HOUSE . . . . . No. 3773

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, September 28, 2015.

The committee on Ways and Means to whom was referred the message from His Excellency the Governor submitting recommendations for making appropriations for the fiscal year 2015 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (House, No. 3676), reports, in part, recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 3773) ought to pass [Total appropriation: $248,403,787.00].

For the committee,

BRIAN S. DEMPSEY.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)

An Act making appropriations for the fiscal year 2015 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purposes, which are to forthwith make supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2015 and to make certain changes in law, each of which is immediately necessary to carry out those appropriations or to accomplish other important public purposes, therefore, it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. To provide for supplementing certain items in the general appropriation act and other appropriation acts for fiscal year 2015, the sums set forth in sections 2 through 2E, inclusive, are hereby appropriated from the General Fund unless specifically designated otherwise in this act or in those appropriation acts, for the several purposes and subject to the conditions specified in this act or in those appropriation acts, and subject to the laws regulating the disbursement of public funds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015. These sums shall be in addition to any amounts previously appropriated and made available for the purposes of those items. These sums shall be made available until June 30, 2016.

SECTION 2.

JUDICIARY

Committee for Public Counsel Services

0321-1510 …… $1,400,000

0321-1520 …… $2,500,000

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS

Bristol District Attorney

0340-0998 …… $53,849

SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWELATH

0521-0000 …… $75,773

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Office of the Secretary for Administration and Finance

1599-0026 ……..…… $42,296

1599-2015 …… $8,043,236

1599-4299 …… $10,901,699

1599-4440 …… $2,329,037

1599-4441 …… $137,151

1599-6901 …… $5,287,476

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

Department of Conservation and Recreation

2810-0100 …… $402,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Services

1595-1067 …… $8,227,865

4000-0600 …… $1,505,035

4000-0700 …… $214,000,000

Department of Public Health

4510-0110 …… $175,000

4512-0200 …… $15,200,000

Department of Children and Families

4800-0038 …… $2,000,000

Department of Mental Health

5095-0015 …… $5,800,000

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Department of Transportation

1595-6368 …… $31,518,732

Commonwealth Transportation Fund……100%

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism

7008-0900 …… $500,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

7010-0060 …… $3,800,000

7061-0011 …… $630,000

University of Massachusetts

7100-0200 …… $250,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Military Division

8700-1150 …… $9,489,062

Department of Correction

8900-0001 …… $2,193,155

SECTION 2A. To provide for certain unanticipated obligations of the commonwealth, to provide for an alteration of purpose for current appropriations, and to meet certain requirements

of law, the sums set forth in this section are hereby appropriated from the General Fund unless specifically designated otherwise in this section, for the several purposes and subject to the conditions specified in this section, and subject to the laws regulating the disbursement of public funds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015. These sums shall be in addition to any amounts previously appropriated and made available for the purposes of these items. These sums shall be made available until June 30, 2016.

OFFICE OF THE TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL

0612-0001 For the state board of retirement to meet the obligations required of the board to implement the early retirement incentive program and any expenses incurred related thereto……..$146,980

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Office of the Secretary for Administration and Finance

1599-0044 For a reserve related to special litigation costs $1,500,000

1599-0999 For a reserve to assist agencies in organizational transformation and other improvements $1,000,000

1599-1100 For a reserve at the executive office of health and human services to address immediate staffing and training needs at the department of children and families, provided that, funds shall first be used to address immediate staffing and training needs in order to provide systematic improvement at the department; provided further, that release of funds from the reserve is subject to the department issuing the report required pursuant to section 65 of this act to the house and senate committees on ways and means, and the joint committee on

children, families and persons with disabilities, not later than November 15, 2015; and, provided further, that not later than March 1, 2016, the department shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the use of funds in addressing staffing and training needs at the department……..$5,000,000

1599-8910 For a reserve to remediate identified and approved deficiencies incurred by the Sheriffs of the Commonwealth $21,749,199

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Office of the Secretary

7002-0700 For the operation of the joint labor management committee for municipal police and fire……$300,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Office of the Secretary

8000-1001 For the Boston Regional Intelligence Center to upgrade, expand, and integrate technology and protocols related to anti-terrorism, anti-crime, anti-gang, and emergency response; provided that intelligence developed shall be shared with the BRIC communities and other State municipal and federal agencies as necessary; provided further, that BRIC shall provide technology required to access the intelligence with its municipal partners, the State police, the MBTA, the Mass Port Authority, and appropriate federal agencies to assure

maximum interagency collaboration for public safety and homeland security……..$2,250,000

8000-1002 For a study evaluating the implementation of Chapter 284 of the Acts of 2014 to be administered by the executive office of public safety and security and carried out by a research university with a school of criminology or criminal justice located in the Commonwealth; provided, that the study shall include but not be limited to the following: (1) an evaluation of new firearm licensing procedures, (2) an evaluation of the efficacy of new requirements related to background checks for guns sold at gun shows or private sales, (3) the success of new suicide prevention initiatives, (4) an investigation of whether new license renewal procedures are impacting delays, (5) assessing the extent of firearm tracing, and (6) reporting on improvements to schools safety plans in public school districts in the Commonwealth; provided further, that the analysis shall include a qualitative component consisting of interviews with law enforcement officials, representatives from the executive office of public safety, gun dealers, representatives from the Gun Owners Action League, and school officials, among other key stakeholders; and provided further, the study shall also include a quantitative component consisting of collection, analysis, and reporting of key data related to background checks, firearm license renewal processing, school safety plan updates and other related measures…….$150,000

SHERIFFS

Essex Sheriff's Department

8910-1619 For the establishment and operation of a pretrial detoxification facility pilot program at the Essex County Sheriff's Department to offer substance abuse intervention, clinical treatment and recovery services to pretrial offenders; provided that the unit shall be

operated by licensed medical professionals with expertise in substance abuse treatment; provided further, that the sheriff may allow certain detainees subject to Section 20B of Chapter 127 of the General Laws to participate in the program; provided further, that the sheriff's office shall prepare a report including, but not be limited to: (a) the number of pretrial offenders who choose to participate in the program; (b) the charges levied against each participant; (c) the types of treatments offered in the program; (d) the final dispositions of the charges levied against participants in the program; (e) the length of stay for each individual in the program; (f) the total cost of treatment provided to each individual; and (g) the potential or actual cost savings related to the program; and, provided further, that the report shall be submitted to the joint committee on the judiciary, and to the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than June 30, 2016……..…..$1,712,693

SECTION 2C.I. For the purpose of making available in fiscal year 2016 balances of appropriations which otherwise would revert on June 30, 2015, the unexpended balances of the appropriations listed below, not to exceed the amount specified below for each item, are hereby re-appropriated for the purposes of and subject to the conditions stated for the corresponding item in section 2 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014. However, for items which do not appear in section 2 of the general appropriation act, the amounts in this section are re-appropriated for the purposes of and subject to the conditions stated for the corresponding item in section 2 or 2A in prior appropriation acts. The unexpended balances of all appropriations in the Massachusetts management accounting and reporting system with a secretariat code of 01 or 17, are hereby re-appropriated for the purposes of and subject to the conditions stated for the corresponding item section 2 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014 or section 2A of chapter 194 of the acts of 2011.

The sums re-appropriated in this section shall be in addition to any amounts available for said purposes.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Office of the Secretary for Administration and Finance

1599-0054 …… $1,235,079

1599-0415 …… $53,357

1599-4444 …… $3,774,924

1599-6903 …… $7,435,045

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

Department of Public Utilities

2100-0012 …… $147,589

Department of Environmental Protection

2200-0135 …… $400,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Department of Early Education and Care

3000-4060 …… $3,400,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Department of Transitional Assistance

4401-1000	……	$862,000

Department of Public Health

4510-0710	……	$1,634,400

Department of Children and Families

4800-0015	……	$208,302

Department of Mental Health

5046-0000	……	$2,000,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION

University of Massachusetts

7100-0207	……	$331,175

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Department of Fire Services

8324-0000	……	$695,000

SECTION 2C.II. For the purpose of making available in fiscal year 2016 balances of retained revenue and intragovernmental chargeback authorizations which otherwise would revert on June 30, 2015, the unexpended balances of the authorizations listed below, not to exceed the amount specified below for each item, are hereby re-authorized for the purposes of and subject to the conditions stated for the corresponding item in section 2 or 2B of the general appropriation act for fiscal year 2015. Amounts in this section are re-authorized from the fund or funds designated

for the corresponding item in section 2 or 2B of the general appropriation act; however, for items which do not appear in section 2 or 2B of the general appropriation act, the amounts in this section are re-authorized from the fund or funds designated for the corresponding item in section 2, 2A, or 2B of this act or in prior appropriation acts. The sums re-authorized in this section shall be in addition to any amounts available for those purposes.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Human Resources Division

1750-0601 …… $300,000

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Office of the Chief Medical Examiner

8000-0122 …… $200,000

SECTION 3. Section 207 of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 21, the words “public welfare” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- transitional assistance.

SECTION 4. Said section 207 of said chapter 6, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the words “or,” in line 22, the following words:- of the division of medical assistance under.

SECTION 5. Section 14A of chapter 6A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 34, the words “and (7)” and inserting in place thereof the

following words:- (7) provide consolidated human resource services to the employees of the department of higher education, the department of early education and care and the department of elementary and secondary education; and (8).

SECTION 6. Subsection (a) of section 45 of chapter 7C of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the second sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- Eight members shall be appointed by the governor, 3 of whom shall be registered architects or have been issued an architect emeritus pursuant to chapter 112, 3 of whom shall be registered engineers or have not fewer than 10 years of experience as a licensed engineer in the commonwealth with no record of disciplinary action, and 2 of whom shall be representatives of the public ho are not architect designers, engineers or construction contractors.

SECTION 7. Subsection (c) of said section 45 of said chapter 7C, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- The board shall employ an executive director, who shall be appointed by the secretary of administration and finance and shall have not fewer than 15 years of experience as an architect registered in the commonwealth, and who shall be registered as an architect emeritus, or as an engineer registered in the commonwealth with no record of disciplinary action, and such other staff or consultants as it may deem necessary, subject to appropriation.

SECTION 8. Said chapter 7C, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out section 59 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 59. As used in this section, “schematic design” shall, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, mean a basic and preliminary revision, development and implementation of the study or program parameters, or both such parameters, and a further, but preliminary,

investigation of the construction details, mechanical system, code issues, construction schedule, site utilities and cost estimate including preliminary designs and design premises upon which the design scheme is based.

Every appropriation or authorization for the design or construction of a building project, beyond schematic design, for which a state agency is the using agency shall be deemed to require the satisfactory completion of a study or program through schematic design before any services for the design or construction of such project may be contracted for, performed by contract or otherwise, or funds allotted, encumbered or expended therefor, unless such appropriation or authorization specifically states that no such study or program need or shall be done.

No provider of design services for any building project for which a state agency is the using agency shall be selected by the designer selection board or by the administering agency and no design services shall be performed beyond schematic design for or by such administering agency for any building project for which the satisfactory completion of a study program is required prior to the design or construction of that project, unless and until: (a) said study, program or where appropriate, both, have been satisfactorily completed through schematic design; (b) the using agency certifies in writing to the commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance that the study or program including schematic design, or where appropriate, both, correspond to the current needs of that agency, including its current long term capital facilities development plan; (c) the commissioner requests that one or more of the directors of the office of programming, office of project management, or office of facilities management review the study or program including schematic design, or where appropriate, both, and the director or directors certify in writing to the commissioner that the study or program including schematic design, or where appropriate, both, reflect the using agency's needs as stated, that they

provide an accurate estimate of the project requirements, cost and schedule, that the project can be accomplished within the appropriation or authorization for that project, and recommends proceeding with design, construction, or where appropriate, both; and (d) the commissioner of the capital asset management and maintenance certifies in writing to the secretary of administration and finance that the study or program including schematic design, or where appropriate, both, are in conformity with the scope and purpose of the appropriation or authorization for the project and legislative intent in regard to long range capital facility plans for the using agency, approves proceeding with regard to long range capital facility plans for the using agency, and approves proceeding with design, construction, or where appropriate, both.

If either the director or directors whose review is requested or the commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance should fail to so certify, recommend, or approve, the commissioner shall forthwith send notice of the commissioner's decision and the reasons therefor to the secretary of administration and finance and to the house and senate committees on ways and means.

SECTION 9. Section 35AAA of chapter 10 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the seventh sentence and inserting in place thereof the following two sentences:-

Any fiscal year-end balance in the fund that is not subject to appropriation shall not revert to the General Fund but shall remain in the fund and be available for expenditure during the next fiscal year. Any fiscal year-end balance in the fund that is subject to appropriation shall not be subject to section 5C of chapter 29.

SECTION 10. Chapter 14 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 2. The commissioner of revenue, in this chapter called the commissioner, shall be appointed by the secretary of administration and finance, with the approval of the governor, and may be removed in like manner. The commissioner shall be a person of ability and experience, shall devote full time and attention to the duties of the office, and shall perform such functions as said secretary shall from time to time assign. The position of commissioner shall be classified in accordance with section 45 of chapter 30, and the salary shall be determined in accordance with section 46C of said chapter 30. The position of commissioner shall not be subject to the provisions of chapter 31 or section 9A of chapter 30.

The commissioner shall give to the state treasurer a bond for the faithful performance of the commissioner's official duties in a penal sum and with sureties approved by the governor.

SECTION 11. Section 21 of chapter 15A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting in line 54, after the words, "higher education," the following words:- except as otherwise required by section 4 of this chapter.

SECTION 12. Section 14 of chapter 17 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

SECTION 13. Section 2 of chapter 26 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 9 through10, the words ", and he shall not engage in any other business".

SECTION 14. Section 25B of chapter 54 of the General Laws is amended by inserting after subsection (p) the following subsection:-

(q) No early voting ballot cast under this section shall be counted if the officer or officers charged with the duty of counting the same are in possession of or have been furnished with a certified copy of the death certificate of a person who cast such a ballot but died prior to the closing of the polls on the day of the election.

SECTION 15. Section 3 of chapter 111E of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

SECTION 16. Section 24B of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the words “and the commissioner of education”.

SECTION 17. Said section 24B of said chapter 112 is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 3 and 4, the words “and the commissioner”.

SECTION 18. Said section 24B of said chapter 112 is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 8, 9, 10, 11 and 15, each time they appear, the words “and said commissioner”.

SECTION 19. Chapter 118E of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 77 the following section:-

Section 78: Any non-profit home health agency in the Commonwealth providing Title XIX services in accordance with 114.3 CMR 50.00 and with Medicaid services not including continuous skilled nursing comprising at least 7 percent of their total visits shall qualify for a Community-Based Safety Net Adjustment. Said adjustment shall amount to no less than 22 percent for skilled nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy and 18 percent for home health aide services; provided further those adjustments and the base rate would remain at the same level past 60 days of service.

The adjustment shall not apply to non- profit agencies who currently receive an episodic payment rate for their Medicaid population.

SECTION 20. Section 17 of chapter 138 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence of the fifth paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following:- The licensing board for the city of Boston may grant 655 licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages under section 12.

SECTION 21. The fifth paragraph of said section 17 of said chapter 138, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the figure “655”, as appearing in section 20, and inserting in place thereof the following figure:-660.

SECTION 22. Said first sentence of said fifth paragraph of said section 17 of said chapter 138, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the figure “660”, as appearing in section 21, and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 665.

SECTION 23. Section 3 of chapter 176Q of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following clause:-

(x) to make applications to the Secretary of Health and Human Services to waive any applicable provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. 111-148, as amended from time to time, as provided for by 42 U.S.C. § 18052, and to implement the state plan or plans of any such waiver, in a manner consistent with applicable state and federal laws, as authorized by the Secretary of Health and Human Services pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 18052.

SECTION 24. Section 39 of chapter 207 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 43 and 44, the words, “of twenty-five dollars by said other

person," and inserting in place thereof the following words:- of $25 for applications delivered by mail, facsimile or by hand, or $20 for applications submitted electronically,.

SECTION 25. Chapter 465 of the acts of 1956 , as most recently amended by section 55 of chapter 46 of the acts of 2013, is hereby further amended by striking out section 36 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 36. (a) As used in this section the follow words shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly requires otherwise:-

"Authority", the Massachusetts Port Authority established pursuant to chapter 465 of the acts of 1956.

"Chief executive officer"; shall include the mayor in a city and the board of selectmen in a town unless some other municipal office is designated to be the chief executive officer under the provisions of a local charter.

"Committee", the Massachusetts Port Authority Community Advisory Committee established in subsection (b).

"Quorum", a majority of the members of the committee appointed, present and voting at any meeting of the committee.

(b) There shall be an advisory board to the authority which shall be named the Massachusetts Port Authority Community Advisory Committee which shall consist of 32 voting members, 6 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the city of Boston, provided that 1 member from Boston shall be from the East Boston section of the city of Boston and 1 from Boston shall be from the South Boston section of the city of Boston ; 1 of whom shall

be appointed by the chief executive officer of the town of Bedford, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the town of Beverly; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the town of Braintree; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the town of Brookline; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the city of Cambridge; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the city of Chelsea; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the town of Cohasset; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the town of Concord; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the city of Everett; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the town of Hingham; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the town of Hull; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the town of Lexington; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the town of Lincoln; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the city of Malden; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the city of Medford, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the town of Milton; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the town of Nahant; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the city of Quincy; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the city of Revere; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the town of Scituate; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the city of Somerville; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the town of Weymouth; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the city of Worcester; and 1 of whom shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the town of Winthrop.

Any vacancy on the committee shall be filled as provided for above; provided, however, that if a chief executive officer fails to appoint a successor within 90 days of a vacancy, the committee shall appoint a qualified person to represent the municipality left unrepresented by the failure of the chief executive officer to act.

(c) The committee may act at a regular periodic meeting called in accordance with its by-laws, at a special meeting called by the authority or if a majority of members choose to do so. The committee shall be deemed to be a governing body for the purposes of, and shall be subject to, sections 18 to 25, inclusive, of chapter 30A of the General Laws.

(d) The committee shall adopt and may revise and amend by-laws. The Committee shall annually elect a chairperson, a vice-chairperson, a secretary and such officers as said Committee might determine. Each member of said Committee shall serve without compensation, except if a member provides specialized services, such as legal, accounting, record keeping, administration, or any other specialized services provided to the Committee. Members may be reimbursed, as an expense of said Committee, for all reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as approved by the Committee.

(e) The purposes of the Committee shall be as follows: (i) to appoint a member to the board of directors of the authority, as provided for in section 2 and in the manner prescribed in paragraph (f); (ii) to make recommendations to the authority on annual current expense expenditure budgets submitted to the committee under paragraph (g); (iii) to hold hearings, which may be held jointly with the authority at the discretion of the committee and authority, on matters relating to the authority; (iv) to review the annual report of the authority and to prepare comments thereon to the authority and the governor and the general court, and to make such

examinations of the reports on the authority's records and affairs as the committee deems appropriate; and (v) to make recommendations to the governor and the general court respecting the authority and its programs. The committee shall have all powers necessary or convenient to carry out and effectuate the foregoing purposes.

(f) A 2/3 vote of the committee members appointed, present and voting shall be required for the committee to exercise its power to appoint a member of the board of directors to the authority. The committee’s appointment to the board of directors shall be a resident of 1 of the following communities: the East Boston or South Boston section of the city of Boston, or the town of Winthrop.

(g) The committee may hold a public hearing on matters relating to said budget to ascertain, for subsequent report to the authority if necessary, the views of the public thereon.

(h) The committee may provide for the appointment of staff to who shall serve at the pleasure of the committee.

(i) The committee may incur annual expenses, not to exceed $250,000. Said annual expenses shall be paid by the authority.

(j) The authority shall provide any information including, but not limited to, annual current expense expenditure budgets and capital expenditure reports, requested by the committee which are necessary for the discharge of its duties; provided, however, that the committee shall not be granted access to any information if it be determined by the executive director of the authority and the director of security for the authority that the release of such information would be detrimental to public safety, or if providing such information would be in violation of any federal statute or regulation of the Federal Aviation Administration or other federal agency;

provided, further, that said determination shall be made in writing which shall be delivered to the committee within 10 business days.

SECTION 26. The second paragraph of chapter 313 of the acts of 2010 is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following sentence:-

The co-chairs of the commission may each appoint up to 3 additional commission members to fulfill the purpose of the commission.

SECTION 27. Subsection (e) of section 49 of chapter 9 of the acts of 2011 is hereby amended by striking out the date, “January 1, 2016,” and inserting in place thereof the following date:- January 1, 2017.

SECTION 28. Subsection (f) of said section 49 of said chapter 9 is hereby amended by striking out the date, “June 1, 2016,” and inserting in place thereof the following date:- June 1, 2017.

SECTION 29. Section 102 of chapter 35 of the acts of 2013 is hereby amended by striking out, each time it appears, the figure “2015” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 2017.

SECTION 30. Item 7002-0021 of section 2 of chapter 38 of the acts of 2013 is hereby amended by striking out the date, “December 31, 2015,” and inserting in place thereof the following date:- June 30, 2016.

SECTION 31. Item 7061-0011 of section 2 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014 is hereby amended by inserting after the words “regional school district” the following words:- ; provided further, that funds in the amount of $630,000 appropriated for this item for clause (ii) in fiscal

year 2015 shall not revert but shall be made available for the purposes of clause (ii) in this item until June 30, 2016.

SECTION 32. Item 8324-0000 of said section 2 of said chapter 165 is hereby amended by striking out the words “provided further, that the amount allocated for critical incident stress intervention programs and fire department training academies in said item 8324-0000 of said section 2 of said chapter 182 shall be allocated to each program in fiscal year 2015” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- provided further, that the amount allocated for critical incident stress intervention programs and fire department training academies in said item 8324-0000 of said section 2 of said chapter 182 shall be allocated to each program in fiscal year 2015; provided further that amounts allocated to said fire department training academies shall not revert and shall be made available until June 30, 2016

SECTION 33. Section 43 of chapter 258 of the acts of 2014 is hereby repealed.

SECTION 34. Chapter 431 of the acts of 2014 is hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

There shall be established a task force on child sexual abuse prevention, hereinafter referred to as the task force. The task force shall be co-chaired by the child advocate and the executive director of the Children’s Trust and shall include: the attorney general or a designee, the lieutenant governor or a designee, the chairs of the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities; the house minority leader, or a designee; the senate minority leader, or a designee; the commissioner of public health, or a designee; the commissioner of early education and care, or a designee; the commissioner of children and families, or a designee; the executive director of the Massachusetts office of victim assistance, or a designee; the executive

director of the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association, or a designee, the director of the victim services unit of the sex offender registry board or a designee, the associate commissioner for the center for student support of the department of elementary and secondary education or a designee; and representatives from each of the following child and youth service providers and advocacy organizations, who shall be appointed by the governor: the Alliance of Massachusetts YMCAs, Inc., the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, the Massachusetts Children's Alliance, Inc., Massachusetts Citizens for Children, Inc., the Children's League of Massachusetts, Inc., The Mass Mentoring Partnership, Inc., the Girl Scouts, the MA Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs, Massachusetts Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, the Massachusetts Afterschool Partnership, Inc., the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston, and the Massachusetts Adolescent Sexual Offender Coalition, Inc. The governor may appoint additional representatives from agencies serving children, law enforcement, religious organizations and others as necessary to fulfill the purpose of the task force.

SECTION 35. Said chapter 431 is hereby further amended by striking out the last paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

The task force shall periodically report on its activities and recommendations to the governor, the clerks of the house of representatives and senate, and the chairs of the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities and shall submit a final report on or before June 30, 2017.

SECTION 36. Item 0930-0100 of section 2 of chapter 46 of the acts of 2015 is hereby amended by striking out the words “prior appropriation continued” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- ; provided further, that as of June 30, 2015, any unexpended balance in

item 0411-1005 shall not revert to the General Fund and shall be made available for expenditure in fiscal year 2016; and, provided further, that the comptroller shall transfer the unexpended balance to this item.

SECTION 37. Item 0910-0210 of said section 2 of chapter 46 is hereby amended by striking out the figure “$650,000” in each instance it appears and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- $850,000

SECTION 38. Item 0940-0101 of said section 2 of chapter 46 is hereby amended by striking out the figure “$2,168,911” in each instance it appears and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- $2,518,911

SECTION 39. Item 0940-0102 of said section 2 of chapter 46 is hereby amended by striking out the figure “$210,000” in each instance it appears and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- $240,000

SECTION 40. Item 4000-0300 of said section 2 of chapter 46 is hereby amended by inserting after the words “chapter 165 of the acts of 2014” the following:- provided further, that in fiscal year 2016, in addition to the 50 per cent in the previous proviso, the executive office shall expend the full amount in item 4000-0700 in Chapter 38 of the acts of 2013 for payments to any acute pediatric hospital and pediatric specialty unit as defined in section 8A of chapter 118E to compensate for high complexity pediatric care;

SECTION 41. Item 4000-0700 of said section 2 of chapter 46 is hereby amended by inserting after the words “neonatal intensive care unit cases” the following words:- ; provided further, that MassHealth shall provide an additional 5 per cent of its standard payment amount per discharge, or SPAD, above rate year 2013, or of reimbursement provided under any

subsequent inpatient payment methodologies and to provide an additional 5 per cent of its outpatient payment amount per episode or PAPE above rate year 2013, or of reimbursement provided under any subsequent outpatient payment methodologies to any acute care hospital that has greater than 63 per cent of its gross patient service revenue from governmental payers and free care as determined by the executive office of health and human services; provided further, these payments shall not total less than 50% of the amount expended from this item in chapter 38 of the acts of 2013 for any acute care hospital that has greater than 63 per cent of its gross patient service revenue from governmental payers and free care as determined by the executive office of health and human services;

SECTION 42 . Item 4510-0110 of section 2 of chapter 46 of the acts of 2015 is hereby amended by inserting after the words “South Boston Leadership Initiative” the following:-

provided further, that not less than $175,000 shall be expended to develop and administer a pilot program to prevent and treat addiction to opioid and related substances; provided further, that said pilot shall be administered by a federally-approved community health center agency that administers licensed community health center sites in no less than three counties and has been treating opioid-addicted patients for a minimum of five years; provided further, the program shall include prevention and treatment for patients and professional support for primary care providers and shall include the use of tools to assess risk factors, the development of patient registries, the provision of pain management alternatives and the development of best practices protocols to assist primary care providers; provided further, the pilot program shall report to the department of public health and the house and senate committees on ways and means six and twelve months after the initiation of the program;

SECTION 43. Item 4510-0600 of said section 2 of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by striking out the words “September 30, 2015” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- June 30, 2016.

SECTION 44. Item 4513-1026 of said section 2 of chapter 46 is hereby amended by striking out the words “Good Samaritans” and inserting in place thereof the following: Samaritans Inc. of Boston.

SECTION 45. Item 7004-0099 of said section 2 of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by striking out the words “Community Action Programs Inter-City Real Estate Corporation for the cities of Chelsea, Revere and Winthrop” and inserting in place thereof the following:- Community Action Programs Inter-City, Inc. for the communities of Chelsea, Revere and Winthrop.

SECTION 46. Item 7007-1202 of said section 2 of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by striking out the word “private” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- non-state.

SECTION 47. Item 7008-0900 of said section 2 of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by inserting after the words “city of Chelsea” the following words:- ; provided further, that not less than $500,000 shall be expended for the Outside the Box festival in the city of Boston.

SECTION 48. Item 8900-0001 of said section 2 of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by striking out the words “chapter 131 of the acts of 2010 shall be allocated to the programs in fiscal year 2015” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- chapter 131 of the acts of 2010 shall be allocated to the programs in fiscal year 2016.

SECTION 49. Item 1599-2040 of section 2B of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by striking out the figure, “$5,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- $30,303,853.

SECTION 50. Section 2D of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by striking out item 7002-9701 and inserting in place thereof the following 5 items:-

7002-9701 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics $2,124,386

Department of Early Education and Care.

3000-0707 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Head Start Collaboration …….$175,000

3000-2010 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Race-to-the-Top Early Learning Challenge ……$9,786,651

3000-4001 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Preschool Development Grant: Expansion Grant ……$15,000,000

3000-9003 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Child Abuse Prevention …….$541,000

SECTION 51. Said section 2D of said chapter 46 is hereby further amended by striking out item 7043-1005 and inserting in place thereof the following items:-

7043-1005 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Title 1 Program…….$66,058

Department of Elder Affairs

9110-1074 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Older Americans Act – Title III and Title VII $10,182,633

9110-1076 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Older Americans Act – Title IIIB $1,190,451

9110-1077 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, National Family Caregiver Support Program $3,700,000

9110-1094 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, SHINE – Serving the Health Insurance needs of Elders $1,097,000

9110-1173 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Older Americans Act – Title III Nutrition Program $13,383,620

9110-1174 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Nutrition Services Incentive Program $4,885,300

9110-1178 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Senior Community Service Employment Program $1,881,340

9110-1190 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MA Chronic Disease Self-Management Education Program $100,714

9110-1191 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, Enhanced Alcohol and Drug Recovery Options Counseling Program $198,706

9110-1194 For the purposes of a federally funded grant entitled, MIPPA ADRC $79,154

SECTION 52. Item 1595-1068 of section 2E of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by adding the following words:- and provided further, that up to $707,000,000 in payments made for state and federal fiscal year 2014 or 2015 shall be made from the Medical Assistance Trust Fund, of which $283,000,000 shall be made to the Cambridge Public Health Commission for dates of service in state and federal fiscal year 2014 or 2015 only after the Cambridge Public Health Commission transfers up to $141,500,000 of its funds to the Medical Assistance Trust Fund using a federally permissible source of funds which shall fully satisfy the non-federal share of such payment

SECTION 53. Said item 1595-1068 of said section 2E of said chapter 46 is hereby further amended by striking out the figure “$462,000,000” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- $1,027,500,000.

SECTION 54. Section 164 of said chapter 46 is hereby amended by striking out the words “October 1, 2015” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- March 1, 2016.

SECTION 55. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, prior to the close of fiscal year 2015 and upon the recommendation of both the secretary of administration and finance and the secretary of health and human services, or their designees, the comptroller shall adjust any fiscal year 2015 appropriation fund split against or transfer out of the Community First Trust Fund, as established by section 25 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014, to match final department fiscal year 2015 Community First Trust Fund expenditures.

SECTION 56. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the secretary of health and human services, with the written approval of the secretary of administration and finance, may authorize transfers of surplus among items 4000-0320, 4000-0430, 4000-0500, 4000-0600, 4000-0700, 4000-0875, 4000-0880, 4000-0885, 4000-0940, 4000-0950, 4000-0990, 4000-1400, 4000-1420, and 4000-1425 of section 2 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014 for the purpose of reducing any deficiency in these items, but any such transfer shall be made not later than October 31, 2015.

SECTION 57. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any unexpended balances, not exceeding a total of $20,000,000, in items 4000-0600, 4000-0700 and 4000-1425 of section 2 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014 shall not revert to the General Fund until October 31, 2015 and may be expended by the executive office of health and human services to pay for services enumerated in said items 4000-0600, 4000-0700 and 4000-1425 of said section 2 of said chapter 165 provided during fiscal year 2015.

SECTION 58. There is hereby established on the books of the commonwealth a Debt Defeasance Trust Fund, to be used, without further appropriation, in the manner and for the purposes specified in section 59. The comptroller shall transfer the sum of $113,200,000 to said Trust Fund from the General Fund. The Trust Fund shall not be subject to appropriation and the balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2015 shall not revert to the General Fund.

SECTION 59. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, except section 58, the state treasurer shall expend on or before May 31, 2016, from the Debt Defeasance Trust Fund established in said section 58 an amount not to exceed $113,200,000 for the purpose of purchasing securities to be held for the credit of or cash deposit into a sinking fund to be

established in accordance with section 49 of chapter 29 of the General Laws. The monies in such sinking fund shall be applied to pay, at maturity or upon redemption, bonds of the commonwealth to be identified by the state treasurer at the time the sinking fund is established, including the payment of any redemption premium thereon and any interest accrued or to accrue to the date of maturity or earlier redemption of such bonds. In selecting the bonds to be paid from the sinking fund, the state treasurer shall attempt to maximize the financial benefits to the commonwealth produced thereby. The state treasurer may enter into an agreement with a trustee for the purpose of establishing the sinking fund for the benefit of the holders of the bonds to be paid pursuant to this section. The provisions of said section 49 of said chapter 29 applicable to sinking funds established with trustees shall apply to the deposit of funds pursuant to this section, to the extent such provisions are not otherwise inconsistent with this section.

SECTION 60. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 58 and 59, if any monies remain in the Debt Defeasance Trust Fund established in section 58 on or after June 1, 2016, the comptroller shall, with the consent of the state treasurer and the secretary of administration and finance, transfer such monies from the Debt Defeasance Trust Fund established in section 38 to the General Fund, to be made available exclusively for item 0699-0015 without further appropriation.

SECTION 61. Section 58 is hereby repealed.

SECTION 62. Notwithstanding section 5C of chapter 29 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the comptroller shall dispose of the consolidated net surplus in the budgetary funds at the close of fiscal year 2015 as follows:

1. First, comply with section 194 of chapter 46 of the acts of 2015;

2. Second, to the extent available, transfer $75,000,000 or any remaining funds of the consolidated net surplus to the Commonwealth Stabilization Fund established in section 2H of said chapter 29

SECTION 63. (a) There shall be a Massachusetts Council on Substance Use Disorder Prevention and Treatment. The council shall: (i) support the efforts of the department of public health and the department of mental health to supervise, coordinate and establish standards for the operation of substance use prevention and treatment services; (ii) oversee implementation of initiatives and programs that effectively direct the existing resources and minimize the impact of substance use and misuse; (iii) develop and recommend formal policies and procedures for the coordination and efficient utilization of programs and resources across state agencies and secretariats; (iv) provide recommendations on methods and programs to increase the collection and safe disposal of federally scheduled prescription medications; and (v) develop an annual report and submit said report to the governor, on or before November 30 of each year, detailing all activities of the council and recommending further efforts and resource needs.

(b) The council shall consist of the following members or their designees: the secretary of health and human services, who shall serve as chair; the secretary of public safety; the secretary of education; the commissioner of public health; the commissioner of mental health; the chief justice of the trial court; 1 member appointed by the president of the senate; 1 member appointed by the speaker of the house; 1 member appointed by the senate minority leader; 1 member appointed by the house minority leader; 11 members appointed by the governor, 2 of whom shall be medical professionals specializing in the treatment of substance use disorders, 1 of whom shall be a medical professional with expertise in the assessment and management of neonatal abstinence syndrome, 1 of whom shall be an individual recovering from

a substance use disorder, 1 of whom shall be a family member of an individual with a substance use disorder, 1 of whom shall represent the interests of individuals with chronic pain, 1 of whom shall be a mayor or selectman in a city or town in the commonwealth, 1 of whom shall be a representative of the Massachusetts Sheriffs' Association, 1 of whom shall be a representative from the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association, 1 of whom shall be a representative of District Attorney's Association, 1 of whom shall represent pharmacists; and other appropriate representatives as determined by the governor. All members shall serve without compensation in an advisory capacity and at the pleasure of the governor.

(c) The council shall meet at least 4 times annually and shall establish task groups, meetings, forums and any other activity deemed necessary to carry out its mandate.

(d) All affected agencies, departments and boards of the commonwealth shall fully cooperate with the council. The council may call and rely upon the expertise and services of individuals and entities outside of its membership for research, advice, support or other functions necessary and appropriate to further accomplish its mission.

SECTION 64. In fiscal year 2015, the Comptroller shall credit to the Money Follows the Person Rebalancing Demonstration Grant Trust Fund $732,585, an amount equal to the amount of federal financial participation received in the fourth quarter of state fiscal year 2014, in accordance with Section 35TT of Chapter 10 of the General Laws.

SECTION 65. Not later than November 15, 2015, the department of children and families shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on children, families and persons with disabilities on any new or updated policies, procedures and guidelines put into place at the department over the last year in order to provide

systemic improvements that will ensure the safety and wellbeing of children in custody of the department and in-home placements, and provide an update on the progress made in each area. The report shall include any performance benchmarks used to assess new or updated policies as well as any procedures the department will take to improve its evaluation of children suspected of abuse or neglect.

SECTION 66. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, chief executive officers required to make appointments to the Massachusetts Port Authority Community Advisory Committee established by section 36 of chapter 465 of the acts of 1956 shall make said appointments within 90 days of the effective date of this act. If any chief executive officer fails to make the appointments to the Massachusetts Port Authority Community Advisory Committee required by said section 36 of chapter 465 of the acts of 1956 a majority of the members of the Massachusetts Port Authority Community Advisory Committee shall appoint a qualified person to represent the municipality left unrepresented by the failure of the chief executive officer act.

SECTION 67. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, MassHealth and any commercial insurer that insures MassHealth subscribers shall provide double electric breast pumps to expectant and new mothers per birth as specifically prescribed by their attending physician, consistent with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010, Public Law 111-148.

SECTION 68. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, a retired police officer of a town or city who is appointed as a special police officer of that town or city pursuant to the passage of any special legislation authorizing such appointments shall be subject to chapter 151A of the General Laws.

SECTION 69. Notwithstanding sections 32 to 37, inclusive, of chapter 7C of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance, in consultation with the commissioner of public health, may lease for a term, including extensions, not to exceed 15 years, a parcel of land on the campus of the Lemuel Shattuck hospital in the Jamaica Plain section of the city of Boston to the Shattuck Child Care Center, Inc., a not for profit corporation, for the purpose of operating a child day care center. The exact boundaries of the property to be leased shall be determined by the commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance, in consultation with the commissioner of public health, based upon a survey or other plan acceptable to the commissioners. The lease shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in this act.

SECTION 70. The lease authorized by section 69 may authorize the Shattuck Child Care Center, Inc. to locate modular units on the leased premises and to undertake such site work and other work as may be reasonably required to prepare the leased premises for the modular units. The commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance may license or otherwise permit the Shattuck Child Center, Inc. access over, on and under other portions of the Lemuel Shattuck hospital campus for the purpose of connecting the leased premises to public utilities. The lease shall require the Shattuck Child Care Center, Inc. to carry comprehensive general liability insurance, with the commonwealth named as a co-insured, to protect the commonwealth against all personal injury or property damage on the facilities during the term of the lease, and may contain such other terms and provisions as the commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance, in consultation with the commissioner of public health, considers appropriate.

SECTION 71. Notwithstanding sections 39A to 39S, inclusive, and section 39M of chapter 30 of the General Laws, sections 44A to 44M, inclusive, of chapter 149 of the General Laws, and any other general or special law to the contrary, the Shattuck Child Care Center, Inc. may procure the project authorized by this act, and any necessary design and construction services for the project, without undertaking a competitive bid process; provided, however, that the Shattuck Child Care Center, Inc. shall pay prevailing wages in accordance with sections 26 and 27 of chapter 149 of the General Laws in connection with any such construction.

SECTION 72. The Shattuck Child Center, Inc. shall annually compensate the commonwealth in the sum of $1.00 for the term of the lease authorized by section 69. The Shattuck Child Care Center, Inc. shall pay all costs and expenses of the transaction authorized in this act, as determined by the commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance, including, but not limited to, the costs of any surveys, all costs, liabilities and expenses of any nature and kind related to the development, maintenance, use and operation of the leased premises, and the operation costs for the portion of the parcels set aside for use by the commonwealth.

SECTION 73. In executing the lease authorized by section 69, the commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance shall provide notice to relevant parties in accordance with section 36 of chapter 7C of the General Laws.

SECTION 74. No lease agreement entered into pursuant to this act by or on behalf of the commonwealth, shall be valid unless the lease provides that the property shall be used solely for activities directly related to the operation of a child day care center. If, for any reason, the property ceases to be used for the purposes described herein, the commonwealth may terminate

the lease. If the lease is terminated, the property shall revert to the commonwealth, under the care, custody and control of the division of capital asset management and maintenance. No lease authorized in section 69 shall be valid unless the lease provides that the property shall be used solely for activities directly related to the operation of a child day care center. If for any reason the property ceases to be used for the purposes described herein, the commonwealth shall have a right of reversion and may exercise said right after providing the Shattuck Child Care Center, Inc., with written notification and an opportunity to cure. Upon satisfaction of the foregoing provisions, the property shall revert to the commonwealth under the care, custody and control of the division of capital asset management and maintenance.

SECTION 75. Notwithstanding section 28 of chapter 53 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the state primary in 2016 shall be held on Thursday, September 8, 2016.

SECTION 76. Notwithstanding section 3 of said chapter 53 or any other general or special law to the contrary, a person whose name is not printed on the September 8, 2016 state primary ballot as a candidate for an office, but who receives sufficient votes to nominate the person for the office, shall file in the office of the state secretary a written acceptance of the nomination and a receipt from the state ethics commission verifying that a statement of financial interest has been filed pursuant to chapter 268B not later than 5:00 P.M. on Monday, September 12, 2016.

SECTION 77. Notwithstanding sections 11, 13 and 53A of said chapter 53 and section 5 of chapter 55B of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary,

objections to and withdrawals from nominations made at the September 8, 2016 state primary shall be filed with the state secretary not later than 12:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 13, 2016.

SECTION 78. Notwithstanding section 14 of said chapter 53 or any other general or special law to the contrary, any vacancies from the September 8, 2016 state primary caused by death, withdrawal or ineligibility under section 3 shall be filled by an executive committee, determined by the state party committee, of the same political party who made the original nomination.

SECTION 79. Notwithstanding section 15 of said chapter 53 or any other general or special law to the contrary, when a nomination is made to fill a vacancy caused by the death, withdrawal or ineligibility of a candidate from the September 8, 2016 state primary, the certificate of nomination shall be on a form prescribed by the state secretary, shall be signed by the executive committee appointed by the state committee of the same political party as provided for in section 4 and shall be filed with the state secretary not later than 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, September 14, 2016.

SECTION 80. Notwithstanding section 135 of chapter 54 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, a petition for a recount of the September 8, 2016 state primary shall be filed with the appropriate local election officials not later than 5:00 P.M. on Monday, September 12, 2016 and all recounts shall be completed and notice of the results shall be sent to the state secretary not later than 5:00 P.M. on Friday, September 16, 2016.

Petitions for district wide and statewide recounts of the September 8, 2016 state primary shall be submitted to the appropriate local election officials for certification not later than 12:00 P.M. on Monday, September 12, 2016 and local election officials shall complete certification not

later than 12:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 13, 2016. Thereafter, certified petitions shall be filed with the secretary of state not later than 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, September 14, 2016. If the state secretary determines that the contest is eligible for a statewide or district wide recount, the state secretary shall notify the local election officials who shall complete the recount and shall notify the state secretary of the results of the recount not later than 4:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 20, 2016.

SECTION 81. Notwithstanding sections 8, 9 and 10, inclusive, of chapter 55B of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the state ballot law commission shall notify candidates of any objections filed to nominations at the September 8, 2016 state primary not later than 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 13, 2016. Notice of the commission hearings shall be given by telephone and electronic mail. Hearings on objections shall be held on Thursday, September 15, 2016 and decisions shall be rendered not later than 5:00 P.M. on Friday, September 16, 2016.

SECTION 82. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, local election officials shall transmit absentee ballots to voters covered under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 1973ff-1 et seq., whose applications were received at least 45 days before the November 8, 2016 state election, not later than Saturday, September 24, 2016.

SECTION 83. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the state secretary shall have the authority to add or change any dates relating to the nominations made at the September 8, 2016 state primary that the state secretary considers necessary for the orderly administration of the November 8, 2016 state election by providing notice of the change to the

state parties and any affected person, by filing notice with the rules and regulations division, by posting on the state secretary's website and by whatever other means the state secretary considers appropriate.

SECTION 84. The salary adjustments and other economic benefits authorized by the following collective bargaining agreements shall be effective for the purposes of section 7 of chapter 150E of the General Laws:

1) Between the University of Massachusetts and the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, Local 1776, Unit A01;

2) Between the University of Massachusetts and the Professional Staff Union/MTA/NEA, Units A52 & B42;

3) Between the University of Massachusetts and the Professional Staff Union/MTA/NEA, Unit A15;

4) Between the University of Massachusetts and the American Federation of Teachers, Local 1895, Unit D85;

5) Between the Barnstable Sheriffs Office and the National Correctional Employees Union, Local 122; and

6) Between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State Police Association of Massachusetts, Unit 5A.

SECTION 85. Section 21 shall take effect on September 1, 2015.

SECTION 86. Section 61 shall take effect on April 1, 2016.

SECTION 87. Section 22 shall take effect on September 1, 2016.