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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 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Administrative Services (DAS), Division of Plant and Property, Bureau of Court Facilities to accept and expend funds from the Judicial Branch in the amount of \$283,347 to correct a budgeting discrepancy which will allow DAS to continue to make lease payments for Goffstown and Hooksett Circuit Courts effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2027. **100% Transfers from Other Agencies**

Funds are to be budgeted as follows: 01-14-14-141510-20450000 Department of Administrative Services, Division of Plant & Property Management, Bureau of Court Facilities

Class - Account	Class Description	FY27 Current Budget	Requested Action	FY27 Adjusted Authorized
001-482810-69	XFERS FROM OTHER AGENCY	10,292,932	283,347	10,576,279
009-406918-22	AGENCY INCOME	451,258		451,258
	TOTAL REVENUE	10,744,190	283,347	11,027,537
010-500100	PERSONAL SERVICES PERM	1,399,666		1,399,666
011-500126	PERSONAL SERVICES UNCLASS	124,875		124,875
018-500106	OVERTIME	100,000		100,000
020-500200	CURRENT EXPENSES	189,844		189,844
022-500248	RENTS-LEASES OTHER THAN STA	3,214,761	283,347	3,498,108
023-500214	HEAT ELECTRICITY WATER	2,252,906		2,252,906
027-582703	TRANSFERS TO DOIT	245,540		245,540

030-500311	EQUIPMENT NEW REPLACEMENT	20,000		20,000
039-500191	TELECOMMUNICATIONS	73,812		73,812
047-500240	OWN FORCES MAINT BUILD-GRN	7,690		7,690
048-500226	CONTRACTUAL MAINT BUILD-GRN	1,392,807		1,392,807
050-500109	PERSONAL SERVICE TEMP APPOI	416,717		416,717
060-500602	BENEFITS	951,722		951,722
066-500543	EMPLOYEE TRAINING	100		100
070-500704	IN STATE TRAVEL REIMBURSEME	12,000		12,000
080-500717	OUT OF STATE TRAVEL REIMB	100		100
103-500737	CONTRACTS FOR OP SERVICES	333,650		333,650
211-501530	CATASTROPHIC CASUALTY INS	8,000		8,000
	TOTAL EXPENSES	10,744,190	283,347	11,027,537

EXPLANATION

This request is to accept and expend an amount from the Judicial Branch in order to align the Judicial Branch class 28 – Transfer to Plant and Property - budget amount to that of the Division of Plant and Property, Bureau of Court Facilities. This will restore the funding for the Goffstown and Hooksett circuit courthouses in the Bureau of Court Facilities budget.

During the budget process the Legislature restored funding to the Judicial Branch's budget to avoid the closure of the Goffstown and Hooksett circuit courthouses; however, a technical discrepancy occurred. The funding was added back to the Judicial Branch's class 28 transfer line but was not restored to the Bureau of Court Facilities budget line, which is responsible for making the actual lease payments.

Without the authorization to accept and expend these funds, the Bureau of Court Facilities does not have enough funding to make the lease payments. Therefore, we are asking for your approval to restore the funds to the Bureau of Court Facilities budget and align the budget with the clear intent to continue to make the lease payments for the Goffstown and Hooksett circuit courthouses.

In accordance with RSA 21-I: 12, II, the Department of Administrative Services, Division of Plant and Property Management is responsible to provide "for the general maintenance of state-owned buildings and grounds, except as otherwise provided by law." This includes "providing suitable court facilities for the conduct of all court sessions held within each judicial district and county, subject to the availability of appropriated funds, in accordance with RSA 490-B".

Funds will be allocated as follows:

Class 022 – Rents Leases Other Than State – Funds will be used to continue lease payments for the Goffstown and Hooksett Circuit Court for FY27.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'C. Arlinghaus', written in a cursive style.

Charles M. Arlinghaus,
Commissioner