

GOVERNOR AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MINUTES
State House, Concord, NH
February 26, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

The Governor and Executive Council convened at 10:00 a.m. with all members present.

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Today's pre-meeting ceremonial items included:

- Councilor Stevens offered a prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance
- Commendation:
 - Wildolfo Avelo, Crossroads House
- Performance:
 - Gianna Cruz from the Concord Community Music School

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The Governor and Executive Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, voted to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2025 meeting.

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The Governor and Executive Council, on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, approved the appointment of several persons nominated for Civil Commissions from the February 5, 2025 meeting.

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The Governor placed into nomination the several persons who applied for Civil Commissions.

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The Governor and Council, on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, voted to set the date for a ***special election for State Representative in Strafford County, District 12 (Rollinsford, Somersworth Wards 1-5)***.

The filing period will begin on March 3, 2025 and end on March 7, 2025. The primary election will be May 6, 2025. The special election will be June 24, 2025. If there is no primary election, the special election shall be held on the day previously fixed as the day for the holding of the special primary election; May 6, 2025.

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RESIGNATIONS

The Governor and Council accepted the following resignations:

Department of Corrections, New Hampshire Correctional Facility Warden - RSA 21-H:6
Corey P. Riendeau, Berlin Effective: February 20, 2025

Lakes Management Advisory Committee - RSA 483-A:6
(Rep. Tourism Industry)
Jared Maraio, Meredith Effective: October 4, 2023

Board of Licensing for Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals - RSA 330-C:3
(Master Licensed Alcohol & Drug Counselor)
Alexandra H. Hamel, Weare Effective: February 14, 2025

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CONFIRMATION

The Governor and Council confirmed the following:

<u>Connecticut Lakes Headwaters Citizens Committee</u> - RSA 12-A:9-b Keith Robinson, Pittsburg Succeeding: Harry C. Brown, Stewartstown (resigned)	Effective: February 26, 2025 Term: August 14, 2026
<u>State Board of Education</u> - RSA 21-N:10 Councilor Liot Hill voted no (At-large) Ann Lane, Durham Succeeding: James F. Laboe, Hopkinton (resigned)	Effective: February 26, 2025 Term: January 31, 2028
<u>State Board of Education</u> - RSA 21-N:10 Councilor Liot Hill voted no (Dist. 2) James F. Laboe, Hopkinton Succeeding: Ann Lane, Durham	Effective: February 26, 2025 Term: January 31, 2029
<u>State Board of Education</u> - RSA 21-N:10 Councilor Liot Hill voted no (Dist. 4) Andrew Cline, Bedford Reappointment	Effective: February 26, 2025 Term: January 31, 2029
<u>Volunteer New Hampshire Board of Directors</u> - RSA 19-H Aarron R. Dupuis, Epping Reappointment	Effective: February 26, 2025 Term: January 24, 2028
<u>Volunteer New Hampshire Board of Directors</u> - RSA 19-H (Representing a Business Community) Terry Gupta, Merrimack Succeeding: Connor Jennings, Manchester (resigned)	Effective: February 26, 2025 Term: March 26, 2026
<u>Board of Trustees, New Hampshire Retirement System</u> - RSA 100-A:14 (Permanent Fireman Member Nom. By the NH State Permanent Firemen's Assoc.) Andrew Martineau, Bow Reappointment	Effective: February 26, 2025 Term: July 1, 2027
<u>Board of Registration of Funeral Directors and Embalmers</u> - RSA 325:2 Timothy Eldridge, Effingham Succeeding: Susan J. Hopkins, Salem	Effective: February 26, 2025 Term: June 13, 2029
<u>Personnel Appeals Board, Division of Personnel</u> - RSA 21-I:45, RSA 273- D (Attorney licensed in NH & experienced in the conduct of adjudicative hearings and decision writing) Donald Frechette, r, East Wakefield Succeeding: Jason R. L. Major, r, Epsom	Effective: February 26, 2025 Term: October 2, 2025
<u>Business Finance Authority</u> - RSA 162-A:4 Stephen M. Duprey, Concord Succeeding: Nancy Merrill, Lebanon	Effective: February 26, 2025 Term: November 3, 2026
<u>Business Finance Authority</u> - RSA 162-A:4 Cheryl Coletti-Lawson, Henniker Succeeding: Jason Syversen, Dunbarton	Effective: February 26, 2025 Term: November 3, 2027
<u>Board of Dental Examiners</u> - RSA 317 A:2 (Dentist) Salman Malik, Londonderry Succeeding, Jay A. Patel, Concord	Effective: February 26, 2025 Term: July 15, 2029
<u>Executive Branch Ethics Committee</u> - RSA 21- G:29 Richard Merkt, i, Westmoreland Vacancy	Effective: February 26, 2025 Term: June 30, 2026

Pharmacy Board - RSA 318:2
(Pharmacist)
William L. Irvin, Windham
Succeeding: David Rochefort, Littleton (resigned)

Effective: February 26, 2025
Term: September 6, 2026

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NOMINATIONS

The following nominations were submitted:

New Hampshire Veterans Home Board of Managers - RSA 119:2
(American Legion)
John Graham, Bedford
Succeeding: Robert G. Blais, Goffstown

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: March 1, 2029

Fish and Game Commission - RSA 206:2
(Rockingham County)
David A. Trahan, i, Deerfield
Succeeding: Meggan M. Hodgson, i, Stratham (resigned)

Effective: Upon confirmation
Term: June 29, 2028

Mechanical Licensing Board - RSA 153:27-a
(Fuel Gas Fitter representing the Propane Fuel Industry)
Thomas Clark, Derry
Succeeding: Paul Perry Jr., Derry

Effective: Upon confirmation
Term: October 16, 2026

Board of Trustees, New Hampshire Retirement System - RSA 100-A:14
(Non-Member Trustee)
Steven G. Saltzman, Concord
Succeeding: Timothy S. Lesko, Hopkinton (resigned)

Effective: Upon confirmation
Term: November 30, 2025

Board of Tax and Land Appeals - RSA 4:44
Michele E. LeBrun, Concord
Reappointment

Effective: May 5, 2025
Term: May 5, 2030

Pharmacy Board - RSA 318:2
(Pharmacist)
Kerri McKinley, Lisbon
Succeeding: Lindsey Laliberte, Hooksett (resigned)

Effective: Upon confirmation
Term: September 7, 2027

Fire Standards and Training Commission - RSA 21-P:26
(Professional Firefighters of NH International Assoc. of Firefighters)
Ronald Sebastian, Milton
Reappointment

Effective: Upon confirmation
Term: November 12, 2027

Board of Licensure of Interpreters for the Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard of Hearing - RSA 326-I:3
(Recommended by N.H. Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf)
Patricia M. Stuart, Chester
Reappointment

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: October 10, 2027

Lakes Management Advisory Committee - RSA 483-A:6
(Rep. Tourism Industry)
Peggy Ames, Gilford
Succeeding: Jared Maraio, Meredith (resigned)

Effective: Upon confirmation
Term: August 1, 2025

Lakes Management Advisory Committee - RSA 483-A:6
(Member Representing Marine Trades Assoc.)
Cody Gray, Moultonborough
Succeeding: Ryan Cardella, Gilford

Effective: Upon confirmation
Term: August 22, 2026

<p><u>Lakes Management Advisory Committee</u> - RSA 483-A:6 (Rep. of N.H. Lakes Association) Andrea LaMoreaux, Plymouth Reappointment</p>	<p>Effective: Upon confirmation Term: August 1, 2027</p>
<p><u>Lakes Management Advisory Committee</u> - RSA 483-A:6 (Member of Planning Board) Janet R. Kidder, New London Reappointment</p>	<p>Effective: Upon confirmation Term: August 1, 2026</p>
<p><u>Rivers Management Advisory Committee</u> - RSA 483:8 (Rep. NH Municipal Assoc.) Frederick J. McNeill, Manchester Reappointment</p>	<p>Effective: Upon confirmation Term: November 16, 2026</p>
<p><u>Rivers Management Advisory Committee</u> - RSA 483:8 (Rep. Fish and Game Commission) Christopher K. Hodgdon, Contoocook Reappointment</p>	<p>Effective: Upon confirmation Term: September 28, 2027</p>
<p><u>Enhanced 911 Commission</u> - RSA 106-H (N.H. Federation of Fire Mutual Aid) Keith Gilbert, Henniker Reappointment</p>	<p>Effective: Upon confirmation Term: July 22, 2027</p>
<p><u>Enhanced 911 Commission</u> - RSA 106-H (Comcast) Christopher K. Hodgdon, Contoocook Reappointment</p>	<p>Effective: Upon confirmation Term: April 17, 2025</p>
<p><u>Enhanced 911 Commission</u> - RSA 106-H (Nom. By Fairpoint) Scott A. Brooks, Quechee, VT Reappointment</p>	<p>Effective: Upon confirmation Term: July 8, 2026</p>
<p><u>Wetlands Council</u> - RSA 21-O:5-a (Nom. By Audubon/NH Soc. For Protection of Forests) Susan Romano, Northwood Succeeding: Wendy E. Weisiger, Pembroke</p>	<p>Effective: Upon confirmation Term: October 23, 2026</p>
<p><u>Wetlands Council</u> - RSA 21-O:5-a (Nom. By NH Association of Natural Resources Scientists) Cynthia Balcius, Alton Succeeding: Lee. E. Carbonneau, Loudon</p>	<p>Effective: Upon confirmation Term: September 3, 2027</p>
<p><u>Community College System of New Hampshire</u> - RSA 188-F (Business & Industry) Alan Beaulieu, Goffstown Succeeding: Hollie T. Noveletsky, Newfields (resigned)</p>	<p>Effective: Upon confirmation Term: June 30, 2025</p>
<p><u>Family Mediator Certification Board</u> - RSA 328-C:4 (Certified Family Mediator Nom. By the NH Conflict Resolution Assoc.) Rebecca C. Morley, Enfield Reappointment</p>	<p>Effective: Upon confirmation Term: January 27, 2028</p>
<p><u>Personnel Appeals Board, Division of Personnel</u> - RSA 21-I:45, RSA 273- D (Employed as Labor Relations/Personnel Professionals) Paula J. Hurley, i, Concord Vacancy</p>	<p>Effective: Upon confirmation Term: June 2, 2027</p>

Advisory Board on Private Investigative Agencies, Bail Recovery Agents, & Security Services - RSA 106-F:15
(General Public)
John P. Olmstead, Jr., Plymouth
Succeeding: David R. Place, Amherst
Effective: Upon confirmation
Term: January 22, 2027

Advisory Board on Private Investigative Agencies, Bail Recovery Agents, & Security Services - RSA 106-F:15
(NH Licensed Investigator)
Anthony W. Raymond, Holderness
Reappointment
Effective: Upon confirmation
Term: January 22, 2028

Advisory Board on Private Investigative Agencies, Bail Recovery Agents, & Security Services - RSA 106-F:15
(General Public)
Eric M. Roberts, Amherst
Reappointment
Effective: Upon confirmation
Term: October 21, 2026

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CONSENT CALENDAR AGENDA

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stephen acted as follows:

#1 **MOP 150, I, B (1): Expenditure Approvals**

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, MARKETS & FOODS

- A. Authorized to allow State Entomologist/State Plant Regulatory Official, Piera Siegert, State Survey Coordinator/Entomologist II, Chris Rallis, Entomologist II, Morgan Dube, and Entomologist I, Erika Clifford, to travel over 300 miles, one way, in a shared state vehicle to Dewey Beach, DE in the amount of \$4,015 to participate in concurrent meetings from March 31, 2025 through April 3, 2025, as detailed in the letter dated February 5, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval. **25% Federal Funds, 75% Other (Revolving Funds)**

#2 **MOP 150, I, B (2): Approval of Acceptances**

FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

- A. Authorized to accept a donation of equipment from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, worth an estimated fair market value of \$6,242.05. Effective upon G&C approval.

#3 **MOP 150, I, B (3): Reports and Findings**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

- A. Councilor Stephen requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Stephen authorized to accept and place on file the Report and Findings of Councilor Karen Liot Hill with regard to a certain project in participation with Colby-Sawyer College, New London, NH.

OFFICE OF THE RIGHT TO KNOW OMBUDSMAN

- B. Councilor Stephen requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Stephen authorized to accept and place on file the annual report for the period of January 27, 2023 to December 31, 2024.

#4 **MOP 150, I, B (4): Nominations, Confirmations and Appointments**

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

- A. **TABLED** - Councilor Liot Hill requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney, with Councilors Liot Hill and Stevens voting **no**, tabled the confirmation of Jennifer R. Perez, Center Barnstead, NH, for appointment to the rank of Major, in the NH Army National Guard.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

- B. **TABLED** - Councilor Liot requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney, with Councilors Liot Hill and Stevens voting **no**, tabled the confirmation of Jill M. Sabatine, Providence, RI, for appointment to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, in the NH Army National Guard.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

- C. **TABLED** - Councilor Liot requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney, with Councilors Liot Hill and Stevens voting **no**, tabled the confirmation of MAJ Khalil F. Shahin, Bedford, NH, for appointment to the rank of Major, in the NH Army National Guard.

#5 **MOP 150, I, B (5): Other Items**

- A. NOT USED

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Division for Behavioral Health**

- B. Authorized to enter into an amendment to an existing contract with Growth Partners, LLC, Lincoln, NE (originally approved by G&C on 6/12/24, Item #21), to modify the scope of services with no change to the price limitation of \$599,992 and no change to the contract completion date of June 30, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval.

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Division for Long Term Supports and Services**

- C. Authorized to amend an existing contract with Granite Pathways, Manchester, NH (originally 9/20/23, Item #20), which was a result of a competitive procurement, to continue to support individuals with Acquired Brain Disorder and/or Traumatic Brain Injuries with integrated social supports, by exercising a contract renewal option by extending the completion date from March 31, 2025 to December 31, 2025, with no change to the price limitation of \$721,797. Effective April 1, 2025, upon G&C approval.
100% Federal Funds

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Office of the Commissioner**

- D. Authorized to amend an existing agreement with CoreSphere, LLC, Bethesda, MD (originally approved by G&C on 5/1/24, Item #7), Utilizing Statewide contract under the Department of Administrative Services Statewide Master Agreements for Salesforce Professional Services by extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to December 31, 2025, to continue providing Salesforce development staff in the form of augmentation resources, with no change to the price limitation of \$1,427,840. Effective upon G&C approval.

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

- E. Authorized to exercise a contract renewal option, with Gilda Pronych, DDS, FAGD, Portsmouth, NH (originally approved by G&C on 8/7/24, Item #16A), for Dental Investigative Services, by extending the completion date from February 28, 2025 to February 28, 2026, with no change to the price limitation. **100% Agency Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

- F. Authorized the Division of Emergency Services and Communications (DESC) to enter into a No Cost Memorandum of Understanding with the United States Department of Homeland Security, Transportation Security Administration, Federal Air Marshal Service (TSA-FAMS Boston), in order to establish the sharing of radio frequencies between TSA-FAMS Boston and the DOS DESC Radio Communications Unit which supports the New Hampshire State Police radio system. Effective upon G&C approval.

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REGULAR AGENDA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Office of the Commissioner

#6 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stephen authorized to transfer general funds in the amount of \$24,444,388 between various class lines, increase and decrease Federal revenues resulting in a net decrease of \$2,713,146, increase and decrease Other revenues resulting in a net increase of \$334,622, and create new expenditure class codes, as detailed in the letter dated February 3, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on February 21, 2025.**

Division for Children, Youth & Families

#7 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stephen, seconded by Councilor Kenney authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with BizStream, Inc., Allendale, MI (originally approved by G&C on 6/15/16, Item #9D), for continued utilization of the Courtstream web-based residential management system for the John H. Sununu Youth Services Center, by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$72,000 from \$278,914 to \$350,914 and extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2027. Effective July 1, 2025, upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

Division for Behavioral Health

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#8 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive** Memorandum of Understanding with New Hampshire Department of Corrections, Concord, NH, in the amount of \$585,000 to provide opioid and/or stimulant use disorder case management re-entry services. Effective **retroactive** to September 30, 2024, upon G&C approval through September 29, 2025, with the option to renew for up to five additional years. **100% Federal Funds**

#9 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive, sole source** contract with Catholic Medical Center, Manchester, NH, to operate a single point of entry Doorway for individuals seeking access to substance use-related services and supports, with a price limitation of \$3,414,514, of which \$2,113,000 is a shared amount for unmet and flexible needs funding among all nine Doorway Contactors. Effective **retroactive** to September 30, 2024, upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **85.89% Federal Funds, 14.11% Other Funds (Governor's Commission)**

#9A Authorized to enter into **retroactive, sole source** amendments to existing agreements with the Grantees as detailed in the letter dated January 23, 2025 (originally approved by G&C on 10/30/24, Item #10), for State Grant-In-Aid emergency shelter services by modifying the agreement effective date to align with SB406, with no change to the price limitation of \$2,496,143.02 and no change to the contract completion date of June 30, 2025. Effective **retroactive** to July 1, 2024, upon G&C approval.

New Hampshire Hospital

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Stephen acted as follows:

#10 Authorized to amend a Fiscal Committee Item (originally approved by G&C on 9/20/23, Item #15), accepting Intra-Agency transfer from the Disproportionate Share Hospital Program to improve the clinical technology infrastructure throughout the facility, by transferring \$75,043 among various class lines for better utilization of funds. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Intra-Agency Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on February 21, 2025.**

#11 Authorized to amend an existing contract with Inovalon Provider, Inc., Bowie, MD (originally approved by G&C on 5/4/22, Item #10), to continue to provide electronic claims management services for New Hampshire Hospital, by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$199,000 from \$251,000 to \$450,000 and extending the completion date from February 28, 2025 to February 28, 2027. Effective March 1, 2025, upon G&C approval. **100% Other Funds (Inter-Agency Funds)**

#12 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive** amendment to an existing contract with Mary Hitchcock Hospital, Lebanon, NH (originally approved by G&C on 3/23/22, Item #31), to add \$2,326,168 in funding for practitioner staffing at New Hampshire Hospital and to remove \$6,722,717 in funding due to the removal of Hampstead Hospital & Regional Treatment Facility services, resulting in an overall decrease to the price limitation of \$4,396,549 from \$71,111,426 to \$66,714,877, with no change to the contract completion date of June 30, 2026. Effective **retroactive** to February 3, 2025, upon G&C approval. **30% General Funds, 70% Other Funds (Provider Fees)**

Division of Medicaid Services

#13 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill authorized to enter into a **retroactive** amendment to an existing contract with Delta Dental Plan of New Hampshire, Inc., Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 11/2/22, Item #9A), to continue providing dental services to eligible and enrolled Medicaid members age 21 and older through New Hampshire's Medicaid Care Management Program, by increasing the price limitation by \$1,086,162 from \$49,445,550 to \$50,531,712 with no change to the contract completion date of March 31, 2026. Effective **retroactive** to July 1, 2024, upon G&C approval. **72% Federal Funds, 28% Other Funds (Centene Settlement Funds)**

Glenclyff Home

#14 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stephen authorized to amend an existing contract with KPH Healthcare Services, Inc., Gouverneur, NY (originally approved by G&C on 6/14/23, Item #42A), to install one medication dispensing machine at Glenclyff Home and continue providing pharmaceutical services to Glenclyff Home by exercising a renewal option, by increasing the price limitation by \$147,000 from \$147,000 to \$294,000 and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2027. Effective upon G&C approval. **47% General Funds, 53% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

Division of Economic Stability

#15 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Stephen, and with Councilors Stephen and Wheeler voting **no**, authorized to amend an existing contract with TDB Communications, Inc., Washington, D.C. (originally approved by G&C on 12/20/23, Item #24), to continue determination and review of individual eligibility for disability benefits, by exercising a contract renewal option, by extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2027, and increasing the price limitation by \$2,429,939 from \$777,453 to \$3,207,392. Effective upon G&C approval. **50% Federal Funds, 50% General Funds**

Division of Long Term Supports and Services

#16 **FAILED** - The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Stephen voted to adopt this item for the purpose of discussion. Following discussion, with Councilors Kenney, Stephen and Wheeler voting **no**, the Governor and Council **failed** to authorize to amend an existing contract, which was originally competitively bid, with Keystone Peer Review Organization, LLC, Harrisburg, PA (originally approved by G&C on 6/30/21, Item #39), for continued administration of a Pre-Admission Screening Resident Review and Nursing Facility Level of Care Services, by exercising an available contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$2,556,768 from \$4,929,540 to \$7,486,308 and extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2027. Effective July 1, 2025, upon G&C approval. **75% Federal Funds, 25% General Funds**

Division of Public Health Services

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stevens acted as follows:

#17 **WITHDRAWN** - The Governor withdrew the request to enter into a contract with Health Management Associates, Inc., Lansing, MI, in the amount of \$472,986 to develop and conduct training activities for New Hampshire Critical Access Hospitals. Effective upon G&C approval through August 31, 2027, with the option to renew for up to two additional years. **100% Federal Funds**

#18 Authorized to enter into a contract with JSI Research & Training Institute, Inc. d/b/a Community Health Institute, Bow, NH, in the amount of \$505,500 to provide professional support services to enhance public health emergency response capacity at the regional and state level. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027, with the option to renew for up to four additional years. **71% Federal Funds, 29% General Funds**

Office of Health Equity

#19 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Kenney authorized to enter into **sole source** contracts with the contractors as detailed in the letter dated January 23, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$319,680 to provide foundational and enhanced case management services to Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR)-eligible families. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2025, with the option to renew for up to one additional year. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill acted as follows:

#20 Authorized the Bureau of Turnpikes to transfer \$300,000 between various accounts and classes in Turnpike's Central Maintenance and Turnpike's Toll Collection in order to pay for services incurred in meeting the State's transportation demands. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Turnpike Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on February 21, 2025.**

#21 Authorized the Division of Finance to establish various non-budgeted classes in various accounting units and to transfer \$1,015,051 between various accounts and classes to continue to meet the State's transportation demands. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **3% Federal Funds, 97% Highway Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on February 21, 2025.**

#22 Authorized the Division of Project Development to accept and expend revenue in the amount of \$3,200,000 from an Advanced Digital Construction Management Systems Grant from the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, for research, development, and implementation of digital delivery systems for highway construction projects in New Hampshire. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on February 21, 2025.**

#23 NOT USED

#24 Authorized the Bureau of Human Resources to **retroactively** pay employees, an amount not to exceed \$31,347.17 for compensation owed to them due to SOC classification issues from November 3, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval. **91.6% Highway Funds, 8.4% Turnpike Funds**

#25 Authorized the Bureau of Right-of-Way to sell 4.7+/- acres of State-owned land, located on the southerly side of NH Route 302 (Eastman Road) in the Town of Conway, NH. The sale will be directed to an abutter, Bayard Kennett or designee Continuum at North Conway LLC for \$940,000, and an additional \$1,100 administrative fee. Effective upon G&C approval.

#26 Authorized the Bureau of Rail and Transit to grant an easement to the City of Laconia, NH for road and drainage access on approximately 52,500 square feet (1.20 acres) of railroad property located on the state-owned Concord-Lincoln Railroad Corridor, in the City of Laconia. The Department proposes to convey the easement to the City of Laconia for no-cost with a one-time administrative fee of \$1,100. Effective upon G&C approval.

#27 Authorized the Bureau of Highway Design to enter into an Agreement with Kleinfelder Northeast, Inc., Manchester, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$500,000, for contaminated and hazardous materials services for various transportation projects located throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2029.

#28 Authorized the Bureau of Planning & Community Assistance to accept and place on file the NHDOT 2024 Local Public Agency Annual Report.

#29 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to accept and place on file the summary report of active projects that may require contingency use.

#30 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with Brox Industries, Inc., Dracut, MA, on the basis of a sole bid of \$4,178,553.98 for pavement resurfacing of a 4.9 mile section of NH 125 running from Barrington to Rochester, NH. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$208,927.70 for payment of latent conditions, which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through September 26, 2025, unless amended by the Department in accordance with the Standard Specification. **100% Federal Funds**

#31 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with Pike Industries, Inc., Belmont, NH, on the basis of a sole bid of \$7,106,569.11 for pavement resurfacing on I-93 northbound and southbound in Hooksett, NH and at Exits 3,5,7 on the F.E. Everett Turnpike in Nashua, NH. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$355,328.46 for payment of latent conditions, which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through September 26, 2025, unless amended by the Department in accordance with the Standard Specification. **100% Turnpike Funds**

#32 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with R.M. Piper, Inc., Plymouth, NH, on the basis of a low bid of \$5,931,551.20 for bridge replacement of culvert carrying NH 125 over Little River in Lee, NH. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$474,524.10 for payment of latent conditions, which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through November 12, 2027, unless amended by the Department in accordance with the Standard Specification. **100% Federal Funds**

#33 Authorized the Bureau of Turnpikes to transfer funds in the amount of \$200,995 from the Turnpike General Reserve Account to budget and expend revenue for Toll System equipment at the Turnpike System's Hooksett Toll Plaza. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Turnpike Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#34 Authorized to accept and expend \$200,000 in State Fiscal Year 2025 from the State Homeland Security Grant Program funds available from the Department of Safety for the funding of a cybersecurity training and exercise project for the execution of cybersecurity incident response plans. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Transfer of Federal Funds from Other Agency. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on February 21, 2025.**

#35 NOT USED

#36 Authorized, on behalf of the Department of Safety, to enter into a contract with eCourtDate, Inc., Miami, FL, in the amount not to exceed \$177,000, for the purpose of implementing a replacement Listserv solution. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2029, with the option to renew for an additional two-year period. **100% Other Funds (Agency Class 027), the Agency Class 027 used by DOS to reimburse DoIT is 100% Agency Income (Cost of Collections)**

STATE TREASURY

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill acted as follows:

#37 Authorized to proceed with the sale and issuance of up to \$75 million of general obligation ("new money") bonds through a competitive process, negotiated sale, or private placement. This resolution will have an expiration date of June 30, 2025. (2) Further authorized to conduct the sale and issuance of up to \$80 million of general obligation refunding bonds through a competitive process, negotiated sale, or private placement to refund outstanding general obligation bonds of the State to generate net present value debt service savings. This resolution will have an expiration date of December 31, 2025.

#38 **TABLED** – The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney, with Councilor Liot Hill voting **no**, voted to **table** the request. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill voted to reconsider the first motion. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney voted to **table** the request to borrow up to \$200 million in general funds and up to \$15 million in highway funds on a short-term basis. The resolution allows the State Treasurer to determine the most advantageous form of borrowing and to enter into such agreements as may be necessary to effect such, borrowings, provided that the final maturity date does not exceed June 30, 2030 for general funds and a period of not more than one year for highway funds.

#39 Authorized to accept and place on file the quarterly report of the New Hampshire State Treasury for the period ended December 31, 2024.

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

#40 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stephen, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill authorized to **retroactively** exercise two contract renewal options, with the Contractors as detailed in the letter dated January 10, 2025 (originally approved by G&C on 5/1/24, Item #53) for the provision of Dental Anesthesia Inspection Services, by extending the completion date from December 31, 2024 to December 31, 2025, with no change to the shared price limitation.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

#41 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stephen, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill authorized to transfer appropriation between expenditure classes in the amount of \$110,089 for the purpose of hazardous waste destruction services for contraband tobacco products. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. (2) Further authorized the funds to be allocated as detailed in the letter dated February 3, 2025. **100% General Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on February 21, 2025.**

NEW HAMPSHIRE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

#42 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Stephen authorized to enter into a **sole source** lease agreement with the NTC Concord Holdings, LLC, Concord, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$216,000 for renewed lease of current office space comprised of 2,120 square feet to be located on the ground floor of 2 ½ Beacon Street, Suite 10, Concord, NH. Effective upon G&C approval for the period March 1, 2025 through February 28, 2030. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

#43 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stevens authorized to transfer appropriated funds in the amount of \$104,000 within the Army Guard Maintenance and Air Guard Maintenance to compensate for anticipated shortfalls in multiple Classes. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **75% Federal Funds, 25% General Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on February 21, 2025.**

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, MARKETS & FOOD

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stephen acted as follows:

#44 Authorized the Division of Agricultural Development to accept and expend a grant award from United States Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service, in the amount of \$49,824 for Agricultural Marketing Service, Specialty Crop Block Grant Programs. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#45 Authorized the Division of Pesticide to hold an organized meeting March 11, 2025 through March 13, 2025 at the Double Tree by Hilton, Manchester, NH for a total conference cost not to exceed \$29,287.50 for the purpose of sponsoring a conference entitled "2025 New England PIRT." Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2025. (2) Further authorized to enter into a contract with Double Tree by Hilton, in the amount of \$29,287.50 for the rental of space and catering for the "2025 New England PIRT" conference. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2025. (3) Further authorized an advance payment of \$1,000 to the Double Tree by Hilton Manchester Downtown Hotel to secure the date and facility. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

NEW HAMPSHIRE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

#46 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Kenney authorized, in conjunction with the Department of Information Technology, to enter into a cooperative project agreement with TRN Digital, LLC, Boston, MA, Utilizing Statewide contract under the Department of Administrative Services Statewide Master Agreement for Microsoft/Office 365/Azure Cloud Solutions in an amount not to exceed \$193,250, to provide a solution supported by Microsoft Power Automate that will aid in automating the business process of compiling appeals records within the Department. Effective upon G&C approval or March 1, 2025, whichever is later, for a period of six months. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#47 Authorized to transfer \$10,655,700 among accounts as detailed in the letter dated January 31, 2025 to reallocate appropriations and cover overtime shortfalls. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% General Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on February 21, 2025.**

#48 Authorized to **retroactively** amend a **sole source** agreement with Abilis Solutions Corp., Portland, ME (originally approved by G&C on 2/8/23, Item #70), by extending the completion date from January 15, 2025 to June 30, 2025, which is needed for additional time to complete the customization, system conversions and training of the Department's business units in the day-to-day operation of CORIS 8. Effective upon G&C approval. This is a no cost time extension. **100% Federal Funds**

#48A Authorized to amend the existing contracts as detailed in the letter dated January 3, 2025 (originally approved by G&C on 6/29/24, Item #89) for the provision of Medical and Behavioral Health Temporary Staffing by increasing the price limitation, in a shared amount, by \$839,714 from \$4,200,000 to \$5,039,714 and adding Dental Assistant Services. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% General Funds**

FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#49 Authorized to accept and expend funds from the New Hampshire Department of Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency Public Assistance Grant Program in the amount of \$250,223 for the purpose of remediating disaster damage and replacing the roof on a Department owned building in Lancaster, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Transfer of Federal Funds from Other Agency. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on February 21, 2025.**

#50 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive sole source** contract with Barrie Miller's Well & Pump Service, Inc., Hillsborough, NH in the amount of \$30,690 for emergency service and chemical treatment of both the Well #2 at the Berlin State Fish Hatchery and the Field Well #5 at the Milford State Fish Hatchery. Effective upon G&C approval for the period November 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. **100% Fish and Game Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill acted as follows:

#51 Authorized to continue one full-time temporary ADMIN ASSTS-4, a position essential for effective and efficient operations of our state parks. Effective upon G&C approval for the period March 6, 2025 through March 6, 2026. **100% Other Funds**

#52 Authorized the Division of the Arts to award a Conservation License Plate (Moose Plate) grant to the Town of Effingham, NH in the amount of \$20,000 to support the construction of an ADA-compliant bathroom in the historic Town Hall building. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#53 Authorized the State Library to award a Conservation License Plate (Moose Plate) grant to Rockingham County, in the amount of \$10,000 to restore, preserve, and digitize 6 historical documents concerning the Rockingham County Farm. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#54 Authorized the State Library to award a Conservation License Plate (Moose Plate) grant to the Town of Unity, NH, in the amount of \$10,000 to restore, preserve, and digitize a collection of school registers and a selectman's record book. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#55 Authorized the Division of the Arts to award a Partnership Initiative grant to the City of Somersworth, NH in the amount of \$6,400 to support the city's Little League mural project. Effective upon G&C approval through November 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#56 Authorized the Division of the Arts to award a Public Value Partnership grant to Andy's Summer Playhouse, Inc., Wilton, NH in the amount of \$12,250 to strengthen their capacity for affordable diverse arts programs to New Hampshire residents and visitors. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% General Funds**

#57 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Cannon Mountain to enter into a **sole source** and **retroactive** contract with Dopplemayr USA, Inc., Salt Lake City, UT in the amount of \$21,621 for labor and materials required for the Peabody Express Quad Chairlift bull wheel bearing replacement at Cannon Mountain Ski Area. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of April 26, 2024 through October 1, 2024. **100% Cannon Mountain Capital Improvement Fund**

#58 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Cannon Mountain to enter into a **sole source** contract with Maco Machinery Co. Inc d/b/a ARTEC Machine Systems, North Branford, CT in the amount of \$26,550 to overhaul the Eagle Cliff Chairlift gearbox at Cannon Mountain Ski Area. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Cannon Mountain Capital Improvement Fund**

#59 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation to enter into a contract with RCM Systems LLC, Rochester, NH in the amount up to and not to exceed \$125,314 to provide sampling, testing, and maintenance services of the waste water treatment plant at Wallis Sands State Park, Rye, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2028. **100% State Park Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney acted as follows:

#60 Authorized to make a **retroactive** unencumbered payment of an invoice in the amount of \$3,134.73 to Straight Line Service Center, Henniker, NH for the repair of department fleet vehicles. **100% Other Funds.** (2) Further authorized to make **retroactive** unencumbered payment of an invoice in the amount of \$4,050.17 to Island Marine Service, Kittery, ME for the repair of department fleet vehicles. **100% Federal Funds.** (3) Further authorized to make a **retroactive** unencumbered payment of two invoices totaling \$625.53 to DRC Automotive, Suncook, NH for the repair of department fleet vehicles. **72% Other Funds, 28% General Funds**

#61 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive sole source** contract extension to a contract with John Turner Consulting, Inc., Dover, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/1/22, Item #78), to provide construction materials testing services at state-owned dams by increasing the not-to-exceed amount by \$30,000 from \$30,000 to \$60,000 and by extending the completion date from December 31, 2024 to December 31, 2026. **100% Dam Maintenance Fund**

#62 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract agreement with Rockingham Planning Commission, Exeter, NH, in the amount of \$12,598.75 to assist with the implementation of the New Hampshire Coastal Flood Risk Model. Effective upon G&C approval through February 28, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#63 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract agreement with Strafford Regional Planning Commission, Rochester, NH, in the amount of \$12,598.75 to assist with the implementation of the New Hampshire Coastal Flood Risk Model. Effective upon G&C approval through February 28, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#64 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive** grant agreement with the Town of Londonderry, NH totaling \$3,950 to fund a Household Hazardous Waste collection project. Effective as of November 23, 2024, upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Hazardous Waste Funds**

#65 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive** grant agreement with the Town of Wolfeboro, NH totaling \$3,726 to fund a Household Hazardous Waste collection project. Effective as of July 13, 2024, upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Hazardous Waste Funds**

#66 Authorized, with Councilor Stevens voting **no**, Amy Clarkson President VCC Inc.'s request to perform work on Sunapee Lake in New London, NH.

#67 Authorized The Patricia E Difeo Revocable Trust's request to perform work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Gilford, NH.

#68 Authorized Lanes End Inc's request to amend a Wetland Bureau Permit for work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Melvin Village, NH (previously approved by G&C on 3/25/20, Item #62).

#69 Authorized Scott C. Fuller Development LLC's request to perform work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Moultonborough, NH.

#70 Authorized Merrimack Valley YMCA of New Hampshire Inc.'s request to perform work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Meredith, NH.

#71 Authorized Great Bay Marina's request to amend a Wetland Bureau Permit for work on Broad Cove-Piscataqua River in Newington, NH (previously approved by G&C on 5/20/20, Item #59).

#72 Authorized Barvel Whang Associates' request to amend a Wetland Bureau Permit for work on Lake Winnepesaukee in Tuftonboro, NH (previously approved by G&C on 5/6/20, Item #135).

#73 NOT USED

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stephen, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill acted as follows:

#74 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with the individuals as detailed in the letter dated January 27, 2025 (originally approved by G&C on 6/14/23, Item #133) to conduct Special Education Impartial Due Process Hearings, State Board of Education Hearings, Vocational Rehabilitation Hearings, and Alternative Dispute Resolution sessions, by increasing the price limitation by \$25,000 from \$155,000 to \$180,000 with no change to the contract end date. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **51% Federal Funds, 49% General Funds**

#75 Authorized the Division of Learner Support, Bureau of Instructional Support to enter into a contract with Baystate Interpreters, Inc., Gardner, MA in the amount of \$27,020, to provide translation, interpretation, and transcription services to NHED. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025, with the option to renew for an additional one-year term. **76% Federal Funds, 24% General Funds**

#76 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with College Board, New York, NY, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 to administer Advanced Placement® exams in order to assist income-eligible high school students to participate in the Advanced Placement® program with test fee reductions. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% General Funds**

#77 Authorized to amend a **sole source** contract with Double Line, Inc., Hutto, TX (originally approved by G&C on 10/4/23, Item #86), by increasing the price limitation by \$498,400 from \$373,165 to \$871,565 and by extending the end date from February 28, 2025 to June 30, 2026 to map additional data elements to Common Educations Data Standards (CEDs) and create the data marts that NHED needs to meet its mandatory education reporting requirements from the CEDs data warehouse. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026. **43% Federal Funds, 57% Education Trust Fund**

#78 Authorized the Division of Learner Support, Bureau of Instructional Support to enter into a contract with Enaltecer Education Consulting LLC, Newport, RI in the amount of \$70,000, to provide English Language Development curriculum tools to NHED and professional learning to five school districts. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

NEW HAMPSHIRE LOTTERY COMMISSION

#79 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Stephen authorized to **retroactively** pay the North American Association of State and Provincial Lotteries, Concord, OH, the amount of \$25,000 for Calendar Year 2025 membership dues. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025. **100% Lottery Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stephen, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill acted as follows:

#80 Authorized to accept and expend \$3,831,884 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for equipping and training eligible State and local entities with cybersecurity enhancements. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on February 21, 2025.**

#81 Authorized to transfer among accounts within the Divisions as detailed in the letter dated January 27, 2025, in the amount of \$1,875,605 for anticipated shortages in salary and benefits for the remainder of State Fiscal Year 2025. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% General Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on February 21, 2025.**

#82 Authorized the Division of Motor Vehicles to transfer funds in the amount of \$490,000 to cover anticipated shortfalls in various operating expense classes. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Agency Income. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on February 21, 2025.**

#83 Authorized the Office of the Commissioner to disburse death benefits in the amount of \$100,000 to Mrs. Shannon Frye, Stark, NH as the surviving spouse of deceased New Hampshire Fish and Game Conservation Officer Levi Frye as a result of his death on or about October 2, 2024. Investigation determined that his death constitutes a line-of-duty death. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds.**

#84 Authorized the Division of State Police to continue the full-time temporary position Forensic Scientist in the Forensic Biology Unit of the New Hampshire State Police Forensic Laboratory. Effective upon G&C approval through March 25, 2026. **65% General Funds, 35% Highway Funds**

#85 Authorized the Division of Motor Vehicles to enter into a **sole source** contract with the Motorcycle Safety Foundation, Inc., Irvine, CA, in the amount not to exceed \$42,347 to provide classroom seats for the Basic eCourse on-line training course. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2026. **100% Agency Income**

#86 Authorized the Division of State Police to enter into contract with Vets Securing America, Inc, Santonio, TX, in an amount not to exceed \$3,087,547 to provide trained, armed personnel to augment the State office Campus Police Force in providing security coverage to the New Hampshire Hospital. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2026, with the option to extend for two one-year periods at the sole discretion of the State. **100% Transfer from Other Agencies**

#87 Authorized to enter into grant agreements as detailed in the letter dated January 31, 2025 in an amount not to exceed \$59,353.22 to support law enforcement agencies in the purchasing of necessary equipment to electronically share criminal justice data. Effective upon G&C approval, full contract, executions and approval by the New Hampshire Department of Justice, and grant funding acceptance through September 30, 2025. **100% Federal Reserve Transfers from Other Agencies**

#88 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to enter into a grant agreement with the City of Laconia, NH, in the amount of \$1,135,411.20 to upgrade and replace the culverts on Hilliard Road. Effective upon G&C approval through May 2, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#89 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to enter into a grant agreement with Coos County, West Stewartstown, NH, in the amount of \$13,124.54 to create their Hazard Mitigation Plan. Effective upon G&C approval through March 13, 2029. **100% Federal Funds**

#90 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to enter into a grant agreement with the Town of Merrimack, NH, in the amount of \$12,656.51 to create their Hazard Mitigation Plan. Effective upon G&C approval through September 23, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#91 Authorized the Division of State Police to amend an existing grant agreement with the Berlin Police Department, Berlin, NH (originally approved by G&C on 1/31/24, Item #127), by increasing the grant limitation by \$67,000 from \$152,702.37 to \$219,702.37, to reduce the instance of crimes and illicit activity near the Canadian border. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% General Funds**

#91A Authorized the Division of Motor Vehicles to enter into a lease agreement with 149 Emerald Street Leasing, LLC, Lakewood, NJ. This lease shall not exceed \$223,550 and will provide 2,630 square feet of space for the Division of Motor Vehicles offices located on the first floor of 149 Emerald Street Suites A1 & A2, Keene, NH. Effective March 1, 2025, upon G&C approval through February 28, 2030. **100% Agency Income (Cost of Collections)**

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Wheeler acted as follows:

#92 Authorized to appoint Melissa Hagen, as an Assistant Deputy Medical Examiner, at a salary level of \$66,192. Effective upon G&C approval, or March 7, 2025, whichever is later.

#93 Authorized to grant a salary increase to Meghan C. Hagaman, Assistant Attorney General, in the amount of \$20,000, from a salary level of \$103,000 to a salary level of \$123,000. Effective upon G&C approval, or March 7, 2025, whichever is later.

#94 Authorized to enter into a subgrant with the Office of the Coos County Attorney's Office, Lancaster, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$13,862, from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women, Federal Fiscal Year 2023 and 2024 Violence Against Women Act Formula Grants for the purpose of providing services for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#95 Authorized to enter into subgrants with the subrecipients as detailed in the letter dated January 23, 2025, in an amount not to exceed \$133,000, U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women, Federal Fiscal Year 2023 and 2024 Violence Against Women Act Formula Grants for the purpose of providing services for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#96 Authorized to **retroactively** amend an existing subgrant with the New Hampshire Judicial Branch, by and through the Administrative Office of the Courts, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 2/21/24, Item #164), by extending the end date from December 31, 2024 to June 30, 2025, with no change to the price limitation of \$58,531, for the purpose of continuing to provide services for victims of domestic and sexual violence in New Hampshire. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill acted as follows:

#97 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Stephen voted to adopt this item for the purpose of discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill authorized the request of the Division of Personnel for waiver of classification decisions. Effective upon G&C approval.

#98 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design and Construction to accept and expend \$8,476 from Amica auto insurance from a settlement for an auto loss incurred. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Other Funds**

#99 Authorized to accept and expend \$11,158 from the Friends of Bridges House for deposit in the Bridges House Special Account fund in accordance with RSA 4:9-s. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Private Local Funds**

#100 Authorized to sell on behalf of the State of New Hampshire to the City of Claremont, NH for \$700,000, which includes the administrative fee required by RSA 4:40, III-a in the amount of \$1,100, approximately 0.25 acres of land on the south bank of the Sugar River in the City of Claremont and the 4-story office building situated thereon, including approximately 32,751 square feet of gross building area and 21,697 square feet of useable interior office of living space, collectively known as the historic Monadnock Mill #1 located at 17 Water Street, Claremont, NH. **100% Net Proceeds from Sale (General Funds)**

#101 Authorized to enter into a contract with UHY LLP, New York, NY for Annual Financial Audit Services of the State of New Hampshire Deferred Compensation plan in an amount up to and not to exceed \$195,000. Effective upon G&C approval through January 31, 2027, with the option to extend for up to two additional years. **100% Agency Income**

#102 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design and Construction to enter into a **sole source** and **retroactive** amendment to an existing contract with RTH Mechanical Contractors, Inc., Portsmouth, NH (originally approved by G&C on 2/22/23, Item #109), by increasing the price limitation by \$134,103.70 from \$1,850,495 to a total price not to exceed \$1,984,598.70, and by extending the completion date from September 15, 2024 to May 1, 2025 for Boiler Replacements, Concord Prison for Men, Concord, NH. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$5,896.30 for unanticipated site expenses. Effective upon G&C approval through May 1, 2025, unless extended in accordance with the contract terms. **100% Capital Funds**

#103 Authorized the Division of Public Works Design and Construction to enter into a **sole source** and **retroactive** amendment to an existing contract with SMRT, Inc., Portland, ME (originally approved by G&C on 1/26/22, Item #112), by increasing the price limitation by \$498,075 from \$3,197,877 to a total price not to exceed \$3,695,952 and by extending the completion date from December 1, 2023 to February 5, 2026 for Secure Psychiatric Forensic Hospital-Kitchen Fit-Up, Concord, NH. (2) Further authorized a design contingency in the amount of \$50,000 for unanticipated design expenses. (3) Further authorized a payment of \$4,000 to the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Public Works Design and Construction, for engineering and project management services provided. Effective **retroactive** to December 1, 2023, upon G&C approval through February 5, 2026, unless extended in accordance with the contract terms. **100% General Funds**

#104 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive** Memorandum of Understanding with the NH Liquor Commission in an amount not to exceed \$22,500 for the purpose of supporting a part-time human resources position dedicated to support, audit, and approve transactions originating from the NHL. Effective **retroactive** to July 1, 2024, upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Transfers from Other Agencies**

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The Governor withdrew previously tabled items #8 - 12 from the agenda, which was tabled at the January 15, 2025 Governor and Council meeting.

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REMOVED FROM TABLED

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES New Hampshire Hospital

#15 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital, for itself and on behalf of Dartmouth-Hitchcock Clinic, Lebanon, NH, in the amount of \$25,000 for electroencephalogram interpretation services. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2026, with the option to renew for up to four additional years. **30% General Funds, 70% Other Funds (Provider Fees)**

On February 5, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney, voted to **table** Item #15 above.

On February 26, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Stephen voted to remove Item #15 from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill moved to adopt Item #15 for the purpose of discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council approved Item #15 above.

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ITEMS REMAINING ON THE TABLE

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS & VETERANS SERVICES

#4B Authorize the nomination of Captain Nathaniel Richter, Mansfield Center, CT, for promotion to the rank of Major, in the NH Air National Guard. This officer meets the physical, moral and professional qualifications for this grade promotion in the NH Air National Guard.

On February 5, 2025:

Councilor Wheeler requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney, with Councilor Liot Hill voting **no**, voted to **table** Item #4B above.

On February 26, 2025:

No action was taken.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#80 Authorize to waive the provisions of Manual of Procedures (MOP) 150 section V, Governor and Executive Council Approval Thresholds, paragraph A:3, Thresholds Established, and continue to purchase maintenance and repair services for NHDES fleet vehicles in accordance with Administrative Rule (Adm) 608.01, Repairs to Motor Vehicle. Effective as of July 1, 2024, upon G&C approval.

On February 5, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney, voted to **table** Item #80 above.

On February 26, 2025:

No action was taken.

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DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

#123 Authorize the request to amend MOP 150 Section V. A. 3. Of the Department of Administrative Services Manual of Procedures, as detailed in the letter dated January 17, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval.

On February 5, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney, voted to **table** Item #123 above.

On February 26, 2025:

No action was taken.

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The next regular Governor and Executive Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday March 12, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at the State House, Concord, NH.

The Honorable Board then adjourned at 12:40 p.m.