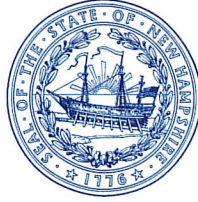


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July 31, 2026

Her Excellency, Governor Kelly A. Ayotte
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

That approval be and hereby is given to the Attorney General to grant a salary increase to Nicholas Chong Yen, as an Assistant Attorney General (Position #9U287, Appropriation #02-20-20-200510-26100000-013-500132), in the amount of \$2,400, from a salary level of \$102,600 to a salary level of \$105,000, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval, or August 19, 2026, whichever is later. 100% General Funds.

EXPLANATION

Mr. Chong Yen, a Concord resident, is a member of the New Hampshire Bar. He graduated from the University of Ottawa with an Honors Bachelor of Social Science in 2013 and earned his Juris Doctor from the University of New Hampshire School of Law in 2016. While in law school, he was Governor of the 1L Class and a member of the Advanced Trial Advocacy Team. He began his legal career as an Assistant County Attorney at the Grafton County Attorney's Office from 2016 through 2018. Mr. Chong Yen joined the Department of Justice in 2018 and was initially assigned to the Criminal Justice Bureau. In 2019, he was appointed as an Assistant Attorney General and assigned to the Division of Legal Counsel's Election Law Unit. He returned to the Criminal Justice Bureau in 2021 as a prosecuting attorney with the Homicide Unit. In the last few years, he has successfully prosecuted drug cases, a YDC criminal case, and homicide cases. He was designated a Senior Assistant Attorney General in 2025. His salary will increase by \$2,400 from \$102,600 to \$105,000. He will continue in his current assignment.

RSA 21-M:3 and RSA 94:1-a(I)(c)(3) provides that designation of positions, salary levels, and salary increases for attorneys at the Department of Justice shall be determined by the Attorney General, subject to approval of the Governor and Council, within appropriations made to the Department of Justice.

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I respectfully urge your favorable consideration of this request. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. M. Formella", is positioned above the printed name.

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