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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT of NATURAL and CULTURAL
RESOURCES NH STATE LIBRARY

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The Honorable Karen Umberger, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court and

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (DNCR), State Library to budget and expend prior year carry forward funds in the amount of \$114,423, for the purpose as authorized in RSA 201-A:10 to purchase books or other supplies or facilities for the state library, upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2023. 100% Other Funds.

Funds are to be budgeted in Fiscal year 2023 as follows:

03-035-035-350010-22650000, Donations - Gifts

Class-Account	Description	FY23 Adjusted Authorized	Requested Change	Revised FY23 Adjusted Authorized
003-402770-20	Revolving Fund	0	\$114,423	\$114,423
	Total Revenue	0	\$114,423	\$114,423
020-500200	Current Expenses	0	\$3,423	\$3,423
030-500300	Equipment	0	\$15,000	\$15,000
057-500534	Books Periodicals Subscriptions	0	\$86,000	\$86,000
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	0	0	0
103-502507	Contracts for Ops Services	0	\$10,000	\$10,000
	Total Expenses	0	\$114,423	\$114,423

EXPLANATION

DNCR is requesting \$114,423 in prior year carry forward fund revenue from the State Library Donations account to be appropriated for FY 2023. The monies are from outside individuals/organizations in support of collections, facilities, supplies, and programs that support the needs of NH library personnel and the NH state library staff. For example, the NH Summer Learning Grants Program is dedicated to supporting programming needs for New Hampshire public libraries during the summer reading months when school is not in session in order to prevent a decline in literacy levels for K-12 students. This funding, from

outside non-profit agency grants, is for New Hampshire public libraries who apply for this money using specified criteria and are awarded funds based on the merit of their application, as reviewed by State Library staff.

The following appropriation authorities are being requested for Fiscal Year 2023:

Class 20 – Current Expenses: For supplies, etc. related to the preservation of NHSL collections and housing/maintenance of Talking Book collections

Class 030 – Equipment - New/Replacement: For replacement of equipment used by public while on site at NHSL or Talking Books. Includes scanning, printing, and public access computers/laptops.

Class 57 – Books, Periodicals, Subscriptions: for purchase of replacement or new materials for the NHSL and Talking Books collections

Class 103 – Contracts for Ops Services: Outside non-federal grants obtained by NHSL library development staff to implement programming for NH public libraries. An example is the annual Summer Learning Grants, which facilitates the ability of small libraries throughout the state to provide summer reading program performers for their community.

Respectfully submitted,

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Commissioner