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The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 9:16-c, authorize the Department of Safety, Division of Administration, to transfer Homeland Security Grant Program funds in and among classes within an accounting unit, in the amount of \$1,361,500 for better use of appropriated federal funds, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2027. **100% Federal Funds.**

Funds are to be budgeted in FY 2027 in the following account:

02-23-23-231010-22980000, Homeland Security Grants

Class	Class Description	Current Adjusted Authorized	Requested Action	Revised Adjusted Authorized
010-500100	SALARY	\$164,510	\$0	\$164,510
018-500106	OVERTIME	\$59,625	(\$18,000)	\$41,625
020-500200	CURRENT EXPENSES	\$48,146	(\$17,600)	\$30,546
021-500211	FOOD INSTITUTIONS	\$501	\$0	\$501
022-500255	RENTAL/LEASE - OFFICE EQUIP	\$9,652	\$0	\$9,652
024-500230	SOFTWARE LIC/MAINT	\$1	\$0	\$1
029-500290	INTRA-AGENCY TRANSFERS	\$1,693,256	\$0	\$1,693,256
030-500305	CONSTRUCTION - REPAIR	\$58,609	\$48,500	\$107,109
037-500165	COMPUTER HARDWARE MAINT	\$3,501	(\$1,500)	\$2,001
038-500175	DESKTOP SOFTWARE	\$2,500	(\$1,000)	\$1,500
039-500191	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$10,654	\$0	\$10,654
040-500800	INDIRECT COSTS	\$180,034	\$0	\$180,034
041-500801	AUDIT FUND	\$14,521	\$0	\$14,521
046-500464	CONSULTANTS	\$851,828	(\$450,000)	\$401,828
050-500109	PART TIME SALARIES	\$95,001	\$0	\$95,001
057-500533	PROFESSIONAL JOURNALS	\$10,750	\$0	\$10,750
060-500604	BENEFITS	\$130,109	\$0	\$130,109

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070-500706	IN-STATE TRAVEL	\$1,501	\$0	\$1,501
072-500573	GRANTS FEDERAL	\$6,378,032	\$1,313,000	\$7,691,032
080-500713	OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL	\$28,451	(\$10,400)	\$18,051
085-588523	INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS	\$735,331	\$0	\$735,331
103-502507	PROGRAM CONTRACTS	\$2,175,936	(\$863,000)	\$1,312,936
211-501530	PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INS	\$9	\$0	\$9
Total Appropriation		\$12,652,456	\$0	\$12,652,456
000-400338-16	FEDERAL FUNDS	(\$12,652,456)	\$0	(\$12,652,456)
Total Revenues		{ \$12,652,456 }	\$0	{ \$12,652,456 }

EXPLANATION

The purpose of this request is to authorize the transfer and reallocation of existing federal Homeland Security Grant Program funds to better align available resources with current operational and programmatic needs associated with terrorism prevention, preparedness, response, and other complex public safety incidents. This request also reflects that the amount and timing of federal grant awards were unknown when the State's Fiscal Year 2026-2027 biennium budget was developed.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Homeland Security Grant Program provides federal assistance to State and local jurisdictions to support efforts to prevent, protect against, mitigate, and respond to attacks of terrorism and other complex public safety incidents. Funds awarded under this program must be expended in accordance with the mission, objectives, and allowable uses established under the Homeland Security Grant Program. Eligible expenditures include equipment, training, and exercises designed to strengthen anti-terrorism preparedness and response capabilities for qualified first responder agencies at both the state and local levels.

This transfer request of \$1,361,500 represents the current federal share balance of the 2025 Homeland Security Grant Program and supports the State's ongoing efforts to prevent, prepare for, and respond to acts of terrorism and other complex public safety incidents. Approval of this request will authorize the Department of Administration to reallocate existing program funds in order to better align available funding with current operational and grant program needs. As noted above, the level and timing of Homeland Security Program grant funding were not known during development of the State's Fiscal Year 2026-2027 biennium budget.

Funds are to be budgeted as follows:

- Classes 018, 020, 037, 038, 046, 080, and 103 currently have available funding. Due to the uncertainty of Homeland Security funding, the Department allocated additional funds to these classes in anticipation of covering expenses on behalf of the local communities. As the Department resumes processing funding through grant awards, some of these funds are now being reallocated to the appropriate class 072.
- Class 030 Construction - Repair: For equipment purchases needed to complete work on Homeland Security grant projects.
- Class 072 Grants Federal: Pass-through of Federal Grant Funds to local communities.

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The following information is provided in accordance with the Budget Officer's instructional memorandum dated April 17, 1985.

Does the transfer involve continuing programs or one-time projects?

One-time projects.

Is this transfer required to maintain existing program level, or will it increase the program level?

Yes, this is required to maintain existing programs.

Cite any requirements which make this program mandatory.

Non-Applicable

Identify the source of the funds on all accounts listed on this transfer.

100% Federal Funds.

Will there be any effect on revenue if this transfer is approved or disapproved?

There is no impact on Revenue.

Are funds expected to lapse if this transfer is not approved?

Yes.

Are personnel services involved?

No.

In the event that Federal funds are no longer available, General funds and/or Highway funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,



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Commissioner of Safety