

GOVERNOR AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MINUTES
State House, Concord, NH
December 3, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

The Governor and Executive Council convened at 10:24 a.m. with Councilors Kenney, Liot Hill, Stevens, and Wheeler present, Councilor Stephen was absent.

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Today's pre-meeting ceremonial items included:

- Chaplin Mullins from the National Guard offered a prayer
- Robert MacLaren led the Pledge of Allegiance
- Performance:
 - Windham Middle School
- Commendations:
 - Donnalee Lozeau
 - Robert MacLaren

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The following representative elect was sworn into office:

Coos County District No. 5

Marc D. Tremblay, r, Berlin (15 Haskell Street) 03570

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The Governor and Executive Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, voted to approve the minutes of the October 29, 2025 meeting.

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The Governor and Executive Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, voted to approve the minutes of the November 12, 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 November 12, 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:

Board of Dental Examiners - RSA 317 A:2

Linda Tatarczuch, Durham

Effective: November 21, 2025

New Hampshire Commission for Human Rights - RSA 354-A:4:3

Nancy G. LeRoy, Laconia

Effective: November 25, 2025

Volunteer New Hampshire Board of Directors - RSA 19-H

Kirsten S. Farrell, Manchester

Effective: December 1, 2025

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CONFIRMATIONS

The Governor and Council confirmed the following:

Board of Chiropractic Examiners - RSA 316-A
(Public Member)

Thomas Lanzara, Nashua
Succeeding: Lawrence A. Patten, Hollis

Effective: December 3, 2025
Term: December 28, 2028

Personnel Appeals Board, Division of Personnel, Department of Administrative Services - RSA 273-D
(Employed within a Public Personnel Field of Employment)

Richard A. Merkt, i, Westmoreland
Succeeding: Marilee Nihan, i, Bow

Effective: December 3, 2025
Term: June 2, 2028

Deputy Director, Division of Motor Vehicles Director, Department of Safety - RSA 21-P:11-a

Melissa Reilly, Candia
Succeeding: Janet L. Bouchard, Gilford (resigned)
Grade GG, Step 5 (Salary): \$112,488

Effective: December 3, 2025
Term: August 9, 2028

Director, Division of Municipal and Property, Department of Revenue Administration - RSA 21-J:2, II

Adam Denoncour, Dunbarton
Succeeding: Samuel T. Greene, Jaffrey (resigned)
Grade HH, Step 3 (Salary): \$109,775

Effective: December 3, 2025
Term: Commissioner's Pleasure

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NOMINATIONS

The following nominations were submitted:

Commissioner, Department of Energy - RSA 12-P:4

Jared S. Chicoine, Gilmanton
Reappointment
Grade JJ, Step 7 (Salary): \$150,849

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: December 8, 2029

Deputy Commissioner, Department of Employment Security - RSA 282-A:109

Heather A. Cherniske, Concord
Succeeding: Richard J. Lavers, Concord
Grade HH, Step 7 (Salary): \$135,272

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: November 20, 2029

New England Board of Higher Education - RSA 200-A

(Private Citizen)
Andrew R. Peterson, Peterborough
Reappointment

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: May 18, 2029

New Motor Vehicle Arbitration Board - RSA 357-D

(Alternate - Representing Consumers)
Sarah Y. Cadden, Kensington
Vacant

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: October 16, 2027

New Motor Vehicle Arbitration Board - RSA 357-D

(Knowledgeable in Auto Mechanics)
Adam Memmolo, Penacook
Reappointment

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: May 26, 2028

New Hampshire Motor Vehicle Industry Board - RSA 357-C:12

Robert A. Marrazzo, Plainfield
Reappointment

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: January 9, 2029

New Hampshire Motor Vehicle Industry Board - RSA 357-C:12

Sheila Reilly, Rollinsford
Succeeding: Vacant

Effective: Upon Confirmation
Term: January 9, 2027

Board of Licensure of Interpreters for the Deaf, Blind, and Hard of Hearing - RSA 326-I:3
(Recommended by the NH Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf)
Bethany Hawkis, Loudon Effective: Upon Confirmation
Succeeding: Brianna Cameron, Hooksett Term: October 10, 2028

Board of Licensure of Interpreters for the Deaf, Blind, and Hard of Hearing - RSA 326-I:3
(Recommended by NH Association for the Deaf)
Claire V. Sanders, Swanzey Effective: Upon Confirmation
Succeeding: Susan Wolf-Downes, Manchester Term: October 10, 2028

Board of Licensure of Interpreters for the Deaf, Blind, and Hard of Hearing - RSA 326-I:3
(Consumer of Oral Interpreting Services)
Joan E. Case, Weare Effective: Upon Confirmation
Succeeding: Andrea Kaneb, Exeter Term: October 10, 2028

Connecticut River Valley Resource Commission - RSA 227-E
(Hydro-Electric Concern)
Tim Purrington, Clarksville Effective: Upon Confirmation
Succeeding: Jennifer C. Griffin, Acworth Term: January 22, 2027

Connecticut River Valley Resource Commission - RSA 227-E
(Public Member)
R. Paul Detwiler, Hanover Effective: Upon Confirmation
Vacant Term: January 22, 2029

Advisory Committee on Marine Fisheries - RSA 211:60
Richard Hartley, Portsmouth Effective: Upon Confirmation
Succeeding: Geno J. Marconi, Jr., Stratham Term: October 15, 2028

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CONSENT CALENDAR AGENDA

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

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

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

- A. Authorized to enter Sandy Healy into an educational tuition agreement with St. Joseph School of Nursing, Nashua, NH, to participate in Nursing 110: Introduction to Health Caring Concepts, from January 5, 2026 to April 24, 2026 and to pay costs in the amount of \$3,000. **20% Federal Funds, 80% General Funds**

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

- B. Authorized to enter Serena B. White into an educational tuition agreement with Saint Anselm College, Manchester, NH, to participate in Evidenced Based Practice for the Scholarship Nursing Discipline, from January 21, 2026 to May 12, 2026 and to pay costs in the amount of \$1,800. **20% Federal Funds, 80% General Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

- C. Authorized the Bureau of Turnpikes to continue its membership and participation with the International Bridge, Tunnel and Turnpike Association, Washington, DC by paying annual membership dues in the amount of \$36,329 for Calendar Year 2026. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Turnpike Funds**

FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

- D. Authorized to pay the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, Washington, DC, \$40,309 annual membership dues. Effective upon G&C approval for the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. **100% Fish and Game Funds**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Division of Finance and Procurement**

- E. Authorized to pay a membership fee to the National Association for State Community Services Programs, Washington, DC in the amount of \$3,237.71 for an annual membership for the period from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Division for Children, Youth & Families**

- F. Authorized to pay the Coalition for Juvenile Justice, Washington, DC, in the amount of \$6,000 for the annual membership fee for the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Division for Children, Youth & Families**

- G. Authorized to pay the annual membership fee to the Association of Administrators of the Interstate Compact on Adoption and Medical Assistance, Washington, DC, in the amount of \$9,500 for the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

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

FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

- A. Authorized to accept a donation of \$14,000 from George Tombarello, to be donated to the Law Enforcement Division to be utilized for search and rescue related equipment and training. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026.

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Division for Children, Youth & Families**

- B. Authorized to accept a donation of toys, cleaning products, and furniture worth an estimated fair market value of \$1,007.19 from The Forgotten Initiative. Effective upon G&C approval.

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

FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

- A. Authorized to accept and place on file the Biennial report for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025.

UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

- B. Authorized to accept and place on file the Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2025.

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

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

- A. Authorized the nomination of Morgan Arnone, Hooksett, NH, for promotion to the rank of Major, 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 MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

- B. Authorized the nomination of Ruslan Denysyk, Henniker, NH, for promotion to the rank of Major, 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 MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

- C. Authorized the nomination of Darick Krause, Buxton, ME, for promotion to the rank of Major, 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 MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

- D. Authorized the nomination of Captain Jeremiah A. Neault, Kingston, NH, 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.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

- E. Authorized the nomination of Michelle Smith, Epsom, NH, for promotion to the rank of Major, 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 MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

- F. Authorized the nomination of Ying Wang, Canton, MA, for promotion to the rank of Major, 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 MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

- G. Authorized the confirmation of Major Christopher Cahill, Durham, NH, for appointment to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, in the NH Air National Guard.

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- H. Authorized the confirmation of Major Daniel S. Dixon, Rochester, NH, for appointment to the rank of Major, in the NH Air National Guard.

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- I. Authorized the confirmation of Benjamin Hagstrom, Epsom, NH, for appointment to the rank of Major, in the NH Army National Guard.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

- J. Authorized the confirmation of Major Lukas Huebener, South Portland, ME, for appointment to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, in the NH Air National Guard.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

- K. Authorized to appoint Laurie S. Young, as an Assistant Attorney General, at a salary level of \$93,000. Effective upon G&C approval or December 13, 2025, whichever is later, for a term ending September 1, 2028.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

- L. Authorized to appoint Nathan B. Hamilton, as a Criminal Justice Investigator, at a salary level of \$79,144. Effective upon G&C approval or December 12, 2025, whichever is later, for a term ending July 1, 2029.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

- M. Authorized the Bureau of Right-of-Way's petition for a hearing on the Albany-Madison 29597 project, on addressing the safety, pavement, and existing drainage conditions by reconstructing the roadway and removing the existing concrete slab, increasing shoulder width, improving intersection geometries, as well as widening sections of Route 16 for the auxiliary left turn lanes and two-way left turn lanes. (2) Further authorized a Commission of Three Persons to be appointed by the Governor with the advice of the Executive Council to hold a hearing and determine whether there is an occasion for the project.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

- N. Authorized the Bureau of Right-of-Way's petition for a hearing on the Wolfeboro 44455 project, on replacing the existing eighty-foot-long, sixty-inch CMP located 825 feet north of Oakwood Road along NH 28 in the Town of Wolfeboro, which failed during a July 2023 storm event, with a nine-foot-wide by six-and-a-half-foot-high precast box culvert. (2) Further authorized a Commission of Three Persons to be appointed by the Governor with the advice of the Executive Council to hold a hearing and determine whether there is an occasion for the project.

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

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

- A. Councilor Liot Hill 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 Wheeler authorized, under the Community Development Block Grant program, to enter into a no cost grant amendment with the City of Keene, NH (originally approved by G&C on 2/21/24, Item #53), in the amount of \$750,000 on behalf of the Monadnock Affordable Housing Corporation to extend the completion date from December 31, 2025 to June 30, 2026. This extension, if granted, will allow for completion of its multi-unit rehabilitation project at the site of the former Roosevelt School located at 438 Washington Street, Keene, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

- B. Authorized, under the Community Development Block Grant program, to enter into a no cost grant amendment with the Town of Northumberland, NH (originally approved by G&C on 7/24/24, Item #31), in the amount of \$500,000 by extending the completion date from December 31, 2025 to December 31, 2026. This extension, if granted, will allow for completion of its water and sewer system improvement project at the Brookview Cooperative Mobile Home Park, Inc., situated at 16 Marietta Lane, Northumberland, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

- C. Authorized to amend a New Hampshire Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust grant to the Town of Bennington, NH (originally approved by G&C on 5/1/24, Item #110), by extending the amended completion date from December 31, 2025 to December 31, 2026 to replace an engine model year 2006 plow truck. Effective upon G&C approval. This is a no cost time extension. **100% Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

- D. Authorized to amend a **sole source** Cooperative Project Agreement with the University of New Hampshire – Office of Sponsored Programs, Durham, NH (originally approved by G&C on 12/18/24, Item #88), for "NH Listens" to support the 2024 Coastal Resilience Grantees with coaching and training by extending the project completion date from December 31, 2025 to June 30, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval. This is a no-cost time extension.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

- E. Authorized to amend an agreement with the Town of Wolfeboro, NH (originally approved by G&C on 2/21/24, Item #98), for implementation of phase 2 of the *Rust Pond – North Inlet Subwatershed Implementation and Dredging Feasibility Study* project by amending the scope of services and extending the completion date from December 31, 2025 to November 30, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval. This is a no cost time extension. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

- F. Authorized to amend a contract with Weston & Sampson Engineers, Inc., Portsmouth, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/1/22, Item #76), to conduct natural hazard vulnerability assessment by extending the completion date from December 31, 2025 to June 30, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval. This is a no cost time extension. **100% Federal Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

- G. Authorized the Division of State Police to amend a **sole source** existing contract with McGovern MHQ, Inc., Mesa, AZ (originally approved by G&C on 12/21/22, Item #120), for the provision of preparing State Police vehicles for deployment by extending the completion date from December 31, 2025 to June 30, 2026, with no change to the price limitation of \$6,317,947. Effective upon G&C approval. **53.4% General Funds, 30.90% Highway Funds, 1.48% Revolving Funds, 1.92% Federal Funds, 11.18% Turnpike Funds, 1.08% Agency Income**

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REGULAR AGENDA

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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

#6 Authorized the Bureau of Right-of-Way to pay a property owner \$7,950 as documented in the Contemplated Awards List, for amounts exceeding \$5,000 for the period from October 1, 2025 through October 15, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval.

#7 Authorized the Bureau of Right-of-Way to pay a property owner \$37,550 as documented in the Contemplated Awards List, for amounts exceeding \$5,000 for the period from October 16, 2025 through November 5, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval.

#8 Authorized the Bureau of Aeronautics to provide funding to the Pease Development Authority, to rehabilitate and mark the terminal area tie-down apron, Phase II, at the Skyhaven Airport, Rochester, NH. Federal and State participation in the amount of \$1,364,961. Effective upon G&C approval through August 7, 2029. **97.4% Federal Funds, 2.6% State Funds**

#9 Authorized the Bureau of Bridge Design to amend a contract with HDR Engineering, Inc., Manchester, NH (originally approved by G&C on 12/22/21, Item #51), for the replacement of the existing Red List bridge carrying NH Route 1A over Hampton River in the Town of Hampton, NH, by authorizing the Department to increase the fee in the amount of \$323,284.43 from \$2,965,272.86 to \$3,288,557.29. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#10 Authorized the Bureau of Highway Design to enter into an agreement with HEB Engineers, Inc., North Conway, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$763,865.20, for preliminary design services. Effective upon G&C approval through November 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#11 Authorized the Bureau of Highway Maintenance to enter into an agreement with Greenman-Pedersen, Inc., Bedford, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$750,000, for Statewide On-Call Expedited Driveway Permit Reviews throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2028. **100% Private Local Funds**

#12 Authorized the Bureau of Highway Maintenance to enter into an agreement with HNTB Corporation, Concord, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$750,000, for Statewide On-Call Expedited Driveway Permit Reviews throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2028. **100% Private Local Funds**

#13 Authorized the Bureau of Highway Maintenance to enter into an agreement with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., Auburn, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$750,000, for Statewide On-Call Expedited Driveway Permit Reviews throughout the State. Effective upon G&C approval through October 31, 2028. **100% Private Local Funds**

#14 Authorized the Bureau of Planning & Community Assistance to enter into an agreement totaling \$842,756 with the Town of Milford, NH to provide funding and services under the Local Public Agency program through NHDOT's Direct Managed LPA process. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2028 unless extended by the Department in accordance with standard specifications. **100% Federal Funds**

#15 Authorized the Bureau of Rail & Transit to pay the City of Nashua, Nashua Transit System, Nashua, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$68,250 to provide a portion of the non-Federal Funds required to match Federal Transit Administration grant funds, for eligible revenue rolling stock and passenger amenities. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2031. **100% State Capital Funds**

#16 Authorized the Bureau of Rail & Transit to enter into a **sole source** agreement with Concord Coach Lines, Inc., Concord, NH, to operate the Concord Intermodal Facility located at 30 Stickney Avenue in Concord, NH. Effective upon G&C approval or January 1, 2026, whichever is later, to December 31, 2030. This is a no-cost operating agreement.

#17 Authorized to enter into an agreement with Hoyle, Tanner & Associates, Inc., Manchester, NH, for an amount not to exceed \$1,096,304.51 for professional engineering, surveying, and environmental consulting services. Effective upon G&C approval through January 31, 2027. **100% Turnpike Funds**

#18 Authorized to enter into a contract with R.S. Audley, Inc., Bow, NH, on the basis of a low bid of \$4,084,000 for operational and safety improvements at the intersection of NH 28 and Stonehenge Road in Londonderry, NH. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$408,400, for payment of latent conditions which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through July 30, 2027, unless amended by the Department in accordance with the Standard Specifications. **100% Federal Funds**

#19 Authorized to enter into a contract with Beck & Bellucci, Inc., Franklin, NH, on the basis of a low bid of \$10,315,808.09 for preservation of four bridges in Littleton, two carrying I-93 over the Ammonoosuc River and two carrying I-93 over Industrial Drive and the abandoned New Hampshire Rail Road. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$1,031,580.81, for payment of latent conditions which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through October 20, 2028, unless amended by the Department in accordance with the Standard Specifications. **100% Federal Funds**

#20 Authorized to enter into a contract with Weaver Brothers Construction Company, Inc., Bow, NH, on the basis of a low bid of \$4,509,948.75 for signaling the intersection of NH Route 106 with South Village Road and Chichester Road. (2) Further authorized a contingency in the amount of \$225,497.44, for payment of latent conditions which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through June 4, 2027, unless amended by the Department in accordance with the Standard Specifications. **100% Federal Funds**

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

#21 **WITHDRAWN** – The Governor withdrew the request to enter into a contract with Ulliance, Inc., Troy, MI, in an amount up to and not to exceed \$2,113,999.92 for the provision of healthcare professionals monitoring program services. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2028, with the option to extend for two additional years. **100% Agency Funds**

JUDICIAL COUNCIL

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

#22 Authorized to receive an additional appropriation from funds not otherwise appropriated in the amount of \$200,000, to make payments pursuant to RSA 135-C:23 to attorneys contracted to represent individuals in involuntary admissions cases. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **100% General Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on November 21, 2025.**

#23 Authorized to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Judicial Branch to allow the Judicial Council to make payments pursuant to RSA 135-C:23 to attorneys contracted with the Judicial Branch for representation in involuntary emergency admissions proceedings, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026. **100% General Funds. Contingent upon approval of item #22 above.**

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

#24 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill authorized to transfer appropriated funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 within the Army Guard Facilities and Army Guard Electronic Security to compensate for anticipated shortfalls in Classe 047 Own Forces Maintenances and Grounds. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on November 21, 2025.**

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, MARKETS, AND FOOD

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

#25 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with New Hampshire FFA Foundation, Concord, NH, in the amount of \$33,000 to promote agricultural science educational programming and outreach activities. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **100% General Funds**

#26 Authorized, with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, to enter into a grant agreement with Alpine Garden Winery, Bartlett, NH, for the Resilient Food Systems Infrastructure Program in the amount of \$99,948.82. Effective upon G&C approval through May 1, 2027. **100% Federal Funds.** (2) Further authorized advance payment in the amount of \$99,948.82 to Alpine Garden Winery, Bartlett, in accordance with the terms of the agreement. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#27 Authorized, with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, to enter into a grant agreement with Berger's Springledge Nursery and Produce Stand, LLC, New London, NH, for the Resilient Food Systems Infrastructure Program in the amount of \$18,585. Effective upon G&C approval through May 1, 2027. **100% Federal Funds.** (2) Further authorized advance payment in the amount of \$18,585 to Berger's Springledge Nursery and Produce Stand, LLC, New London, NH, in accordance with the terms of the agreement. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#28 Authorized, with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, to enter into a grant agreement with Hungry Heart Farm, Kingston, NH, for the Resilient Food Systems Infrastructure Program in the amount of \$66,000. Effective upon G&C approval through May 1, 2027. **100% Federal Funds.** (2) Further authorized advance payment in the amount of \$66,000 to Hungry Heart Farm, Kingston, NH, in accordance with the terms of the agreement. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#29 Authorized, with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, to enter into a grant agreement with Micro Mama's LLC, Weare, NH, for the Resilient Food Systems Infrastructure Program in the amount of \$96,197.04. Effective upon G&C approval through May 1, 2027. **100% Federal Funds.** (2) Further authorized advance payment in the amount of \$96,197.04 to Micro Mama's LLC, Weare, NH, in accordance with the terms of the agreement. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#30 Authorized, with Councilor Wheeler voting **no**, to enter into a grant agreement with Virgin Oyster Company, LLC, Dover, NH, for the Resilient Food Systems Infrastructure Program in the amount of \$25,492.47. Effective upon G&C approval through May 1, 2027. **100% Federal Funds.** (2) Further authorized advance payment in the amount of \$25,492.47 to Virgin Oyster Company, LLC, Dover, NH, in accordance with the terms of the agreement. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

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

#31 Authorized to **retroactively** pay the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, Washington, DC, the amount of \$28,913 for Fiscal Year 2026 annual assessment as per RSA 213:1 Article XI. Effective upon G&C approval **retroactive** for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. **100% Fish and Game Funds**

#32 Authorized, with the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement to jointly administer the revenues from the endowment funds established for management of the Connecticut Lakes Headwaters Tracts. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2035.

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES

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

#33 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Management Bureau to accept and expend \$480,000 in Federal Funds to fund State Forest Nursery improvements as Authorized by Federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Legislation Revegetation grants. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on November 21, 2025.**

#34 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Bureau of Trails to accept and expend \$399,323 from the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service for the purpose of upgrading bridges to current USFS standards. Effective upon G&C approval through November 23, 2026. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on November 21, 2025.**

#35 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands to **retroactively** amend a lease agreement with Central Vermont Communications, Inc., Rutland, VT (originally approved by G&C on 1/14/15, Item #23), for equipment and antenna space in designated areas at Kearsarge Mountain in Kearsarge Mountain State Forest by exercising a second five-year renewal option and extending the completion date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2030. (2) Further authorized to accept rental payment revenue. The annual rental payments include an annual 3% increase as detailed within the terms of the lease. Effective upon G&C approval.

#36 Authorized the Division of Forests and Lands to enter into a **retroactive** and **sole source** Cooperative Project Agreement with the University of New Hampshire, Cooperative Extension, Durham, NH to address selected needs of the public in natural resources with university-based educational outreach programs in such areas as forest stewardship, forest health, urban and community forestry, economic viability, and natural resource conservation education, in an amount not to exceed \$105,000. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. **100% General Funds**

#37 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Cannon Mountain to enter into a contract with Snow Economics Inc. d/b/a HKD Snowmakers, Natick, MA in the amount of \$104,419.85 for labor and materials required for the snowmaking PLC upgrade at Cannon Mountain Ski Area. Effective upon G&C approval through April 6, 2026. **100% Cannon Mountain Capital Improvement Fund**

#38 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Cannon Mountain to enter into a contract with D.L. Thurrott, Inc., Waterville, ME in the amount of \$38,400.39 to complete the 2025 snow base compressor service and replacement at Cannon Mountain Ski Area. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026. **100% Agency Income**

#39 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, Cannon Mountain Ski Area to select as **sole source**, the lease to purchase of a new Prinoth Bison X Winch Snow Groomer in the amount of \$468,455.84 to be used at Cannon Mountain for the purpose of performing necessary annual snow groomer maintenance services as a vital function of mountain ski operations, financed through a master equipment lease agreement with Flagstar Public Funding Corp. (previously Signature Public Funding Corp.) (originally approved by G&C on 11/10/21, Item #32E). Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Agency Income**

#40 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation to enter into a contract with J.J.S. Universal Construction Company Inc, Dudley, MA in the amount of \$54,076 to provide asphalt shingle roof replacement and interior repair services to the hiker's cabin at Monadnock State Park in Jaffrey, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026. **100% Capital Funds**

#41 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation to enter into a contract with New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc., Plymouth, NH, utilizing Statewide contract 8003261 under the Department of Administrative Services Statewide Master Agreements for Electric Supply Services in the amount of \$31,905.92 to install a new primary extension 100 Amp power line to the RV dump station at Pawtuckaway State Park in Nottingham, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through May 1, 2026. **100% Capital Funds.** (2) Further authorized advance payment of \$31,905.92 to New Hampshire Electric Co-op, Plymouth, NH in accordance with the terms of this contract. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Capital Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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

#42 Authorized to grant an annual salary increase for Adam J. Crepeau, Assistant Commissioner at the Department of Environmental Services from a salary of \$122,815 to a new salary of \$129,583. Effective December 20, 2025, upon G&C approval.

#43 Authorized to make a **retroactive** unencumbered payment of invoices in the amount of \$14,499.56 to Island Marine Service, Kittery, ME for repairs and maintenance to department boats. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#44 Authorized to purchase two Aebi TT282 slope machines and two SEPMI HD 98-inch-wide flail mower implements from Allied Equipment LLC, Hartland, ME in the amount of \$538,000. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026. **100% Capital Funds**

#45 Authorized to enter into a contract with Weston & Sampson Engineers, Inc., Reading, MA in the amount of \$1,500,000 for professional consulting, engineering and technical support services for the Winnepesaukee River Basin Program (WRBP). Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2028. **100% WRBP Funds**

#46 Authorized to amend a Memorandum of Agreement with the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 11/8/23, Item #93) for lead removal in drinking water at NH child care facilities, by increasing the amount by \$30,000, from \$1,087,404 to \$1,117,404 and extending the completion date from December 31, 2025 to September 30, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#47 Authorized to amend a **sole source** Cooperative Project Agreement with the University of New Hampshire, Sponsored Program Administration, Durham, NH (originally approved by G&C on 2/21/24, Item #94), to perform laboratory analysis of seawater samples to identify and quantify harmful algae cells, by increasing the amount by \$62,950 from \$135,353 to \$198,303. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **100% General Funds**

#48 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** grant agreement with University of New Hampshire, Sponsored Program Administration, Durham, NH, in the amount of \$321,405 to finalize a stream crossing prioritization model and planning tool. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#49 Authorized to **retroactively** enter into a **sole source** agreement with the Strafford Regional Planning Commission, Rochester, NH, for a total of \$15,000, to provide planning and outreach technical assistance to coastal communities. Effective **retroactively** to July 1, 2025, upon G&C approval, through June 30, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#50 Authorized to award a Lead Service Line Inventory Grant to the Town of Raymond, NH in the amount of \$60,000 to develop and implement a drinking water service line inventory. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#51 Authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the Town of Pembroke, NH totaling \$869.87 for the purpose of used oil collections. Effective upon G&C approval through July 31, 2026. **100% Hazardous Waste Cleanup Funds**

#52 Authorized, under the provisions of RSA 486, to award state aid grant funds for wastewater facility projects for the entities in the aggregate amount of \$9,576,690, as detailed in the letter dated October 30, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

#53 Authorized, under the provisions of RSA 486, to award state aid grant funds for wastewater facility projects for the entities in the aggregate amount of \$5,503,491, as detailed in the letter dated October 30, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds**

#54 Authorized to approve a Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan agreement with the Town of Bedford, NH in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 to finance the Sebbins Pond Watershed Management Plan project under the provisions of RSA 486:14 and NH Code of Admin. Rules Env-Wq 500 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **83% Federal Funds, 17% General Funds**

#55 Authorized to approve a Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan agreement with the Town of Conway, NH in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 to finance the Saco and Swift River Water Quality Management Plan project under the provisions of RSA 486:14 and NH Code of Admin. Rules Env-Wq 500 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **83% Federal Funds, 17% General Funds**

#56 Authorized to approve a Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan agreement with the Town of Woodstock, NH in an amount not to exceed \$55,000 to finance the Sewer Collection Assessment project under the provisions of RSA 486:14 and NH Code of Admin. Rules Env-Wq 500 et seq. Effective upon G&C approval. **83% Federal Funds, 17% General Funds**

#57 Authorized to accept and place on file the Biennial Report for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 on pollution prevention activities.

VETERANS HOME

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

#58 Authorized to accept and expend monies from donations received pursuant to RSA 119:8, Donations, and held in an off-book account, by adding \$114,996 to HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, NH VETERANS HOME, BENEFIT FUND VETERANS HOME, to provide for Veteran residents' quality of life needs and related projects. (2) Further authorized these funds to be allocated as detailed in the letter dated October 20, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026. **100% Other Funds**

#59 Authorized to enter into a contract with Clay Consulting LLC, Houston, TX to provide Pre-Employment Physicals for all NHVH applicants, in the amount of \$113,837. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2030, with the option to renew for up to four additional years. **40% Federal Funds, 32% Other Funds, 28% General Funds**

COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

#60 The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill authorized to accept and place on file the annual report identifying ongoing work and collaboration between the University System of New Hampshire and the Community College System of New Hampshire.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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

#61 Authorized the Bureau of Instructional Support, Office of The Elementary and Secondary Education Act Title Programs to hold an organized event on March 25 and 26, 2026 at Southern New Hampshire University, Manchester, NH, for a total event cost not to exceed \$7,930 for the purpose of the "2026 Spring ESEA Title Programs Conference." Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#62 Authorized the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation to amend a contract with Brain Injury Association of New Hampshire, Concord, NH (originally approved by G&C on 11/8/23, Item #130), by increasing the price limitation by \$12,727.46 from \$371,522.95 to \$384,250.41, to provide Independent Living, Part B services, with no change to the end date. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

#63 Authorized the Division of Learner Support, Bureau of Career Development and Adult Education to **retroactively** enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with International Institute of New England, Manchester, NH (originally approved by G&C on 6/28/23, Item #227), by increasing the price limitation by \$354,283.51 from \$780,833.85 to \$1,135,117.36 with no change to the end date, to continue providing adult education and literacy programs as defined under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014. Effective upon G&C approval **retroactively** to June 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. **30% Federal Funds, 70% General Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

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

#64 Authorized the Division of State Police to accept and expend \$335,129 of federal pass-through funds from the NH Department of Transportation for the purpose of purchasing up to one hundred fifty ProLaser 4 Lidars. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **100% Fed Rev Xfers from Other Agencies. Fiscal Committee approved on November 21, 2025.**

#65 Authorized the Division of Fire Safety to accept and expend funds from the 2025 Homeland Security Grant Program-Arson Canine, in the amount of \$25,000. This funding has been awarded to the Division of Fire Safety to obtain an ignitable liquid detection canine which is specially trained to help detect minute traces of ignitable liquids used in fires and can lead investigators to specific locations where physical samples can be taken for forensic laboratory analysis. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2026. **100% Intra-Agency Transfer**

#66 Authorized the Division of State Police to **retroactively** pay annual membership dues in the amount of \$6,000 to the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators, Inc., Lexington, KY, for the period of October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#67 Authorized the Division of State Police to enter into a contract with Joe Brigham, Inc d/b/a Craig Avionics, Concord, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$573,055 for the provision of comprehensive avionics upgrades, as well as the installation of advanced law enforcement equipment on the State Police Bell 407 Helicopter. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026. **70% General Funds, 30% Highway Funds**

#68 Authorized the Division of State Police to **retroactively** amend the preapproved grant agreements with the counties and municipalities (originally approved by G&C on 10/1/25, Item #60), totaling \$3,234,780, by incorporating an Exhibit D – Memorandum of Agreement. The grants fund the investigation and apprehension of individuals or organizations involved in narcotics-related drug use and trafficking. Effective upon G&C approval and **retroactive** to the date the grant agreements, as executed and approved by the NH Department of Justice, because effective through June 30, 2027. **100% Transfers from Other Agency**

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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

#69 Authorized to enter into a subgrant with the Manchester Police Department, Manchester, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$3,469, from the Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Project Safe Neighborhood for the purpose of funding two Prox Card Reader access locks for the entrance and exit doors to the Manchester Police Department's NIBIN machine; thereby allowing twenty-four hour secured access. Effective upon G&C approval through March 31, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

#70 Authorized to enter into a subgrant with the New Hampshire Department of Safety, Concord, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$330,000, from the Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program, for the purpose of supporting the J-One system expansion. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2026. **100% Federal Funds**

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

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

#71 Authorized to accept and expend federal funds from the American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds, in the amount of \$603,380 to support the construction of the future Youth Development Center. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds as detailed in the letter dated October 30, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2026. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on November 21, 2025.**

#72 Authorized to accept and expend \$698,000 from the United States Department of Agriculture – Food and Nutrition Service, to support a contract for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Fraud Framework Implementation enhancements. (2) Further authorized the allocation of these funds as detailed in the letter dated October 10, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds. Fiscal Committee approved on November 21, 2025.**

#73 Authorized to transfer general funds in the amount of \$27,084,812 between various class lines, increase and decrease Federal revenues resulting in a net decrease of \$1,853,426, increase and decrease Other revenues resulting in a net increase of \$864,307, and create new expenditure class codes, as detailed in the letter dated November 5, 2025. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2026. **Fiscal Committee approved on November 21, 2025.**

#74 Authorized to extend one full-time temporary COMPUTER SUPP SPECS-5 (Technical Support Specialist II), a position assigned to the Office of the Commissioner, Office of Administration, Management Support and is currently vacant. Effective December 28, 2025, upon G&C approval through December 27, 2026. **30.94% Federal Funds, 1.06% Other Funds, 68% General Funds**

#75 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** five-year lease agreement with Forty Terrill Park Drive, LLC, Exeter, NH, in the amount of \$3,243,534.28, for office space compromised of approximately 25, 588 square feet for the Concord District Office located at 40 Terrill Park Drive, Concord, NH. Effective January 1, 2026, upon G&C approval through December 31, 2030. **67.50% General Funds, 32.10% Federal Funds, 0.40% Other Funds**

#76 Authorized to enter into a contract with Fidelity Information Services, LLC, Jacksonville, FL, in the amount of \$1,744,178 to provide Electronic Benefits Transfer services for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children, and cash assistance programs. Effective upon G&C approval through November 30, 2032, with the option to renew for up to two 12-month renewal periods. **42% Federal Funds, 58% General Funds**

Division for Behavioral Health

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

#77 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive sole source** amendment to an existing contract with ProtoCall Services, Inc., Portland, OR (originally approved by G&C on 5/7/25, Item #70), that operates the New Hampshire Rapid Response Access Point as a centralized crisis operation center, to modify the scope of services to add related crisis response, support, and system navigation services for the NH Doorway System during hours outside of the Doorways standard business house, defined as Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, including evenings, overnights, weekends, and 24-hour coverage on state and federal holidays, by increasing the price limitation by \$1,190,892 from \$9,137,244 to \$10,328,136 with no change to the contract completion date of June 30, 2027. Effective **retroactive** to September 30, 2025, upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds**

#78 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive** amendment to an existing contract with the Contractor as detailed in the letter dated September 26, 2025 (originally approved by G&C on 8/4/21, Item #15) to correct the residential bed reimbursement rate table in the payment terms by adding the rates for the Short-term Treatment Education and Planning Program, and to modify the scope of services, with no change to the price limitation of \$564,779,464.18, and with no change to the contract completion date of June 30, 2027. Effective **retroactive** to July 1, 2025, upon G&C approval. **Funding source is estimated as 51% General Funds, 49% Federal Funds, dependent upon eligibility of the client.**

Division of Public Health

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

#79 Authorized to enter into Provider Agreements with eligible New Hampshire licensed child care facilities for the purpose of providing reimbursement of lead in drinking water remediation costs. (2) Further authorized to make unencumbered payments in an amount not to exceed \$337,553 as Authorized by the Board of the Drinking Water Groundwater Trust Fund, to eligible licensed child care facilities in response to lead in drinking water remediation requirements set forth in New Hampshire RSA 485:17-a, Lead in Drinking Water in Schools and Licensed Child Care Facilities. Effective January 1, 2026, upon G&C approval through September 30, 2026. **100% Other Funds (Transfer from Other Agency – Department of Environmental Services)**

#80 Authorized to enter into contracts with the vendors as detailed in the letter dated November 12, 2025 in an amount not to exceed \$418,000 for reimbursement for payment of education loans through the State Loan Repayment Program. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2028, with the option to renew for up to two additional years. **84% Other Funds (NH Medical Malpractice Joint Underwriters Association), 16% SLRP Nurse General Funds**

Division of Economic Stability

#80A The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Kenney, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill authorized to enter into a **retroactive sole source** amendment to an existing contract with New Hampshire Catholic Charities d/b/a New Hampshire Food Bank, Manchester, NH (originally approved by G&C on 10/29/25, Late Item #C), for the operation of mobile food pantries and distribution of food supplies to provide supplemental food access to New Hampshire Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) participants, by exercising an available contract renewal option, by extending the completion date from November 13, 2025 (the date the SNAP benefits resumed), to November 14, 2025. Effective **retroactive** to November 14, 2025, upon G&C approval, with no change to the price limitation of \$2,000,000. **100% General Funds**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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

#81 Authorized to accept and expend \$9,900,000 for SMRT, Inc., for remediation work related to the design and construction of a new Secure Psychiatric Unit Forensic Hospital. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **100% Agency Income. Fiscal Committee approved on November 21, 2025.**

#82 Authorized a Working Capital Warrant for the month of January 2026 in the amount of \$850,000,000 to cover the payment of expenditures for the month.

#83 Authorized the request of the Division of Personnel for waiver of reclassification decisions. Effective upon G&C approval.

#84 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** amendment to an existing contract with Gemini Electric Inc. d/b/a Power Up Generator Services, Co, Auburn, NH (originally approved by the Commissioner on 7/28/25), for Generator Maintenance Services by adding twenty-two locations and increasing the price limitation by \$274,187.20 from \$181,070 to an amount up to and not to exceed \$455,257.20. Effective upon G&C approval through August 31, 2028.

#85 Authorized to enter into a contract with J&S Technical Electric LLC, Milton, NH, for electrical repair services in an amount up to and not to exceed \$900,000. Effective upon G&C approval for the period February 1, 2026 through January 31, 2031, with the option to extend for up to an additional two years.

#86 Authorized to enter into a contract with R.H. White Construction Co., Inc., Auburn, MA for a total price not to exceed \$329,571 for steam distribution system repair and maintenance services in Concord, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through November 30, 2028, with the option to renew for an additional two-year period. **51% General Funds, 49% Transfer from Other Agencies**

#87 Authorized to enter into a **retroactive sole source** Memorandum of Understanding with the Judicial Branch, Concord, NH, in the total amount of \$87,985.80, to sub-lease office space, for the Office of the Youth Development Center Claims Administrator. Effective **retroactive** to December 1, 2025, upon G&C approval through November 30, 2028. **100% Other Funds (Transfer from YDC Settlement Fund)**

#88 Authorized to enter into a contract with Engaged Healthcare Solutions LLC, Chattanooga, TN, for drug cups and validity test strips in an amount up to and not to exceed \$961,050. Effective upon G&C approval through July 30, 2030, with the option to extend for up to an additional two years.

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TABLED ITEMS REMOVED AND APPROVED

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#9 Authorized to accept and place on file the Bureau of Highway Maintenance's detailed report of contracts with various private contractors to assist with winter maintenance activities, emergency repair of infrastructure due to flooding or other unexpected natural disasters, along with highway and bridge maintenance efforts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

On November 12, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Stephen, voted to **table** item #9 above.

On December 3, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill voted to remove item #9 above from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, voted to adopt item #9 for the purpose of discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council with all in favor approved item #9 above.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS & VETERANS SERVICES

#20 Authorized to enter into a contract with Pro-Point Restoration, Pittsfield, NH, in the amount of \$222,897 for the New Hampshire Army National Guard Building B Masonry Project in Concord, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2026. **50% Federal Funds, 50% General Funds**

On November 12, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stephen, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, voted to **table** item #20 above.

On December 3, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Stevens, seconded by Councilor Wheeler voted to remove item #20 above from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Stevens, voted to adopt item #20 for the purpose of discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council with all in favor approved item #20 above.

INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

#22 Authorized to enter into a contract with the RAND Corporation, Santa Monica, CA, in the amount of \$400,000 for the purpose of conducting a ground ambulance cost study and developing a cost-based rate schedule to be used by health carriers in reimbursing ground ambulance providers in New Hampshire. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2027. **100% Other Funds**

On November 12, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill, voted to **table** item #22 above.

On December 3, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Wheeler voted to remove item #22 above from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Wheeler, voted to adopt item #22 for the purpose of discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council with all in favor approved item #22 above.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

#46 Authorized to enter into a **sole source** contract with the New Hampshire Career and Technical Administrators, Inc., Concord, NH in an amount not to exceed \$82,350 to provide professional development to Career and Technical Education teachers in New Hampshire. Effective upon G&C approval through September 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds**

On October 29, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill voted to **table** item #46 above.

On November 12, 2025:

The Governor asked for a motion to remove item #46 from the table. Councilor Liot Hill made that motion; there being no second, the item remains on the table.

On December 3, 2025:

The Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Wheeler, seconded by Councilor Liot Hill voted to remove item #46 above from the table. Then, the Governor and Council on motion of Councilor Liot Hill, seconded by Councilor Stevens, voted to adopt item #46 for the purpose of discussion. Following discussion, the Governor and Council with all in favor approved item #46 above.

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The next regular Governor and Executive Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday December 17, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at the State House, Concord, NH.

The Honorable Board then adjourned at 1:17 p.m.

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Minutes taken by Kaley Dion, Assistant Secretary of State