

GOVERNOR AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MINUTES
State House, Concord, NH
April 23, 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:

- Paster Jim Ward offered a prayer
- Commissioner Bob Scott led the Pledge of Allegiance
- Performance:
 - Winnacunnet High School Brass Quintet played a couple of songs
- Proclamation: Wildfire Awareness Week
 - Joined by: Smokey the Bear
- Commendation: NH Meals on Wheels Association
 - Joined by: Tim Diaz

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The Governor and Executive Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stephen, voted to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2025 meeting.

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The Governor and Executive Council, on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, approved the appointment of several persons nominated for Civil Commissions from the April 9, 2025 meeting.

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

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RESIGNATIONS

The Governor and Council accepted the following resignations:

Real Estate Appraiser Board – RSA 310-B
Shane LaBonte, Loudon

Effective: March 27, 2025

Fire Standards and Training Commission – RSA 21-P:26
Wayne Grudzien, Bedford

Effective: April 15, 2025

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CONFIRMATIONS

The Governor and Council confirmed the following:

Fish and Game Commission – RSA 206:2
(Rockingham County)

David A. Trahan, i, Deerfield
Succeeding: Meggan M. Hodgson, i, Stratham (resigned)

Effective: April 23, 2025
Term: June 29, 2028

Enhanced 911 Commission – RSA 106-H
(Comcast)

Christopher K. Hodgdon, Contoocook
Reappointment

Effective: April 23, 2025
Term: April 17, 2028

Waste Management Council - RSA 21-O:9

Municipal Official
Christopher J. Kilmer, Orford
Vacancy

Effective: April 23, 2025
Term: December 23, 2025

New Hampshire Commission for Human Rights – RSA 354-A:3
Raymond E. Pinard, Concord
Succeeding: Christian Kim, Pembroke (resigned)

Effective: April 23, 2025
Term: January 1, 2028

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NOMINATIONS

The following nominations were submitted:

Community College System of New Hampshire – RSA 188-F
(NH Resident Student Enrolled in a Credit Program)
Pharra M. Duguay, Lincoln
Succeeding Nicholas Curro, Londonderry

Effective: June 1, 2025
Term: May 31, 2026

University System of New Hampshire Board of Trustees – RSA 187-A:13, RSA 187-A:14, RSA 187-A:15
Peter T. Paul, Dover
Reappointment

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: June 30, 2029

Community Development Finance Authority – RSA 162-L
(Labor)
Cullen J. Tiernan, Manchester
Vacancy

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: July 1, 2029

Mount Washington Commission – RSA 227-B:3
Howard M. Wemyss, Gorham
Succeeding: H. Edmund Bergeron, North Conway (resigned)

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: July 2, 2026

State Historical Resources Council – RSA 227-C:13
(Architect)
Tracy S. Kozak, Portsmouth
Succeeding: Tim Sappington, Randolph

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: December 10, 2029

State Historical Resources Council – RSA 227-C:13
(Architect)
Erik D. Anderson, Bedford
Succeeding: Carl W. Schmidt, Orford

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: December 27, 2026

Pharmacy Board – RSA 318:2
(Pharmacist Tech)
Amanda L. McLellan, Amherst
Succeeding: Lindsey Laliberte, Hooksett (resigned)

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: September 7, 2027

New Hampshire Commission for Human Rights – RSA 354-A:3
Stewart I. Levenson, Hopkinton
Succeeding: Douglas J. Palardy, New Castle

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: January 1, 2028

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CONSENT CALENDAR AGENDA

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

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

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES

- A. Councilor Kenney requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Bureau of Trails to allow Craig Rennie, Chief of Bureau of Trails and Alexis Rudko, Deputy Chief of Bureau of Trails to travel outside of a 300-mile radius of the employee's office headquarters, in the amount of \$3,862 to Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island for the 57th International Snowmobile Congress from June 11, 2025 to June 14, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Other Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Commissioner

- B. Councilor Kenney requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill authorized to enter Biram Saidybah into an educational tuition agreement with Bay Path University, Longmeadow, MA, to participate in Trauma and Crisis Intervention, from May 5, 2025 to August 17, 2025 and to pay costs in an amount of \$1,900. **20% Federal Funds, 80% General Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Commissioner

- C. Councilor Kenney requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler authorized to enter Kimberly Palmer into an educational tuition agreement with Tennessee Technological University, Cookeville, TN, to participate in Health Care Policy, from May 27, 2025 to August 1, 2025 and to pay costs in an amount of \$2,715. **20% Federal Funds, 80% General Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Commissioner

- D. Councilor Kenney requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill authorized to enter Kimberly Palmer into an educational tuition agreement with Tennessee Technological University, Cookeville, TN, to participate in Advanced Pharmacology, from May 27, 2025 to August 1, 2025 and to pay costs in an amount of \$285. **20% Federal Funds, 80% General Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Division for Children, Youth & Families

- E. Authorized to pay the Council of Juvenile Justice Administrators, Hingham, MA, in the amount of \$6,391 for annual membership dues. Effective upon G&C approval for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

- F. Authorized to renew its membership with the Council of Licensure, Enforcement, and Regulation, Nicholasville, KY, in the amount of \$2,980. Effective upon G&C approval for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. **100% Agency Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES

- G. Councilor Kenney requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, moved to adopt this item for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council authorized, with Councilors Kenney and Wheeler voting **no**, the Division of Parks and Recreation to pay the New Hampshire Campground Owners Association, Epsom, NH the amount of \$4,583.50 for Fiscal Year 2026 membership dues. Effective upon G&C approval for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. **100% Other Funds**

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

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES

- A. Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation to accept a donation in the amount of \$25,676 from the Lighthouse Kids, Inc. for the purpose of restoring the generator room at the White Island Lighthouse Station at the Isle of Shoals, located off the coast of Rye, NH. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Other Funds**

#3 **MOP 150, I, B (3): Reports and Findings** - NONE

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

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

- A. Authorized the nomination of Colonel Allen D. Aldenberg, Manchester, NH, for promotion to the rank of Brigadier General, in the NH Army National Guard. This officer meets the physical, moral and professional qualifications for this grade promotion in the NH Army National Guard.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

- B. Authorized to reappoint Zachary A. Frish, as an Assistant Attorney General, at a salary level of \$84,000. Effective upon G&C approval, or April 29, 2025, whichever is later, for a term ending April 29, 2030.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

- C. Authorized to appoint Alexander Kellermann, as an Assistant Attorney General, at a salary level of \$96,000. Effective upon G&C approval, or May 2, 2025, whichever is later, for a term ending May 2, 2030.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

- D. Authorized to appoint Jeffery A. Strelzin, as an Assistant Attorney General, at a salary level of \$123,000. Effective upon G&C approval, or June 13, 2025, whichever is later, for a term ending September 30, 2025.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

- E. Councilor Kenney requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill authorized the reappointment of Ashley Miller, as State Archivist. Effective July 7, 2025, upon G&C approval.

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

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Division of Economic Stability

- 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 Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler authorized to amend an existing cooperative project agreement with the University of New Hampshire, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/28/23, Item #18), to reduce the scope of services and repurpose funding to allow additional eligible families to utilize the New Hampshire Child Care Scholarship Program by decreasing the price limitation by \$150,000 from \$600,000 to \$450,000 with no change to the contract completion date of June 30, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

- B. NOT USED

NEW HAMPSHIRE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

- C. Authorized to enter into an amendment to an existing sole source contract with Ascentria Community Services, Inc., Manchester, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/26/24, Item #94), for in-person foreign language and American Sign Language interpretation services and written translation services, to add a cost line item for American Sign Language translation services that was unintentionally omitted from the original contract, with no change to the price limitation of \$21,000 and no change to the completion date of June 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

- D. Authorized to amend an American Rescue Plan Act grant to the Town of Whitefield, NH (originally approved by G&C on 8/23/23, Item #129), by adjusting the scope of work for a strategic planning project. Effective upon G&C approval through August 15, 2025. This is a no-cost scope change. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

- E. Councilor Kenney requested that this item be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to amend the grant agreement with the Town of Farmington, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/26/24, Item #180), to update their Hazard Mitigation Plan, by changing the completion date from October 29, 2026 to May 2, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval. No additional funds are being requested. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

- F. Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to amend the grant agreement with the Town of Springfield, NH (originally approved by G&C on 5/1/24, Item #146), to update their Hazard Mitigation Plan, by changing the completion date from October 29, 2026 to May 2, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval. No additional funds are being requested. **100% Federal Funds**

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REGULAR AGENDA

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

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

#6 Authorized to enter into a contract with Pinnacle Communications Resource Company A Limited Liability Company, Baltimore, MD, in the amount of \$44,999 for developing and implementing a statewide radio campaign to increase knowledge regarding the Medicare Savings Program and the Low Income Subsidy Program. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2025, with the option to renew for up to five additional years. **100% Federal Funds**

#7 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with Brain Injury Association of New Hampshire, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/28/23, Item #53), for ongoing support of statewide services to individuals with acquired brain injuries and their families by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$792,770 from \$792,770 to \$1,585,540 and extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2027. Effective July 1, 2025, upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

#8 Authorized to amend an existing contract with Amoskeag Health, Manchester, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/30/21, Item #32), to continue providing a Comprehensive Nutrition, Feeding and Swallowing Network for Children with Special Health Care Needs, by exercising a contract renewal option, by increasing the price limitation by \$1,100,000 from \$2,140,000 to \$3,240,000 and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2027. Effective July 1, 2025, upon G&C approval. **16% Federal Funds, 84% General Funds**

Glenclyff Home

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

#9 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with Dr. David A. Bogacz, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 5/19/21, Item #17), to continue providing dental services to the residents of Glenclyff Home, by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$43,200 from \$86,400 to \$129,600 and extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2027. Effective July 1, 2025, upon G&C approval. **47% General Funds, 53% Other Funds (Agency Fees)**

#10 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with Archways, Tilton, NH (originally approved by G&C on 11/8/23, Item #32), for the continued provision of onsite substance use disorder management services at Glenclyff Home, by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$4,800 from \$4,200 to \$9,000 and extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2027. Effective July 1, 2025, upon G&C approval. **47% General Funds, 53% Other Funds (Agency Fees)**

Division of Economic Stability

#11 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Stevens authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with Southern New Hampshire, Inc., Manchester, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/28/23, Item #19) to continue assisting families in attaining high quality childcare in the state, providing support, training and technical assistance to childcare providers, and providing information and promoting the Child Care Scholarship, the childcare subsidy program, to families and childcare providers, by exercising an available contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$366,387 from \$3,839,269 to \$4,205,656, and extending the completion date from September 30, 2025 to June 30, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#12 NOT USED

Division of Public Health Services

#12A The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Wheeler authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with the New Hampshire Children's Trust, Inc., Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/30/21, Item #41), to modify the scope of services and funding due to the elimination of federal funding source and a repurposing of existing child care funds, by decreasing the price limitation by \$1,070,359 from \$16,928,447 to \$15,858,088 and by exercising a renewal option to extend the completion date from June 30, 2025 to September 30, 2025. Effective **retroactive** to March 24, 2025, upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#13 NOT USED

Division of Behavioral Health

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

#14 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with Granite United Way, Manchester, NH (originally approved by G&C on 1/31/24, Item #31), to continue facilitating a landlord incentive program to support the transition of individuals from New Hampshire Hospital to the community, by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$859,286 from \$1,213,635 to \$2,072,921 and extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2027. Effective July 1, 2025, upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

#15 Authorized to amend an existing contract with Harbor Homes, Inc., Nashua, NH (originally approved by G&C on 3/23/22, Item #33), which was competitively procured, to continue providing program support for NH Recovery Community Organizations and Recovery Centers and, at the request of the Opioid Abatement Trust Fund Advisory Commission, to expand current services to include opioid abatement programming, by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$17,840,868 from \$22,024,000 to \$39,864,868, and extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2027. Effective May 4, 2025, upon G&C approval. **15% Federal Funds, 8% General Funds, 78% Other Funds (Governor's Commission Funds and Opioid Abatement Funds)**

#16 **FAILED** - The Governor and Council, with Councilors Kenney, Stephen, and Wheeler voting **no** and Councilor Stevens abstaining, **failed** to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the New Hampshire Department of Education, Concord, NH, in the amount of \$521,420 in order to provide technical assistance and support to New Hampshire school districts for the implementation of a Multi-Tiered System of Supports for Behavioral Health and Wellness, with the option to renew for up to five additional years. Effective upon G&C approval through September 29, 2026. **100% Federal Funds (State Opioid Response Grants)**

#17 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with New Hampshire Legal Assistance, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 5/17/23, Item \$24), to continue providing legal assistance to individuals who are experiencing homelessness to at-risk of becoming homeless, by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$100,000 from \$100,000 to \$200,000 and extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2027. Effective July 1, 2025, upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

#18 NOT USED

#18A Authorized to enter into a contract with Granite Pathways, Concord, NH, in the amount of \$412,788 to provide Vocational Training and Employment Support Programs for Individuals with opioid and stimulant use disorders. Effective July 1, 2025, upon G&C approval through September 29, 2026, with the option to renew for up to four additional years. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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

#19 Authorized the Division of Finance to transfer \$61,500 between various Accounting Units and classes to continue to meet the State's transportation demands. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **40.1% Federal Funds, 7.7% Other Funds, 52.2% Highway Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#20 Authorized the Division of Finance to transfer \$115,000 between various Accounting Units and classes to continue to meet the State's transportation demands. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **39.5% Federal Funds, 7.3% Other Funds, 53.2% Highway Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#21 Authorized the Executive Office to pay membership dues **retroactively** in the amount of \$31,365.73 for the period of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025 to the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, Washington, DC, for continued membership in the national transportation organization. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **20% Federal Funds, 74% Highway Funds, 6% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#22 NOT USED

#23 Authorized to accept and place on file the Bureau of Finance and Contracts' report of paid Small Claims in Fiscal Year 2024 totaling \$15,818.06 for individual amounts less than \$2,000.

#24 Authorized the Bureau of Finance and Contract to pay small claims for the next Fiscal Year, July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

#25 **TABLED** - The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, voted to **table** the request of the Bureau of Right-of-Way to sell 90.35+/- acres of vacant State-owned land located on the east side of Stark Road, in the Town of Conway, NH to Shawn and Caitlin Baldwin for \$235,000 and a \$1,100 administrative fee. Effective upon G&C approval.

#26 Authorized the Bureau of Right-of-Way to sell approximately 35.38+/- acres of State-owned land located on the southerly side of Monadnock Street, in the Town of Troy, NH to Douglas Sappala, for \$145,000, with an additional assessed administrative fee of \$1,100. (2) Further authorized to compensate HKS Associates, Inc from the proceeds of the sale a commission fee of \$8,700 for real estate services. Effective upon G&C approval.

#27 Authorized the Bureau of Right-of-Way to sell approximately 0.077+/- acres of unimproved State-owned land, located northeasterly of NH Route 11 (Lake Shore Road), and south of the Belknap Point Road in the Town of Gilford, NH to Richard Zagame, for \$61,400 with an additional assessed administration fee of \$1,100.

#28 Authorized the Bureau of Mechanical Services to purchase dump bodies for trucks utilized for summer and winter maintenance, including snow and ice removal, on state-maintained roadways from H.P. Fairfield, in the amount of \$607,259. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **87% Highway Funds, 13% Turnpike Funds**

#29 Authorized the Bureau of Highway Design to enter into an agreement with Fuss & O'Neill, Manchester, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000, for on-call survey and utility services during the design and/or construction phase of the Manchester FE Everett Exit 6 and 7 project located on I-293. Effective upon G&C approval through April 30, 2030.

#30 Authorized the Bureau of Highway Design to enter into an agreement with Haley & Aldrich, Inc., Bedford, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000, for on-call geotechnical engineering services associated with the construction phase of the Bow-Concord project. Effective upon G&C approval through April 30, 2030, with the option to extend due to the project specific nature of this on-call agreement.

#31 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with GMI Asphalt, LLC, Belmont, NH, on the basis of a low bid of \$3,285,679.22 for pavement resurfacing of Tier 2, 3 and 4 roadways in eleven towns (Bath, Lisbon, Landaff, Campton, Thornton, Conway, Plymouth, Franconia, Bethlehem, Rumney and Ellsworth) in Districts 1, 2 and 3. Effective upon G&C approval through September 26, 2025, unless amended by the Department in accordance with the Standard Specifications. **100% Other Funds**

#32 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with Berg Contracting & Construction, LLC, Fitzwilliam, NH, on the basis of a low bid of \$331,081.75 for slope stabilization work on NH 12A in Alstead, NH. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$33,108.18, for payment of latent conditions which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through October 17, 2025, unless amended by the Department in accordance with the Standard Specifications. **82.5% Other Funds, 17.5% General Funds**

#33 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with Continental Paving, Inc., Londonderry, NH, on the basis of a low bid of \$2,769,346.98 for resurfacing of twelve sections of various Tier 3 and 4 roadways throughout nine towns (Rye, Rochester, Strafford, Newmarket, Barrington, Loudon, Pittsfield, Milton, and Newton) in Districts 3 and 6. Effective upon G&C approval through October 3, 2025, unless amended by the Department in accordance with the Standard Specifications. **100% Other Funds**

#34 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with Pike Industries, Inc., Belmont, NH, on the basis of a low bid of \$5,950,648.75 for resurfacing of thirteen sections roadways through fourteen towns in District 5 (Hollis, Hopkinton, Concord, Weare, Henniker, Hooksett, Allenstown, Pembroke, Goffstown, New Boston, Derry, Hampstead, Hudson, and Pelham). Effective upon G&C approval through October 10, 2025, unless amended by the Department in accordance with the Standard Specifications. **100% Other Funds**

GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON DISABILITY

#35 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Kenney authorized to exercise a renewal option to an existing contract with New Hampshire Association for the Blind, Trade Name Future In Sight, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 5/3/23, Item #45) for the distribution of telecommunications equipment, by increasing the price limitation by \$181,006 from \$181,006 to \$362,012 and extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2027. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Other Funds (PUC)**

DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

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

#36 Authorized to accept and expend \$3,828,075 in State Fiscal Year 2025 from the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program funds available from the Department of Safety for the funding of cybersecurity enhancements. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Transfer from Other Agency. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#37 Authorized, on behalf of the Department of Transportation, to transfer funds in the amount of \$350,000 in State Fiscal Year 2025 for acquiring professional services, as detailed in the letter dated March 27, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Transfer from Other Agency. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#38 Authorized, for the benefit of the Department of Safety, to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with Coforge, Inc., Princeton, NJ (originally approved by G&C on 8/17/22, Item #27), by increasing the price limitation by \$203,168 from \$11,308,857 to \$11,512,025 to develop and implement a data warehouse to store and analyze motor vehicle crash data using DoIT standard Enterprise Business Intelligence tools. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% 405(c) Federal Funding provided through a Highway Safety grant.**

HOUSING APPEALS BOARD

#39 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Stevens authorized to grant a salary increment for Board Member Stephanie N. Verdile, in the amount of \$4,814, from a current salary of \$82,411 to a new salary of \$87,225. Effective April 26, 2025, upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

#40 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Stevens authorized, under the Community Development Block Grant program, to award a grant to the City of Laconia, NH, in the amount of \$419,250 on behalf of Partnership for Public Health, Inc. (PPH) to support the PPH Handicap Accessibility and Energy Improvements project, to make accessibility and energy improvements to their circa 1850's building located at 11 Academy Square, Laconia. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

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

#41 Authorized to exercise a contract renewal option with Broadreach Public Relations LLC, Portland, ME (originally approved by G&C on 4/10/24, Item #38), for Marketing Awareness for The Division of Community Based Military Programs by increasing the price limitation by \$174,350 from \$383,700 to \$558,050 and extending the completion date from April 30, 2025 to April 30, 2026. Effective May 1, 2025, or upon G&C approval, whichever is later. **100% General Funds**

#42 Authorized, with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, to enter into a contract agreement with Vanasse Hagen Brustlin, Watertown, MA, in the amount of \$85,000 to perform natural resources services across NHARNG properties throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through April 9, 2027 with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods. **100% Federal Funds**

#43 NOT USED

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, MARKETS, AND FOOD

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

#44 Authorized the State Conservation Committee to enter into a grant with Town of Antrim, NH, in the amount of \$36,000 for the *Campbell Pond Forest Expansion* project. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of July 1, 2025 through April 30, 2027. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#45 Authorized the State Conservation Committee to enter into a grant with Bear-Paw Regional Greenways, Deerfield, NH, in the amount of \$25,000 for the Northwood Ridge Water District Phase II Expansion project in the Town of Northwood. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of July 1, 2025 through April 30, 2027. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#46 Authorized the State Conservation Committee to enter into a grant with Belknap County Conservation District, Laconia, NH, in the amount of \$22,883 for the *Two-Wheel Tractor Package for Belknap County* project. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of July 1, 2025 through April 30, 2027. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#47 Authorized the State Conservation Committee to enter into a grant with Carroll County Conservation District, Conway, NH, in the amount of \$40,000 for the *Squam Lake Tributaries Stream Restoration* project in the Towns of Sandwich and Holderness, Carroll and Grafton County. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of July 1, 2025 through April 30, 2027. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#48 Authorized the State Conservation Committee to enter into a grant with Coos County Conservation District, Lancaster, NH, in the amount of \$35,005 for the *Equipment Rental* project in Coos County. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of July 1, 2025 through April 30, 2027. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#49 Authorized the State Conservation Committee to enter into a grant with Moose Mountains Regional Greenways, Union, NH, in the amount of \$15,000 for the *MMRG Jones Brook/Payne Conservation Easement* project in the Town of Milton, NH. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of July 1, 2025 through April 30, 2027. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#50 Authorized the State Conservation Committee to enter into a grant with Moose Mountains Regional Greenways, Union, NH, in the amount of \$25,000 for the *MMRG Hraba Forest Acquisition* project in the Town of Milton, NH. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of July 1, 2025 through April 30, 2027. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#51 Authorized the State Conservation Committee to enter into a grant with Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests, Concord, NH, in the amount of \$30,000 for the *Campton Bog Easement* project in the Town of Campton, NH. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of July 1, 2025 through April 30, 2027. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

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

#52 Authorized to establish new expenditure classes and transfer \$182,750 to be utilized under the existing State Opioid Response grant, as detailed in the letter dated March 21, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds transferred from other agencies (DHHS). Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#53 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with Exact Sciences Laboratories, LLC, Madison, WI in the amount of \$239,168.90, for the provision of preventative colorectal screening services. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027, with the option to renew for one additional period of up to two years. **100% General Funds**

#54 **TABLED** - The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Stephen, voted to **table** the request to enter into a lease agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc., Scottsdale, AZ in the amount of \$2,099,998.84, for Axon TASER® 10 Energy Weapons. Effective upon G&C approval through April 20, 2035. **100% General Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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

#55 Authorized to accept and expend Federal Funds in the amount of \$831,100 from the United States Department of Energy's Office of State and Community Energy Programs as a result of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, for the Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan Fund Capitalization Grant Program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#56 Authorized to accept and expend Federal Funds in the amount of \$9,092,218 from the United States Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, Weatherization Assistance Program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#56A Authorized to transfer appropriation in the amount of \$100,000 for the continued support of the Fuel Assistance Program to cover expenses for the remainder of State Fiscal Year 2025. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#57 Authorized to enter into a contract with GDS Associates, Inc., Bedford, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$27,000 to conduct technical monitoring of projects funded under the Department's School Energy Efficiency Development Grant Program. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#58 Authorized, with Councilors Kenney and Wheeler voting **no**, to enter into a contract with MPACT Strategic Consulting LLC, Houston, TX, in an amount not to exceed \$542,895.92 to conduct Davis-Bacon and Related Acts compliance for projects funded under the Department's State Energy Program Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant, Preventing Outages and Enhancing the Resilience of the Electric Grid Grant Program, and Energy Efficiency Revolving Loan Fund. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2028. **100% Federal Funds**

#59 Authorized to enter into a contract with Weston & Sampson Engineers, Inc., Reading, MA, for an amount not to exceed \$122,800, to provide technical assistance for the installation of 16 municipal solar systems for subgrantees of the Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. Effective upon G&C approval through March 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

#60 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, with Councilors Stephen and Wheeler voting **no**, authorized to enter into a contract with Drive Brand Studio, Inc., North Conway, NH in the amount of \$600,000 for brand and marketing campaign. Effective upon G&C approval through October 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES

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

#61 Authorized the Division of Forest and Lands, Natural Heritage Bureau to accept and expend American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds from the Department of Environmental Services in the amount of \$236,000 for the purpose of developing a new online environmental review tool to replace the existing aging DataCheck Tool. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Transfer of Federal Funds from Other Agency. Fiscal Committee approved on January 30, 2025.**

#62 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation to accept and expend \$160,000 in available endowment funds from the Connecticut Lakes Headwaters Tract Road Maintenance Endowment to repair storm damage to Indian Stream Road. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income). Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#63 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands to accept and expend a Federal Grant Award in the amount of \$2,000,000 from the United States Department of Agriculture, United States Forest Service for the mitigation and risk reduction activities related to spruce budworm outbreaks on state and private lands in northern New Hampshire. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#64 Authorized the Division of the State Library to transfer funds between and among DNCR accounting units in the amount of \$167,000 for continued funding of library positions, as detailed in the letter dated April 2, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% General Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#65 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands, Natural Heritage Bureau to budget and expend \$92,550 of prior year carry forward funds to support the cost of implementing an online data check tool. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2028. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#66 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Bureau of Community Recreation to increase their fleet size by one vehicle. Effective upon G&C approval.

#67 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands, Natural Heritage Bureau to enter into a **sole source** contract with NatureServe, Arlington, VA for an amount not to exceed \$353,550 to develop a new online environmental review tool to replace the existing aging DataCheck Tool. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2028, with the option to extend for up to two additional four year terms. **67% Federal Funds, 33% Other Funds. Contingent upon approval of Items #61 & 65 above.**

#68 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands to enter into a **retroactive sole source** Cooperative Project Agreement with the University of New Hampshire, Cooperative Extension, Durham, NH in the amount of \$131,267 to address selected needs of the public in natural resources with university-based educational outreach programs to include areas such as urban and community forestry, forest health, and natural resource conservation education. Effective upon G&C approval for the period September 5, 2024 through July 31, 2028. **100% Federal Funds**

#69 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands to enter into a **retroactive sole source** Cooperative Project Agreement with the University of New Hampshire, Cooperative Extension, Durham, NH in the amount of \$109,335 to address selected needs of the public in natural resources with university-based educational outreach programs to include areas such as forest stewardship, forest health, economic viability, and natural resource conservation education. Effective upon G&C approval for the period September 5, 2024 through July 31, 2028. **100% Federal Funds**

#70 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands to amend a **sole source** Cooperative Project Agreement with the University of New Hampshire, Cooperative Extension, Durham, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/26/24, Item #126), by increasing the price limitation by \$108,891 from \$100,056 to \$208,947 with no change to the contract completion date to revise Good Forestry in the Granite State. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#71 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands to purchase a Conservation Easement on 4,103+/- acres in the Town of Gorham, NH, known as the "Androscoggin Valley Corridor Project" for an amount not to exceed \$1,665,000 for the purpose of protecting natural resources and ensuring continued access to the properties. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

Upon the request of Councilor Wheeler, it is recommended that the minutes include the following:

"The Easement is granted pursuant to NH RSA 477:45-47 exclusively for the following conservation purposes:

- 1. A - To preserve and conserve open spaces and scenic values, particularly the conservation of the Property's approximately 1,292 acres of productive forest land, for the enjoyment and education of the general public.*
- 1.B - To provide for the continuation of traditional forest uses including forest management and outdoor recreation.*
- 1. C - To provide public pedestrian access on the Property, which will allow the general public to hike, hunt, fish, trap, cross-country ski, observe wildlife, and participate in other low-impact outdoor recreational activities.*
- 1. D - To preserve and conserve waterfront, streams, riparian areas, wetlands, and the quality of groundwater and surface water resources, fish and wildlife habitats, rare and exemplary plants and natural communities, and cultural resources.*
- 1. E - To assist in the implementation of the Town of Gorham Master Plan (as adopted January 15,2020), which includes a goal of working collaboratively to protect natural resources, and to prioritize conservation lands create contiguous corridors for forestry, recreation and habitat."*

#72 Authorized the Division of Historical Resources to award a Conservation Number Plate grant to the Town of Hillsborough/Fuller Public Library, in the amount of \$20,000 for plaster repairs in the historic music room at the Fuller Public Library. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. (2) Further authorized an advance payment in the amount of \$10,000 to the Town of Hillsborough/Fuller Public Library in accordance with the terms of the contract. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#73 Authorized the Division of Historical Resources to award a Conservation Number Plate grant to the Town of Mont Vernon, in the amount of \$20,000 for structural repairs to the Mont Vernon Hall. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. (2) Further authorized an advance payment in the amount of \$10,000 to the Town of Mont Vernon in accordance with the terms of the contract. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#74 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation to enter into a contract with Golf-Rides LLC, Plaistow, NH in the amount of \$211,400 to provide two-year seasonal golf cart rental services for state parks throughout New Hampshire. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2026. **100% Agency Income**

#75 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation to exercise a contract renewal option with Drive Brand Studio, Inc., North Conway, NH (originally approved by G&C on 8/17/22, Item #39) for NH State Parks and Cannon Mountain Advertising and Promotional Services by increasing the price limitation by \$961,000 from \$1,441,500 to \$2,402,500 and extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2027. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income)**

#76 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation to enter into a contract with Triumph Roofing Inc., Baldwinville, MA in that amount of \$123,650 to provide roofing replacement services at Cannon Mountain Ski Area in Franconia, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through August 29, 2025. **100% Capital Funds**

#77 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation to enter into **retroactive** Parking Lease Agreements along Ocean Boulevard in the Towns of Hampton and North Hampton, NH. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of April 1, 2024 through October 31, 2024. (2) Further authorized to accept payment from the lessees totaling \$107,479 for Parking Leases for the 2024 season. Effective upon G&C approval.

#78 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Bureau of Trails to amend Grant-In-Aid Trail Maintenance Agreements with the snowmobile clubs as detailed in the letter dated April 3, 2024 (originally approved by G&C on 12/18/24, Item #71) for grooming approximately 7,000 miles of snowmobile trails throughout the state by increasing the grant limitation by \$108,959 from \$2,638,983.11 to \$2,747,942.11, with no change to the completion date. Effective upon G&C approval through May 31, 2025. **100% Other Funds (Transfers from Fish & Game-Snowmobile Registration Fees)**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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

#79 Authorized to transfer funds in and among classes within an accounting unit, in the amount of \$69,438, to maximize the use of federal grant funds, to complete the requirements set forth in the federal grant. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#80 Authorized to transfer funds in and among classes within an accounting unit, in the amount of \$114,157, to maximize the use of federal grant funds, to complete the requirements set forth in the federal grant. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#81 Authorized to accept and expend \$86,040 in Federal Clean Water Act Section 604(b) planning grant from the US Environmental Protection Agency. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#82 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with The Mount Desert Island Biological Laboratory, Bar Harbor, ME, in the amount of \$125,000 to provide services for the Safe Drinking Water Communicating Data Project which will support NH secondary school teachers to implement a curriculum to help students ensure that their household drinking water is safe. Effective upon G&C approval through July 31, 2028. **100% Federal Funds**

#83 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract amendment with Process Energy Services, LLC, Londonderry, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/15/22, Item #108), for the purpose of conducting energy auditing, technical assistance and outreach/training services for wastewater and drinking water systems by extending the completion date from June 30, 2026 to June 30, 2029 and increasing the contract amount by \$500,000 from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2029. **50% SRF Management Funds, 50% Federal Funds**

#84 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** agreement with the University of New Hampshire, Sponsored Program Administration, Durham, NH, in the amount of \$190,604 to support the Piscataqua Region Monitoring Collaborative. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2026. **47% Federal Funds, 44% CWSRF Management Fees, 9% General Funds**

#85 Authorized to award a grant to the Salem School District, Salem, NH, in the amount not to exceed \$29,110 for lead remediation in drinking water, under the provision of RSA 485:F. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund (DWGTF)**

#86 Authorized to award a grant to the Fremont School District, Fremont, NH, in the amount not to exceed \$192,500 to finance the installation of Point of Entry Treatment systems to remediate per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2027. **100% PFAS Response Funds**

#87 Authorized to award a grant to the Ammonoosuc Conservation Trust, Franconia, NH, in the amount of \$24,000 to conserve three acres of land protecting the Hydrologic Area of Concern for the Woodsville Water and Light Department's drinking water supply. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2026. **100% Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund (DWGTF)**

#88 Authorized, with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, to enter into a grant agreement with Loon Mountain Recreation Corporation, Lincoln, NH totaling \$114,190 for partial funding of one snow groomer replacement. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#89 Authorized to amend an American Rescue Plan Act grant to the Soda Brook Cooperative, Inc., Northfield, NH (originally approved by G&C on 8/2/23, Item #59), by increasing the grant limitation by \$16,000 from \$100,000 to \$116,000, and extending the completion date from May 1, 2025 to June 1, 2026 for water system improvements. **100% Federal Funds**

#90 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive** grant agreement with the Town of Goffstown, NH totaling \$5,603 to fund a Household Hazardous Waste collection project. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. **100% Hazardous Waste Funds**

#91 Authorized to award an Asset Management Grant to the Hooksett Village Water Precinct, Hooksett, NH totaling \$15,000 to improve public water system management. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#92 Authorized to award an Asset Management Grant to the Town of Newport, NH totaling \$20,000 to improve public water system management. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#93 Authorized to award an Asset Management Grant to the Town of Plainfield, NH totaling \$29,025 to improve public water system management. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#94 Authorized to award an Aquatic Resource Mitigation (ARM) Fund grant to the Strafford School District SAU #015, Strafford, NH in the amount of \$463,764 for the purpose of removing a dam structure and restoring natural stream and wetland functions in Strafford, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2032. **100% ARM Funds**

#95 Authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the entities as detailed in the letter dated April 2, 2025, for a total of \$67,200 to fund exotic aquatic plant control activities in the waterbodies detailed in letter. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Lake Restoration Funds**

#96 Authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the entities as detailed in the letter dated March 24, 2025, for a total of \$133,550 to fund exotic aquatic plant control activities in the waterbodies detailed in letter. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Lake Restoration Funds**

#97 Authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the entities as detailed in the letter dated March 24, 2025, for a total of \$90,065 to fund exotic aquatic plant control activities in the waterbodies detailed in letter. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Lake Restoration Funds**

#98 Authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the entities as detailed in the letter dated March 14, 2025, for a total of \$65,578 to fund exotic aquatic plant control activities in the waterbodies detailed in letter. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Lake Restoration Funds**

#99 Authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the entities as detailed in the letter dated March 26, 2025, for a total of \$50,960 to fund exotic aquatic plant control activities in the waterbodies detailed in letter. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Lake Restoration Funds**

#100 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the entities as detailed in the letter dated March 21, 2025, for a total of \$48,981 to fund exotic aquatic plant control activities in the waterbodies detailed in letter. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Lake Restoration Funds**

NEW HAMPSHIRE VETERANS HOME

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

#101 Authorized to transfer General Funds between expenditure classes in the amount of \$162,738, increase and decrease Federal revenues resulting in a net decrease of \$701, and increase and decrease Other revenues resulting in a net decrease of \$601. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **47.3% General Funds, 29.3% Federal Funds, 23.4% Other Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#102 Authorized to pay overtime in the amount of \$1,075,000 for permanent personnel from appropriations for positions that are vacant due to illness, extended leaves of absence, or pending recruitment at the New Hampshire Veterans Home. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **34% General Funds, 36% Federal Funds, 30% Other Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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

#103 Authorized to establish a temporary full time MISC BUS OPS SPECS-4 position for the purpose of supporting the Team Nutrition Training Project Grant and United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.** (2) Further authorized to accept and expend United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service Fiscal Year 2024 Team Nutrition Training Project Grant in the amount of \$66,603 from the United States Department of Agriculture. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#104 Authorized the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation to enter into a **sole source** contract with DriveAbility, LLC, Londonderry, NH in an amount not to exceed \$23,000 to provide adaptive driver evaluations and training on a case by case basis to VR participants experiencing mobility challenges due to disabilities and to lease, at no cost, an adaptive state owned vehicle to DriveAbility, LLC for use in the adaptive driver evaluations and training. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of April 28, 2025 through April 27, 2026, with an option to renew for two additional one year terms. **100% Federal Funds**

POLICE STANDARDS & TRAINING COUNCIL

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

#105 Authorized to **retroactively** amend a Fiscal Committee Item (originally approved by G&C on 10/30/24, Item #98), in furtherance of the statewide program for law enforcement accreditation, by extending the end date from February 28, 2025 to June 30, 2025, with no change to the price limitation of \$75,000. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#106 Authorized to transfer \$308,532 between various accounting units and classes to pay for training equipment in furtherance of police crisis intervention training, and to pay for operational expenses through the end of the Fiscal Year. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% General Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#107 Authorized to transfer funds in the amount of \$6,550 and create a new expenditure class code to contract with Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies to begin a program, as detailed in the letter dated March 27, 2025. (2) Further authorized the funds to be allocated as detailed in the letter. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% General Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#108 NOT USED

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

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

#109 Authorized the Division of State Police to accept and expend federal pass-through funds in the amount of \$200,912, entitled Enforcement Patrols, from the Department of Safety, Office of Highway Safety, for the purpose of funding motor vehicle enforcement on the State's interstate systems. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Intra Agency Transfers. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#110 Authorized the Office of Highway Safety to accept and expend \$488,933 (405e program) funds from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Federal Grant Program for providing grants to State and local law enforcement along with media campaigns with a focus on eliminating the number of deaths on NH roadways caused by distracted driving. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#111 Authorized the Division of State Police to transfer among accounts within State Police Traffic Bureau, as detailed in the letter dated March 25, 2025, in the amount of \$48,000 for anticipated shortages for the Fiscal Year 2025. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **34% General Funds, 41% Highway Funds, 25% Turnpike Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#112 Authorized the Division of State Police to transfer within State Police Traffic Bureau, Commercial Enforcement account as detailed in the letter dated March 20, 2025, in the amount of \$156,000 for anticipated shortages for the Fiscal Year 2025. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **82% General Funds, 18% Turnpike Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#113 Authorized the Division of State Police to transfer among accounts within State Police Detective Bureau, as detailed in the letter dated April 14, 2025, in the amount of \$55,000 for anticipated shortages for the Fiscal Year 2025. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **87% General Funds, 13% Agency Income Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#114 Authorized the Division of State Police to pay overtime in the amount of \$500,000 for permanent personnel via a transfer from appropriations for positions that are vacant due to illness, extended leaves of absence, or pending recruitment at Enforcement. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **82% General Funds, 18% Highway Funds**

#115 Authorized the Division of State Police to enter into a new lease agreement with the City of Concord for the property located at 91 Airport Road, Concord, NH, in the amount of \$266,821.79 for rent during the lease period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2035. Effective upon G&C approval, with the option to renew for two one year periods. **34% General Funds, 41% Highway Funds, 25% Turnpike Funds**

#116 Authorized the Division of Administration to enter into a contract agreement with Reliable Fence Co. of the North Shore Inc, Manchester, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$49,387.05 to install a galvanized chain link fence and gate at 108 Clinton St. Concord, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2026. **36% General Funds, 41% Highway Funds, 23% Turnpike Funds**

#117 Authorized to enter into grant agreements with the Town of Waterville Valley, Department of Safety for an amount not to exceed \$18,897 for the purchase of body-worn and dashboard cameras. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2030. **100% General Funds**

#118 Authorized the Homeland Security and Emergency Management to enter into a grant agreement with the Town of Barrington, NH, in the amount of \$611,707.50 to upgrade and replace the culvert on Lakeside Oaks Drive. Effective upon G&C approval through April 2, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#119 NOT USED

#120 NOT USED

#121 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to **retroactively** amend the grant agreement with the Goffstown Village Water Precinct, Goffstown, NH (originally approved by G&C on 1/26/22, Item #101), to rehabilitate the Upper Reservoir Dam by changing the completion date from August 31, 2024 to June 30, 2025, and changing the scope of work from rehabilitation the Upper Reservoir Dam to removal of the Upper Reservoir Dam. Effective upon G&C approval. No additional funds are being requested. **100% Federal Funds**

#122 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to **retroactively** amend the grant agreement with the Town of Londonderry NH (originally approved by G&C on 3/3/21, Item #59), to update their Hazard Mitigation Plan by changing the completion date from May 29, 2023 to May 29, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval. No additional funds are being requested. **100% Federal Funds**

#123 NOT USED

#124 Authorized the Division of the Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) to enter into a **sole source** contract with Juvare, Atlanta, GA, in the amount not to exceed \$662,324.43, to enter into a subscription user agreement to migrate HSEM's current incident management software platform, as detailed in the letter dated March 13, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval through April 22, 2026, with the option to extend for an additional two years. **100% Federal Funds (100% EMPG Grant Funds)**

#125 Authorized the Division of Emergency Services and Communications to amend the current contract with Communications Venture Corporation d/b/a INdigital, Fort Wayne, IN (originally approved by G&C on 9/11/20, Item #46), by increasing the price limitation by \$2,010,229.11 from \$2,680,735 to \$4,690,964.11, for the purpose of exercising a two year contract extension. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2027. **100% Agency Income**

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTER CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION & SETTLEMENT FUND

#126 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill authorized to receive an additional appropriation from funds not otherwise appropriated in the amount of \$5,000,000 for FY 2025, as detailed in the letter dated April 7, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% General Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on March 21, 2025.**

#127 NOT USED

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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

#128 Authorized, with Councilors Stephen and Wheeler voting **no**, to accept and expend \$69,750 in registration fees and further accept and expend \$38,000 in Federal Funds for a total of \$107,750, for a two-day advanced training event entitled "2025 Partnering for a Future Without Violence Conference" to be held September 3-4, 2025, to cover conference costs. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **65% Agency Income, 35% Federal Funds.** (2) Further authorized to conduct a two-day advanced training event entitled "2025 Partnering for a Future Without Violence Conference" to be held September 3-4, 2025, for a total cost not to exceed \$107,750, for the purpose of training professionals providing direct services to victims of crime, and Further authorized the Department to enter into an agreement with JPA III Management Company, Inc., d/b/a DoubleTree by Hilton, Manchester, NH in an amount not to exceed \$91,234.50 for the purpose of providing necessary conference facilities and services for the training event. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2025. **58% Agency Income, 42% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#129 Authorized to transfer funds in the amount of \$500,000 and create two new class lines for the purpose of aligning budget classes to program goals. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. No additional funds are being requested. **100% General Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on April 18, 2025.**

#130 Authorized to appoint James H. Holl, III, as an Attorney, at a salary level of \$107,000. Effective upon G&C approval or May 2, 2025, whichever is later.

#131 Authorized to appoint Meaghan A. Jepsen, as an Attorney, at a salary level of \$93,000. Effective upon G&C approval or May 16, 2025, whichever is later.

#132 Authorized to enter into a subgrant with the Franklin Police Department, Franklin, NH in an amount not to exceed \$30,000, from the US Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women, Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Violence Against Women Act Formula Grant for the purpose of providing services for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2025. **100% Federal Funds**

#133 Authorized to enter into a subgrant with the New Hampshire Department of Safety, Concord, NH in an amount not to exceed \$1,387,755, from the US Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Statistics, National Criminal History Improvement Program grant, for the purpose of scanning and uploading paper fingerprint cards and purchasing and supplying local law enforcement agencies with digital fingerprint Livescan equipment. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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

#134 Authorized to enter into a contract with Royco Distributors, Inc., Gardner, MA in an amount up to and not to exceed \$750,336.59 for the supply of motor oils, lubricants, and full synthetic compounds. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2027, with the option to renew for an additional two years.

#135 Authorized to enter into a contract with Safety Kleen, Inc., Norwell, MA in an amount up to and not to exceed \$2,645,516.25 for the supply of motor oils, lubricants, and full synthetic compounds. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2027, with the option to renew for an additional two years.

#136 Authorized to enter into a contract with Waste Management of New Hampshire, Inc., Foxboro, MA, for recycling collection services in an amount up to and not to exceed \$813,279.45. Effective upon G&C approval through April 30, 2028, with the option to extend for an additional two years.

#137 Authorized to enter into a contract with Casella Waste Management of Massachusetts, Inc., Foxboro, MA, for recycling collection services in an amount up to and not to exceed \$252,871.35. Effective upon G&C approval through April 30, 2028, with the option to extend for an additional two years.

#138 Authorized to amend an existing contract with Karmic Landscapes, Inc., Bow, NH (originally approved by G&C on 11/13/24, Item #144), for snow removal services by adding one additional location and increasing the price limitation by \$70,709.10 from \$278,652 to an amount not to exceed \$349,361.10 and no change to the completion date. Effective upon G&C approval through July 31, 2027.

#139 Authorized to enter into a contract with Triple Construction, LLC, Merrimack, NH, in an amount up to and not to exceed \$82,186 for Milford Circuit Court sound and cellblock improvements for the New Hampshire Bureau of Courts. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$8,218.60 for services should they be found necessary. (3) Further authorized a payment of \$14,000 to the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Public Works Design and Construction, for engineering and project management services provided. Effective upon G&C approval through December 1, 2025. **100% Capital Funds**

#140 Authorized to enter into a contract with New Age Construction, LLC, Hudson, NH, in an amount up to and not to exceed \$37,477 for ceiling tile replacement services. Effective upon G&C approval through April 1, 2026. **100% Restricted Funds**

#141 Authorized the Division of Personnel to enter into an Inter-Agency Memorandum of Understanding with the Governor's Commission on Disability to sublet 1,428 square foot of spare classroom space located at 54 Regional Drive, Concord, NH in an amount equal to \$102,022. Effective upon G&C approval for the period May 1, 2025 through March 31, 2028. **73% General Funds, 19% Federal Funds, 8% Other Funds**

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ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE TABLE AND FAILED

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

#9 **FAILED** - Authorize to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with Maximus US Services, Inc., McLean, VA (originally approved by G&C on 6/30/21, Item #13), to continue providing comprehensive assessments for children, youth, and young adults to determine the need for behavioral health residential treatment and appropriate levels of care, by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$1,300,000 from \$2,817,280 to \$4,117,280 and extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2027. Effective July 1, 2025, upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

On April 9, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stephen, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, with Councilor Liot Hill voting **no**, voted to **table** Item #9 above.

On April 23, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill voted to remove Item #9 from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill moved to adopt Item #9 for the purpose of discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council, with Councilors Kenney, Stephen, and Wheeler voting **no**, **failed** to approve Item #9 above.

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OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

#35A **FAILED** - Authorize to enter into a contract with Amy C. McClellan, East Burke, VT in an amount up to and not to exceed \$30,000 for the provision of Real Estate Appraisal Expert Consultant Services. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2026, with the option to extend for four additional years. **100% Agency Funds**

On March 26, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney, voted to **table** Item #35A above.

On April 9, 2025:

No action was taken.

On April 23, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill voted to remove Item #35A from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Kenney moved to adopt Item #35A for the purpose of discussion. Following discussion, with Councilors Kenney, Liot Hill, Stevens, Stephen, and Wheeler voting **no**, the Governor and Council **failed** to approve Item #35A above.

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The next regular Governor and Executive Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday May 7, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at the State House, Concord, NH.

The Honorable Board then adjourned at 1:55 p.m.