar year 2014,*  
3 *including any additional data warehouse modules. The Commissioner of*  
4 *Finance and Management shall approve baseline tax receipts in order to*  
5 *measure the increment from the new integrated tax system.*

6           (2) *Balances in the Fund shall be administered by the Department of*  
7 *Taxes and used for the exclusive purposes of funding: A) ancillary*  
8 *development of information technology systems necessary for implementation*  
9 *and continued operation of the data warehouse project; B) payments due to the*  
10 *vendor under the data warehouse project contract; C) enhanced compliance*  
11 *costs related to the data warehouse project; D) planning for an integrated tax*  
12 *system solution, including present-day analysis of business case and business*  
13 *requirements, requests for proposals and due diligence; E) implementation of*  
14 *tax types and any additional data warehouse modules into the selected*  
15 *integrated tax system solution; F) a micro-simulation model for use by the*  
16 *Department of Taxes and the Joint Fiscal Office; and G) implementation of an*  
17 *ancillary scanning system to enhance the operation of tax types incorporated*  
18 *into the integrated tax system solution. All balances in the Fund at the end of*  
19 *any fiscal year shall be carried forward and remain part of the Fund. Interest*  
20 *earned by the Fund shall be deposited into the Fund. This Fund is established*  
21 *in the State Treasury pursuant to 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5.*

22           (b) *Appropriation.*

1           (1) *There is appropriated in fiscal year 2008 from the Special Fund the*  
2 *sum of up to \$7,800,000 to the Department of Taxes for the purposes described*  
3 *in subdivision (a)(2) of this section. The Commissioner shall anticipate*  
4 *receipts in accordance with 32 V.S.A. § 588(4)(C).*

5           (c) *Transfer.*

6           (1) *Twenty percent of the tax receipts received pursuant to subdivision*  
7 *(a)(1)(A) of this section after payment to the vendor under the data warehouse*  
8 *contract shall be transferred to the General Fund annually for the duration of*  
9 *that contract. Thereafter, 20 percent of the tax receipts received pursuant to*  
10 *subdivision (a)(1)(A) shall be transferred to the ~~General~~ Fund which would*  
11 *receive the underlying tax receipts annually until the expiration of the Tax*  
12 *Computer System Modernization Fund.*

13           (2) *Twenty percent of the incremental tax receipts calculated pursuant to*  
14 *subdivision (a)(1)(C) shall be transferred to the ~~General~~ Fund which would*  
15 *receive the underlying tax receipts annually until the expiration of the Tax*  
16 *Computer Modernization Fund.*

17           (d) *Fund to terminate.*

18           (1) *This Fund shall terminate on July 1, 2024, provided that all amounts*  
19 *due pursuant to contract with the vendor of an integrated tax solution*  
20 *referenced in subdivision (a)(1)(C) of this section have been paid and any*  
21 *unexpended unencumbered balance in the Fund shall be transferred to the*  
22 *General Fund.*



1 *Sec. E.126 LEGISLATIVE BRANCH WORKFORCE COMPARATIVE*

2 *EVALUATION*

3 *(a) The Speaker of the House and President Pro Tempore of the Senate*  
4 *shall contract with the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) to*  
5 *perform a comprehensive evaluation of compensation, staffing,*  
6 *workload, and organization concerning the staff and offices of the Vermont*  
7 *General Assembly.*

8 *(b) NCSL's evaluation shall examine and provide recommendations on the*  
9 *following issues:*

10 *(1) Compensation.*

11 *(A) Comparison between the salaries and other compensation earned*  
12 *by staff of the Vermont General Assembly and the salaries and compensation*  
13 *earned by employees with similar responsibilities, workload, qualifications,*  
14 *and experience of:*

15 *(i) the Executive and Judicial Branches of Vermont State*  
16 *government;*

17 *(ii) other state legislatures; and*

18 *(iii) the private sector, if appropriate.*

19 *(B) Analysis of how states use salary schedules or other systems for*  
20 *determining the salaries of legislative employees.*

21 *(2) Staffing and workload.*

22 *(A) Analysis of the workload for each job description or category of*

1 legislative staff and each office or unit of the General Assembly as compared  
2 with employees with similar responsibility, workload, qualifications, and  
3 experience in:

4 (i) the Executive and Judicial Branches of Vermont State  
5 government;

6 (ii) other state legislatures; and

7 (iii) the private sector, if appropriate.

8 (B) The analysis of workload pursuant to subdivision (A) of this  
9 subdivision (2) shall include a comparison of:

10 (i) the job posting or job description relevant to each category or  
11 position;

12 (ii) the number of legislative members and committees that  
13 employees are responsible for or responsive to;

14 (iii) the range of responsibilities; and

15 (iv) the professional background, qualifications, subject matter  
16 expertise, or experience required by the job description or necessary to fulfill  
17 the position's responsibilities.

18 (3) Organization and structure.

19 (A) A comparison to other states of the current organization,  
20 structure, and oversight of the offices of the General Assembly, including:

21 (i) the strengths and weaknesses of the current organization and  
22 structure; and

1                   (ii) alternative structures, if any, that may increase efficiency and  
2                   improve the support and services provided to the members of the General  
3                   Assembly.

4                   (c) NCSL shall submit a final written report to the Speaker of the House,  
5                   the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Joint Fiscal Committee, the  
6                   Legislative Council Committee, the Joint Information Technology Oversight  
7                   Committee, the House Rules Committee, the Senate Rules Committee, and the  
8                   Joint Rules Committee on or before November 16, 2018.

9                   Sec. E.126.1 JOINT LEGISLATIVE JUSTICE OVERSIGHT

10                   COMMITTEE; SYSTEM-WIDE REVIEW

11                   (a) During the 2018 legislative interim, the Joint Legislative Justice  
12                   Oversight Committee shall undertake a review of Vermont's justice system,  
13                   including both State and local functions. With a focus on reducing crime,  
14                   improving public safety, decreasing recidivism, and increasing accountability  
15                   and cost-efficiencies, the review shall include evaluating:

16                   (1) the Vermont State Auditor's 2017 report to the General Assembly on  
17                   State and local spending on public safety;

18                   (2) the existing administrative framework and physical infrastructure for  
19                   redundancies and inefficiencies;

20                   (3) existing criminal penalties and corrections policies;

21                   (4) the manner by which the justice system utilizes technology; and

22                   (5) strategies to reform the structure of the justice system to ensure

1 consistency and cost-efficiency statewide.

2 (b) Any resulting recommendations to the General Assembly shall be in the  
3 form of proposed legislation.

4 Sec. E.126.2 2 V.S.A. chapter 18 is added to read:

5 CHAPTER 18. JOINT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

6 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

7 § 614. JOINT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OVERSIGHT

8 COMMITTEE

9 (a) Creation. There is created the Joint Information Technology Oversight  
10 Committee to oversee investments in and use of information technology in  
11 Vermont.

12 (b) Membership. The Committee shall be composed of six members as  
13 follows:

14 (1) three members of the House of Representatives, not all of whom shall  
15 be from the same political party, who shall be appointed by the Speaker of the  
16 House; and

17 (2) three members of the Senate, not all of whom shall be from the same  
18 political party, who shall be appointed by the Committee on Committees.

19 (c) Powers and duties. The Committee shall oversee, evaluate, and make  
20 recommendations on the following:

21 (1) the State's current deployment, management, and oversight of  
22 information technology in the furtherance of State governmental activities,

1 including data processing systems, telecommunications networks, and related  
2 technologies, particularly with regard to issues of compatibility among existing  
3 and proposed technologies;

4 (2) issues related to the storage of, maintenance of, access to, privacy  
5 of, and restrictions on use of computerized records;

6 (3) issues of public policy related to the development and promotion of  
7 the private, commercial, and nonprofit information infrastructure in the State,  
8 its relationship to the State government information infrastructure, and its  
9 integration with national and international information networks; and

10 (4) cybersecurity.

11 (d) Assistance. The Committee shall have the administrative, technical,  
12 and legal assistance of the Office of Legislative Council and the Joint Fiscal  
13 Office.

14 (e) Meetings.

15 (1) The Committee shall elect a chair and vice chair from among its  
16 members and shall adopt rules of procedure. The Chair shall rotate biennially  
17 between the House and Senate members.

18 (2) A majority of the membership shall constitute a quorum.

19 (3) The Committee may meet when the General Assembly is not in  
20 session or at the call of the Chair.

21 (f) Reimbursement. For attendance at meetings during adjournment of the  
22 General Assembly, members of the Committee shall be entitled to per diem

1 compensation and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 2 V.S.A. § 406.

2 *Sec. E.127 REVIEW AND EVALUATION OF DEPARTMENT OF*

3 *CORRECTIONS HEALTH CARE SERVICES*

4 (a) The Joint Fiscal Office (JFO), in coordination with the Office of  
5 Legislative Council, shall review and evaluate the policies, contracts, and  
6 processes the Department of Corrections (DOC) uses to deliver health care  
7 services to assess whether current costs are excessive. The evaluation shall  
8 include a review of whether there is potential for the State to achieve savings  
9 in providing health care services to inmates and whether the State is  
10 contracting for appropriate services.

11 (b) The JFO is authorized to contract for all or part of the review and  
12 evaluation described in subsection (a) of this section. The JFO shall also  
13 receive the assistance of the Agency of Human Services and any other relevant  
14 State government entity, as needed.

15 (c) On or before November 1, 2018, the JFO shall submit an update on the  
16 review and evaluation described in subsection (a) of this section to the Joint  
17 Legislative Justice Oversight Committee. On or before January 15, 2019, the  
18 JFO shall submit a final report to the House Committees on Appropriations,  
19 on Corrections and Institutions, and on Health Care, and the Senate  
20 Committees on Appropriations, on Institutions, and on Health and Welfare.

21 *Sec. E.133 Vermont state retirement system*

22 (a) Notwithstanding 3 V.S.A. § 473(d), in fiscal year 2019, investment fees

1 shall be paid from the corpus of the Fund.

2 *Sec. E.139 [DELETED]*

3 *Sec. E.142 Payments in lieu of taxes*

4 (a) This appropriation is for State payments in lieu of property taxes under  
5 32 V.S.A. chapter 123, subchapter 4, and the payments shall be calculated in  
6 addition to and without regard to the appropriations for PILOT for Montpelier  
7 and for correctional facilities elsewhere in this act. Payments in lieu of taxes  
8 under this section shall be paid from the PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A.  
9 § 3709.

10 *Sec. E.142.1 PILOT SPECIAL FUND PAYMENTS*

11 (a) Total payments from the PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709  
12 include the appropriation of \$8,036,000 in Sec. B.142 of this act, the  
13 appropriation of \$184,000 for the City of Montpelier in Sec. B.143 of this act,  
14 the appropriation of \$40,000 for correctional facilities in Sec. B.144 of this  
15 act, and the appropriation of \$146,000 for the supplemental facility payments  
16 from the Department of Corrections to the City of Newport and the Town of  
17 Springfield in Sec. B.338 of this act.

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

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

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

22 (a) Payments in lieu of taxes under this section shall be paid from the

1 PILOT Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.

2 \* \* \* *PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY* \* \* \*

3 *Sec. E.200 Attorney general*

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

11 (b) Of the revenue available to the Attorney General under 9 V.S.A.  
12 § 2458(b)(4), \$1,390,500 is appropriated in Sec. B.200 of this act.

13 *Sec. E.200.1 3 V.S.A. § 167a is added to read:*

14 § 167a. COMPLEX LITIGATION SPECIAL FUND

15 (a) There is established the Complex Litigation Special Fund pursuant to  
16 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5 to be available for expenditure by the  
17 Attorney General, as annually appropriated or authorized pursuant to  
18 32 V.S.A. § 511, to pay nonroutine expenses, not otherwise budgeted, incurred  
19 in the investigation, prosecution, and defense of complex civil and criminal  
20 litigation. These expenses may include, for example, costs incurred for expert  
21 witnesses and for support staff and technology needed to review and manage  
22 voluminous documents in discovery and at trial in complex cases.

1       (b) The Fund shall consist of:

2               (1) Such sums as may be appropriated or transferred by the General  
3 Assembly.

4               (2) Settlement monies other than consumer restitution collected by the  
5 Office of the Attorney General, except for those recoveries that by law are  
6 transferred or appropriated for other uses pursuant to 9 V.S.A. § 2458(b)(4),  
7 and subject to the Fund balance cap in subsection (c) of this section.

8               (c) The unencumbered Fund balance shall not exceed \$1,000,000.00.

9               (d) The Attorney General shall submit a report of the amount and purpose  
10 of expenditures from the Fund at the close of each fiscal year to the Joint  
11 Fiscal Committee annually on or before September 1. As part of the annual  
12 budget submission, the Attorney General shall include a projection of the Fund  
13 balance for the current fiscal year and upcoming fiscal year and may  
14 recommend appropriations as needed consistent with the purpose of the Fund.

15       Sec. E.200.2 3 V.S.A. § 152 is amended to read:

16       § 152. SCOPE OF AUTHORITY

17               The Attorney General may represent the State in all civil and criminal  
18 matters as at common law and as allowed by statute. The Attorney General  
19 shall also have the same authority throughout the State as a State's Attorney.  
20 The Attorney General shall represent members of the General Assembly in all  
21 civil matters arising from or relating to the performance of legislative duties.

22       Sec. E.200.3 3 V.S.A. § 157 is amended to read:

1     § 157. *APPEARANCE FOR STATE*

2             *The Attorney General shall appear for the State in the preparation and trial*  
3     *of all prosecutions for homicide and civil or criminal causes in which the State*  
4     *is a party or is interested when, in his or her judgment, the interests of the*  
5     *State so require. The Attorney General shall represent members of the General*  
6     *Assembly in all civil causes arising from or relating to the performance of*  
7     *legislative duties.*

8     *Sec. E.200.4 ATTORNEY GENERAL POSITION*

9             *(a) The establishment of one (1) permanent classified position - IT*  
10     *Specialist II - is authorized in fiscal year 2019.*

11     *Sec. E.204 JUDICIAL BRANCH POSITIONS*

12             *(a) The establishment of seven (7) new permanent exempt positions is*  
13     *authorized in fiscal year 2019 as follows: five (5) Docket Clerk B and two (2)*  
14     *Law Clerk.*

15     *Sec. E.207 INMATE TRANSPORTATION WORK GROUP*

16             *(a) There is established an Inmate Transportation Work Group to study*  
17     *Vermont's system of transporting inmates for court appearances and make*  
18     *recommendations for improving the system's processes and efficiency and*  
19     *reducing its cost.*

20             *(b) The Work Group shall be composed of the following members:*

21                 *(1) The Secretary of Administration or designee.*

22                 *(2) The Chief Superior Judge or designee.*

1           (3) The Executive Director of the Department of State's Attorneys and  
2           Sheriffs or designee.

3           (4) The President of the Vermont Sheriffs' Association or designee.

4           (5) The Defender General or designee.

5           (6) The Commissioner of Corrections or designee.

6           (7) The Commissioner of Mental Health or designee.

7           (8) The Commissioner for Children and Families or designee.

8           (c) The Work Group shall study how to develop and implement a system  
9           that ensures inmates are transported to court when necessary in the most cost-  
10           effective and efficient manner possible. The study shall include:

11           (1) any recommendations for process improvements to the current  
12           inmate transport system;

13           (2) recommendations for methods to ensure that transport deputies are  
14           available when needed;

15           (3) analysis of whether transport should be provided by the Judiciary,  
16           the Executive, or a statewide entity; and

17           (4) consideration of whether transported inmates should be permitted to  
18           be scheduled first in court proceedings in order to reduce transport deputy  
19           costs.

20           (d) On or before November 1, 2018, the Work Group shall submit a report  
21           to the Senate and House Committees on Appropriations and Judiciary, the  
22           House Committee on Corrections and Institutions, and the Senate Committee

1 on Institutions containing its recommendations, including any proposals for  
2 legislative action.

3 *Sec. E.208 Public safety – administration*

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

8 (b) Up to \$86,000 of any funds appropriated in 2017 Acts and Resolves No.  
9 85, Sec. C.100(e) may be carried forward to fiscal year 2019 and used for the  
10 purchase of Taser electroshock weapons by the State Police.

11 *Sec. E.209 Public safety – state police*

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

18 (b) Of this appropriation, \$405,000 is allocated for grants in support of the  
19 Drug Task Force and the Gang Task Force. Of this amount, \$190,000 shall be  
20 used by the Vermont Drug Task Force to fund three town task force officers.  
21 These town task force officers shall be dedicated to enforcement efforts with  
22 respect to both regulated drugs as defined in 18 V.S.A. § 4201(29) and the

1 diversion of legal prescription drugs. Any unobligated funds may be allocated  
2 by the Commissioner to fund the work of the Drug Task Force and to support  
3 the efforts of the Mobile Enforcement Team (Gang Task Force) or carried  
4 forward.

5 *Sec. E.212 Public safety – fire safety*

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

9 *Sec. E.215 Military – administration*

10 (a) The amount of \$474,000 shall be disbursed to the Vermont Student  
11 Assistance Corporation for the National Guard Educational Assistance  
12 Program established in 16 V.S.A. § 2856 and § 2857 as established in this act.  
13 Of this amount, \$324,000 shall be general funds appropriated in Sec. B.215  
14 and \$150,000 shall be Next Generation special funds, as appropriated in Sec.  
15 B.1100(a)(3)(B) of this act.

16 *Sec. E.215.1 16 V.S.A. § 2857 is added to read:*

17 § 2857. VERMONT NATIONAL GUARD TUITION BENEFIT  
18 PROGRAM

19 (a) Program creation. The Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit  
20 Program (Program) is created, under which a member of the Vermont National  
21 Guard (member) who meets the eligibility requirements in subsection (c) of this  
22 section is entitled to the following tuition benefit for up to full-time attendance:

1           (1) For courses at either campus of the Northern Vermont University  
2           (NVU), the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College (UVM), or at  
3           the Community College of Vermont (CCV), the benefit shall be the in-state  
4           residence tuition rate for the relevant institution.

5           (2) For courses at a Vermont State College other than NVU, or at any  
6           eligible Vermont private postsecondary institution, the benefit shall be the in-  
7           state tuition rate charged by NVU.

8           (3) For courses at an eligible training institution offering nondegree,  
9           certificate training, or continuing education programs, the benefit shall be the  
10           lower of the institution's standard tuition or the in-state tuition rate charged by  
11           NVU.

12           (b) The tuition benefit provided under the Program shall be paid on behalf  
13           of the member by the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation (VSAC), subject  
14           to the appropriation of funds by the General Assembly specifically for this  
15           purpose. An eligible Vermont postsecondary institution that accepts or  
16           receives the tuition benefit on behalf of a member shall charge the member the  
17           tuition rate for an in-state student. The amount of tuition for a member who  
18           attends an educational institution under the Program on less than a full-time  
19           basis shall be reduced to reflect the member's course load in a manner  
20           determined by VSAC under subdivision (f)(1) of this section. The tuition  
21           benefit shall be conditioned upon the member's executing a promissory note  
22           obligating the member to repay the member's tuition benefit, in whole or in

1 part, if the member fails to complete the period of Vermont National Guard  
2 service required in subsection (d) of this section, or if the member's benefit is  
3 terminated pursuant to subdivision (e)(1) of this section.

4 (c) Eligibility. To be eligible for the Program, an individual, whether a  
5 resident or nonresident, shall satisfy all of the following requirements:

6 (1) be an active member of the Vermont National Guard;

7 (2) have successfully completed basic training;

8 (3) be enrolled at UVM, a Vermont State College, or any other college  
9 or university located in Vermont in a program that leads to an undergraduate  
10 certificate or degree or at an eligible training institution in a program that  
11 leads to a certificate or other credential recognized by VSAC;

12 (4) have not previously earned an undergraduate bachelor's degree;

13 (5) continually demonstrate satisfactory academic progress as  
14 determined by criteria established by the Vermont National Guard and VSAC,  
15 in consultation with the educational institution at which the individual is  
16 enrolled under the Program;

17 (6) have exhausted any post-September 11, 2001 tuition benefits and  
18 other federally funded military tuition assistance; provided, however, that this  
19 subdivision shall not apply to Montgomery GI Bill benefits, post-  
20 September 11, 2001 educational program housing allowances, federal  
21 educational entitlements, National Guard scholarship grants, loans under  
22 section 2856 of this title, and other nontuition benefits; and

1           (7) have submitted a statement of good standing to VSAC signed by the  
2           individual's commanding officer within 30 days prior to the beginning of each  
3           semester.

4           (d) Service commitment.

5           (1) For each full academic year of attendance under the Program, a  
6           member shall be required to serve two years in the Vermont National Guard in  
7           order to receive the full tuition benefit under the Program.

8           (2) If a member's service with the Vermont National Guard terminates  
9           before the member fulfills this two-year service commitment, other than for  
10          good cause as determined by the Vermont National Guard, the individual shall  
11          reimburse VSAC a pro rata portion of the tuition paid under the Program  
12          pursuant to the terms of an interest-free reimbursement promissory note signed  
13          by the individual at the time of entering the Program.

14          (3) For members participating in the Program on a less than full-time  
15          basis, the member's service commitment shall be at the rate of one month of  
16          Vermont National Guard service commitment for each credit hour, not to  
17          exceed 12 months of service commitment for a single semester.

18          (e)(1) Termination of tuition benefit. The Office of the Vermont Adjutant  
19          and Inspector General may terminate the tuition benefit provided an individual  
20          under the Program if:

21                 (A) the individual's commanding officer revokes the statement of  
22                 good standing submitted pursuant to subdivision (c)(7) of this section as a

1 result of an investigation or disciplinary action that occurred after the  
2 statement of good standing was issued;

3 (B) the individual is dismissed from the educational institution in  
4 which the individual is enrolled under the Program for academic or  
5 disciplinary reasons; or

6 (C) the individual withdraws without good cause from the  
7 educational institution in which the individual is enrolled under the Program.

8 (2) If an individual's tuition benefit is terminated pursuant to  
9 subdivision (1) of this subsection, the individual shall reimburse VSAC for the  
10 tuition paid under the Program, pursuant to the terms of an interest-free  
11 reimbursement promissory note signed by the individual at the time of entering  
12 the Program; shall be responsible on a pro rata basis for the remaining tuition  
13 cost for the current semester or any courses in which the individual is currently  
14 enrolled; and shall be ineligible to receive future tuition benefits under the  
15 Program.

16 (3) If an individual is dismissed for academic or disciplinary reasons  
17 from any postsecondary educational institution before receiving tuition benefits  
18 under the Program, the Office of the Adjutant and Inspector General may  
19 make a determination regarding the individual's eligibility to receive tuition  
20 benefits under the Program.

21 (f)(1) Adoption of policies, procedures, and guidelines. VSAC, in  
22 consultation with the Office of the Adjutant and Inspector General, shall adopt

1 policies, procedures, and guidelines necessary to implement the provisions of  
2 this section, which shall include eligibility, application, and acceptance  
3 requirements, pro-ration of service requirements for academic semesters or  
4 attendance periods shorter than one year; data sharing guidelines, and the  
5 criteria for determining “good cause” as used in subdivisions (d)(2) and  
6 (e)(1)(C) of this section.

7 (2) Each educational institution participating in the Program shall  
8 adopt policies and procedures for the enrollment of members under the  
9 Program. These policies and procedures shall be consistent with the policies,  
10 procedures, and guidelines adopted by VSAC under subdivision (1) of this  
11 subsection.

12 (g) Reports.

13 (1) On or before November 1 of each year, the President, Chancellor, or  
14 equivalent position of each educational institution that participated in the  
15 Program during the immediately preceding school year shall report to the  
16 Vermont National Guard and VSAC regarding the number of members enrolled  
17 at its institution during that school year who received tuition benefits under the  
18 Program and, to the extent available, the courses or program in which the  
19 members were enrolled.

20 (2) On or before January 15 of each year, the Vermont National Guard  
21 and VSAC shall report these data and other relevant performance factors,  
22 including information pertaining to the achievement of the goals of this

1 entitlement program and the costs of the program to date, to the Governor, the  
2 House and Senate Committees on Education, and the House Committees on  
3 Appropriations and on General, Housing, and Military Affairs. The provisions  
4 of 2 V.S.A. § 20(d), expiration of reports, shall not apply to the reports to be  
5 made under this subsection.

6 *Sec. E.215.2 REPEAL*

7 (a) 16 V.S.A. § 2856 (educational assistance; interest free loans) is  
8 repealed on July 1, 2022.

9 *Sec. E.215.3 TRANSITION*

10 (a) The benefits under 16 V.S.A. § 2856, the Vermont National Guard  
11 Educational Assistance Program, shall only be available through December  
12 31, 2018, except as provided in this subsection.

13 (1) A member who is, as of December 31, 2018, pursuing a graduate  
14 degree under that Program may continue to receive a loan under the Program  
15 through June 30, 2020, provided that the member continues to satisfy the  
16 eligibility requirements of 16 V.S.A. § 2857(c).

17 (b) A member of the Vermont National Guard who received a loan on or  
18 before January 1, 2019 under 16 V.S.A. § 2856 shall be entitled to the benefits  
19 under the Vermont National Guard Tuition Benefit Program if the member  
20 satisfies the eligibility criteria under that Program.

21 (c) The Vermont Student Assistance Corporation (VSAC), in consultation  
22 with the Office of the Adjutant and Inspector General, shall adopt guidelines

1 for participants transitioning from the Vermont National Guard Educational  
2 Assistance Program under 16 V.S.A. § 2856 to the benefits under the Vermont  
3 National Guard Tuition Benefit Program.

4 (d) If, on or before July 1, 2022, a loan provided to a Vermont National  
5 Guard member under 16 V.S.A. § 2856 has gone into repayment pursuant to  
6 the terms of the loan, the member shall repay the loan in accordance with its  
7 terms unless and to the extent canceled or forgiven by the Corporation.

8 *Sec. E.215.4 EXCESS COST; SERVICE REQUIREMENT*

9 (a) If the cost to the State under the Vermont National Guard Tuition  
10 Benefit Program exceeds \$2,000,000 annually, then the General Assembly  
11 intends to amend 16 V.S.A. § 2857 to require, for each full academic year of  
12 attendance at the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College, three  
13 years of service in the Vermont National Guard in order to receive the full  
14 tuition benefit under the Program.

15 *Sec. E.219 Military – veterans’ affairs*

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

22 (b) Of this General Fund appropriation, \$39,484 shall be deposited into

1 the Armed Services Scholarship Fund established in 16 V.S.A. § 2541.

2 *Sec. E.220 Center for crime victim services*

3 (a) Notwithstanding 20 V.S.A. § 2365(c), the Vermont Center for Crime  
4 Victim Services shall transfer \$43,923 from the Domestic and Sexual Violence  
5 Special Fund established in 13 V.S.A. § 5360 to the Criminal Justice Training  
6 Council for the purpose of funding one-half the costs of the Domestic Violence  
7 Trainer position. The other half of the position will be funded with an  
8 appropriation to the Criminal Justice Training Council.

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

10 (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.224 of this act, the amount of  
11 \$594,000 in general funds is appropriated for expenditure by the Vermont  
12 Working Lands Enterprise Board established in 6 V.S.A. § 4606 for investments  
13 in food and forest system businesses and service providers pursuant to 6 V.S.A.  
14 § 4607 and consistent with the funding priorities in 2012 Acts and Resolves  
15 No. 142, Sec. 5, as amended by 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.224.I.

16 *Sec. E.233 ENERGY PLANNING SUPPORT; ALLOCATION OF COSTS*

17 (a) During fiscal year 2019, the Commissioner of Public Service, in  
18 consultation with the Commissioner of Housing and Community Development,  
19 shall award the amount of \$300,000 to regional planning commissions  
20 established under 24 V.S.A. chapter 117 and to municipalities for the purpose  
21 of providing training under 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 174.

22 (b) In awarding funds under this section, the Commissioners shall consider

1 the need and size of a municipality or region and the availability, if any, of  
2 other assistance, expertise, or funds to a municipality or region to implement  
3 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 174.

4 (c) The Commissioner of Public Service shall allocate costs under  
5 subsection (a) of this section to the electric distribution utilities subject to its  
6 supervision under Title 30 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated based on their  
7 pro rata share of total Vermont retail kilowatt-hour sales for the previous fiscal  
8 year. Each of these utilities shall pay its allocation into the State Treasury at  
9 such time and in such manner as the Commissioner may direct.

10 *Sec. E.233.1 SUSTAINABLE FUNDING FOR THE PUBLIC UTILITY*

11 *COMMISSION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC*  
12 *SERVICE; STUDY*

13 (a) The Commissioner of Public Service, in consultation with the Public  
14 Utility Commission, shall study and make findings and recommendations  
15 regarding the gross operating revenue tax on public utilities imposed under  
16 30 V.S.A. § 22, as well as the assessments imposed under 30 V.S.A. §§ 20  
17 and 21. The purpose of the study is to determine whether the existing statutory  
18 mechanisms for financing utility regulation in Vermont are appropriate and, if  
19 not, how they might be improved to achieve a sustainable general gross  
20 receipts tax fund position and to better serve the public interest.

21 (1) With respect to the gross operating revenue tax, the Commissioner  
22 shall consider:

1           (A) the total amount collected by each category of companies  
2           described under 30 V.S.A. § 22;

3           (B) how that amount correlates with the regulatory activities of the  
4           Commission and the Department with respect to those companies;

5           (C) whether there is cross-subsidization of regulatory activities and,  
6           if so, to what extent;

7           (D) the gross operating revenue trends of companies subject to the  
8           tax and the factors influencing those trends;

9           (E) the projected fund balance in the General Gross Receipts Tax  
10          Fund;

11          (F) the allocation of funds between the Public Utility Commission  
12          and the Department of Public Service and whether the 40/60 percentage  
13          allocation is appropriate;

14          (G) whether adjustments should be made to the tax rates; and

15          (H) any other matters deemed relevant by the Commissioner.

16          (2) With respect to the assessments imposed under 30 V.S.A. §§ 20  
17          and 21 (the bill-back provisions):

18               (A) whether there are persons involved in particular proceedings who  
19               are not subject to the assessment for State expenses incurred as a result of  
20               those proceedings;

21               (B) the amount of expenses incurred for which there is no applicable  
22               bill-back provision, resulting in expenses for additional personnel being

1 reimbursed from the General Gross Receipts Tax Fund; and

2 (C) any other matters deemed relevant by the Commissioner.

3 (b) The Commissioner shall hold two regional public hearings seeking  
4 input with regard to the study and report required by this section, and shall  
5 present an interim status report on his or her findings and recommendations at  
6 the September 2018 meeting of the Joint Fiscal Committee.

7 (c) On or before November 15, 2018, after consultation with the Joint  
8 Fiscal Office, the Commissioner shall report his or her findings and  
9 recommendations to the Senate Committees on Finance and on Appropriations  
10 and the House Committees on Ways and Means and on Energy and  
11 Technology.

12 Sec. E.233.2 SHORT-TERM EMERGENCY FUNDING TO MAINTAIN

13 CRITICAL WIRELESS E-911 SERVICE; STUDY

14 (a) It is the purpose of this section to provide the Commissioner of Public  
15 Service with discretionary authority to allocate short-term emergency funding  
16 to any provider who has a lease agreement with the State to operate a mobile  
17 wireless network comprising microcell equipment owned by the State. The  
18 funding authorized pursuant to this section is intended to support the health  
19 and safety needs of the general public by maintaining critical microcell  
20 wireless E-911 service in rural areas of the State that would otherwise be  
21 without such service, consistent with the objectives of prior State investments  
22 in microcell network infrastructure.

1       (b) Beginning in fiscal year 2018 and continuing until December 31, 2018,  
2       the Commissioner of Public Service is authorized to spend up to \$50,000 from  
3       the Connectivity Fund established under 30 V.S.A. § 7516 to support E-911  
4       geolocation service charges incurred by any provider that has a lease  
5       agreement with the State to operate a mobile wireless network comprising  
6       microcell equipment owned by the State. Funds awarded pursuant to this  
7       subsection shall be on a reimbursement basis only, and shall be awarded only  
8       to providers who comply with or submit to the Commissioner of Public  
9       Service's written agreement to comply with subsection (d) of this section.

10       (c) Beginning on January 1, 2019 and continuing until June 30, 2019, the  
11       Commissioner of Public Service is authorized to spend up to an additional  
12       \$50,000 from the Connectivity Fund as specified in subsection (b) of this  
13       section, provided the Commissioner obtains the prior approval of the Joint  
14       Fiscal Committee.

15       (d) As a condition to the receipt of funds pursuant to this section and for  
16       the purpose of ensuring that State-owned assets are sufficiently protected and  
17       used in a manner that serves the public interest, on or before September 1,  
18       2018, in a form and manner specified by the Commissioner of Public Service,  
19       any provider that has a lease agreement with the State to operate a mobile  
20       wireless network comprising State-owned microcell equipment shall submit to  
21       the Department of Public Service a business plan. All financial information,  
22       trade secrets, or other information customarily regarded as confidential

1 business information submitted to the Commissioner pursuant to this  
2 subsection shall be exempt from inspection and copying under the Public  
3 Records Act and shall not be released.

4 (e) On or before December 1, 2018, the Commissioner of Public Service  
5 shall submit a report to the Senate Committees on Finance and on Institutions  
6 and the House Committees on Energy and Technology and on Corrections and  
7 Institutions regarding E-911 compliant microcell service in Vermont. The  
8 report shall include findings and recommendations related to:

9 (1) the financial viability of operating and maintaining a microcell  
10 network in Vermont using existing 2G technology as well as 4G technology;

11 (2) whether changes to State regulatory policy are needed to facilitate  
12 the availability of wireless E-911 service in Vermont;

13 (3) whether the State should subsidize E-911 geolocation service  
14 charges incurred by microcell service providers on a permanent basis;

15 (4) the costs of completing a statewide propagation coverage analysis  
16 and whether such an analysis is needed to inform State policy, planning, and  
17 investment with respect to wireless service in Vermont;

18 (5) the estimated costs of providing microcell service in Vermont,  
19 including rates and charges related to electric, backhaul, and geolocation  
20 services, pole rental fees, backup-power requirements, colocation  
21 requirements, and any other costs deemed relevant by the Commissioner; and

22 (6) any other matters deemed relevant by the Commissioner.

1 *Sec. E.234 E-911 SYSTEM; PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION; REPORT*

2 *(a) On or before September 1, 2018, the Public Utility Commission shall*  
3 *submit a memorandum to the Joint Fiscal Committee detailing its regulatory*  
4 *authority with respect to Vermont's Enhanced 911 network, with specific*  
5 *reference to the regulatory authority of both the E-911 Board and the Federal*  
6 *Communications Commission. The memorandum shall include the*  
7 *Commission's recommendations, if any, for ensuring comprehensive regulatory*  
8 *oversight and enforcement of matters pertaining to the E-911 network.*

9 *Sec. E.235 E-911 SYSTEM; RESILIENCY AND REDUNDANCY;*

10 *REPORT*

11 *(a) On or before September 1, 2018, the Executive Director of the*  
12 *Enhanced 911 Board shall submit a report to the Joint Fiscal Committee*  
13 *detailing the level of resiliency and redundancy within the E-911 system and*  
14 *explaining any plans for ensuring operational integrity in the event of critical*  
15 *software or hardware failures. The report shall include, with explanation,*  
16 *identification of the locations and services deemed most vulnerable to system*  
17 *outages or call failures, as determined by the Board. The report also shall*  
18 *include a cost estimate for making any recommended system upgrades.*

19 *Sec. E.238 UNLAWFUL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE TRADE PRACTICES;*

20 *REPORT*

21 *(a) On or before January 15, 2019, the Commissioner of Liquor Control*  
22 *shall submit a written report to the House Committee on General, Housing,*

1 and Military Affairs and the Senate Committee on Economic Development,  
2 Housing and General Affairs regarding the occurrence in Vermont of unfair  
3 trade practices at wholesale, including unlawful financial interests in retail  
4 licensees, price discrimination between retail licensees, and inducement of  
5 retail licensees to purchase or sell certain brands of alcoholic beverages to the  
6 exclusion of others. In particular, the report shall include:

7 (1) a description of the State and federal laws and regulations  
8 restricting:

9 (A) certain types of financial interests between wholesale and retail  
10 licensees;

11 (B) price discrimination between retail licensees by wholesale  
12 dealers and packagers; and

13 (C) the giving of free alcoholic beverages, monetary payments, or  
14 any other thing of value in order to induce or persuade a retail licensee to  
15 purchase or contract to purchase a certain brand or kind of alcoholic beverage  
16 to the exclusion of others, or to refrain from purchasing or contracting to  
17 purchase a certain brand or kind of alcoholic beverage;

18 (2) a description of the Department of Liquor Control's efforts to  
19 enforce the laws and regulations related to unlawful financial interests in retail  
20 licensees, price discrimination between retail licensees, and inducement of  
21 retail licensees to purchase or sell certain brands of alcoholic beverages to the  
22 exclusion of others, including:



1 Development, Housing and General Affairs regarding how the Department  
2 receives reports of unfair trade practices and ensures confidentiality. The  
3 report shall also be included in the Department's presentation of its budget to  
4 the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

5 \* \* \* HUMAN SERVICES \* \* \*

6 *Sec. E.300.1 DEPOSIT AND USE OF MASTER SETTLEMENT FUND*

7 (a) Deposit of Master Tobacco Settlement receipts and appropriations of  
8 Tobacco Settlement funds in fiscal year 2019 are made, notwithstanding 2013  
9 Acts and Resolves No. 50, Sec. D.104.

10 *Sec. E.300.2 FUNDING FOR THE OFFICE OF THE HEALTH CARE*

11 *ADVOCATE*

12 (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.300 of this act, \$1,457,406 shall be  
13 used for the contract with the Office of the Health Care Advocate.

14 *Sec. E.301 Secretary's office – Global Commitment*

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

22 (b) In addition to the State funds appropriated in this section, a total

1 estimated sum of \$26,413,016 is anticipated to be certified as State matching  
2 funds under the Global Commitment as follows:

3 (1) \$23,336,050 certified State match available from local education  
4 agencies for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services under  
5 the Global Commitment. This amount combined with \$27,163,950 of federal  
6 funds appropriated in Sec. B.301 of this act equals a total estimated  
7 expenditure of \$50,500,000. An amount equal to the amount of the federal  
8 matching funds for eligible special education school-based Medicaid services  
9 under Global Commitment shall be transferred from the Global Commitment  
10 Fund to the Medicaid Reimbursement Special Fund created in 16 V.S.A.  
11 § 2959a.

12 (2) \$3,076,966 certified State match available from local designated  
13 mental health and developmental services agencies for eligible mental health  
14 services provided under Global Commitment.

15 Sec. E.301.1 Secretary's office – Global Commitment

16 (a) An amount up to \$16,800,000 is transferred from the AHS Federal  
17 Receipts Holding Account to the Interdepartmental Transfer Fund consistent  
18 with the amount appropriated in Section B.301 – Secretary's office – global  
19 commitment of this act.

20 Sec. E.301.2 GLOBAL COMMITMENT APPROPRIATIONS; TRANSFER;

21 REPORT

22 (a) In order to facilitate the end-of-year closeout for fiscal year 2019, the

1 Secretary of Human Services, with approval from the Secretary of  
2 Administration, may make transfers among the appropriations authorized for  
3 Medicaid and Medicaid-waiver program expenses, including Global  
4 Commitment appropriations outside the Agency of Human Services. At least  
5 three business days prior to any transfer, the Agency shall submit to the Joint  
6 Fiscal Office a proposal of transfers to be made pursuant to this section. A  
7 final report on all transfers made under this section shall be made to the Joint  
8 Fiscal Committee for review at the September 2019 meeting. The purpose of  
9 this section is to provide the Agency with limited authority to modify the  
10 appropriations to comply with the terms and conditions of the Global  
11 Commitment for Health waiver approved by the Centers for Medicare and  
12 Medicaid Services under Section 1115 of the Social Security Act.

13 *Sec. E.306 ALTERNATIVE FORMS OF COST-SHARING ASSISTANCE;*

14 *REPORT*

15 (a)(1) The Secretary of Human Services, in consultation with the Green  
16 Mountain Care Board, the Office of the Health Care Advocate, and other  
17 interested stakeholders, shall research, analyze, and recommend alternatives to  
18 the cost-sharing assistance established in 33 V.S.A. § 1812 for eligible  
19 individuals enrolled in Exchange plans.

20 (2) The alternatives to be considered may include:

21 (A) creation of a fund to reimburse eligible individuals who  
22 experience high out-of-pocket health care costs;

1           (B) creation of an uncompensated care pool; and  
2           (C) other strategies for reducing the out-of-pocket exposure of  
3           individuals and families with income between 200 and 300 percent of the  
4           federal poverty level who purchase silver-level qualified health benefit plans  
5           through the Vermont Health Benefit Exchange.

6           (b) On or before January 15, 2019, the Secretary of Human Services shall  
7           report its findings and recommendations for alternative forms of cost-sharing  
8           assistance to the House Committees on Health Care and on Appropriations  
9           and the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare, on Finance, and on  
10           Appropriations. The report shall also include the Secretary's recommendations  
11           for ways to assist individuals purchasing qualified health benefit plans during  
12           open enrollment periods in making informed choices.

13           Sec. E.306.1 FISCAL YEAR 2019 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT;

14                           REALLOCATION; RESEARCH STUDY ON EFFECTS OF  
15                           INCREASED ACCESS TO ACUPUNCTURE CARE

16           (a) As part of its fiscal year 2019 budget adjustment proposal, the Agency  
17           of Human Services shall recommend the specific reallocation of funds  
18           remaining in the Evidence-Based Education and Advertising Fund in fiscal  
19           year 2019 in order to provide \$100,000 to the Department of Vermont Health  
20           Access to conduct the first year of a two-year research study into the effects of  
21           increased access to acupuncture care on utilization of and expenditures on  
22           other medical services for individuals enrolled in Medicaid and commercial

1 health insurance in Vermont. The Agency shall manage the Fund during fiscal  
2 year 2019 in a manner consistent with this purpose.

3 (b) As part of its fiscal year 2019 budget adjustment proposal, the Agency  
4 of Human Services shall also report on the financial status of the Fund,  
5 including anticipated fiscal year 2020 revenue and the allocation of an  
6 additional \$100,000 for the second year of the study described in subsection  
7 (a) of this section.

8 *Sec. E.306.2 VERMONT HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE RULES*

9 (a) The Agency of Human Services may adopt rules pursuant to 3 V.S.A.  
10 chapter 25 to conform Vermont's rules regarding health care eligibility and  
11 enrollment and the operation of the Vermont Health Benefit Exchange to state  
12 and federal law and guidance. The Agency may use the emergency rules  
13 process pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 844 prior to June 30, 2019, but only in the event  
14 that new state or federal law or guidance require Vermont to amend or adopt  
15 its rules in a time frame that cannot be accomplished under the traditional  
16 rulemaking process. An emergency rule adopted under these exigent  
17 circumstances shall be deemed to meet the standard for the adoption of  
18 emergency rules required pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 844(a).

19 *Sec. E.307 PRIMARY CARE FUNDING*

20 (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.307 of this act, \$2,166,000 shall be  
21 used to increase the amount of the per-member per-month payment through the  
22 Blueprint for Health to each patient-centered medical home in fiscal year

1 2019.

2 *Sec. E.308 33 V.S.A. chapter 76 is added to read:*

3 CHAPTER 76. CHOICES FOR CARE

4 § 7601. DEFINITIONS

5 *As used in this chapter:*

6 *(1) “Commissioner” means the Commissioner of Disabilities, Aging,*  
7 *and Independent Living.*

8 *(2) “Department” means the Department of Disabilities, Aging, and*  
9 *Independent Living.*

10 *(3) “Savings” means the difference remaining at the conclusion of each*  
11 *fiscal year between the amount of funds appropriated for Choices for Care and*  
12 *the sum of expended and obligated funds, less an amount equal to one percent*  
13 *of that fiscal year’s total Choices for Care expenditure. The one percent shall*  
14 *function as a reserve to avoid implementing a High Needs wait list due to*  
15 *unplanned Choices for Care budget pressures throughout the fiscal year.*

16 § 7602. CALCULATING AND ALLOCATING SAVINGS

17 *(a)(1) The Department shall calculate savings and investments in Choices*  
18 *for Care and report the amount of savings to the Joint Fiscal Committee and*  
19 *the House Committees on Appropriations and on Human Services and to the*  
20 *Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare by*  
21 *September 15 of each year. The Department shall not reduce the base funding*  
22 *needed in a subsequent fiscal year prior to calculating savings for the current*

1 fiscal year.

2 (2) After reporting the savings in accordance with subdivision (1) of this  
3 subsection, the Commissioner shall determine how to allocate available  
4 Choices for Care program savings in accordance with this section.

5 (b) Savings shall be one-time investments or shall be used in ways that are  
6 sustainable into the future. Use of savings shall be based on the assessed  
7 needs of Vermonters as identified by the Department and its stakeholders.  
8 Priority for the use of any identified savings after the needs of all individuals  
9 meeting the terms and conditions of the waiver have been met shall be given to  
10 home- and community-based services. As used in this chapter, "home- and  
11 community-based services" includes all home-based services and Enhanced  
12 Residential Care.

13 (c) Savings may be used to:

14 (1) increase Choices for Care home- and community-based provider  
15 rates;

16 (2) increase Choices for Care self-directed service budgets;

17 (3) expand Choices for Care capacity to accommodate additional  
18 enrollees;

19 (4) expand Choices for Care home- and community-based service  
20 options;

21 (5) address Choices for Care quality improvement outcomes; and

22 (6) fund investments to serve older Vermonters and Vermonters with

1 disabilities outside Choices for Care, understanding non-Medicaid services are  
2 not eligible for a federal match.

3 (d) Savings shall not be used to:

4 (1) increase nursing home rates already addressed pursuant to section  
5 905 of this title; or

6 (2) pay for budget pressures related to the Collective Bargaining  
7 Agreement for independent direct support workers.

8 Sec. E.308.1 [DELETED]

9 Sec. E.312 Health – public health

10 (a) AIDS/HIV funding:

11 (1) In fiscal year 2019 and as provided in this section, the Department  
12 of Health shall provide grants in the amount of \$475,000 in AIDS Medication  
13 Rebates special funds to the Vermont AIDS service and peer-support  
14 organizations for client-based support services. The Department of Health  
15 AIDS Program shall meet at least quarterly with the Community Advisory  
16 Group (CAG) with current information and data relating to service initiatives.  
17 The funds shall be allocated according to an RFP process.

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

22 (3)(A) The Secretary of Human Services shall immediately notify the

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

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

12 (4) In fiscal year 2019, the Department of Health shall provide grants in  
13 the amount of \$100,000 in general funds to Vermont AIDS service  
14 organizations and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers for  
15 community-based HIV prevention programs and services. These funds shall be  
16 used for HIV/AIDS prevention purposes, including syringe exchange  
17 programs; improving the availability of confidential and anonymous HIV  
18 testing; prevention work with at-risk groups such as women, intravenous drug  
19 users, and people of color; and anti-stigma campaigns. Not more than 15  
20 percent of the funds may be used for the administration of such services by the  
21 recipients of these funds. The method by which these prevention funds are  
22 distributed shall be determined by mutual agreement of the Department of

1 Health and the Vermont AIDS service organizations and other Vermont  
2 HIV/AIDS prevention providers.

3 (5) In fiscal year 2019, the Department of Health shall provide grants in  
4 the amount of \$150,000 in general funds to Vermont AIDS service  
5 organizations and other Vermont HIV/AIDS prevention providers for syringe  
6 exchange programs. The method by which these prevention funds are  
7 distributed shall be determined by mutual agreement of the Department of  
8 Health, the Vermont AIDS service organizations, and other Vermont HIV/AIDS  
9 prevention providers. The performance period for these grants will be State  
10 fiscal year 2019. Grant reporting shall include outcomes and results.

11 Sec. E.312.1 IMPROVING OUTCOMES FOR PREGNANT WOMEN

12 (a) To improve outcomes for pregnant women the Commissioner of Health  
13 shall:

14 (1) Prioritize funding for tobacco cessation to address the rates of  
15 smoking among pregnant women by utilizing evidence-based best practices.  
16 Not less than \$50,000 of the funding for tobacco cessation and prevention  
17 activities in fiscal year 2019 shall be used to implement or expand evidence-  
18 based interventions intended to reduce tobacco use among pregnant women.

19 (2) Continue to implement an outreach plan developed in 2017 to  
20 Vermonters who are eligible but not enrolled in the Women, Infants and  
21 Children (WIC) program.

22 Sec. E.312.2 WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC)

1                                    *STAKEHOLDER SUMMIT AND REPORT*

2                    *(a) The Department of Health shall convene a community stakeholder*  
3 *summit to discuss innovative methods of increasing WIC program enrollment*  
4 *in Vermont by November 1, 2018. The Department shall solicit input on*  
5 *methods of increasing WIC enrollment from current and former WIC*  
6 *participants, as well as WIC-eligible nonparticipants, and the Department for*  
7 *Children and Families through interviews and surveys. The Department shall*  
8 *present recommended actions to the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare*  
9 *and the House Committee on Human Services on or before April 1, 2019.*

10                    *Sec. E.314 DESIGNATED AGENCY STAFF RETENTION*

11                    *(a) To address the compensation gap between the designated agency system*  
12 *and other providers in the health care delivery system the funds appropriated*  
13 *in this section are to enable the Department of Mental Health to increase*  
14 *payments to the Designated Agencies in fiscal year 2019 in a manner to work*  
15 *toward this goal.*

16                    *(b) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.314 of this act, \$4,328,689 shall be*  
17 *used to provide increased payments to the Mental Health Designated Agencies*  
18 *in fiscal year 2019. The Department may allocate up to 20 percent of these*  
19 *funds to be used to address the compensation gap through value-based*  
20 *incentive payments focusing on quality and outcomes. The remaining funds*  
21 *shall be allocated to the base rates for providers. Of these funds, up to*  
22 *50 percent may be targeted for direct services that are provided by master's*

1 level clinicians and other staff with high levels of credentials and experience to  
2 reduce the compensation gap for this staff. These targeted funds shall be used  
3 to increase recruitment and retention of these levels of professional staff. The  
4 Designated Agencies shall assist the Department by providing baseline data.

5 (c) The Department shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee in  
6 September 2018 on the implementation of this section.

7 (d) Representatives of the Designated Agencies shall report to the Joint  
8 Fiscal Committee in September 2018 on the impacts of these resources on  
9 recruitment and retention of master's level clinicians and other staff with high  
10 levels of credentials and experience.

11 *Sec. E.316 ECONOMIC SERVICES DIVISION; INNOVATION IN*

12 *DELIVERY OF SERVICES*

13 (a) For the purpose of exploring innovative approaches to the  
14 administration of programs within the Department for Children and Families'  
15 Economic Services Division, the Commissioner may authorize pilot programs  
16 within specific regions of the State that waive Division rules adopted pursuant  
17 to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 in a manner that does not impact program eligibility or  
18 benefits. Temporarily waiving some existing rules for a prescribed period of  
19 time shall enable the Division to test innovative ideas for improving the  
20 delivery of services with the specific goal of achieving more responsive client  
21 services and operational efficiencies.

22 (b) During fiscal year 2019, the Division may propose pilot programs in

1 accordance with the goals described in subsection (a) of this section to the  
2 Commissioner for approval. Each proposal shall outline the targeted service  
3 area, efficiencies sought, rules to be waived, duration of the program, and  
4 evaluation criteria. Notice shall be given to clients affected by a pilot program  
5 and to the Chairs of the House Committee on Human Services and the Senate  
6 Committee on Health and Welfare prior to the commencement of the pilot  
7 program, including a description of how benefit delivery will be affected,  
8 length of the program, and right to a fair hearing.

9 (c) On or before January 15, 2019, the Commissioner shall submit a report  
10 to the House Committee on Human Services and to the Senate Committee on  
11 Health and Welfare summarizing the pilot programs implemented pursuant to  
12 this section and any findings and recommendations. In the event a particular  
13 pilot program is successful at improving the delivery of services to clients, the  
14 Commissioner may seek to amend the Division's rules in conformity with the  
15 approach used by the pilot program pursuant to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25.

16 Sec. E.316.1 3 V.S.A. § 1101 is amended to read:

17 § 1101. OBLIGATION OF STATE TO DEFEND EMPLOYEES;

18 DEFINITION

19 \* \* \*

20 (b) As used in this chapter, "State employee" includes any elective or  
21 appointive officer or employee within the Legislative, Executive, or Judicial  
22 Branch of State Government or any former such employee or officer. The term

1 *includes:*

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3 (10) administrative reviewers whose services are contracted by the State  
4 pursuant to 33 V.S.A. § 4916a(f).

5 *Sec. E.317 PARENT CHILD CENTER NETWORK; EVALUATION OF*  
6 *MASTER GRANT*

7 (a) The Agency of Human Services, in consultation with the parent child  
8 center network, shall calculate the true value of the services delivered through  
9 the network's master grant. The Agency shall present these findings as part of  
10 its fiscal year 2020 budget presentation.

11 *Sec. E.318 EARLY CARE AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM*  
12 *GRANT*

13 (a) In fiscal year 2019 and thereafter, the Department for Children and  
14 Families shall award 70 percent of funds designated for the Early Care and  
15 Child Development Program Grants to center-based child care and preschool  
16 programs participating in the Step Ahead Recognition System (STARS) and 30  
17 percent of the designated funds to family child care homes participating in  
18 STARS in accordance with the formula described in subsection (b) of this  
19 section.

20 (b) The Department's Child Development Division shall calculate  
21 eligibility for Early Care and Child Development Program Grants on a  
22 quarterly basis. In determining eligibility, the Division shall consider:

1           (1) the percent of enrollees receiving a Child Care Financial Assistance  
2           Program (CCFAP) subsidy as compared to a center-based child care and  
3           preschool program or a family child care home's licensed capacity at a weight  
4           of 70 percent;

5           (2) the average number of enrollees at a center-based child care and  
6           preschool program or family child care home receiving a CCFAP subsidy at a  
7           weight of 15 percent; and

8           (3) the average number of infants and toddlers enrolled in a center-  
9           based child care and preschool program or family child care home at a weight  
10           of 15 percent.

11           (c) The Division shall provide Early Care and Child Development Program  
12           Grants to eligible child care and preschool programs or family child care  
13           homes as funds allow. Center-based child care and preschool programs or  
14           family child care homes receiving Early Care and Child Development Program  
15           Grants shall remain in compliance with the Department's rules, continue to  
16           participate in STARS, and maintain high enrollment of children receiving a  
17           CCFAP subsidy.

18           Sec. E.318.1 CHILD CARE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

19                           ADJUSTMENTS

20           (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.318 of this act, \$738,511 is  
21           allocated consistent with provisions related to the Child Care Financial  
22           Assistance Program in any legislation enacted in 2018 pertaining to Vermont's

1 minimum wage, to allow the Commissioner for Children and Families to:

2 (1) adjust the sliding scale of the Child Care Financial Assistance  
3 Program benefit to correspond with the increase in minimum wage to \$10.50  
4 as of July 1, 2018 and to \$11.10 as of January 1, 2019, to ensure that the  
5 benefit percentage at each new minimum wage level remains the same as the  
6 percentage applied under the former minimum wage; and

7 (2) adjust the market rate used to inform the fee scale in a manner that  
8 offsets the estimated increased cost of child care in Vermont resulting from the  
9 increase in minimum wage to \$10.50 as of July 1, 2018 and to \$11.10 as of  
10 January 1, 2019.

11 (b) In November 2018 and each year thereafter until 2021, the Department  
12 shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee regarding the projected cost to:

13 (1) adjust the sliding scale of the Child Care Financial Assistance  
14 Program benefit to correspond with a statutorily required increase in the  
15 minimum wage for January 1, 2020 and for each year thereafter until 2023  
16 that ensures that the benefit percentage at a new minimum wage level remains  
17 the same as the percentage applied under the former minimum wage; and

18 (2) adjust the market rate used to inform the fee scale in a manner that  
19 offsets the estimated increased cost of child care in Vermont resulting from a  
20 statutorily required increase in the minimum wage for January 1, 2020 and for  
21 each year thereafter until 2023.

22 Sec E.318.2 CHILD CARE FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

1 (a) Of the funds appropriated in Sec. B.318 of this act:

2 (1) \$247,388 may be used to fill licensing staff positions; and

3 (2) a minimum of \$2,451,000 shall be used to increase the infant and  
4 toddler rate used in the Child Care Financial Assistance Program. In the  
5 event there is no statutorily required increase in the minimum wage on January  
6 1, 2019, the funds allocated in Sec. E.318.1(a) of this act shall also be used to  
7 increase the infant and toddler rate.

8 *Sec. E.318.3 CHILD CARE AND PREKINDERGARTEN CAPACITY*

9 *BASELINE REPORT*

10 (a) In order to better understand the relationship between the pre-  
11 kindergarten system and the impact on child care and early education facilities  
12 not operated by public school districts, the Joint Fiscal Office shall research  
13 and assemble the following for each of the last five years:

14 (1) The demographic information of Vermont children zero to five years  
15 of age, by town, county, or region and to the extent possible by family  
16 household income.

17 (2) Array by town, county, or region the known capacity or "slots" at  
18 licensed child care facilities, registered child care providers, and pre-  
19 kindergarten programs operated by school districts for each age group  
20 between zero and five years of age.

21 (3) To the extent possible, an analysis of the age composition of enrolled  
22 children at licensed providers who have ceased doing business in each of the

1 last five years.

2 (b) The Joint Fiscal Office shall have the assistance and cooperation of the  
3 Department for Children and Families as well the Agency of Education and  
4 shall report to the Senate and House Committees on Appropriations and on  
5 Education not later than November 15, 2018.

6 *Sec. E.321 GENERAL ASSISTANCE HOUSING*

7 (a) Funds appropriated to the Agency of Human Services in the General  
8 Assistance program in fiscal year 2019 may be used for temporary housing in  
9 catastrophic situations and for vulnerable populations, as defined in rules  
10 adopted by the Agency. The Commissioner for Children and Families may, by  
11 policy, provide temporary housing for a limited duration in adverse weather  
12 conditions when appropriate shelter space is not available.

13 *Sec. E.321.1 HOUSING ASSISTANCE BENEFITS; FLEXIBILITY*

14 *PROGRAM; COMMUNITY-BASED ALTERNATIVES TO*

15 *GENERAL ASSISTANCE TEMPORARY HOUSING*

16 (a) For fiscal year 2019, the Agency of Human Services may continue to  
17 fund housing assistance programs within the General Assistance program to  
18 create flexibility to provide General Assistance benefits, as well as grants to  
19 support the establishment of community-based alternatives for temporary  
20 housing as part of the effort to reduce the number of individuals temporarily  
21 housed by the General Assistance program. The purpose of these housing  
22 assistance programs and community-based alternatives is to mitigate poverty

1 and serve applicants more effectively than they are currently being served with  
2 General Assistance funds. Eligible activities shall include, among other  
3 things, the provision of shelter, overflow shelter, case management, transitional  
4 housing, deposits, down payments, rental assistance, upstream prevention, and  
5 related services that ensure that all Vermonters have access to shelter, housing,  
6 and the services they need to become safely housed. The Agency may award  
7 grants to homeless and housing service providers for eligible activities. Where  
8 such housing assistance programs and grants are provided and community-  
9 based programs are established, the General Assistance rules shall not apply.  
10 The assistance provided under this section is not an entitlement and may be  
11 discontinued when the appropriation has been fully spent.

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

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

22 Sec. E.323 2016 Acts and Resolves No. 172, Sec. E.100.9 is amended to read:



1 § 2602b. LIHEAP AND WEATHERIZATION

2 Notwithstanding section 2501 of this title, the Secretary of Human Services  
3 may transfer up to 15 percent of each federal fiscal year's Low Income Home  
4 Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) block grant to the Home Weatherization  
5 Assistance Program to be used for weatherization projects and program  
6 administration allowable under LIHEAP in the same State fiscal year. At the  
7 same time, an equivalent transfer shall be made to the Low Income Home  
8 Energy Assistance Program from the Home Weatherization Assistance Fund to  
9 provide home heating fuel benefits and program administration in the same  
10 State fiscal year.

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

13 (a) Of the General Fund appropriation in Sec. B.325 of this act,  
14 \$1,092,000 shall be granted to community agencies for homeless assistance by  
15 preserving existing services, increasing services, or increasing resources  
16 available statewide. These funds may be granted alone or in conjunction with  
17 federal Emergency Solutions Grants funds. Grant decisions shall be made  
18 with assistance from the Vermont Coalition to End Homelessness.

19 *Sec. E.325.1 33 V.S.A. § 1123 is amended to read:*

20 § 1123. INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT SAVINGS PROGRAM

21 (a) As used in this section:

22 \* \* \*



1       (a) The Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living shall  
2       continue to operate the participant directed attendant care program and shall  
3       not reduce an enrolled individual's level of services in fiscal year 2019. The  
4       Agency of Human Services shall ensure that adequate funding is available to  
5       the Department for the operation of this program for fiscal year 2019 and shall  
6       report to the Joint Fiscal Committee in November 2018 any necessary funding  
7       transfers from within the Agency needed to meet this requirement.

8       (b) The Department shall make a determination regarding the clinical and  
9       financial eligibility of each currently enrolled individual for the Medicaid  
10       Choices for Care program or any other program that could provide the  
11       necessary attendant care services. The Department shall report to the Joint  
12       Fiscal Committee in September 2018 on the status of these determinations.

13       *Sec. E.335 CORRECTIONS APPROPRIATIONS; TRANSFER; REPORT*

14       (a) In fiscal year 2019, the Secretary of Administration may, upon  
15       recommendation of the Secretary of Human Services, transfer unexpended  
16       funds between the respective appropriations for correctional services and for  
17       correctional services out-of-state beds. At least three days prior to any such  
18       transfer being made, the Secretary of Administration shall report the intended  
19       transfer to the Joint Fiscal Office and shall report any completed transfers to  
20       the Joint Fiscal Committee at its next scheduled meeting.

21       *Sec. E.338 Corrections - correctional services*

22       (a) The special funds appropriation of \$146,000 for the supplemental

1 facility payments to Newport and Springfield shall be paid from the PILOT  
2 Special Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 3709.

3 *Sec. E.338.1 [DELETED]*

4 *Sec. E.343 [DELETED]*

5 *Sec. E.344 Retired senior volunteer program*

6 (a) Funds appropriated pursuant to Sec. B.344 of this act shall be  
7 administered by the Agency of Human Services and distributed  
8 by SerVermont to each local program to be used to match the Corporation for  
9 National and Community Service's approved expenditures.

10 *Sec. E.345 Green mountain care board*

11 (a) The Green Mountain Care Board shall use the Global Commitment  
12 Funds appropriated in this section to encourage the formation and  
13 maintenance of public-private partnerships in health care, including initiatives  
14 to support and improve the health care delivery system.

15 \* \* \* LABOR \* \* \*

16 *Sec. E.400 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 189, Sec. 22 is amended to read:*

17 *Sec. 22. EFFECTIVE DATE DATES*

18 This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, except that Sec. 13 (FY 2018  
19 appropriation for Vermont Returnship Program) shall take effect upon  
20 passage.

21 \* \* \* K-12 EDUCATION \* \* \*

22 *Sec. E.500 Education – finance and administration*

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

6       Sec. E.500.1 UNIFORM CHART OF ACCOUNTS

7       (a) Not later than July 1, 2020, all Vermont supervisory unions,  
8       supervisory districts, school districts, and independent tech center districts  
9       shall utilize the same school finance and financial data management system.  
10       The system shall be selected by the Agency of Education per State procurement  
11       guidelines.

12       (b) The Agency shall work with participating supervisory unions to:

13       (1) conform to a uniform chart of accounts as outlined in 2014 Acts and  
14       Resolves No. 179, Secs. E.500.1-E.500.3 as amended by 2015 Acts and  
15       Resolves No. 58, Sec. E.500.1;

16       (2) improve the comparability, consistency, and timeliness of school  
17       financial data;

18       (3) enhance the abilities of the General Assembly, Agency of Education,  
19       supervisory unions, and supervisory districts to better understand and manage  
20       cost centers and related school expenditures; and

21       (4) categorize expenditures in a way that draws a distinction between  
22       direct educational expenses and expenses that are primarily human or social

1 services expenses.

2 (c) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, supervisory unions with  
3 districts that are merging into a new governance structure as of July 1, 2018  
4 and that have executed a contract on or before May 1, 2018 to acquire a new  
5 school finance and financial data system other than the management system  
6 selected by the Agency of Education to serve the merged system may delay  
7 adoption of the system selected by the Agency until July 1, 2021.

8 (d) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, a supervisory union or a  
9 supervisory district that entered into a contract for a school finance and  
10 financial data management system on or after July 1, 2017, may delay  
11 adoption of the system selected by the Agency until July 1, 2021 or upon  
12 expiration of the current contract, whichever is earlier.

13 Sec. E.500.2 16 V.S.A. § 242(4) is amended to read:

14 (4)(A) Provide data and information required by the Secretary, and by  
15 using a format approved by the Secretary to:

16 (i) Report budgetary data for the subsequent school year and  
17 fiscal year.

18 ~~(B)~~(ii) Report all financial operations within the supervisory  
19 union to the Secretary and State Board for the preceding school year on or  
20 before August 15 of each year, using a format approved by the Secretary.

21 ~~(C)~~(iii) Report all financial operations for each member school  
22 district to the Secretary and State Board for the preceding school year on or

1 ~~before August 15 of each year, using a format approved by the Secretary.~~

2 ~~(D)(B) Prepare for each district an itemized report detailing the~~  
3 ~~portion of the proposed supervisory union budget for which the district would~~  
4 ~~be assessed for the subsequent school year identifying the component costs by~~  
5 ~~category and explaining the method by which the district's share for each cost~~  
6 ~~was calculated; and provide the report to each district at least 14 days before a~~  
7 ~~budget, including the supervisory union assessment, is voted on by the~~  
8 ~~electorate of the district.~~

9 *Sec. E.500.3 INTERSTATE SCHOOL DISTRICT*

10 (a) The General Assembly supports the study by the board of the Stamford  
11 school district of the formation of an interstate school district that would  
12 combine the Stamford school district with the Clarksburg, Massachusetts  
13 school district. On or before December 15, 2018, the board of the Stamford  
14 school district shall report its findings and recommendations to the General  
15 Assembly.

16 *Sec. E.500.4 EDUCATOR LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS*

17 (a) The Vermont Standards Board for Professional Educators shall  
18 consider whether the educator licensure and endorsement requirements are  
19 appropriate or should be updated. As part of its review, the Board shall  
20 consider whether the use by a school of a school-based teacher quality and  
21 performance measurement program approved by the New England Association  
22 of Schools and Colleges, or examinations offered by the Smarter Balanced

1 Assessment Consortium, should be used as criteria to qualify for licensure and  
2 endorsement. On or before December 1, 2018, the Board shall report its  
3 findings and recommendations to the House and Senate Committees on  
4 Education.

5 (b) As part of its review under subsection (a) of this section, the Vermont  
6 Standards Board for Professional Educators shall consider whether the  
7 educator licensure and endorsement requirements for teachers in career  
8 technical education centers are appropriate or should be updated. After the  
9 House and Senate Committees on Education have concluded their  
10 consideration of the report of the Vermont Standards Board for Professional  
11 Educators under subsection (a) of this section, the Vermont Standards Board  
12 for Professional Educators and the State Board of Education shall either  
13 update their educator licensure and endorsement rules for teachers in career  
14 technical education centers or issue a report to the House and Senate  
15 Committees on Education that they do not intend to update these rules. Until  
16 the date upon which these updated rules are implemented or the report is  
17 issued, teachers employed by career technical centers who were hired before  
18 April 1, 2018 and who do not have the licensure or endorsement that is  
19 required under applicable rules shall be exempt from these rules and any  
20 requirement to pursue licensure or endorsement under these rules.

21 (c) Notwithstanding subsection (b) of this section and any provision of law  
22 to the contrary, an employee in an approved area career technical center

1 located in an approved independent school who was hired before April 1, 2018  
2 and who did not have the licensure or endorsement that is required under  
3 applicable rules governing career technical centers shall be exempt from these  
4 rules. An employee hired on or after April 1, 2018 shall be subject to these  
5 rules, and an employee hired before April 1, 2018 who complied with these  
6 rules shall maintain his or her licensure and endorsements as required by these  
7 rules.

8 *Sec. E.500.5 RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PRINCIPLES FOR RESPONDING*  
9 *TO SCHOOL DISCIPLINE PROBLEMS*

10 (a) On or before July 1, 2019, the Agency of Education shall issue  
11 guidance to all public school boards and boards of approved independent  
12 schools that sets out restorative justice principles for responding to school  
13 discipline problems. Each public school board and each board of an approved  
14 independent school shall consider this guidance and whether to adopt a policy  
15 on the use of restorative justice principles for responding to school discipline  
16 problems. The restorative justice principles contained in the Agency guidance  
17 shall be designed to:

18 (1) decrease the use of exclusionary discipline;

19 (2) ensure that disciplinary measures are applied fairly and do not  
20 target students based on race, ethnicity, gender, family income level, sexual  
21 orientation, immigration status, or disability status; and

22 (3) provide students with the opportunity to make academic progress

1 while suspended or expelled.

2 *Sec. E.500.6 IMPLEMENTATION OF RESTORATIVE JUSTICE*

3 *PRINCIPLES; GRANT PROGRAM*

4 (a) The Agency of Education shall use funding under 16 V.S.A. § 2969(c) to  
5 assist public and approved independent schools with the adoption and  
6 implementation of restorative justice principles for responding to school  
7 discipline problems. The Agency shall determine the eligibility criteria for  
8 receiving a grant and determining the grant amount, and shall monitor the use  
9 of grant monies.

10 (b) On or before December 1, 2018, 2019, and 2020, the Secretary of  
11 Education shall submit a written report to the House Committees on Education  
12 and on Judiciary and the Senate Committees on Education and on Judiciary  
13 describing the eligibility criteria for receiving a grant and for determining the  
14 grant amount, identifying the grant recipients and the amounts they received in  
15 grant monies, and the use of grant monies by the recipients.

16 *Sec. E.500.7 PREKINDERGARTEN EDUCATION; REPORT*

17 (a) The Agency of Education, in consultation with the Agency of Human  
18 Services, shall commission an independent study to recommend how to more  
19 effectively and efficiently provide prekindergarten education that considers:

20 (1) whether the current delivery and funding models are working  
21 effectively to provide prekindergarten education services, and if not, the issues  
22 with the current models and recommendations to enhance the quality and

1 effectiveness of these models;

2 (2) how Vermont families make early care and education arrangements  
3 for their children under six years of age, including what factors may constrain  
4 parental choices;

5 (3) how well the prekindergarten system is operating to provide  
6 prekindergarten education to all eligible Vermont children and how to provide  
7 equitable access to prekindergarten education for children from economically  
8 deprived backgrounds;

9 (4) how to identify ways that the prekindergarten education system may  
10 create undesirable outcomes for prekindergarten students, their parents or  
11 guardians, or providers of prekindergarten education services or child care  
12 services and steps to mitigate them; and

13 (5) how to simplify regulatory oversight and administration of  
14 prekindergarten education.

15 (b)(1) On or before March 15, 2019, the Agency of Education shall report  
16 on the status of the independent study to the House Committees on Education  
17 and on Human Services and the Senate Committees on Education and on  
18 Health and Welfare.

19 (2) On or before July 1, 2019, the Agency of Education shall report the  
20 results of the independent study to the House Committees on Education and on  
21 Human Services and the Senate Committees on Education and on Health and  
22 Welfare.

1 *Sec. E.500.8 ELECTIONS; UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT*

2 *(a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the election of a*  
3 *director to the board of a unified union school district who is to serve on the*  
4 *board after the expiration of the term for an initial director shall be held at the*  
5 *unified union school district's annual meeting unless otherwise provided in the*  
6 *district's articles of agreement.*

7 *(b) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if a vacancy*  
8 *occurs on the board of a unified union school district, and the vacancy is in a*  
9 *seat that is allocated to a specific town, the clerk of the unified union school*  
10 *district shall immediately notify the selectboard of the town. Within 30 days*  
11 *after the receipt of that notice, the unified union school district board, in*  
12 *consultation with the selectboard, shall appoint a person who is otherwise*  
13 *eligible to serve as a member of the unified union school district board to fill*  
14 *the vacancy until an election is held at an annual or special meeting, unless*  
15 *otherwise provided in accordance with the unified union school district's*  
16 *articles of agreement.*

17 *(c) This section is repealed on July 1, 2020.*

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

19 *(a) Of the appropriation authorized in this section, and notwithstanding*  
20 *any other provision of law, an amount not to exceed \$3,665,521 shall be used*  
21 *by the Agency of Education in fiscal year 2019 as funding for 16 V.S.A. §*  
22 *2967(b)(2)–(6). In distributing such funds, the Secretary shall not be limited*

1 by the restrictions contained within 16 V.S.A. § 2969(c) and (d).

2 *Sec. E.503 Education – state-placed students*

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

6 *Sec. E.504.1 Education – flexible pathways*

7 (a) Of this appropriation, \$3,916,000 from the Education Fund shall be  
8 distributed to school districts for reimbursement of high school completion  
9 services pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 943(c). Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 4025(b),  
10 of this Education Fund appropriation, the amount of:

11 (1) \$740,000 is available for dual enrollment programs and the amount  
12 of \$36,000 is available for use pursuant to Sec. E.605.1(a)(2) of this act;

13 (2) \$100,000 is available to support the Vermont Virtual Learning  
14 Cooperative at the River Valley Technical Center School District;

15 (3) \$200,000 is available for secondary school reform grants; and

16 (4) \$450,000 is available for the Vermont Academy of Science and  
17 Technology and \$1,870,000 for Early College pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 946.

18 *Sec. E.505 REIMBURSEMENT FOR NEWBURY SCHOOL DISTRICT*

19 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in addition to the  
20 education payment due to the Newbury School District for fiscal year 2019, the  
21 Agency of Education shall pay \$44,471 from the Education Fund to the  
22 Newbury School District to compensate the district for a pre-K census error in

1 fiscal years 2016 and 2017.

2 *Sec. E.513 [DELETED]*

3 *Sec. E.514 State teachers' retirement system*

4 (a) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(g)(2), the annual contribution to  
5 the State Teachers' Retirement System (STRS) shall be \$105,640,777 of which  
6 \$99,940,777 shall be the State's contribution and \$5,700,000 shall be  
7 contributed from local school systems or educational entities pursuant to  
8 16 V.S.A. § 1944c.

9 (b) In accordance with 16 V.S.A. § 1944(c)(2), of the annual contribution,  
10 \$8,081,768 is the "normal contribution," and \$97,559,009 is the "accrued  
11 liability contribution."

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

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

15 *Sec. E.515.1 16 V.S.A. § 1942(p) is amended to read:*

16 (p) The Board shall enter into insurance arrangements to provide health  
17 and medical benefits for retired members and their dependents. The State is  
18 legally responsible for the costs of the health and medical benefits provided in  
19 this chapter in the amounts specified in section 1944e of this chapter. The  
20 Board may enter into insurance arrangements to provide dental coverage for  
21 retired members and their dependents, provided the State or the System has no  
22 legal obligation to pay any portion of the dental benefit premiums.

1 *Sec. E.515.2 16 V.S.A. § 1944d is amended to read:*

2 *§ 1944d. EMPLOYER ANNUAL CHARGE FOR TEACHER HEALTH*  
3 *CARE*

4 *(a) The Beginning on July 1, 2018, the employer of teachers who become*  
5 *members of the State Teachers' Retirement System of Vermont on or after*  
6 *July 1, 2015 shall pay an annual assessment for ~~those teachers' health and~~*  
7 *~~medical benefits of \$1,275.00 for each such teacher to the Benefits Fund.~~*

8 *(b) The assessment shall be the value, Beginning on July 1, 2019, and each*  
9 *year thereafter, the annual assessment shall be adjusted to account for*  
10 *inflation, as approved annually by the Board of Trustees based on the actuary's*  
11 *recommendation, of the portion of future retired teachers' health and medical*  
12 *benefits attributable to those teachers for each year of service in the State*  
13 *Teachers' Retirement System of Vermont. ~~The equivalent number for the June~~*  
14 *30, 2013 valuation is \$1,072.00.*

15 *Sec. E.515.3 EVALUATION OF EMPLOYER ANNUAL CHARGE FOR*  
16 *TEACHER HEALTH CARE; REPORT*

17 *(a) On or before January 15, 2023, the State Treasurer, in consultation with*  
18 *representatives from the Vermont-National Education Association and Vermont*  
19 *Association of School Business Officers, shall evaluate and prepare a report on*  
20 *the impact of repealing the employer annual charge for teacher health care.*

21 *(b) The State Treasurer shall submit the report described in subsection (a)*  
22 *of this section to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.*

1 *Sec. E.515.4 REPEAL OF EMPLOYER ANNUAL CHARGE FOR*  
2 *TEACHER HEALTH CARE*

3 *(a) The employer annual charge for teacher health care, established in*  
4 *16 V.S.A. § 1944d, is repealed on July 1, 2023.*

5 *\* \* \* HIGHER EDUCATION \* \* \**

6 *Sec. E.600 University of Vermont*

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

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

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

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

1 and to uninsured or underinsured persons, or both, in Vermont and across the  
2 nation.

3 *Sec. E.602 Vermont state colleges*

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

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

11 *Sec. E.603 Vermont state colleges – allied health*

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

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

20 *Sec. E.605 Vermont student assistance corporation*

21 (a) Of this appropriation, \$25,000 is appropriated from the General Fund  
22 to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation to be deposited into the Trust

1 Fund established in 16 V.S.A. § 2845.

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

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

8 (d) Funds available to the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation  
9 pursuant to Sec. E.215(a) of this act shall be used for the purposes of 16 V.S.A.  
10 § 2856. Any unexpended funds from this allocation shall carry forward for this  
11 purpose.

12 Sec. E.605.1 NEED-BASED STIPEND FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT AND  
13 EARLY COLLEGE STUDENTS

14 (a) The sum of \$72,000 shall be transferred to the Vermont Student  
15 Assistance Corporation (VSAC) as follows:

16 (1) \$36,000 from Sec. B.1100(a)(3)(C) (Next Generation funds  
17 appropriated for dual enrollment and need-based stipend purposes).

18 (2) \$36,000 pursuant to Sec. E.504.1(a)(1) (flexible pathways funds  
19 appropriated for dual enrollment and need-based stipend purposes).

20 (b) The sums transferred to VSAC in this section shall be used to fund a  
21 flat-rate, need-based stipend or voucher program for financially needy  
22 students enrolled in a dual enrollment course pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 944 or in

1 early college pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 946 to be used for the purchase of books,  
2 cost of transportation, and payment of fees. VSAC shall establish the criteria  
3 for program eligibility. Funds shall be granted to eligible students on a first-  
4 come, first-served basis until funds are depleted.

5 (c) VSAC shall report on the program to the House Committees on  
6 Appropriations and on Commerce and Economic Development and to the  
7 Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Economic Development,  
8 Housing and General Affairs on or before January 15, 2019.

9 \* \* \* NATURAL RESOURCES \* \* \*

10 *Sec. E.700 VOLKSWAGEN LITIGATION; ENVIRONMENTAL*

11 *MITIGATION TRUST FOR STATE BENEFICIARIES*

12 (a) As used in this section:

13 (1) “Appendix D-2” means Appendix D-2 to the Environmental  
14 Mitigation Trust, entitled “Eligible Mitigation Actions and Mitigation Action  
15 Expenditures.”

16 (2) “Environmental Mitigation Trust” or “Trust” means the  
17 Environmental Mitigation Trust Agreement for State Beneficiaries filed on  
18 October 2, 2017 in In re: Volkswagen “Clean Diesel” Marketing, Sales  
19 Practices, and Products Liability Litigation, 3:16-CV-00295-CRB, MDL No.  
20 2672 CRB (JSC) (N.D. Cal.).

21 (3) “Mobile source” means any vehicle, freight switcher, ferry, tug,  
22 vessel, or equipment that qualifies under an eligible mitigation action listed in

1 Appendix D-2.

2 (b) The Secretary of Natural Resources shall administer Environmental  
3 Mitigation Trust monies pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 554(15) and, in administering  
4 the Trust monies appropriated under Sec. B.710 of this act, shall:

5 (1) Dedicate at least 15 percent of those monies for the purchase of light  
6 duty electric supply equipment and associated allowable administrative costs  
7 in accordance with Appendix D-2.

8 (2) Dedicate the remainder of the monies to the replacement of mobile  
9 sources that consume fossil fuels with all-electric mobile sources or the  
10 repowering of mobile sources that consume fossil fuels with all-electric  
11 engines, or both, and associated allowable administrative costs. The  
12 expenditures shall be in accordance with the requirements of Appendix D-2.

13 Sec. E.700.1 [DELETED]

14 Sec. E.700.2 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 47, Sec. 2 is amended to read:

15 Sec. 2. COMMISSION ON ACT 250: THE NEXT 50 YEARS; REPORT

16 \* \* \*

17 (i) Reimbursement.

18 (A) For attendance at no more than ~~10~~ 14 Commission meetings  
19 during adjournment of the General Assembly, legislative members of the  
20 Commission shall be entitled to per diem compensation and reimbursement of  
21 expenses pursuant to 2 V.S.A. § 406.

22 (B) There shall be no reimbursement for attendance at subcommittee

1 *meetings or more than ~~10~~ 14 Commission meetings.*

2 \* \* \*

3 \* \* \* *COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT* \* \* \*

4 *Sec. E.800 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 197, Sec. 24 is amended to read:*

5 *Sec. 24. EFFECTIVE DATE DATES*

6 *This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, except that Sec. 4 (FY 2018*  
7 *appropriations for the New Remote Worker Grant Program, the ThinkVermont*  
8 *Innovation Initiative, and for economic development marketing) shall take*  
9 *effect upon passage.*

10 *Sec. E.802 Housing & community development*

11 *(a) Of the General Funds appropriated in Sec. B.802 of this act, the sum of*  
12 *\$100,000 of General Funds is intended to support planning and*  
13 *implementation of a community development program targeting outdoor*  
14 *recreation, in consultation with the Department of Forests, Parks and*  
15 *Recreation.*

16 *Sec. E.808 Vermont council on the arts*

17 *(a) The Vermont Council on the Arts shall pay its full lease charge as*  
18 *assessed by the Department of Buildings and General Services.*

19 \* \* \* *TRANSPORTATION* \* \* \*

20 *Sec. E.900 FISCAL YEAR 2019 TRANSPORTATION FUND*

21 *CONTINGENT APPROPRIATION*

22 *(a) In the event contingent spending authority of transportation funds is*

1 increased to the statewide district leveling program or the maintenance  
2 program as provided and under the terms prescribed in Sec. 8 of H.917 of  
3 2018, the appropriation of transportation funds in, respectively, Sec. B.903,  
4 Program Development, and Sec. B.905, Maintenance, of this act are increased  
5 in the same amount.

6 \* \* \* MISCELLANEOUS AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS \* \* \*

7 *Sec. F.100 10 V.S.A. § 128 is amended to read:*

8 *§ 128. VERMONT CENTER FOR GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION*

9 *SPECIAL FUND*

10 *(a) A Special Fund is created for the operation of the Vermont Center for*  
11 *Geographic Information in the Agency of Commerce and Community*  
12 *Development Digital Services. The Fund shall consist of revenues derived*  
13 *from the charges by the Agency of Commerce and Community Development*  
14 *Digital Services pursuant to subsection (c) of this section for the provision of*  
15 *Geographic Information products and services, interest earned by the Fund,*  
16 *and sums which from time to time may be made available for the support of the*  
17 *Center and its operations. The Fund shall be established and managed*  
18 *pursuant to 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5 and shall be available to the*  
19 *Agency to support activities of the Center.*

20 *(b) The receipt and expenditure of monies from the Special Fund shall be*  
21 *under the supervision of the Secretary of Commerce and Community*  
22 *Development Digital Services.*

1       (c) *Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 603, the Secretary of ~~Commerce and~~*  
2       *Community Development Digital Services is authorized to impose charges*  
3       *reasonably related to the costs of the products and services of the Vermont*  
4       *Center for Geographic Information, including the cost of personnel,*  
5       *equipment, supplies, and intellectual property.*

6       *Sec. F.101 10 V.S.A. § 122 is amended to read:*

7       § 122. VERMONT CENTER FOR GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION,

8                INCORPORATED; ESTABLISHMENT

9                               \* \* \*

10       (b) *In order to develop and implement that strategy, and to ensure that all*  
11       *data gathered by State agencies that is relevant to the VGIS shall be in a form*  
12       *that is compatible with, useful to, and shared with that geographic information*  
13       *system, there is hereby established as a division under the Agency of*  
14       *~~Commerce and Community Development~~ Digital Services the Vermont Center*  
15       *for Geographic Information (the Center).*

16                               \* \* \* EFFECTIVE DATES Secs. A.100-G.100 \* \* \*

17       Sec. G.100 EFFECTIVE DATES

18       (a) *This section and Secs. C.100 (fiscal year 2018 technical correction,*  
19       *VSAC), C.101 (fiscal year 2018 General Fund reversion repeal), C.102 (fiscal*  
20       *year 2018 Medicaid carry forward requirement), C.103 (fiscal year 2018 carry*  
21       *forward of fiscal year 2017 one-time appropriation), C.105-C.105.1 (fiscal*  
22       *year 2018 tobacco litigation settlement fund receipts, transfers, and*

1 appropriations), C.106 (fiscal year 2018 CHINS cases system strategic  
2 reform), C.106.1 (fiscal year 2018 substance use disorder, mental health  
3 workforce expansion), C.106.2 (fiscal year 2018 substance use disorder  
4 response initiatives), C.108 (fiscal year 2018 budget adjustment repeals),  
5 C.109 (fiscal year 2018 federal funds contingent appropriation), C.110 (fiscal  
6 year 2018 climate commission implementation), C.111-C.114 (fiscal year 2018  
7 Agency of Education adjustments), C.115-C.118 (fiscal year 2018 teachers'  
8 retirement system and health care and medical benefits adjustments), C.119  
9 (fiscal year 2018 fund transfers, reversions and reserves), C.1000 (fiscal year  
10 2018 one-time transfers and reversions), D.102 (Tobacco Litigation Settlement  
11 Fund balance), E.126 (Legislative Branch workforce comparative evaluation),  
12 E.126.1 (Vermont justice system review), E.126.2 (Joint Information  
13 Technology Oversight Committee), E.127 (JFO review and evaluation of  
14 Corrections health care services), E.233.2 (short-term emergency funding to  
15 maintain critical wireless E-911 service), E.308 (Choices for Care), E.400  
16 (effective date amendment to Vermont Returnship Program), and E.800  
17 (effective date amendment to New Remote Worker Grant Program) shall take  
18 effect on passage, provided that if the date of passage of this act is after June  
19 30, 2018, then notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, this section and all other  
20 sections listed in this subsection shall take effect on passage and shall apply  
21 retroactively to June 30, 2018.

22 (b) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, Sec. E.111.1 (Tax Computer System

1 Modernization Fund) shall take effect on passage and apply retroactively to  
2 July 1, 2017.

3 (c) Secs E.215.1- E.215.4 of this act shall take effect on July 1, 2018 and  
4 the tuition benefits established under the Vermont National Guard Tuition  
5 Benefit Program shall be available to eligible Vermont National Guard  
6 members enrolled in institutions under the Program starting on or after  
7 January 1, 2019, provided that if the date of passage of this act is after July 1,  
8 2018, then notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, Secs E.215.1- E.215.4 shall take  
9 effect on passage and shall apply retroactively to July 1, 2018.

10 (d) All remaining A-G sections shall take effect on July 1, 2018, provided  
11 that if the date of passage of this act is after July 1, 2018, then notwithstanding  
12 1 V.S.A. § 214, all remaining sections shall take effect on passage and shall  
13 apply retroactively to July 1, 2018.

14 \* \* \* *Personal Income Tax Changes* \* \* \*

15 \* \* \* *Taxable Income* \* \* \*

16 *Sec. H.1 32 V.S.A. § 5811 is amended to read:*

17 *§ 5811. DEFINITIONS*

18 \* \* \*

19 *(21) "Taxable income" means, in the case of an individual, federal*  
20 *adjusted gross income determined without regard to 26 U.S.C. § 168(k) and:*

21 \* \* \*

22 *(B) Decreased by the following items of income (to the extent such*

1 *income is included in federal adjusted gross income):*

2 *(i) income from U.S. government obligations;*

3 *(ii) with respect to adjusted net capital gain income as defined in*  
4 *26 U.S.C. § 1(h) reduced by the total amount of any qualified dividend*  
5 *income: either the first \$5,000.00 of such adjusted net capital gain income; or*  
6 *40 percent of adjusted net capital gain income from the sale of assets held by*  
7 *the taxpayer for more than three years, except not adjusted net capital gain*  
8 *income from:*

9 *(I) the sale of any real estate or portion of real estate used by*  
10 *the taxpayer as a primary or nonprimary residence; or*

11 *(II) the sale of depreciable personal property other than farm*  
12 *property and standing timber; or stocks or bonds publicly traded or traded on*  
13 *an exchange, or any other financial instruments; regardless of whether sold by*  
14 *an individual or business; and provided that the total amount of decrease*  
15 *under this subdivision (21)(B)(ii) shall not exceed 40 percent of federal taxable*  
16 *income; and*

17 *(iii) recapture of State and local income tax deductions not taken*  
18 *against Vermont income tax; and*

19 *(iv) the portion of federally taxable benefits received under the*  
20 *federal Social Security Act that is required to be excluded under section 5830e*  
21 *of this chapter; and*

22 *(C) Decreased by the following exemptions and deductions:*

1           ~~(i) the amount of personal exemptions taken at the federal level a~~  
2           ~~personal exemption of \$4,150.00 per person for the taxpayer, for the spouse or~~  
3           ~~the deceased spouse of the taxpayer whose filing status under section 5822 of~~  
4           ~~this chapter is married filing a joint return or surviving spouse, and for each~~  
5           ~~individual qualifying as a dependent of the taxpayer under 26 U.S.C. § 152,~~  
6           ~~provided that no exemption may be claimed for an individual who is a~~  
7           ~~dependent of another taxpayer;~~

8           ~~(ii) for taxpayers who do not itemize at the federal level, the~~  
9           ~~amount of the a standard deduction taken at the federal level determined as~~  
10           ~~follows:~~

11           ~~(I) for taxpayers whose filing status under section 5822 of this~~  
12           ~~chapter is unmarried (other than surviving spouses or heads of households) or~~  
13           ~~married filing separate returns, \$6,000.00;~~

14           ~~(II) for taxpayers whose filing status under section 5822 of this~~  
15           ~~chapter is head of household, \$9,000.00;~~

16           ~~(III) for taxpayers whose filing status under section 5822 of~~  
17           ~~this chapter is married filing joint return or surviving spouse, \$12,000.00; and~~

18           ~~(iii) for taxpayers who itemize at the federal level:~~

19           ~~(I) the amount of federally itemized deductions for medical and~~  
20           ~~dental expenses and charitable contributions;~~

21           ~~(II) the total amount of federally itemized deductions, other~~  
22           ~~than deductions for State and local income taxes, medical and dental expenses,~~

1 ~~and charitable contributions, deducted from federal adjusted gross income for~~  
2 ~~the taxable year, but in no event shall the amount under this subdivision exceed~~  
3 ~~two and one-half times the federal standard deduction allowable to the~~  
4 ~~taxpayer; and~~

5 ~~(III) in no event shall the total amount of deductions allowed~~  
6 ~~under subdivisions (I) and (II) of this subdivision (21)(C)(iii) reduce the total~~  
7 ~~amount of itemized deductions below the federal standard deduction allowable~~  
8 ~~to the taxpayer an additional deduction of \$1,000.00 for each federal~~  
9 ~~deduction under 26 U.S.C. § 63(f) that the taxpayer qualified for and received;~~  
10 ~~and~~

11 ~~(iv) the dollar amounts of the personal exemption allowed under~~  
12 ~~subdivision (i) of this subdivision (21)(C), the standard deduction allowed~~  
13 ~~under subdivision (ii) of this subdivision (21)(C), and the additional deduction~~  
14 ~~allowed under subdivision (iii) of this subdivision (21)(C) shall be adjusted~~  
15 ~~annually for inflation by the Commissioner of Taxes beginning with taxable~~  
16 ~~year 2018 by using the Consumer Price Index and the same methodology as~~  
17 ~~used for adjustments under 26 U.S.C. § 1(f)(3); provided, however, that as~~  
18 ~~used in this subdivision, “consumer price index” means the last Consumer~~  
19 ~~Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the U.S. Department of~~  
20 ~~Labor.~~

21 \* \* \*

22 \* \* \* Personal Income Tax Rates \* \* \*

1 *Sec. H.2 PERSONAL INCOME TAX RATES*

2 *(a) 2009 Spec. Sess. Acts and Resolves No. 2, Sec. 20 is repealed.*

3 *(b) For taxable year 2018 and after, income tax rates under 32 V.S.A.*  
4 *§ 5822(a)(1)-(5), after taking into consideration any inflation adjustments to*  
5 *taxable income as required by 32 V.S.A. § 5822(b)(2), shall be as follows:*

6 *(1) taxable income that without the passage of this act would have been*  
7 *subject to a rate of 3.55 percent shall be taxed at the rate of 3.35 percent*  
8 *instead;*

9 *(2) taxable income that without the passage of this act would have been*  
10 *subject to a rate of 6.80 percent shall be taxed at the rate of 6.60 percent*  
11 *instead;*

12 *(3) taxable income that without the passage of this act would have been*  
13 *subject to a rate of 7.80 percent shall be taxed at the rate of 7.60 percent*  
14 *instead;*

15 *(4) taxable income that without the passage of this act would have been*  
16 *subject to a rate of 8.80 percent or 8.95 percent shall be taxed at the rate of*  
17 *8.75 percent instead; the tax brackets for taxable income taxed at 8.80 percent*  
18 *and 8.95 percent in taxable year 2017 shall be combined to be taxed at a rate*  
19 *of 8.75 percent for taxable year 2018 and after.*

20 *(c) When preparing the Vermont Statutes Annotated for publication, the*  
21 *Office of Legislative Council shall revise the tables in 32 V.S.A. § 5822(a)(1)-*  
22 *(5) to reflect the changes to the tax rates and tax brackets made in this section.*





1 *the individual's total earned income.*

2 *Sec. H.5 32 V.S.A. § 5830e is added to read:*

3 *§ 5830e. SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME*

4 *The portion of federally taxable Social Security benefits excluded from*  
5 *taxable income under subdivision 5811(21)(B)(iv) of this chapter shall be as*  
6 *follows:*

7 *(1) For taxpayers whose filing status is single, married filing separately,*  
8 *head of household, or qualifying widow or widower:*

9 *(A) If the federal adjusted gross income of the taxpayer is less than*  
10 *or equal to \$45,000.00, all federally taxable benefits received under the*  
11 *federal Social Security Act shall be excluded.*

12 *(B) If the federal adjusted gross income of the taxpayer is greater*  
13 *than \$45,000.00 but less than \$55,000.00, the percentage of federally taxable*  
14 *benefits received under the Social Security Act to be excluded shall be*  
15 *proportional to the amount of the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income*  
16 *over \$45,000.00, determined by:*

17 *(i) subtracting the federal adjusted gross income of the taxpayer*  
18 *from \$55,000.00;*

19 *(ii) dividing the value under subdivision (i) of this subdivision (B)*  
20 *by \$10,000.00; and*

21 *(iii) multiplying the value under subdivision (ii) of this subdivision*  
22 *(B) by the federally taxable benefits received under the Social Security Act.*

1           (C) If the federal adjusted gross income of the taxpayer is equal to or  
2           greater than \$55,000.00, no amount of the federally taxable benefits received  
3           under the Social Security Act shall be excluded under this section.

4           (2) For taxpayers whose filing status is married filing jointly:

5           (A) If the federal adjusted gross income of the taxpayer is less than  
6           or equal to \$60,000.00, all federally taxable benefits received under the Social  
7           Security Act shall be excluded.

8           (B) If the federal adjusted gross income of the taxpayer is greater  
9           than \$60,000.00 but less than \$70,000.00, the percentage of federally taxable  
10           benefits received under the Social Security Act to be excluded shall be  
11           proportional to the amount of the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income  
12           over \$60,000.00, determined by:

13           (i) subtracting the federal adjusted gross income of the taxpayer  
14           from \$70,000.00;

15           (ii) dividing the value under subdivision (i) of this subdivision (B)  
16           by \$10,000.00; and

17           (iii) multiplying the value under subdivision (ii) of this subdivision  
18           (B) by the federally taxable benefits received under the Social Security Act.

19           (C) If the federal adjusted gross income of the taxpayer is equal to or  
20           greater than \$70,000.00, no amount of the federally taxable benefits received  
21           under the Social Security Act shall be excluded under this section.

22           Sec. H.6 32 V.S.A. § 5813 is amended to read:

1     § 5813. *STATUTORY PURPOSES*

2   \* \* \*

3             (w) The statutory purpose of the partial exemption of federally taxable  
4             benefits under the Social Security Act in section 5830e of this title is to lessen  
5             the tax burden on Vermonters with low to moderate income who derive part of  
6             their income from Social Security benefits.

7             (x) The statutory purpose of the charitable contribution credit in  
8             subdivision 5822(d)(3) of this title is to reduce the tax liability for Vermonters  
9             who contribute to charitable causes.

10            *Sec. H.7 32 V.S.A. § 5824 is amended to read:*

11     § 5824. *ADOPTION OF FEDERAL INCOME TAX LAWS*

12            *The statutes of the United States relating to the federal income tax, as in*  
13            *effect for ~~taxable year 2016~~ on December 31, 2017, but without regard to*  
14            *federal income tax rates under 26 U.S.C. § 1, are hereby adopted for the*  
15            *purpose of computing the tax liability under this chapter.*

16   \* \* \* *Allocation of Education Funds* \* \* \*

17            *Sec. H.8 16 V.S.A. § 4025 is amended to read:*

18     § 4025. *EDUCATION FUND*

19            *(a) The Education Fund is established to comprise the following:*

20            *(1) ~~All~~ all revenue paid to the State from the statewide education tax on*  
21            *nonresidential and homestead property under 32 V.S.A. chapter 135;*

22            *(2) ~~For each fiscal year, the amount of the general funds appropriated~~*

1 ~~and transferred to the Education Fund shall be \$305,900,000.00, to be~~  
2 ~~increased annually beginning for fiscal year 2018 by the consensus Joint~~  
3 ~~Fiscal Office and Administration determination of the National Income and~~  
4 ~~Product Accounts (NIPA) Implicit Price Deflator for State and Local~~  
5 ~~Government Consumption Expenditures and Gross Investment as reported by~~  
6 ~~the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis through the~~  
7 ~~fiscal year for which the payment is being determined, plus an additional one-~~  
8 ~~tenth of one percent. [Repealed.]~~

9 (3) ~~Revenues~~ revenues from State lotteries under 31 V.S.A. chapter 14,  
10 and from any multijurisdictional lottery game authorized under that chapter.;

11 (4) 25 percent of the revenues from the meals and rooms taxes imposed  
12 under 32 V.S.A. chapter 225;

13 (5) ~~One-third~~ one-third of the revenues raised from the purchase and use  
14 tax imposed by 32 V.S.A. chapter 219, notwithstanding 19 V.S.A. § 11(1).;

15 (6) ~~Thirty-six percent of the revenues raised from the sales and use tax~~  
16 ~~imposed by 32 V.S.A. chapter 233.;~~ and

17 (7) Medicaid reimbursement funds pursuant to subsection 2959a(f) of  
18 this title.

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

20 (1) To make payments to school districts and supervisory unions for the  
21 support of education in accordance with the provisions of section 4028 of this  
22 title, other provisions of this chapter, ~~and~~ the provisions of 32 V.S.A.

1 ~~chapter 135, to make payments to carry out programs of adult education in~~  
2 ~~accordance with section 945 of this title, and to provide funding for the~~  
3 ~~community high school of Vermont and the Flexible Pathways Initiative~~  
4 ~~established by section 941 of this title, but excluding adult education and~~  
5 ~~literacy programs under section 945 of this title.~~

6 \* \* \*

7 (3) ~~To make payments required under 32 V.S.A. § 6066(a)(1) and (2)~~  
8 ~~and only that portion attributable to education taxes, as determined by the~~  
9 ~~Commissioner of Taxes, of payments required under 32 V.S.A. § 6066(a)(3)~~  
10 ~~and 6066(b). The State Treasurer shall withdraw funds from the Education~~  
11 ~~Fund upon warrants issued by the Commissioner of Finance and Management~~  
12 ~~based on information supplied by the Commissioner of Taxes. The~~  
13 ~~Commissioner of Finance and Management may draw warrants for~~  
14 ~~disbursements from the Fund in anticipation of receipts. All balances in the~~  
15 ~~Fund at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward and remain a part~~  
16 ~~of the Fund. Interest accruing from the Fund shall remain in the Fund.~~

17 \* \* \*

18 (c) ~~An equalization and reappraisal account is established within the~~  
19 ~~Education Fund. Monies from this account are to be used by the Division of~~  
20 ~~Property Valuation and Review to assist towns with maintenance or~~  
21 ~~reappraisal on a case-by-case basis; and for reappraisal and grand list~~  
22 ~~maintenance assistance payments pursuant to 32 V.S.A. §§ 4041a and 5405(f).~~

1 *[Repealed.]*

2 \* \* \*

3 *Sec. H.9 32 V.S.A. § 435(b) is amended to read:*

4 *(b) The General Fund shall be composed of revenues from the following*  
5 *sources:*

6 \* \* \*

7 *(7) ~~Meals 75 percent of the meals and rooms taxes levied pursuant to~~*  
8 *chapter 225 of this title;*

9 \* \* \*

10 *(11) ~~64 percent of the revenue from sales and use taxes levied pursuant~~*  
11 *to chapter 233 of this title; [Repealed.]*

12 \* \* \*

13 *Sec. H.9a REPORT*

14 *(a) On or before January 1, 2024, the Joint Fiscal Office shall report to the*  
15 *House Committees on Appropriations and on Ways and Means and the Senate*  
16 *Committees on Appropriations and on Finance on the impact of the changes in*  
17 *Secs. H.8 and H.9 of this act reallocating the revenues generated for the*  
18 *General Fund and Education Fund.*

19 \* \* \* *Yield and Nonresidential Rate for Fiscal Year 2019* \* \* \*

20 *Sec. H.10 PROPERTY DOLLAR EQUIVALENT YIELD, INCOME*

21 *DOLLAR EQUIVALENT YIELD, AND NONRESIDENTIAL*

22 *RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019*



1                   (ii) minus (if less) the sum of:

2                   (I) the income percentage of household income for the taxable  
3 year; plus

4                   (II) the statewide education tax rate, multiplied by the  
5 equalized value of the housesite in the taxable year in excess of ~~\$250,000.00~~  
6 \$225,000.00.

7                   (B) For a claimant with household income of less than \$90,000.00  
8 but more than \$47,000.00, the statewide education tax rate, multiplied by the  
9 equalized value of the housesite in the taxable year; minus (if less) the sum of:

10                   (i) the income percentage of household income for the taxable  
11 year; plus

12                   (ii) the statewide education tax rate, multiplied by the equalized  
13 value of the housesite in the taxable year in excess of ~~\$500,000.00~~  
14 \$400,000.00.

15                   (C) For a claimant whose household income does not exceed  
16 \$47,000.00, the statewide education tax rate, multiplied by the equalized value  
17 of the housesite in the taxable year; minus the lesser of:

18                   (i) the sum of the income percentage of household income for the  
19 taxable year plus the statewide education tax rate, multiplied by the equalized  
20 value of the housesite in the taxable year in excess of ~~\$500,000.00~~  
21 \$400,000.00; or

22                   (ii) the statewide education tax rate, multiplied by the equalized

1 *value of the housesite in the taxable year reduced by \$15,000.00.*

2 \* \* \*

3 *Sec. H.12 32 V.S.A. § 6066 is amended to read:*

4 *§ 6066. COMPUTATION OF ADJUSTMENT*

5 *(a) An eligible claimant who owned the homestead on April 1 of the year in*  
6 *which the claim is filed shall be entitled to an adjustment amount determined*  
7 *as follows:*

8 \* \* \*

9 *(3) A claimant whose household income does not exceed \$47,000.00*  
10 *shall also be entitled to an additional adjustment amount from the claimant's*  
11 *municipal taxes for the upcoming fiscal year that is equal to the amount by*  
12 *which the municipal property taxes for the municipal fiscal year ~~which that~~*  
13 *began in the taxable year upon the claimant's housesite, ~~reduced by the~~*  
14 *adjustment amount determined under subdivisions (1) and (2) of this*  
15 *subsection, exceeds a percentage of the claimant's household income for the*  
16 *taxable year as follows:*

17 *If household income (rounded to                    then the taxpayer is entitled to*  
18 *the nearest dollar) is:                    credit for the reduced property tax in*  
19 *excess of this percent of that income:*

20	<i>\$0.00 - 9,999.00</i>	<i><del>2.0</del></i>	<i><u>1.50</u></i>
21	<i><del>\$10,000.00 - 24,999.00</del></i>	<i><del>4.5</del></i>	
22	<i><del>\$25,000.00 - 47,000.00</del></i>	<i><del>5.0</del></i>	



1     § 6067. CREDIT LIMITATIONS

2           *Only one individual per household per taxable year shall be entitled to a*  
3     *benefit under this chapter. An individual who received a homestead exemption*  
4     *or adjustment with respect to property taxes assessed by another state for the*  
5     *taxable year shall not be entitled to receive an adjustment under this chapter.*  
6     *No taxpayer shall receive an adjustment under subsection 6066(b) of this title*  
7     *in excess of \$3,000.00. No taxpayer shall receive ~~total adjustments under this~~*  
8     *~~chapter in excess of \$8,000.00 related to any one property tax year an~~*  
9     *adjustment under subdivision 6066(a)(3) of this title greater than \$2,400.00 or*  
10    *cumulative adjustment under subdivisions 6066(a)(1)-(2) and (4) of this title*  
11    *greater than \$5,600.00.*

12                   \* \* \* *Statewide Education Property Tax Bills* \* \* \*

13     *Sec. H.14 32 V.S.A. § 5402(b) is amended to read:*

14           *(b) The statewide education tax shall be calculated as follows:*

15                                   \* \* \*

16           *(2) Taxes assessed under this section shall be assessed and collected in*  
17    *the same manner as taxes assessed under chapter 133 of this title with no tax*  
18    *classification other than as homestead or nonresidential property; provided,*  
19    *however, that the tax levied under this chapter shall be billed to each taxpayer*  
20    *by the municipality in a manner that clearly indicates the tax is separate from*  
21    *any other tax assessed and collected under chapter 133, including an*  
22    *itemization of the separate taxes due. The bill may be on a single sheet of*

1 paper with the statewide education tax and other taxes presented separately  
2 and side by side.

3 \* \* \*

4 *Sec. H.15 32 V.S.A. § 6066a(f) is amended to read:*

5 *(f) Property tax bills.*

6 *(1) For taxpayers and amounts stated in the notice to towns on July 1,*  
7 *municipalities shall create and send to taxpayers a homestead property tax*  
8 *bill, instead of the bill required under subdivision 5402(b)(1) of this title,*  
9 *providing the total amount allocated to payment of homestead education*  
10 *property tax liabilities and notice of the balance due. Nothing in this*  
11 *subdivision, however, shall be interpreted as altering the requirement under*  
12 *subdivision 5402(b)(1) of this title that the statewide education homestead tax*  
13 *be billed in a manner that is stated clearly and separately from any other tax.*

14 *Municipalities shall apply the amount allocated under this chapter to current-*  
15 *year property taxes in equal amounts to each of the taxpayers' property tax*  
16 *installments that include education taxes. Notwithstanding section 4772 of this*  
17 *title, if a town issues a corrected bill as a result of the November 1 notice sent*  
18 *by the Commissioner under subsection (a) of this section, issuance of ~~such~~ the*  
19 *corrected new bill does not extend the time for payment of the original bill, nor*  
20 *relieve the taxpayer of any interest or penalties associated with the original*  
21 *bill. If the corrected bill is less than the original bill, and there are also no*  
22 *unpaid ~~current-year~~ current-year taxes, interest, or penalties and no ~~past-year~~*

1 past-year delinquent taxes or penalties and interest charges, any overpayment  
2 shall be reflected on the corrected tax bill and refunded to the taxpayer.

3 \* \* \*

4 \* \* \* *Staff-to-Student Ratios Task Force* \* \* \*

5 *Sec. H.16 STAFF-TO-STUDENT RATIOS TASK FORCE*

6 (a) Creation. There is created the Staff-to-Student Ratios Task Force, a  
7 collaborative effort among government, nonprofit organizations, research  
8 experts, and other education stakeholders, that will strive best to ensure  
9 education quality while simultaneously ensuring fiscal efficiency in the context  
10 of the State's declining student population. Specifically, the Task Force is  
11 charged with:

12 (1) reviewing current staff-to-student count ratios for specific categories  
13 of schools and school district configurations, and establishing optimal target  
14 ratios for different school district configurations;

15 (2) identifying barriers that hamper staffing flexibility at the local level,  
16 including whether aspects of the regulatory environment, including mandatory  
17 staffing requirements and collective bargaining or other contractual  
18 obligations, contribute to lower staff-to-student ratios;

19 (3) aligning to the greatest extent possible the work of the Task Force  
20 with existing research findings and reports, based on studies conducted either  
21 nationally or in New England, concerning optimal classroom practices and  
22 resources, class and school sizes for successful learning outcomes, and the

1 impact of population decline on rural schools;

2 (4) attending to compliance with federal rules and regulations, so as to  
3 avoid jeopardizing the State's federal funding;

4 (5) determining a mechanism or mechanisms that account for the effects  
5 of familial and community-level poverty and human services need, including  
6 student experiences of trauma and familial or community-level addiction, on  
7 staffing ratios;

8 (6) considering the impact on staff-to-student ratios due to students'  
9 enrollment with independent schools; and

10 (7) developing recommended strategies for districts to help them meet  
11 targets.

12 (b) Membership. The Task Force shall be composed of the following  
13 members:

14 (1) the Secretary of Education or designee;

15 (2) the Executive Director of the Vermont Superintendents Association  
16 or designee;

17 (3) the Executive Director of the Vermont School Boards Association or  
18 designee;

19 (4) the Executive Director of the Vermont Principals' Association or  
20 designee;

21 (5) the Executive Director of the Vermont-National Education  
22 Association or designee;

1 (6) one member selected by the Vermont Association of School Business

2 Officials;

3 (7) two to four members from Vermont postsecondary institutions,

4 selected by the Task Force, who have expertise in areas among the following:

5 multi-age classrooms and teaching strategies, interdisciplinary instruction,

6 school realignment and reconfiguration, and the impact of community poverty,

7 trauma, or addiction on education staffing; and

8 (8) a national expert in rural education, selected by the Task Force.

9 (c) Assistance. The Task Force shall have technical assistance from the

10 Agency of Education.

11 (d) Report. On or before December 15, 2018, the Task Force shall present

12 to the House and Senate Committees on Education its findings concerning

13 optimum staff-to-student ratios, including optimum ratios for a variety of

14 school and school district sizes and configurations. The Task Force shall

15 include in its report a recommendation as to whether staff-to-student target

16 ratios should be included in statute for fiscal year 2021.

17 (e) Meetings.

18 (1) The Secretary of Education or designee shall call the first meeting of

19 the Task Force to occur on or before July 1, 2018.

20 (2) The Task Force shall select a chair from among its members at the

21 first meeting.

22 (3) The Task Force shall cease to exist on December 31, 2018.

1       (f) Compensation and reimbursement. Members of the Task Force who are  
2       not employees of the State of Vermont and who are not otherwise compensated  
3       or reimbursed for their attendance shall be entitled to per diem compensation  
4       and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 1010 for not more than  
5       ten meetings. These payments shall be made from monies appropriated to the  
6       Agency of Education.

7       (g) Appropriation. The sum of \$7,320.00 is appropriated from the General  
8       Fund to the Agency of Education to provide funding for the purposes set forth  
9       in this section.

10                   \* \* \* Vermont Tax Structure Commission \* \* \*

11       Sec. H.17 VERMONT TAX STRUCTURE COMMISSION

12       (a) There is hereby established the Vermont Tax Structure Commission  
13       composed of three to five members to be selected as follows:

14               (1) the Speaker of the House, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate,  
15       and the Governor shall each appoint one member; and

16               (2) the three members appointed pursuant to subdivision (1) of this  
17       subsection may select one or two additional members, based on a majority  
18       vote.

19       (b) The Commission shall be appointed as soon as possible after the  
20       effective date of this act. The Commission shall elect a chair and a vice chair  
21       from among its members.

22       (c) The Commission shall prepare a structural analysis of the State's

1 revenue system and offer recommendations for improvements and  
2 modernization and provide a long-term vision for the tax structure. The  
3 Commission's analysis shall include a review of Vermont's income taxes,  
4 consumption-based taxes, the education financing system, tax expenditures,  
5 and property and asset-based taxes. The Commission shall have as its goal a  
6 tax system that provides sustainability, appropriateness, and equity. For  
7 guidance, the Commission may use the Principles of a High-Quality State  
8 Revenue System as prepared by the National Conference of State Legislatures.

9 A high-quality revenue system:

10 (1) Comprises elements that are complementary, including the finances  
11 of both state and local governments.

12 (2) Produces revenue in a reliable manner. Reliability involves stability,  
13 certainty, and sufficiency.

14 (3) Relies on a balanced variety of revenue sources.

15 (4) Treats individuals equitably. Minimum requirements of an equitable  
16 system are that it imposes similar tax burdens on people in similar  
17 circumstances, it minimizes regressivity, and it minimizes taxes on individuals  
18 with low income.

19 (5) Facilitates taxpayer compliance. It is easy to understand and  
20 minimizes compliance costs.

21 (6) Promotes fair, efficient, and effective administration. It is as simple  
22 as possible to administer, raises revenue efficiently, is administered

1 professionally, and is applied uniformly.

2 (7) Is responsive to interstate and international economic competition.

3 (8) Minimizes its involvement in spending decisions and makes any such  
4 involvement explicit.

5 (9) Is accountable to taxpayers.

6 (d) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the work of the Commission  
7 not supplant or delay the normal Legislative and Executive Branch review and  
8 alteration of tax and revenue issues under State law.

9 (e) The Commission shall begin its work by:

10 (1) updating and incorporating the relevant work of the Blue Ribbon  
11 Tax Structure Commission created by 2009 Spec. Sess. Acts and Resolves  
12 No. 1;

13 (2) updating and incorporating work from the existing studies of  
14 Vermont's education finance system since the enactment of 1998 Acts and  
15 Resolves No. 60 and 2004 Acts and Resolves No. 68;

16 (f) The Commission shall submit a two-year work plan and budget to the  
17 Joint Fiscal Committee, the Senate Committee on Finance, and the House  
18 Committee on Ways and Means on or before February 15, 2019. The work  
19 plan shall outline the work the Commission intends to complete in its review of  
20 Vermont's income taxes, consumption-based taxes, education financing system,  
21 tax expenditures, and property and asset-based taxes. The final report of the  
22 Commission shall be made to the General Assembly on or before January 15,

1 2021.

2 (g) The Commission shall receive technical support from the Department of  
3 Taxes, the legislative Joint Fiscal Office, and consultants.

4 (h) The Joint Fiscal Office with the assistance of the Legislative Council  
5 and the Department of Taxes may contract with one or more consultants or  
6 hire a limited service position to provide assistance with achieving the goals  
7 for the Commission. The consultants shall have extensive experience with  
8 state tax systems and shall have participated in at least one other study of a  
9 state tax system.

10 (i) Members of the Commission shall be entitled to compensation as  
11 provided under 32 V.S.A. § 1010.

12 \* \* \* *Public School Employee Health Benefits* \* \* \*

13 *Sec. H.18 16 V.S.A. chapter 61 is added to read:*

14 CHAPTER 61. COMMISSION ON PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE HEALTH  
15 BENEFITS

16 § 2101. DEFINITIONS

17 As used in this chapter:

18 (1) "Participating employee" means a school employee who is eligible  
19 for and has elected to receive health benefit coverage through a school  
20 employer.

21 (2) "School employee" means:

22 (A) an individual employed by a supervisory union or school district

1 as a teacher or administrator as defined in section 1981 of this title; or

2 (B) a municipal school employee as defined in 21 V.S.A. § 1722.

3 (3) "School employer" means a supervisory union or school district as  
4 those terms are defined in section 11 of this title.

5 § 2102. COMMISSION ON PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE HEALTH

6 BENEFITS CREATED

7 (a) Commission created. There is created an independent commission to be  
8 called the Commission on Public School Employee Health Benefits  
9 (Commission) to determine, in accordance with section 2103 of this chapter,  
10 the amounts of the premiums and out-of-pocket expenses for school employee  
11 health benefits that shall be borne by school employers and by participating  
12 employees.

13 (b) Composition and appointment.

14 (1) The Commission shall have 10 members, of whom five shall be  
15 representatives of school employees and five shall be representatives of school  
16 employers.

17 (2)(A) The representatives of school employees shall be appointed as  
18 follows:

19 (i) four members appointed by the labor organization representing  
20 the greatest number of teachers, administrators, and municipal school  
21 employees in this State; and

22 (ii) one member appointed by the labor organization representing

1 the second-greatest number of teachers, administrators, and municipal school  
2 employees in this State.

3 (B) The five representatives of school employers shall be appointed  
4 by the organization representing the majority of the public school boards in  
5 this State.

6 (C) The appointing authorities shall select appointees who have an  
7 understanding of health care and employer-employee relations and who  
8 demonstrate a willingness to work collaboratively.

9 (D) The term of each member of the Commission shall be six years,  
10 provided that of the members first appointed by the labor organization  
11 described in subdivision (A)(i) of this subdivision (2), one appointee shall  
12 serve a term of two years and one appointee shall serve a term of four years,  
13 and of the members first appointed by the organization representing the  
14 majority of the public school boards in this State, one appointee shall serve a  
15 term of two years and one appointee shall serve a term of four years.

16 (3) In the event of a vacancy, the appointing authority of the member  
17 whose seat becomes vacant shall appoint a successor to serve out the  
18 remainder of the member's term.

19 (c) Chairs. The Commission shall be chaired jointly by one member  
20 selected biennially by the representatives of school employees and one member  
21 selected biennially by the representatives of school employers.

22 (d) Removal of Commission members. Members of the Commission may be

1 removed only for cause. The Commission shall adopt rules pursuant to  
2 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 to define the basis and process for removal.

3 (e) Decisions. All decisions of the Commission shall require the votes of a  
4 majority of the representatives of school employees and a majority of the  
5 representatives of school employers.

6 (f) Compensation. Commission members shall be entitled to receive per  
7 diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 32 V.S.A.  
8 § 1010.

9 (g) Staffing and expenses. The Commission may hire staff as it deems  
10 necessary to carry out its duties under this chapter. Compensation for  
11 Commission staff and administrative expenses of the Commission shall be  
12 shared equally by school employers and school employees. The representatives  
13 of school employers and the representatives of school employees shall  
14 equitably apportion their share of the costs of compensation and  
15 administrative expenses among their members.

16 (h) Rulemaking. The Commission may adopt rules or procedures, or both,  
17 pursuant to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 as needed to carry out its duties under this  
18 chapter.

19 § 2103. DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION

20 (a) The Commission shall determine the percentage of the premium for  
21 individual, two-person, parent-child, and family coverage under a health  
22 benefit plan that shall be borne by each school employer and the percentage

1 that shall be borne by participating employees.

2 (1) The premium responsibility percentages shall remain in effect for the  
3 entire plan year.

4 (2) Each school employer shall be responsible for paying, on behalf of  
5 all of its participating school employees, the applicable percentages of  
6 premium costs as determined by the Commission.

7 (3) The premium responsibility percentages for each plan tier shall be  
8 the same for all participating employees.

9 (b)(1) The Commission shall determine the amount of school employees'  
10 out-of-pocket expenses for which the school employer and the school  
11 employees shall be responsible, and whether school employers shall establish a  
12 health reimbursement arrangement, a health savings account, both, or neither,  
13 for their participating employees.

14 (2) The Commission also shall determine the extent to which the  
15 employer or employee shall bear first dollar responsibility for out-of-pocket  
16 expenses if using a health reimbursement arrangement and whether the  
17 balance in a participating employee's health reimbursement arrangement shall  
18 roll over from year to year.

19 (3) The school employers' and school employees' responsibilities for  
20 out-of-pocket expenses for each plan tier shall be the same for all participating  
21 employees.

22 (c) The Commission may make recommendations regarding health benefit

1 plan design to any intermunicipal insurance association that offers health  
2 benefit plans to entities providing educational services pursuant to 24 V.S.A.  
3 chapter 121, subchapter 6.

4 (d) The Commission shall not make any determinations regarding school  
5 employer or school employee responsibilities with respect to stand-alone vision  
6 or dental benefits.

7 § 2104. NEGOTIATION; TIME TO BEGIN; GOOD FAITH; WRITTEN

8 AGREEMENT

9 (a)(1) The Commission shall commence negotiation of the matters set forth  
10 in subsections 2103(a) and (b) of this chapter not later than April 1 of the year  
11 before the existing agreement pursuant to this section is set to expire.

12 (2) The Commission shall meet together at reasonable times at the call  
13 of the Chairs and shall negotiate in good faith on all matters set forth in  
14 subsections 2103(a) and (b) of this chapter.

15 (3)(A) The Commission shall select a person to serve as a fact finder to  
16 assist it in resolving any matters remaining in dispute in the event that the  
17 Commission is unable to reach an agreement by August 1. The fact finder  
18 shall be selected by a vote of a majority of the representatives of school  
19 employees and of a majority of the representatives of school employers. If the  
20 Commission cannot agree on a fact finder by April 5, the American Arbitration  
21 Association shall be asked to appoint the fact finder.

22 (B)(i) The Commission shall mutually agree on an arbitrator by

1 April 5 to decide all matters remaining in dispute if it is unable to reach an  
2 agreement within 30 days after receiving the fact finder's report.

3 (ii) If the Commission is unable to mutually agree on an  
4 arbitrator, it shall form a three-member panel of arbitrators to be selected as  
5 follows:

6 (I) One arbitrator shall be selected by the representatives of  
7 school employees from a list prepared by the American Arbitration  
8 Association.

9 (II) One arbitrator shall be selected by the representatives of  
10 school employers from a list prepared by the American Arbitration  
11 Association.

12 (III) The Commission shall request the services of the  
13 American Arbitration Association for the appointment of the third arbitrator.

14 (b)(1) The Commission shall enter into a written agreement incorporating  
15 all matters agreed to in negotiation.

16 (2) The terms of the agreement shall be incorporated by reference into  
17 all collective bargaining agreements for school employees.

18 (c) The term of each agreement shall be negotiated by the Commission but  
19 shall not be less than two years.

20 § 2105. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

21 (a)(1) If the Commission is unable to reach agreement by August 1, the  
22 Commission shall meet with the fact finder selected pursuant to section 2104 of

1 this chapter not later than August 15.

2 (2) The fact finder may schedule and hold additional meetings with the  
3 Commission as necessary. The Commission shall furnish the fact finder with  
4 all records, papers, and information in its possession pertaining to any matter  
5 remaining in dispute.

6 (3) The fact finder shall, before issuing his or her decision, attempt to  
7 mediate the matters remaining in dispute.

8 (4) If the mediation fails to produce an agreement, the fact finder shall,  
9 on or before September 15, submit a written report to the Commission  
10 recommending a reasonable basis for the settlement of the matters remaining  
11 in dispute.

12 (b)(1) If the Commission is unable to resolve all matters remaining in  
13 dispute within 30 days after receiving the fact finder's report, the Commission  
14 shall submit the matters remaining in dispute to the arbitrator or arbitrators  
15 selected pursuant to section 2104 of this chapter for resolution.

16 (2) The representatives of school employees and the representatives of  
17 school employers shall submit to the arbitrator or arbitrators their last best  
18 offer on all issues remaining in dispute. The arbitrator or arbitrators shall  
19 select one of the last best offers in its entirety without amendment.

20 (3)(A) The arbitrator or arbitrators shall hold a hearing on or before  
21 November 15 at which the Commission members shall submit all relevant  
22 evidence, documents, and written material, and each member may submit oral

1 or written testimony in support of his or her position on any undecided issue  
2 that is subject to arbitration.

3 (B) In reaching a decision, the arbitrator or arbitrators shall give  
4 weight to the evidence, documents, written material, and arguments presented,  
5 as well as the following factors:

6 (i) the interests and welfare of the public;

7 (ii) the financial ability of the Education Fund and school districts  
8 across the State to pay for the costs of health care benefits and coverage;

9 (iii) comparisons of the health care benefits of school employees  
10 with the health care benefits of similar employees in the public and private  
11 sectors in Vermont;

12 (iv) the average consumer prices for goods and services  
13 commonly known as the cost of living; and

14 (v) prior and existing health care benefits and coverage for school  
15 employees.

16 (4) The arbitrator or arbitrators shall issue their decision within 30  
17 days after the hearing. The decision of the arbitrator or arbitrators shall be  
18 final and binding upon the Commission and all school employees and school  
19 employers. The decision shall not be subject to ratification.

20 (5) Upon the petition of a Commission member within not more than 15  
21 days following the arbitration decision, a Superior Court shall vacate the  
22 decision if:

1           (A) it was procured by corruption, fraud, or other undue means;

2           (B) there was evident partiality or prejudicial misconduct by the  
3 arbitrator or arbitrators;

4           (C) the arbitrator or arbitrators exceeded their power or rendered a  
5 decision requiring a person to commit an act or engage in conduct prohibited  
6 by law; or

7           (D) there is an absence of substantial evidence on the record as a  
8 whole to support the decision.

9           (6) At any time prior to the issuance of a decision by the arbitrator or  
10 arbitrators, the Commission may notify the arbitrator or arbitrators of any  
11 additional issues on which a majority of the representatives of school  
12 employees and of the representatives of school employers have reached  
13 agreement.

14           (7) If any provision of this subsection is inconsistent with any other  
15 provision of law governing arbitration, this subsection shall govern.

16           (c) The arbitrator or arbitrators shall have the authority to address  
17 complaints that either party has engaged in or is engaging in unfair  
18 bargaining practices, including a refusal to bargain in good faith. It the  
19 arbitrator or arbitrators find upon a preponderance of the evidence that a  
20 party has engaged in or is engaging in any unfair bargaining practice, the  
21 arbitrator or arbitrators may include in the decision a remedy for the unfair  
22 bargaining practice that is consistent with the provisions of 21 V.S.A.

1 § 1727(d).

2 § 2106. STRIKES AND CONTRACT IMPOSITION PROHIBITED

3 (a) School employees and the representatives of school employees shall be  
4 prohibited from engaging in a strike, as defined by 21 V.S.A. § 1722(16), in  
5 relation to the negotiation of an agreement pursuant to this chapter.

6 (b) The representatives of school employers shall be prohibited from  
7 imposing the terms of the agreement that is subject to this chapter.

8 § 2107. RATIFICATION OF AGREEMENT

9 (a) The representatives of school employers and the representatives of  
10 school employees shall each develop procedures by which their members shall  
11 ratify the agreement entered into by the Commission pursuant to this chapter  
12 within 30 days after the date of the agreement; provided, however, that if the  
13 agreement is determined by arbitration pursuant to subsection 2105(b) of this  
14 chapter, the agreement shall not be subject to ratification.

15 (b) In the event that either the school employers or school employees, or  
16 both, fail to ratify the agreement, the following provisions shall apply:

17 (1) If the Commission has not engaged in mediated fact-finding  
18 pursuant to subsection 2105(a) of this chapter during the current negotiation  
19 cycle, the Commission shall meet with the fact finder pursuant to the  
20 provisions of that subsection to settle all matters remaining in dispute. If the  
21 Commission is able to reach a new agreement, that agreement shall be  
22 submitted to the bargaining units for ratification. If, after mediated fact-

1 finding, the Commission is unable to reach a new agreement, the Commission  
2 shall proceed to arbitration pursuant to subsection 2105(b) of this chapter.

3 (2) If the Commission has already engaged in mediated fact-finding  
4 pursuant to subsection 2105(a) of this chapter during the current negotiation  
5 cycle, the Commission shall proceed to arbitration pursuant to subsection  
6 2105(b) of this chapter.

7 § 2108. DUTIES OF SCHOOL EMPLOYERS

8 Each school employer shall:

9 (1) deduct from the gross wages of each participating employee a sum  
10 equal to the percentage of the premium determined by the Commission to be  
11 the employee's responsibility for the applicable tier of coverage;

12 (2) remit to the administrator of the health benefit plan the amount  
13 determined by the Commission to be the employers' premium responsibility for  
14 each participating employee, along with the amount deducted from the  
15 employee's wages for the employee's premium share;

16 (3) contribute toward the out-of-pocket expenses of each participating  
17 employee in the amounts and manner determined by the Commission to be the  
18 employer's responsibility; and

19 (4) participate in any health reimbursement arrangement or health  
20 savings account, or both, in the amounts and to the extent determined by the  
21 Commission.

22 Sec. H.19 16 V.S.A. § 2004 is amended to read:

1     § 2004. AGENDA

2           (a) The school board, through its negotiations council, shall, upon request,  
3     negotiate with representatives of the teachers' or administrators' organization  
4     negotiations council on matters of salary, related economic conditions of  
5     employment, the manner in which it will enforce an employee's obligation to  
6     pay the agency fee, procedures for processing complaints and grievances  
7     relating to employment, and any mutually ~~agreed-upon~~ agreed-upon matters  
8     not in conflict with the statutes and laws of the State of Vermont.

9           (b) As used in this section, the terms "salary" and "related economic  
10     conditions of employment" shall not include health care benefits or coverage  
11     other than stand-alone vision and dental benefits. Health care benefits and  
12     health coverage, excluding stand-alone vision and dental benefits but  
13     including health reimbursement arrangements and health savings accounts,  
14     shall not be subject to collective bargaining pursuant to this chapter, but shall  
15     be determined pursuant to chapter 61 of this title.

16     Sec. H.20 16 V.S.A. § 2005 is amended to read:

17     § 2005. WRITTEN AGREEMENT

18           The negotiations councils for the school board and the teachers' or  
19     administrators' organization shall enter into a written agreement or  
20     agreements incorporating therein matters agreed to in negotiation. The  
21     written agreement shall incorporate by reference the terms of the agreement  
22     entered into pursuant to chapter 61 of this title.

1 *Sec. H.21 21 V.S.A. § 1722 is amended to read:*

2 *§ 1722. DEFINITIONS*

3 *As used in this chapter:*

4 \* \* \*

5 (12) *“Municipal employee” means any employee of a municipal*  
6 *employer, including a municipal school employee or a professional employee*  
7 *as defined in subdivision 1502(11) of this title, except:*

8 \* \* \*

9 (17) *“Wages, hours, and other conditions of employment” means any*  
10 *condition of employment directly affecting the economic circumstances, health,*  
11 *safety, or convenience of employees but excluding matters of managerial*  
12 *prerogative as defined in this section. For collective bargaining related to*  
13 *municipal school employees, “wages, hours, and other conditions of*  
14 *employment” shall not include health care benefits or coverage other than*  
15 *stand-alone vision and dental benefits.*

16 \* \* \*

17 (21) *“Municipal school employee” means an employee of a supervisory*  
18 *union or school district who is not otherwise subject to 16 V.S.A. chapter 57*  
19 *(labor relations for teachers and administrators) and who is not otherwise*  
20 *excluded pursuant to subdivision (12) of this section.*

21 *Sec. H.22 21 V.S.A. § 1725 is amended to read:*

22 *§ 1725. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING PROCEDURE*



1 different supervisory unions and school districts and between different  
2 categories of employees within the same supervisory unions and school  
3 districts, it is the intent of the General Assembly that the Commission on  
4 Public School Employee Health Benefits endeavor to transition school  
5 employees and school employers to more equitable health care coverage  
6 statewide in a manner that is fair and practicable for all parties involved.

7 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of 16 V.S.A. § 2103 to the contrary, for  
8 the agreement for school employee health benefits to take effect on  
9 July 1, 2020, the Commission may agree to establish, or the arbitrator's  
10 decision may provide for, one set of contribution levels toward premiums and  
11 out-of-pocket expenses for teachers and administrators and a different set of  
12 contribution levels for municipal school employees.

13 *Sec. H.24 TERM OF INTERIM COLLECTIVE BARGAINING*

14 *AGREEMENTS; COMMENCEMENT OF COMMISSION*

15 *NEGOTIATIONS*

16 (a) All collective bargaining agreements between a supervisory union or  
17 school district and school employees that take effect between July 1, 2018 and  
18 June 30, 2020 shall expire between July 1, 2020 and September 1, 2020.

19 (b) The initial agreement negotiated by the Commission on Public School  
20 Employee Health Benefits shall be for incorporation by reference into  
21 collective bargaining agreements between a supervisory union or school  
22 district and school employees that take effect on or after July 1, 2020. The

1 Commission shall, pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 2104, commence negotiations for  
2 the initial agreement on or before April 1, 2019.

3 Sec. H.25 24 V.S.A. § 4947 is amended to read:

4 § 4947. ~~INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS; ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE~~ HEALTH  
5 BENEFIT PLANS OFFERED TO ENTITIES PROVIDING  
6 EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

7 (a) As used in this section:

8 (1) “Health benefit association” means an association that offers one or  
9 more health benefit plans to school employers for coverage of their school  
10 employees.

11 (2) “School employee” shall have the same meaning as in 16 V.S.A.  
12 § 2101.

13 (3) “School employer” shall have the same meaning as in 16 V.S.A.  
14 § 2101.

15 (b) A health benefit association shall offer the same plan or plans to all  
16 school employers.

17 (c) A health benefit association shall solicit the input of the Commission on  
18 Public School Employee Health Benefits established in 16 V.S.A. § 2102  
19 regarding the design of the health benefit plan or plans to be offered to school  
20 employers for coverage of their school employees.

21 (d) The governing board of a health benefit association shall be composed  
22 of the following six members:

1           (1) three members appointed by the organization representing the  
2           majority of the public school boards in this State, who shall not be employees  
3           of the organization; and

4           (2) three members appointed by the labor organization representing the  
5           greatest number of public school employees in the State, who shall not be  
6           employees of the organization.

7           ~~(e) An A health benefit association that offers hospital, surgical and~~  
8           ~~medical benefits insurance to entities that are providing educational services~~  
9           ~~under this subchapter, may shall make such insurance all health benefit plans~~  
10           ~~that it offers available to approved or recognized independent schools~~  
11           ~~operating in Vermont. Participation shall be on the same terms and conditions~~  
12           ~~that apply to municipalities and shall not create joint and several liability as a~~  
13           ~~result of any act or omission of any other school, municipality, or association.~~  
14           ~~Schools that participate under this section shall be provided with copies of the~~  
15           ~~annual audit. The provisions of section 16 V.S.A. § 166 of Title 16 shall apply~~  
16           ~~for purposes of determining whether a school qualifies as an “approved or~~  
17           ~~recognized independent school.”~~

18           ~~Sec. H.26 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL REGULATION;~~

19                               ~~RULEMAKING~~

20           ~~(a) The Department of Financial Regulation shall amend its rules pursuant~~  
21           ~~to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 as needed to conform to the provisions of 24 V.S.A.~~  
22           ~~§ 4947 as amended by this act, and a health benefit association shall amend its~~

1 governing documents accordingly.

2 *Sec. H.27 VERMONT EDUCATION HEALTH INITIATIVE PLANS;*

3 *BOARD TRANSITION*

4 (a)(1) A health benefit association offering health benefit plans pursuant to  
5 24 V.S.A. § 4947 on July 1, 2018 shall continue to make the same health  
6 benefit plans available to public school employers and approved or recognized  
7 independent school employers, and their participating employees, until the  
8 expiration of the first agreement entered into by the Commission on Public  
9 School Employee Health Benefits. A health benefit association may modify its  
10 plan designs or plan offerings, or both, beginning with the health benefit plans  
11 to be offered in the first plan year to which the Commission's second  
12 agreement applies.

13 (2) Nothing in subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be construed to  
14 limit or modify the requirement that a health benefit association file annual,  
15 actuarially sound, proposed premium rates with the Department of Financial  
16 Regulation in amounts sufficient to ensure the continued solvency of the  
17 association and its health benefit plans.

18 (b)(1) The composition of the board of a health benefit association, as  
19 defined in 24 V.S.A. § 4947(a), that is in place on the date of passage of this  
20 act may continue in the same form until October 1, 2018. On October 1, 2018,  
21 the terms of all board members then serving shall expire.

22 (2) Beginning on October 1, 2018, the board of a health benefit

1 association shall conform to the composition specified in 24 V.S.A. § 4947(d)  
2 and the terms of all new board members shall begin on that date. Board  
3 members serving immediately prior to October 1, 2018 shall be eligible for  
4 reappointment to the extent permitted by the board's bylaws.

5 *Sec. H.28 NO IMPACT ON HEALTH BENEFITS FOR RETIRED SCHOOL*  
6 *EMPLOYEES*

7 (a) Nothing in this act shall be construed to modify the health benefits or  
8 health benefit plans offered to retired school employees.

9 \* \* \* *Administrative Changes* \* \* \*

10 *Sec. H.29 32 V.S.A. § 5402b(a)(4) is amended to read:*

11 *(4) the percentage change in the ~~median~~ average education tax bill*  
12 *applied to nonresidential property; and the percentage change in the ~~median~~*  
13 *average education tax bill of homestead property; and the percentage change*  
14 *in the ~~median~~ average education tax bill for taxpayers who claim an*  
15 *adjustment under subsection 6066(a) of this title are equal.*

16 *Sec. H.30 24 V.S.A. § 1892(g) is amended to read:*

17 *(g) Beginning in 2019 and annually 2021 and every four years thereafter,*  
18 *on or before January 15 ~~of each year~~, the Joint Fiscal Office, with the*  
19 *assistance of the consulting Legislative Economist, the Department of Taxes,*  
20 *and the Agency of Commerce and Community Development in consultation*  
21 *with the Vermont Economic Progress Council, shall examine the*  
22 *recommendations and conclusions of the tax increment financing capacity*

1 *study and report created pursuant to subsection (e) of this section, and shall*  
2 *submit to the Emergency Board and to the House Committees on Commerce*  
3 *and Economic Development and on Ways and Means and the Senate*  
4 *Committees on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs and on*  
5 *Finance an updated summary report that includes:*

6 \* \* \*

7 \* \* \* *Effective Dates Secs. H.1–H.31; Transition* \* \* \*

8 *Sec. H.31 EFFECTIVE DATES AND TRANSITION*

9 *(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, this section and Secs.*  
10 *H.1–H.30 shall take effect on passage, except:*

11 *(1) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, Secs. H.1–H.6 (income tax changes)*  
12 *shall take effect retroactively on January 1, 2018 and apply to taxable year*  
13 *2018 and after.*

14 *(2) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, Sec. H.7 (income tax link to the*  
15 *federal tax statutes) shall take effect retroactively on January 1, 2018 and*  
16 *apply to taxable years beginning on January 1, 2017 and after.*

17 *(3) Secs. H.8–H.9 (General Fund and Education Fund revenues) and*  
18 *H.10 (yield and nonresidential rate for fiscal year 2019) shall take effect on*  
19 *July 1, 2018, and apply to fiscal year 2019 and after; provided that if the date*  
20 *of passage of this act is after July 1, 2018, then notwithstanding 1 V.S.A.*  
21 *§ 214, Secs. H.8–H.9 and H.10 shall take effect retroactively on July 1, 2018*  
22 *and apply to fiscal year 2019 and after.*

1           (4) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, Sec. H.11 (calculation of property  
2           tax adjustments) shall take effect retroactively to the taxable year starting on  
3           January 1, 2017 and apply to property tax adjustment claims filed for fiscal  
4           year 2019 (claim year 2018) and after.

5           (5) Secs. H.12–H.13 (municipal and education super-circuitbreaker and  
6           credit limits) and H.14–H.15 (property tax bill requirements) shall take effect  
7           on July 1, 2019 and apply to fiscal year 2020 and after.

8           (6) Secs. H.19–H.22 (subjects for collective bargaining) shall take effect  
9           on January 1, 2020 and shall apply to all collective bargaining agreements  
10           between a supervisory union or school district and school employees that take  
11           effect on or after that date.

12                                   \* \* \* Relating to Vital Records \* \* \*

13           *Sec. I.1 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 46, Sec. 63 is amended to read:*

14           *Sec. 63. EFFECTIVE DATES*

15           *(a) This section; in Sec. 3, 18 V.S.A. § 5000(e)(8) and (f) (rulemaking*  
16           *authority); and in Sec. 39, 18 V.S.A. § 5131(a)(2) (marriage license*  
17           *application form) shall take effect on passage.*

18           *(b) All other sections of this act shall take effect on July 1, ~~2018~~ 2019.*

19           *Sec. I.2 REPEAL*

20           (a) The following sections of 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 46 are repealed:

21           (1) Sec. 9, amending 18 V.S.A. § 5007;

22           (2) Sec. 17, adding 18 V.S.A. § 5016;

1           (3) Sec. 22, amending 18 V.S.A. § 5073;

2           (4) Sec. 24, amending 18 V.S.A. § 5075;

3           (5) Sec. 29, amending 15A V.S.A. § 3-802;

4           (6) Sec. 30, amending 18 V.S.A. § 5078; and

5           (7) Sec. 52, amending 18 V.S.A. § 5202a.

6       *Sec. I.3 18 V.S.A. § 5000(c)(2) is added to read:*

7           (2) On and after July 1, 2019:

8                   (A) upon registration of a birth or death in the Statewide  
9       Registration System, the System shall automatically notify the town clerk of the  
10       town of occurrence and the town clerk of residence of the registrant;

11                   (B) upon the correction or amendment of a birth or death  
12       certificate registered in the System, or upon issuance of a new birth  
13       certificate to replace a birth certificate registered in the System, the System  
14       shall automatically notify the town clerk of the town of occurrence and the  
15       town clerk of residence of the registrant.

16       *Sec. I.4 18 V.S.A. § 5007 is amended to read:*

17       § 5007. PRESERVATION OF DATA RECORDS

18           A town clerk shall receive, number, and file for record certificates of births,  
19       marriages, civil unions, and deaths, and shall preserve such certificates  
20       together with the and burial-transit and removal permits returned to the clerk,  
21       in a fireproof vault or safe, as provided by 24 V.S.A. § 1178. A town clerk shall  
22       permanently preserve at the office of the clerk birth and death certificates

1 registered prior to July 1, 2019 and marriage and civil union certificates.

2 Sec. 1.5 18 V.S.A. § 5016 is added to read:

3 § 5016. BIRTH AND DEATH CERTIFICATES; COPIES; INSPECTION

4 (a) Access and issuance generally.

5 (1) Except as provided in subdivisions (2) and (3) of this subsection:

6 (A) only the State Registrar and issuing agents may issue certified  
7 copies of birth and death certificates registered before July 1, 2019, and such  
8 certificates shall only be issued from the Statewide Registration System; and

9 (B) only the State Registrar and issuing agents may issue certified or  
10 noncertified copies of birth and death certificates registered on or after July 1,  
11 2019, and such certificates shall only be issued from the Statewide  
12 Registration System.

13 (2) Copies of birth and death certificates registered prior to January  
14 1, 1909 shall not be issued from the Statewide Registration System. Any  
15 town clerk may issue a certified copy of a pre-1909 birth or death  
16 certificate, provided he or she fulfills the requirements of subsection (b) of  
17 this section and such additional requirements as the State Registrar may  
18 prescribe as necessary to track antifraud paper used to produce such  
19 copies.

20 (3) A certified or noncertified birth or death certificate shall only be  
21 issued as authorized and prescribed in this section, except that in either of  
22 the following circumstances, a public agency may issue a noncertified copy

1 even if it does not follow the requirements of this section governing  
2 noncertified copies:

3 (A) if the public agency is an agency other than the Office of Vital  
4 Records, the Vermont State Archives and Records Administration, or the  
5 office of a town or county, and the public agency has custody of a birth or  
6 death certificate acquired in the course of its business; or

7 (B) if the birth or death certificate was filed in the records of a  
8 town or county office, such as land records, for a reason unrelated to its  
9 official role under law as a repository of registered birth or death  
10 certificates.

11 (4) The word “illegitimate” shall be redacted from any certified or  
12 noncertified copy of a birth certificate.

13 (5) If necessary to prevent fraud, the State Registrar may limit the  
14 issuance of a certified or noncertified copy of a certificate of live birth for a  
15 foreign born child in the same manner as copies of birth certificates are limited  
16 under this section.

17 (b) Certified copies.

18 (1) The State Registrar and issuing agents may issue certified copies  
19 of birth and death certificates only upon receipt of a complete application  
20 accompanied by a form of identification prescribed in rules adopted by the  
21 State Registrar. The State Registrar and issuing agents shall record in a  
22 database maintained by the State Registrar any application received.

1           (2) Only the following persons shall be eligible for a certified copy of  
2           a birth or death certificate:

3           (A) the registrant or his or her spouse, child, parent, sibling,  
4           grandparent, or guardian; a person petitioning to open a decedent's estate; a  
5           court-appointed executor or administrator; or the legal representative of any  
6           of these;

7           (B) a specific person pursuant to a court order finding that a  
8           noncertified copy is not sufficient for the applicant's legal purpose and that a  
9           certified copy of the birth or death certificate is needed for the determination  
10           or protection of a person's right; or

11           (C) in the case of a death certificate only, additionally to:

12           (i) the individual with authority for final disposition as provided  
13           in section 5227 of this title or a funeral home or crematorium acting on the  
14           individual's behalf;

15           (ii) the Social Security Administration;

16           (iii) the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; or

17           (iv) the deceased's insurance carrier, if such carrier provides  
18           benefits to the decedent's survivors or beneficiaries.

19           (3) Certified copies of birth and death certificates shall be issued only on  
20           unique paper with antifraud features approved by the State Registrar.

21           (4) A certified copy of a birth or death certificate shall be prima facie  
22           evidence of the facts stated therein.

1        (c) Noncertified copies.

2            (1) Form. A noncertified copy of a birth or death certificate issued from  
3 the Statewide Registration System shall indicate the term “Noncertified” on its  
4 face and shall not be issued on antifraud paper.

5            (2) Legal effect. A noncertified copy of a birth or death certificate shall  
6 not serve as prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein, except that it may  
7 be recorded in the land records of a municipality to establish the date of birth  
8 or death of a person with an ownership interest in property.

9            (d) Inspection. In addition to the provisions of the Public Records Act, the  
10 State Registrar may prescribe procedures governing the inspection of birth and  
11 death certificates if necessary to protect the integrity of the certificates or to  
12 prevent fraud.

13        *Sec. I.6 18 V.S.A. § 5073 is amended to read:*

14        § 5073. ~~AMENDMENT OF MINOR ERRORS ON BIRTH CERTIFICATE~~  
15            CORRECTIONS, COMPLETIONS

16            (a)(1) ~~Within~~ Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (2) of this  
17 subsection, within six months after the date of birth, ~~amendment of obvious~~  
18 errors, transpositions of letters in words of common knowledge, or omissions,  
19 may be made by the town clerk either upon his or her own observation or ~~the~~  
20 State Registrar may correct or complete a birth certificate in the Statewide  
21 Registration System upon ~~request~~ application of a parent, the hospital, ~~in~~  
22 which the birth occurred, or the certifying attendant, ~~or the Supervisor of Vital~~

1 Records Registration.

2 (2) At any time after the date of birth, the State Registrar may complete  
3 a birth certificate to add the name of a parent only upon request of the  
4 registrant or his or her parent or guardian and upon the receipt of:

5 (A) a properly executed voluntary acknowledgment of parentage; or

6 (B) a decree of a court or administrative agency of competent  
7 jurisdiction adjudicating parentage.

8 (3) Within six months after the date of birth, the State Registrar may  
9 complete or change the name of a child upon joint application of the parents  
10 or upon application of the parent if only one parent is listed on the birth  
11 certificate. A court order shall not be required, except for completions or  
12 changes of name more than six months after the date of birth.

13 (b) If the State Registrar determines that a correction or completion  
14 requested under this section is unwarranted, he or she may deny an  
15 application, in which case the applicant may petition the Probate Division of  
16 the Superior Court. The court shall review the petition and relevant evidence  
17 de novo to determine if the correction or completion is warranted. The court  
18 shall transmit a decree ordering a correction or completion to the State  
19 Registrar, who shall correct or complete the certificate in accordance with the  
20 decree.

21 (c) ~~The amended~~ A corrected or completed certificate shall be free of any  
22 evidence of such ~~correction~~ ~~except that the clerk shall make a notation as to~~

1 the change and shall not be marked "Amended." However, the State Registrar  
2 shall record and maintain in the Statewide Registration System the source of  
3 the information, together with his or her name the nature and content of the  
4 change, the identity of the person making the change, and the date the change  
5 was made, on the margin of the certificate. This notation shall not be included  
6 on any certified copy of the certificate issued except as specified in subsection  
7 (b) of this section. The certificate shall not be marked "Amended."

8 ~~(b) The town clerk shall send a certified copy of any certificate amended~~  
9 ~~under subsection (a) of this section to the Commissioner and also to the clerk~~  
10 ~~of any town to whom a copy of the original record was sent under the~~  
11 ~~provisions of section 5009 of this title, and shall enclose with that copy, but not~~  
12 ~~endorsed thereon, a notation identifying the copy to be replaced. The copy~~  
13 ~~shall show the notations specified in subsection (a) of this section. The~~  
14 ~~Commissioner shall file this return or copy by attaching the same to the~~  
15 ~~original return or copy.~~

16 (d) If the State Registrar corrects or completes a certificate that was  
17 registered prior to July 1, 2019, he or she shall notify the town clerk or clerks  
18 with custody of the certificate, who shall replace and dispose of the  
19 uncorrected certificate and update indexes as directed by the State Registrar.  
20 Corrected or completed originals shall not be marked "Amended."

21 *Sec. 1.7 18 V.S.A. § 5075 is amended to read:*

22 § 5075. ISSUANCE OF NEW OR CORRECTED AMENDED OR

1                    DELAYED BIRTH CERTIFICATE BY PROBATE DIVISION OF  
2                    THE SUPERIOR COURT APPLICATION

3            ~~(a) After~~ Except as otherwise provided in subdivision 5073(a)(2) of this  
4 title, after six months from the date of birth, any alteration of the birth  
5 certificate of a person born in this state may be amended only by the decree of  
6 the Probate Division of the Superior Court of the district in which such birth  
7 occurred. State shall be deemed an amendment. A petition for such  
8 amendment may be brought by the person, the person's Upon application by  
9 the registrant, his or her parent or guardian, the hospital in which the birth  
10 occurred, or the certifying attendant, or custodian setting forth the reason for  
11 such petition and the correction or amendment desired and the reason for it,  
12 the State Registrar may amend the birth certificate if the application and  
13 relevant evidence, if any, show that the amendment is warranted.

14            (b) A person born in this State for whom no certificate of birth was filed  
15 during the first year following birth, or his or her parent or guardian, may  
16 petition the Probate Division of the Superior Court of the district in which  
17 such person was born apply to the State Registrar to determine the facts with  
18 respect to this the birth and to order the issuance of issue a delayed certificate  
19 of birth.

20            ~~(b) Birth certificates issued under this section for minor errors as defined~~  
21 ~~in subsection 5073(a) of this title shall be corrected without payment of a fee.~~

22            (c) If the State Registrar denies an application under this section, the

1 applicant may petition the Probate Division of the Superior Court, which shall  
2 review the application and relevant evidence de novo to determine if the  
3 amendment or issuance of a delayed certificate is warranted. The court shall  
4 transmit a decree ordering an amendment or issuance of a delayed certificate  
5 to the State Registrar, who shall amend or issue the certificate in accordance  
6 with the decree.

7 (d) The State Registrar shall make any amendment and register any  
8 delayed certificate in the Statewide Registration System. Any amended birth  
9 certificate issued from the System shall indicate the word “Amended” and the  
10 date of amendment, and any delayed certificate issued from the System shall  
11 indicate the word “Delayed” and the date of registration. The State Registrar  
12 shall record and maintain in the System the identity of the person requesting  
13 the amendment or delayed certificate, the nature and content of the change  
14 made in the System, the person who made the amendment or registered the  
15 delayed certificate in the System, and the date of the amendment or  
16 registration.

17 (e) If the State Registrar amends a certificate that was registered prior to  
18 July 1, 2019, he or she shall notify the town clerk or clerks with custody of the  
19 certificate, who shall replace and dispose of the unamended certificate and  
20 update indexes as directed by the State Registrar.

21 Sec. 1.8 18 V.S.A. § 5078 is amended to read:

22 § 5078. ADOPTION; NEW AND AMENDED BIRTH CERTIFICATE

1       ~~(a) The Supervisor of Vital Records Registration shall establish a new birth~~  
2       ~~certificate for a person born in the State when the Supervisor~~ When the State  
3       ~~Registrar receives a record report of adoption, a report of an amended~~  
4       ~~adoption, or a report that an adoption has been set aside as provided in~~  
5       ~~15 V.S.A. § 449~~ 15A V.S.A. § 3-801, or a record of adoption prepared and filed  
6       ~~in accordance with the laws of another state or foreign country, he or she shall~~  
7       ~~proceed as prescribed in 15A V.S.A. § 3-802.~~

8       ~~(b) The new birth certificate shall be on a form prescribed by the~~  
9       ~~Commissioner of Health. The new birth certificate shall include:~~

10       ~~(1) the actual place and date of birth;~~

11       ~~(2) the adoptive parents as though they were natural parents;~~

12       ~~(3) If prior to July 1, 2019 a new birth certificate was issued following~~  
13       ~~an adoption that contains a notation that it was issued by authority of this~~  
14       ~~chapter, contains the filing dates of the original and the new birth certificate,~~  
15       ~~or otherwise contains information that facially distinguishes it from an~~  
16       ~~original, the adoptive parent or the adoptee if 14 years of age or older may~~  
17       ~~apply to the State Registrar to issue a replacement birth certificate that does~~  
18       ~~not contain distinguishing information. The State Registrar shall issue the~~  
19       ~~replacement and notify any town clerk with custody of the version that contains~~  
20       ~~distinguishing information, who shall substitute the latter with the replacement~~  
21       ~~birth certificate. The town clerk shall send the version that contains~~  
22       ~~distinguishing information to the State Registrar, who shall keep it~~

1 ~~confidential.~~

2 ~~(c) The new birth certificate shall not contain a statement whether the~~  
3 ~~adopted person was illegitimate. [Repealed.]~~

4 ~~(d) The new certificate, and sufficient information to identify the original~~  
5 ~~certificate, shall be transmitted to the clerk of the town of birth to be filed~~  
6 ~~according to the procedures in 15 V.S.A. § 451. [Repealed.]~~

7 ~~(e) The Supervisor of Vital Records Registration shall not establish a new~~  
8 ~~birth certificate if the supervisor receives, accompanying the record of~~  
9 ~~adoption, a written request that a new certificate not be established:~~

10 ~~(1) from the adopted person if 18 years or older; or~~

11 ~~(2) from the adoptive parent or parents if the adopted person is under 18~~  
12 ~~years of age. [Repealed.]~~

13 ~~(f) When the Supervisor of Vital Records Registration receives a record of~~  
14 ~~adoption for a person born in another state, the Supervisor shall forward a~~  
15 ~~certified copy of the record of adoption to the state registrar in the state of~~  
16 ~~birth, with a request that a new birth certificate be established under the laws~~  
17 ~~of that state. [Repealed.]~~

18 ~~Sec. 1.9 18 V.S.A. § 5202a is amended to read:~~

19 ~~§ 5202a. CORRECTION, COMPLETION, OR AMENDMENT OF DEATH~~  
20 ~~CERTIFICATE~~

21 ~~(a) Corrections, completions. Within six months after the date of death, the~~  
22 ~~town clerk State Registrar may correct or complete a death certificate upon~~

1 ~~application by the certifying physician licensed health care professional,~~  
2 ~~medical examiner, hospital, nursing home, or funeral director, if the~~  
3 ~~application and relevant evidence, if any, show that the correction or~~  
4 ~~completion is warranted. The town clerk may correct or complete the~~  
5 ~~certificate accordingly and shall certify thereon that such correction or~~  
6 ~~completion was made pursuant to this section, with the date thereof. In his or~~  
7 ~~her discretion, the town clerk may refuse an application for correction or~~  
8 ~~completion, in which case, the applicant may petition the Probate Division of~~  
9 ~~the Superior Court for such correction or completion.~~

10 ~~(b)(1) Amendments. After six months from the date of death, any alteration~~  
11 ~~of a death certificate may only be corrected or amended pursuant to decree of~~  
12 ~~the Probate Division of the Superior Court in which district the original~~  
13 ~~certificate is filed shall be deemed an amendment. Upon application by a~~  
14 ~~person specified in subsection (a) of this section, the State Registrar may~~  
15 ~~amend the death certificate if the application and relevant evidence, if any,~~  
16 ~~show that the amendment is warranted.~~

17 ~~(2) The Probate Division of the Superior Court to which such~~  
18 ~~application is made shall set a time for hearing thereon and, if such court~~  
19 ~~deems necessary, cause notice of the time and place thereof to be given by~~  
20 ~~posting the same in the Probate Division of the Superior Court office and, after~~  
21 ~~hearing, shall make such findings, with respect to the correction of such death~~  
22 ~~certificate as are supported by the evidence. The court shall thereupon issue a~~

1 ~~decree setting forth the facts as found and transmit a certified copy of such~~  
2 ~~decree to the Supervisor of Vital Records Registration. The Supervisor of Vital~~  
3 ~~Records Registration~~

4 (c) Appeal. If the State Registrar denies an application for a correction,  
5 completion, or amendment under this section, the applicant may petition the  
6 Probate Division of the Superior Court, which shall review the application and  
7 relevant evidence de novo to determine if the requested action is warranted.  
8 The court shall transmit a decree ordering a correction, completion, or  
9 amendment to the State Registrar, who shall take action in accordance with the  
10 decree.

11 (d) Documentation of changes. The State Registrar shall make corrections,  
12 completions, and amendments in the Statewide Registration System. A  
13 corrected or completed certificate issued from the System shall be free of any  
14 evidence of the alteration and shall not be marked "Amended." Any amended  
15 death certificate issued from the System shall indicate the word "Amended"  
16 and the date of amendment. The State Registrar shall enter into and maintain  
17 in the System the identity of the person requesting the correction, completion,  
18 or amendment, the nature and content of the change, the identity of the person  
19 making the change in the System, and the date the change was made.

20 (e) Original certificates. If the State Registrar corrects, completes, or  
21 amends a certificate that was registered prior to July 1, 2019, he or she shall  
22 transmit the same to the appropriate town clerk to amend ~~notify the town clerk~~

1 ~~or clerks with custody of the original or issue a new certificate, who shall~~  
2 ~~replace and dispose of the original and update indexes, as directed by the State~~  
3 ~~Registrar. The words "Court Amended" shall be typed, written, or stamped at~~  
4 ~~the top of the new or amended certificates with the date of the decree and the~~  
5 ~~name of the issuing court.~~

6 ~~(e)(f) Provided, however, that only the medical examiner or the certifying~~  
7 ~~physician may apply to Cause of death. The State Registrar shall only correct~~  
8 ~~or, complete the certificate as to, or amend the medical certification of the~~  
9 ~~cause of death upon application by the medical examiner or certifying licensed~~  
10 ~~health care professional.~~

11 *Sec. 1.10 15A V.S.A. § 3-802 is amended to read:*

12 *§ 3-802. ISSUANCE OF NEW, AMENDED BIRTH CERTIFICATE*

13 *(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (d) of this section, upon*  
14 *receipt of a report of adoption prepared pursuant to section*  
15 *~~3-801~~ subsection 3-801(a) of this title, a report of adoption prepared in*  
16 *accordance with the law of another state or country, a certified copy of a*  
17 *decree of adoption together with information necessary to identify the*  
18 *adoptee's original birth certificate and to issue a new certificate, or a report of*  
19 *an amended adoption prepared pursuant to subsection 3-801(b) of this title,*  
20 *the supervisor of vital records State Registrar shall either:*

21 *(1) ~~issue a new birth certificate for an adoptee born in this state~~ State,*  
22 *update the Statewide Registration System in accordance with the decree, and*

1 ~~furnish a certified copy of ~~the~~ a new birth certificate to the adoptive parent and~~  
2 ~~to an adoptee who ~~has attained~~ is 14 years of age or older;~~

3 ~~(2) forward a certified copy of a report of adoption for an adoptee born~~  
4 ~~in another state, forward a certified copy of the report of adoption to the~~  
5 ~~supervisor of vital records appropriate office of the state of birth;~~

6 ~~(3) issue a certificate of foreign birth for an adoptee adopted in this~~  
7 ~~state ~~and~~ State who was born outside the United States and was not a citizen of~~  
8 ~~the United States at the time of birth, create and register in the Statewide~~  
9 ~~Registration System a “certificate of live birth for a foreign born child” upon~~  
10 ~~request and in the form specified in 18 V.S.A. § 5078a, and furnish a certified~~  
11 ~~copy of the certificate to the adoptive parent and to an adoptee who ~~has~~~~  
12 ~~attained is 14 years of age or older;~~

13 ~~(4) notify an adoptive parent of the procedure for obtaining a revised~~  
14 ~~birth certificate through the U.S. Department of State for an adoptee born~~  
15 ~~outside the United States who was a citizen of the United States at the time of~~  
16 ~~birth, notify the adoptive parent of the procedure for obtaining a revised birth~~  
17 ~~certificate through the U.S. Department of State; or~~

18 ~~(5) in the case of an amended decree of adoption, issue an amended~~  
19 ~~birth certificate according to either update the Statewide Registration System~~  
20 ~~in accordance with the decree and follow the procedure in subdivision (a)(1)~~  
21 ~~or (3) of this section, or follow the procedure in subdivision (2) or (4) of this~~  
22 ~~section.~~

1       ***(b) Unless otherwise specified by the court, a new birth certificate or***  
2       ***certificate of live birth for a foreign born child issued pursuant to subdivision***  
3       ***(a)(1) or (3) or an amended certificate issued pursuant to subdivision (a)(5) of***  
4       ***this section shall:***

5               ***(1) be signed by the ~~supervisor of vital records~~ State Registrar;***

6               ***(2) include the date, time, and place of birth of the adoptee;***

7               ***(3) substitute the name of the adoptive parent for the name of the person***  
8       ***listed as the adoptee's parent on the original birth certificate;***

9               ***~~(4) include the filing date of the original birth certificate and the filing~~***  
10       ***date of the new birth certificate; [Repealed.]***

11               ***(5) contain any other information prescribed by the ~~supervisor of vital~~***  
12       ***~~records~~ State Registrar.***

13       ***(c) ~~The supervisor of vital records, and any other custodian of such~~***  
14       ***~~records, In the case of birth certificates registered prior to July 1, 2019 that~~***  
15       ***are to be replaced or amended pursuant to subdivision (a)(1) or (5) of this***  
16       ***section, the State Registrar shall notify the town clerk or clerks with custody of***  
17       ***the certificate, who shall substitute the new or amended birth certificate for the***  
18       ***original birth certificate. The original certificate and all copies of the***  
19       ***certificate in the files shall be sealed and shall not be subject to inspection or***  
20       ***copying until 99 years after the adoptee's date of birth, except as provided by***  
21       ***this title.***

22       ***(d) If the court, the adoptive parent, or an adoptee who ~~has attained~~ is***

1 *14 years of age or older requests that a new or amended birth certificate not*  
2 *be issued, the supervisor of vital records may State Registrar shall not issue a*  
3 *new or amended certificate for an adoptee pursuant to subsection (a) of this*  
4 *section, ~~but~~. Nonetheless, for an adoptee born in another state, the State*  
5 *Registrar shall forward a certified copy of the report of adoption or of an*  
6 *amended decree of adoption for an adoptee who was born in another state to*  
7 *the appropriate office in the adoptee's state of birth.*

8 *(e) Upon receipt of a report that an adoption has been ~~vacated~~ set aside,*  
9 *the supervisor of vital records State Registrar shall:*

10 *(1) restore the original birth certificate for a person born in this state to*  
11 *its place in the files, State for whom a new birth certificate was issued, update*  
12 *the Statewide Registration System to reflect the original birth certificate data*  
13 *and, in the case of an original birth certificate registered prior to July 1, 2019,*  
14 *notify the town clerk or clerks with custody of the certificate, who shall seal*  
15 *any new or amended birth certificate issued pursuant to subsection (a) of this*  
16 *section, restore the original, update indexes as directed by the State Registrar,*  
17 *and not allow inspection or copying of a the sealed certificate except upon*  
18 *court order or as otherwise provided in this title;*

19 *(2) forward the report with respect to for a person born in another state,*  
20 *forward the report to the appropriate office in the state of birth; ~~or~~*

21 *(3) for an adoptee born outside the United States who was not a citizen*  
22 *of the United States at the time of birth for whom a certificate of live birth for*

1 a foreign born child was issued, update the Statewide Registration System to  
2 reflect that the adoption was set aside; or

3 (4) notify the person who is granted legal custody of a former adoptee  
4 after an adoption is vacated of the procedure for obtaining an original birth  
5 certificate through the U.S. Department of State for a former adoptee born  
6 outside the United States who was a citizen of the United States at the time of  
7 birth, notify the person who is granted legal custody of a former adoptee after  
8 an adoption is set aside of the procedure for obtaining an original birth  
9 certificate through the U.S. Department of State.

10 (f) Upon request by a person who was listed as a parent on an adoptee's  
11 original birth certificate and who furnishes appropriate proof of the person's  
12 identity, the supervisor of vital records State Registrar shall give the person a  
13 noncertified copy of the original birth certificate.

14 \* \* \* EFFECTIVE DATES Secs. I.1-I.11 \* \* \*

15 Sec. I.11 EFFECTIVE DATES

16 (a) This section and Secs. I.1 (Act 46 effective dates) and I.2 (repeal of Act  
17 46 sections) shall take effect on passage.

18 (b) Sec. I.3 (18 V.S.A. § 5000(c)(2)) shall take effect on July 1, 2019 and  
19 shall supersede amendments to 18 V.S.A. § 5000(c)(2) made by 2017 Acts and  
20 Resolves No. 46, Sec. 3.

21 (c) Secs. I.4-I.10 shall take effect on July 1, 2019.