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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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William Cass, P.E. Commissioner

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Division of Policy and Administration October 5, 2023

The Honorable Ken Weyler, 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 9:16-a, authorize the Department of Transportation to transfer \$1,500,768 between various accounting units and classes effective upon Fiscal Committee and the date of Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2025. 100% Federal Funds.

Table with 7 columns: Account Number, Current Budget FY2024, Requested Change FY2024, Revised Budget FY2024, Current Budget FY2025, Requested Change FY2025, Revised Budget FY2025. Rows include Employee Training Expenses and Source of Funds.

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020 500200 Current Expense	46,011	0	46,011	46,000	0	46,000
023 500291 Heat Electricity Water	5,000	0	5,000	5,000	0	5,000
024 500225 Maint Other than Build-Grn	214,370	0	214,370	5,000	0	5,000
030 500311 Equipment New Replacement	1,008,633	0	1,008,633	55,000	0	55,000
037 500173 Technology-Hardware	31,665	0	31,665	6,000	0	6,000
038 500177 Technology-Software	8,043,998	0	8,043,998	3,376,861	0	3,376,861
046 500464 Consultants	72,705,943	0	72,705,943	17,205,558	0	17,205,558
060 500601 Benefits	21,381	0	21,381	3,257	0	3,257
065 500541 Board Expenses	40,000	0	40,000	40,000	0	40,000
066 500543 Employee Training	40,000	0	40,000	40,000	0	40,000
070 500704 In-State Travel Reimbursement	15,000	0	15,000	15,000	0	15,000
080 500710 Out of State Travel Reimbursement	15,000	0	15,000	15,000	0	15,000
400 500869 Construction Repair Materials	395,907,194	(750,384)	395,156,810	164,327,929	(750,384)	163,577,545
401 500877 Land Interest	50,278,385	0	50,278,385	14,073,725	0	14,073,725
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$528,387,580</b>	<b>(\$750,384)</b>	<b>\$527,637,196</b>	<b>\$199,229,330</b>	<b>(\$750,384)</b>	<b>\$198,478,946</b>
<b>Source of Funds</b>						
<b>Revenue:</b>						
000-409151 Federal Funds	\$493,121,887	(750,384)	\$492,371,503	\$191,729,330	(750,384)	\$190,978,946
005-402851 Private Local Funds	7,000,000	0	7,000,000	7,000,000	0	7,000,000
009-401771 Agency Income	1,017,290	0	1,017,290	500,000	0	500,000
00D-488544 Transfers from Other Agencies	2,800,000	0	2,800,000	0	0	0
000-000015 Highway Funds	24,448,403	0	24,448,403	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$528,387,580</b>	<b>(\$750,384)</b>	<b>\$527,637,196</b>	<b>\$199,229,330</b>	<b>(\$750,384)</b>	<b>\$198,478,946</b>

### EXPLANATION

The Department requests authorization to transfer federal funds for training programs. This is an allocation of current federal funds to the training program recently authorized by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The overall goal of the New Hampshire Department of Transportation's training program is to provide employee development and student outreach opportunities to attract and retain highly skilled workers in transportation fields. This is consistent with the national Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). As the country struggles with low unemployment rates, we see this as an opportunity to strengthen the skills of our employees and enhance our outreach to encourage individuals to develop careers in transportation. Our program exists within the context of the Workforce Development to ensure skill gaps are filled and new technologies are implemented to perform our mission. The plan is based on meeting our needs to implement the ten-year plan.

Specific explanations relating to the Department's spending request are as follows:

**Employee Training (3027) 100% Federal Funds**

- Class 020 Increase Current Expense by \$102,850 for training materials.  
Class 026 Increase Organizational Dues by \$68,000 for participation in professional groups and organizations.  
Class 057 Increase Books Periodicals Subscriptions by \$10,000 for training materials.  
Class 066 Increase Employee Training by \$1,058,918 for technical conferences, in-person and online courses.  
Class 081 Increase Out of State Travel Reimbursement – Federal by \$261,000 for training related travel expenditures.

**Consolidated Federal Aid (3054) 93.4% Federal Funds, 1.3% Private Local Funds, 0.2% Agency Income, 0.5% Transfers from Other Agencies and 4.63% Highway Funds**

- Class 400 Decrease Construction Repair Material by \$1,500,768. Additional funds are available due to the timing of construction projects. This transfer will not impact the construction of any projects identified in the Ten-Year Plan.

The following is provided in accordance with the Budget Officer's instructional memorandum dated April 17, 1985 to support the above requested actions:

1. Does transfer involve continuing programs or one-time projects?  
This transfer is for continuing programs (not one-time).
2. Is this transfer required to maintain existing program level or will it increase program level?  
This transfer is to increase existing program levels to provide relevant employee training that will assist the Department in providing necessary transportation services throughout the state. (increase in program level).
3. Cite any requirements, which make this program necessary.  
RSA 21-L:2, in part, establishes that the Department will be responsible for planning, developing, and maintaining a state transportation network. This transfer will facilitate the accomplishment of this responsibility.
4. Identify the source of funds on all accounts listed on this transfer.  
The source of funds are Federal Funds, Private Local Funds, Agency Income, Transfers from Other Agencies and Highway Funds.
5. Will there be any effect on revenue if this transfer is approved or disapproved?  
This transfer will have no effect on revenue.
6. Are funds expected to lapse if this transfer is not approved?  
No, Federal program funding is brought forward for use in future fiscal years as it is available for obligation from FHWA for four years from apportionment.
7. Are personal services involved?  
This transfer does not result in any new positions.

Your approval of this resolution is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William Cass". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "W".

William J. Cass, P.E.  
Commissioner