

# SENATE . . . . . No. 2386

Senate, October 24, 2019– Text of the Senate Bill making appropriations for the fiscal year 2019 to provide for supplementing certain existing appropriations and for certain other activities and projects (being the text of Senate document number 2378, printed as amended)

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)

An Act making appropriations for the fiscal year 2019 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 forthwith to make supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2019 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:*

1           SECTION 1. To provide for supplementing certain items in the general appropriation act  
2 and other appropriation acts for fiscal year 2019, the sums set forth in section 2 are hereby  
3 appropriated from the General Fund unless specifically designated otherwise in this act or in  
4 those appropriation acts, for the several purposes and subject to the conditions specified in this  
5 act or in those appropriation acts, and subject to the laws regulating the disbursement of public  
6 funds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. These sums shall be in addition to any amounts  
7 previously appropriated and made available for the purposes of those items. These sums shall be  
8 made available until June 30, 2020.

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10 SECTION 2.

11 JUDICIARY

12 *Committee for Public Counsel Services*

13 0321-1500 .....\$750,000

14 0321-1510 .....\$4,985,825

15 DISTRICT ATTORNEYS.

16 Northwestern District Attorney

17 0340-0600 .....\$100,000

18 SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

19 0511-0271 .....\$400,000

20 EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

21 *Reserves*

22 1599-0026 .....\$4,000,000

23 1599-6903 .....\$20,500,000

24 1599-8910 .....\$7,800,000

25 *Group Insurance Commission*

26 1108-5500 .....\$100,000

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28 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

29 *Department of Agricultural Resources*

30 2511-0100..... \$5,000,000

31 *Department of Conservation and Recreation*

32 2810-0122 ..... \$200,000

33 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

34 *Office of the Secretary*

35 1595-1070 .....\$16,300,000

36 4000-0641 .....\$9,858,217

37 4000-0700 .....\$296,500,000

38 *Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission*

39 4120-4000 .....\$630,000

40 *Department of Youth Service*

41 4200-0010 .....\$300,000

42 *Department of Public Health*

43 4590-1504 .....\$5,000,000

44 *Department of Children and Families*

45 4800-0200 .....\$3,000,000

46 MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

47 *Department of Transportation*

48 1595-6368 .....\$6,916,098

49 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

50 *Department of Housing and Community Development*

51 7004-0100 .....\$71,800

52 7004-9007 .....\$325,000

53 *Division of Professional Licensure*

54 7006-0040 .....\$350,000

55 *Division of Telecommunications and Cable*

56 7006-0071 .....\$150,000

57 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

58 *Office of the Secretary*

59 7003-0101 .....\$1,948,449

60 1595-1075 .....\$3,372,500

61 Gaming Economic Development Fund..... 100%

62 *Department of Career Services*

63 7003-0800 .....\$4,495,579

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION

*Department of Elementary and Secondary Education*

7035-0006 .....	\$5,187,992
7061-0012 .....	\$1,998,540
7061-9408 .....	\$30,000,000
7061-9611.....	\$200,000
7061-9813 .....	\$1,000,000

*Department of Higher Education*

7066-0021 .....	\$1,221,418
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*Cape Cod Community College*

7504-0100 .....	\$100,000
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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

*Military Division*

8700-1150 .....	\$8,702,548
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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

83 funds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. Except as otherwise stated, these sums shall be  
84 made available until June 30, 2020.  
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86 SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

87 0521-0002 To implement early voting in the commonwealth for the presidential and state  
88 primaries as required by sections 64 and 69 .....\$1,250,000

89 EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

90 *Reserves*

91 1599-1214 For a reserve for expansion, upgrades or enhancements to staffing, operations or  
92 infrastructure for new and existing facilities that treat men with an alcohol or substance use  
93 disorder under section 35 of chapter 123 of the General Laws; provided, that the secretary of  
94 administration and finance may transfer funds from this item to state agencies as defined in section  
95 1 of chapter 29 of the General Laws; provided, that, not later than February 1, 2020, the secretary  
96 of administration and finance, in coordination with the secretary of health and human services,  
97 shall submit to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on  
98 mental health, substance use and recovery a report on current and anticipated expenditures from  
99 this item; provided further, that the report shall also include the process and timeline for ensuring  
100 that: (i) all facilities that treat men who are civilly committed under said section 35 of said chapter  
101 123 adopt the same treatment standards as those required for facilities operated by the department  
102 of mental health or approved by the department of public health; and (ii) all men who are civilly  
103 committed under said section 35 of said chapter 123 are placed in the least restrictive setting,  
104 unless a court determines that a secure facility is the only appropriate setting for an individual;

105 provided further, that the report shall also detail the status of implementing the recommendations  
106 of the section 35 involuntary commitment commission established in section 104 of chapter 208  
107 of the acts of 2018, including, but not limited to, the establishment of standards of medical care  
108 for patients who are committed under said section 35 of said chapter 123 and efforts undertaken  
109 to ensure continuity of care post-discharge between facilities providing treatment under said  
110 section 35 of said chapter 123 and treatment in the community; and provided further, that the report  
111 shall also include recommendations on how to ensure sufficient access to facilities and services  
112 for patients who are committed under said section 35 of said chapter 123 in all regions of the  
113 commonwealth, prioritizing those regions currently lacking access to facilities .....\$16,363,882

114 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

115 *Office of the Secretary*

116 1599-0718 For a reserve to fund the costs associated with efforts to enhance safety and mitigate  
117 harms stemming from the increased presence of great white sharks in the Cape Cod region,  
118 including, but not limited to, shark tagging, monitoring and surveillance activities and staff costs  
119 associated therewith.....\$195,000

120 2000-0102 For a program to provide consumer rebates and other consumer economic incentives  
121 to reduce carbon emissions; provided, that rebates or incentives shall be provided for purchases or  
122 to encourage other consumer behaviors that reduce carbon emissions from residential buildings  
123 and small and medium-sized industrial, commercial or institutional buildings, including, but not  
124 limited to, heating, cooling, energy storage products and services and electric outdoor power  
125 equipment for lawn maintenance; provided further, that the consumer rebates or other consumer  
126 economic incentives shall be distributed in a manner that ensures geographic equity and prioritizes

127 communities with high percentages of low-income households; and provided further, that not later  
128 than June 1, 2020, the executive office of energy and environmental affairs shall provide a report  
129 to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on  
130 telecommunications, utilities and energy that detail the identified and selected rebates or incentives  
131 and, for each, shall include, but not be limited to the: (i) application process; (ii) criteria for  
132 approval; (iii) status of implementation; (iv) current expenditure level; (v) current estimate for  
133 reduction in emissions produced; (vi) estimated annual fiscal impact; and (vii) estimated annual  
134 reduction in emissions.....\$5,000,000

135 2000-1012 For a grant program to support the commonwealth’s agricultural, commercial fishing  
136 and cranberry growing industries; provided, that grants from this program shall be allocated  
137 equally for each industry; provided further, that the executive office for energy and environmental  
138 affairs shall establish the grant program and application criteria in consultation with the department  
139 of agricultural resources and the division of marine fisheries; provided further, that the executive  
140 office shall prioritize grant applicants focused on innovative approaches to enhance environmental  
141 benefits and encourage increased economic activity in its respective sector including, but not  
142 limited to: (i) capital infrastructure improvements that promote energy efficiency; (ii) the purchase  
143 or expanded use of renewable energy technologies; (iii) tools to address barriers to economic  
144 growth, including business management technical assistance and the purchase of more efficient  
145 equipment and technology; or (iv) tools and technologies to facilitate sustainability and new  
146 product development; provided further, that no grant recipient shall receive more than \$100,000  
147 from the grant program; and provided further, that not later than March 30, 2020, the executive  
148 office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the  
149 status of the grant program that shall include, but not be limited to: (a) the number of grant



150 applications, by industry; (b) the number of successful grant applicants, by industry; (c) the amount  
151 of grant funding allocated for each successful applicant; (d) each successful grant applicant's  
152 proposed use of grant funding; and (e) the criteria used to determine successful applications .....

153 \$3,000,000

154 2000-1013 For the design, construction, preservation, reconstruction and repair of or  
155 improvements to culverts and dams across the commonwealth; provided, that expenditures from  
156 this item may include the costs of engineering, design, permitting and other services essential to  
157 these projects; provided further, that the executive office of energy and environmental affairs, in  
158 coordination with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, shall develop a plan for project  
159 selection that takes into account need-based criteria, geographic distribution and environmental  
160 impact; and provided further, that not later than January 31, 2020, the executive office shall file  
161 the plan with the joint committee on environment, natural resources and agriculture, the joint  
162 committee on transportation and the house and senate committees on ways .....\$5,000,000

163 *Department of Environmental Protection*

164 2250-2002 For the testing of potential per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination  
165 of water supplies and for grants to support treatment and design of affected drinking water systems;  
166 provided, that any unexpended funds in this item shall not revert but shall be made available for  
167 the purpose of this item until June 30, 2021 .....\$8,400,000

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

*Department of Mental Health*

5059-1017 For the costs associated with studying and reporting on operations at the Worcester recovery center and hospital under the department of mental health; provided, that not later than March 5, 2020, the department of mental health shall submit to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on mental health, substance use and recovery a report including, but not limited to: (i) the number of forensic patients cared for at the hospital each calendar year since 2015; (ii) the percentage of the patient population composed of forensic patients as compared to the general behavioral health population each calendar year since 2015; (iii) the average length of stay for forensic patients; (iv) current staffing data including, but not limited to, current staffing levels per unit, overtime usage and frequency of staff absences; (v) the number of reported assaults on staff each calendar year since 2015 and associated medical leave taken by staff; (vi) proof of corrective action in response to the department of labor standards written warning dated July 13, 2015 and the subsequent consultant report dated May 17, 2016; (vii) trends in the number of beds for forensic patients across the commonwealth since 2015; and (viii) the process for assigning forensic patients to a certain mental health facility .....\$50,000

*Department of Elder Affairs*

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9110-1635 For adjustments to rates and capitations for home and community-based services provided through items 9110-1630, 9110-0600, and 4000-0601; provided, that \$4,141,830 shall be provided for an adjustment to approved program rates issued under said items 9110-1630 and 9110-0600 to provide a rate add-on for wages, compensation and salary related costs for personnel providing homemaker and personal care homemaker services; provided further, that \$5,941,400

191 shall be provided for adjusting rates for home health aide services funded through said item 4000-  
192 0601 to provide Title XIX services; and provided further, that the secretary of elder affairs, with  
193 the approval of the secretary of health and human services and the secretary of administration and  
194 finance, may transfer funds from this item to said items 9110-1630, 9110-0600 or 4000-0601 or  
195 any other item necessary in order to ensure that all home health aides and personnel providing  
196 homemaker and personal care homemaker services receive an appropriate rate adjustment;  
197 provided further, that the department of elder affairs, in consultation with the executive office of  
198 health and human services, shall require that each home care and home health agency receiving  
199 funds from the item submit a spending plan fully accounting for the uses of said funds, including  
200 the rate add-on funds for hourly rate increases, other categories of worker compensation and other  
201 related eligible costs; provided further, that not later than July 1, 2020, the department shall provide  
202 a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing the impact of funds from  
203 this item on wages for the workforce at the home care and home health agencies receiving rate  
204 adjustments .....\$10,083,230

205 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

206 *Massachusetts Marketing Partnership*

207 7008-1117 For one-time local economic development projects; provided, that not less than  
208 \$200,000 be expended for the East Boston Social Centers, Inc. for the build out of 2 infant  
209 classrooms at the Barnes School; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended  
210 to the NAACP Boston Branch for the preparation and execution of the one hundred and eleventh  
211 National NAACP Conference in the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$200,000  
212 shall be expended for federal Americans with Disabilities Act-related accessibility upgrades at the

213 town hall of the town of Leicester; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended  
214 for the costs associated with building a new police station in the city of Leominster; provided  
215 further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to assist the Worcester department of public  
216 works' completion of the construction of the Francis R. Carroll Plaza; provided further, that not  
217 less than \$200,000 shall be allocated to the city of Malden for safety improvements on Fellsway  
218 East at Highland avenue in the city of Malden; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall  
219 be expended for Plymouth 400, Inc. for coordination of the four hundredth anniversary  
220 commemoration; provided further, that not less than \$170,000 shall be expended for school  
221 security upgrades in the town of Stoughton including, but not limited to, the purchase of new 2-  
222 way radios and new security cameras; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be  
223 expended for rehabilitation and improvements to the Whitney Pond dam in the town of  
224 Winchendon; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for Silent Spring  
225 Institute, Inc. for research on links between environmental chemicals and women and children's  
226 health; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for traffic analysis, a  
227 feasibility study and the design of improvements of the system of intersections along Nonantum  
228 road, Soldiers Field road and Birmingham parkway between Brooks street and Western avenue in  
229 the city of Boston; provided further, that the study and design process shall include community  
230 involvement and seek to reconnect parkland, improve pedestrian and bicycle access and improve  
231 the throughput of traffic in the system; provided further, that the study shall incorporate and build  
232 on recent studies on the area and seek to facilitate swift progress on early action items identified  
233 by such studies; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be allocated in equal amounts  
234 to the towns of Arlington, Billerica and Lexington for sidewalk and streetscape improvements;  
235 provided further, that \$25,000 shall be expended for Groundwork Lawrence, Inc. to study the

236 expansion of the Healthy on the Block program into the cities of Haverhill and Methuen and the  
237 towns of Andover and North Andover; provided further, that \$200,000 shall be expended to The  
238 Kennedy Center in the Charlestown section of the city of Boston for human services programming;  
239 provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the Boys and Girls Clubs of  
240 MetroWest for facility improvements to the Marlborough Clubhouse; provided further, that not  
241 less than \$200,000 shall be expended for S.C.M. Community Transportation Corporation;  
242 provided further, that not less than \$70,000 shall be expended for supplemental emergency funding  
243 to Taunton Emergency Task Force Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be  
244 expended in equal amounts to the Carver council on aging, Raynham council on aging, Marion  
245 council on aging, Dighton council on aging and Berkley council on aging for intergenerational  
246 community-based service learning programs that partner with high schools, colleges and  
247 community-based organizations; provided further, that not less than \$80,000 shall be expended in  
248 equal amounts to the Bridgewater council on aging, Wareham council on aging, Middleborough  
249 council on aging and Taunton council on aging for intergenerational community-based service  
250 learning programs that partner with high schools, colleges and community-based organizations;  
251 provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to the city of Peabody to conduct  
252 an engineering survey for the creation of a public trolley; provided further, that not less than  
253 \$200,000 shall be expended for Community Farms Outreach, Incorporated in the city of Waltham  
254 for improvements to the property located at 240 Beaver Street in the city of Waltham; provided  
255 further, that these funds shall not be expended until the University of Massachusetts conveys the  
256 property; provided further, that the initial expenditure of such funds shall be for a report that  
257 includes: (i) an assessment of the conditions, systems, structural integrity, safety, useful life and  
258 projected annual operating costs of the main administrative building located at 240 Beaver Street

259 in the city of Waltham; and (ii) a list of prioritized recommended repairs for the building; provided  
260 further, that such funds shall be available through June 30, 2021; provided further, that not less  
261 than \$200,000 shall be provided to Berkshire Fund, Inc. to support the relocation of Barton’s  
262 Crossing Homeless Shelter; provided further, that \$200,000 shall be expended for drinking water  
263 testing, purification and improvements to the water supply infrastructure in the city of Westfield;  
264 provided further, that \$200,000 shall be expended for a parking lot expansion and upgrades to the  
265 senior center at the Brockton council on aging in the city of Brockton; provided further, that  
266 \$100,000 be expended to the Plymouth County 4H Club; provided further, that not less than  
267 \$200,000 shall be expended to Inspirational Ones, Inc. to commence a youth innovation pilot  
268 program in collaboration with Methuen Public Schools and other agencies and organizations  
269 primarily serving the youth of the city of Methuen and the Merrimack Valley; provided further,  
270 that funds may be expended to create and implement a curriculum model to identify and expand  
271 deeper learning opportunities with a focus on engaging at-risk youth, secure a facility in the city  
272 of Methuen and hire an executive director and other staff directly related to providing said pilot  
273 program; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to the city of Lynn for  
274 the city’s senior center; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended on a study  
275 for improvements and repairs to the Lower Locks and surrounding area in the city of Lowell;  
276 provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the Friends of Chicopee Senior  
277 Citizens Inc. in the city of Chicopee; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be  
278 expended for infrastructure improvements at Waters Farm in the town of Sutton; provided further,  
279 that not less than \$195,000 shall be expended for New Hope Incorporated for the design, planning,  
280 purchase of land and construction of an emergency shelter in northern part of the county of Bristol;  
281 provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for enhancements and

282 improvements to Mittineague park in the town of West Springfield; provided further, that not less  
283 than \$150,000 shall be expended for the Martha's Vineyard Commission to conduct a  
284 comprehensive housing and homelessness study for the county of Dukes County, which shall  
285 include, but not be limited to: (i) the identification of housing needs by municipality; (ii) an  
286 analysis of wastewater capacity by basin and municipality; and (iii) an enumeration of the capital  
287 expenses necessary to meet housing needs; provided further, that the Martha's Vineyard  
288 Commission shall issue a detailed capital improvement plan to meet Martha's Vineyard's  
289 projected housing needs; provided further, that the Martha's Vineyard Commission shall work in  
290 consultation with municipalities in the county of Dukes County, the Dukes County Regional  
291 Housing Authority, the Martha's Vineyard Network on Homeless Prevention and the Island  
292 Housing Trust Corporation to develop the plan; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall  
293 be expended to the county of Dukes County to serve homeless and housing insecure residents,  
294 including to hire or contract for the services of a homeless prevention case manager; provided  
295 further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the replacement of rugs at the main  
296 library of the Thomas Crane Public Library in the city of Quincy; provided further, that \$30,000  
297 shall be expended to the town of Milton for the construction and installation of a permanent street  
298 hockey court; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the Northampton  
299 Chamber of Commerce for local projects to expand community and cultural development in the  
300 city of Northampton; provided further, that \$175,000 shall be expended for the Andover Youth  
301 Foundation to satisfy the debt service incurred for construction of the Cormier Youth Center in the  
302 town of Andover; provided further, that \$100,000 be expended to Friendship Home, a non-profit  
303 respite home in Norwell; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for The  
304 South Shore Community Action Council, Inc. for the operation of an early childhood education

305 program; provided further, that at \$180,000 shall be expended for the planning, design and  
306 construction of a handicap accessible platform at the North Wilmington commuter rail facility;  
307 provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended for planning, design and construction  
308 for a department of public works facility in the town of Rockport; provided further, that not less  
309 than \$25,000 shall be expended for energy efficiency and handicap accessibility upgrades at the  
310 Freetown council on aging in the town of Freetown; provided further, that not less than \$25,000  
311 shall be expended for handicap accessibility improvements and upgrades at Sociedade Cultural  
312 Acoreana, Inc. in the city of Fall River; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be  
313 expended for safety improvements and upgrades at the intersection of state highway route 177,  
314 Robert street and Tickle road in the town of Westport; provided further, that not less \$200,000  
315 shall be expended on grants for improving the cultural competency of mental health counseling  
316 and guidance services in school districts with increasing enrollment located in the Metrowest  
317 cohesive commercial statistical area; and provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be  
318 expended for the Commonwealth Shakespeare Company .....\$7,595,000

319 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION

320 *Office of the Secretary*

321 7009-6800 For an infrastructure grant program to assist public schools in enhancing safety and  
322 security measures; provided, that grants shall be administered by the executive office of education  
323 in coordination with the executive office of public safety and security, the executive office of  
324 health and human services and the Massachusetts school building authority; provided further, that  
325 the grants shall be used for retrofitting and upgrading school buildings with safety and security  
326 enhancements including, but not limited to, classroom door locks, security cameras or active



327 shooter detection systems; provided further, that the department shall make efforts to notify all  
328 public school districts of the program; provided further, that criteria shall be established to  
329 prioritize those schools most in need of infrastructure improvements related to safety and security  
330 and most in need of financial assistance for implementing the improvements; and provided further,  
331 that, not later than March 5, 2020, the executive office of education shall submit a report detailing  
332 the awarding of grants and the expected use of the grants to the executive office for administration  
333 and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means.....\$10,000,000

334 *Department of Elementary and Secondary Education*

335 1599-2100 For costs related to educational programming in the commonwealth; provided, that  
336 funds from this item shall be made available for items 7061-0012 and 7061-9010 and programs  
337 supporting the implementation of innovative strategies to increase educational opportunity for  
338 students; and provided further, that funds from this item shall not be made available until July 1,  
339 2020 and shall be made available through June 30, 2021.....\$50,000,000

340 7061-0010 For a grant program to assist public school districts in contracting with licensed  
341 community-based mental and behavioral health service providers for services in public schools;  
342 provided, that the program shall be administered by the department of elementary and secondary  
343 education in coordination with the executive office of health and human services; provided further,  
344 that the department shall make efforts to notify all public school districts of the program; provided  
345 further, that the department shall prioritize grant applications submitted by school districts with  
346 limited access to mental and behavioral health services and limited existing financial resources;  
347 provided further, that the department shall prioritize grant applications submitted by school  
348 districts that have created action plans based on the safe and supportive school framework or whose

349 applications are consistent with infrastructure and coordination efforts linking schools to  
350 community-based resources in accordance with item 7061-9612; provided further, that grants may  
351 be expended to assist school districts in connecting students with community-based services to  
352 maximize coordination with service providers and establish more comprehensive continuums of  
353 care; provided further, that grants may be expended to support increased professional development  
354 opportunities for public school employees to identify students in need of mental and behavioral  
355 health support; and provided further, that, not later than March 5, 2020, the department shall submit  
356 a report to the executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees  
357 on ways and means on the awarding of grants and details of anticipated contracts, by school  
358 district.....\$10,000,000

359 7061-9815 For a grant program administered by the department of elementary and secondary  
360 education in coordination with the executive office of public safety and security for the prevention  
361 of hate crimes, as defined under section 32 of chapter 22C of the General Laws, and incidences of  
362 bias in public schools; provided, that grants shall be used for education, professional development,  
363 prevention or community outreach; and provided further, that the department of elementary and  
364 secondary education shall develop guidelines for grant distribution including, but not limited to,  
365 prioritizing schools that have experienced hate crimes or incidences of bias within the last 2  
366 years.....\$400,000

367 *Department of Higher Education*

368 7066-0115 For the purposes of continuing the implementation of section 15E of chapter 15A  
369 of the General Laws to encourage private fundraising by the commonwealth's public institutions  
370 of higher education for the endowments and capital outlay programs of those institutions,

371 including, but not limited to, endowed scholarship funds, endowed professorships, endowed  
 372 STEM programming, endowed research positions, endowed programming in the arts and  
 373 humanities, endowed funds to increase diversity and inclusion on public higher education  
 374 campuses, endowed funds that increase persistence and completion rates, endowed funds that  
 375 encourage innovative financial aid strategies, including income share arrangements, endowed  
 376 early college programs and such other purposes as the board shall determine to be consistent with  
 377 system-wide and campus mission statements, and with measurable goals and metrics tied to those  
 378 missions; provided further, that the board of higher education shall implement this program in a  
 379 manner that ensures that each institution shall have an equal opportunity to secure matching funds  
 380 from this item; provided further, that \$10,000,000 shall be allocated to the university of  
 381 Massachusetts; provided further, that \$5,000,000 shall be allocated to state universities; provided  
 382 further, that \$5,000,000 shall be allocated to community colleges; provided further, that the board  
 383 shall issue a preliminary report on the initial allocation of matching dollars and any guidelines  
 384 adopted for distribution and use of the funding not later than December 15, 2019 and a final report  
 385 on the efficacy of the program in securing additional donations for public higher education, along  
 386 with a description of all programmatic improvements made possible by the funds, not later than  
 387 June 15, 2020; provided further, that the interim report and the final report shall be provided to the  
 388 joint committee on higher education and the house and senate committees on ways and means; and  
 389 provided further, that funds for the purposes of this item shall be made available until June 30,  
 390 2021.....\$20,000,000

391 General Fund.....91.30%

392 Education Fund.....8.70%

393 7066-1116 For an infrastructure grant program to assist public institutions of higher education,  
394 including state and municipal colleges and universities, in enhancing the safety and security of  
395 students, faculty and staff; provided, that grants shall be administered by the executive office of  
396 education in coordination with the executive office of public safety and security, the executive  
397 office of health and human services, the Massachusetts state college building authority and the  
398 University of Massachusetts building authority; provided further, that the grants shall be used for  
399 retrofitting and upgrading campus buildings with safety and security enhancements including, but  
400 not limited to, classroom door locks, security cameras, active shooter detection systems, fire safety  
401 equipment or cybersecurity infrastructure; provided further, that the department shall make efforts  
402 to notify all public institutions of higher education, including state and municipal colleges and  
403 universities, of the program; provided further, that criteria shall be established to prioritize those  
404 colleges and universities most in need of infrastructure improvements related to safety and security  
405 and most in need of financial assistance for implementing said improvements; and provided  
406 further, that, not later than March 5, 2020, the executive office of education shall submit a report  
407 detailing the awarding of grants and the expected use of the grants to the executive office for  
408 administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means \$10,000,000

409 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

410 *Office of the Secretary*

411 8000-1127 For a nonprofit security grant program to provide support for target hardening and  
412 other security enhancements to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of terrorist attack or  
413 hate crimes, as defined in section 32 of chapter 22C of the General Laws, and are ineligible for the  
414 United States Department of Homeland Security's Nonprofit Security Grant Program based on

415 their location; provided, that: (i) at least 1 such grant shall be awarded to a nonprofit organization  
416 in the eastern region of the commonwealth; (ii) at least 1 such grant shall be awarded to a nonprofit  
417 organization in the central region of the commonwealth; and (iii) at least 1 such grant shall be  
418 awarded to a nonprofit organization in the western region of the commonwealth.....\$1,000,000

419 SECTION 2B. To provide for supplementing certain intragovernmental chargeback  
420 authorizations in the general appropriation act and other appropriation acts for fiscal year 2019,  
421 to provide for certain unanticipated intragovernmental chargeback authorizations, to provide for  
422 an alteration of purpose for current intragovernmental chargeback authorizations and to meet  
423 certain requirements of law, the sums set forth in this section are hereby authorized from the  
424 Intragovernmental Service Fund for the several purposes specified in this section or in the  
425 appropriation acts and subject to the laws regulating the disbursement of public funds for the  
426 fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. These sums shall be in addition to any amounts previously  
427 authorized and made available for the purposes of those items. These sums shall be made  
428 available until June 30, 2020.

429 EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

430 *Reserves*

431 1599-3100 .....\$4,133,802

432 SECTION 2C.I. For the purpose of making available in fiscal year 2020 balances of  
433 appropriations that otherwise would revert on June 30, 2019, the unexpended balances of the

434 appropriations listed below, not to exceed the amount specified below for each item, are hereby  
435 re-appropriated for the purposes of and subject to the conditions stated for the corresponding  
436 item in section 2 of chapter 154 of the acts of 2018. However, for items which do not appear in  
437 section 2 of the general appropriation act, the amounts in this section are re-appropriated for the  
438 purposes of and subject to the conditions stated for the corresponding item in section 2 or 2A of  
439 this act or in prior appropriation acts. Amounts in this section are re-appropriated from the fund  
440 or funds designated for the corresponding item in section 2 of said chapter 154; provided,  
441 however, that for items which do not appear in section 2 of said chapter 154, the amounts in this  
442 section are re-appropriated from the fund or funds designated for the corresponding item in  
443 section 2 through 2E of this act or in prior appropriation acts. The unexpended balance of each  
444 appropriation in the Massachusetts management accounting and reporting system with a  
445 secretariat code of 01 or 17 is hereby re-appropriated for the purposes of and subject to the  
446 conditions stated for the corresponding item in said section 2 of said chapter 154. The sums  
447 reappropriated in this section shall be in addition to any amounts available for said purposes.

448 DISTRICT ATTORNEYS

449 *Northwestern District Attorney*

450 0340-0600 .....\$605,000

451 SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

452 *Middlesex Registry of Deeds – Northern District*

453 0540-1400 .....\$100,000

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455		OFFICE OF THE STATE AUDITOR	
456	0710-0000	.....	\$300,000
457		OFFICE OF THE CHILD ADVOCATE	
458	0930-0100	.....	\$300,000
459		MASSACHUSETTS COMMISSION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION	
460	0940-0100	.....	\$150,000
461		CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION	
462	1070-0840	.....	\$500,000
463		HEALTH POLICY COMMISSION	
464	1450-1200	.....	\$550,000
465	1450-1266	.....	\$110,000
466		EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE	
467		<i>Reserves</i>	
468	1599-0054	.....	\$2,218,220
469	1599-2018	.....	\$5,000,000
470	1599-3222	.....	\$750,000
471	1599-4417	.....	\$12,900

472	1599-4448 .....	\$12,162,481
473	<i>Division of Administrative Law Appeals</i>	
474	1110-1000 .....	\$14,400
475	<i>Human Resources Division</i>	
476	1750-0928 .....	\$349,000
477	EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS	
478	<i>Department of Fish and Game</i>	
479	2330-0300 .....	\$750,000
480	<i>Department of Agricultural Resources</i>	
481	2511-0103 .....	\$625,000
482	<i>Department of Conservation and Recreation</i>	
483	2810-0122 .....	\$100,000
484	EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	
485	<i>Department of Transitional Assistance</i>	
486	4401-1000 .....	\$400,000
487	<i>Department of Public Health</i>	
488	4510-0810 .....	\$1,000,000



489 *Department of Children and Families*

490 4800-0041 .....\$4,500,000

491 *Department of Mental Health*

492 5046-0000 .....\$5,800,000

493 *Department of Veterans Services*

494 1410-0022 .....\$100,000

495 1410-1616 .....\$150,000

496 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

497 *Office of the Secretary*

498 7002-0017 .....\$130,000

499 *Division of Banks*

500 7006-0010 .....\$200,000

501 *Department of Telecommunications and Cable*

502 7006-0071 .....\$113,074

503 *Massachusetts Marketing Partnership*

504 7008-1116 .....\$400,000

505 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

506 *Office of the Secretary*

507 7002-1080 .....\$65,000

508 *Department of Family and Medical Leave*

509 7003-0300 .....\$350,000

510 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION

511 *Department of Early Education and Care*

512 3000-3060 .....\$7,624,683

513 3000-4060 .....\$18,815,708

514 *Department of Higher Education*

515 7066-1129 .....\$50,000

516 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

517 *Office of the Secretary*

518 8000-0600 .....\$768,420

519 *Office of the Chief Medical Examiner*

520 8000-0105 .....\$150,000

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522 *Department of Criminal Justice Information Services*

523 8000-0110 .....\$763,874

524 *Department of State Police*

525 8100-1001 .....\$4,000,000

526 8100-1004 .....\$1,560,000

527 *Department of Fire Services*

528 8324-0000 .....\$913,000

529 *Department of Correction*

530 8900-0001 .....\$9,110,978

531 8900-0003 .....\$1,013,185

532 SECTION 2C.II. For the purpose of making available in fiscal year 2020 balances of  
533 retained revenue and intragovernmental chargeback authorizations that otherwise would revert  
534 on June 30, 2019, the unexpended balances of the authorizations listed below, not to exceed the  
535 amount specified below for each item, are hereby re-authorized for the purposes of and subject to  
536 the conditions stated for the corresponding item in section 2 or 2B of chapter 154 of the acts of  
537 2018; provided, however, that for items that do not appear in section 2 or 2B of said chapter 154,  
538 the amounts in this section are re-authorized for the purposes of and subject to the conditions  
539 stated for the corresponding item in section 2, 2A or 2B of this act or in prior appropriation acts.  
540 Amounts in this section are re-authorized from the fund or funds designated for the  
541 corresponding item in section 2 or 2B of the general appropriation act; provided, however, that

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

546 OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER

547 1000-0601 .....\$300,000

548 EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

549 *Human Resources Division*

550 1750-0600 .....\$250,000

551 *Operational Services Division*

552 1775-0800 .....\$350,000

553 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

554 *Office of the Secretary*

555 4000-0250 .....\$8,285,479

556 *Department of Veterans Services*

557 1410-0018 .....\$250,000

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

*Department of Correction*

8900-0021 .....\$400,000

SECTION 2E. The sums set forth in this section are hereby appropriated for transfer from the General Fund to the trust funds named within each item unless specifically designated otherwise in this section, for the 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, 2019. Notwithstanding section 19A of chapter 29 of the General Laws, any transfer under this section shall be made by the comptroller, effective June 30, 2019.

TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL

1595-1200 For an operating transfer to the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust to support drinking water programs to remediate per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination of public water supplies, including, but not limited to, no-interest loans .....\$20,000,000

1595-1205 For an operating transfer to the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust to support its purposes as set forth in chapter 29C of the General Laws, including to increase project capacity.....\$35,000,000

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MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

*Department of Transportation*

1595-6386 For an operating transfer to the Massachusetts Transportation Trust Fund, established in section 4 of chapter 6C of the General Laws, for grants to municipalities for the construction, reconstruction, maintenance or improvement of municipal ways .....\$60,000,000

Commonwealth Transportation Fund.....100%

1595-6389 For an operating transfer to the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, or any fund controlled by the authority, for additional staffing and contract costs to support capital project delivery, inspection and maintenance activities and service diversions necessary to accelerate capital projects; provided, that the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority shall submit biannual reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the status of the acceleration of capital project delivery; provided further, that the first report shall be due not later than January 30, 2020 and the second report shall be due not later than June 30, 2020; and provided further, that the reports shall include, but not be limited to, the number of, delineated by position: (i) full-time equivalent employees hired; (ii) previously retired employees returning on a part-time basis; and (iii) contracted employees hired.....\$50,000,000

Commonwealth Transportation Fund.....100%

1595-6390 For an operating transfer to the Massachusetts Transportation Trust Fund, established pursuant to section 4 of chapter 6C of the General Laws, to support infrastructure projects to reduce congestion, improve traffic flow, promote the use of increased transit ridership and reduce idling

598 and greenhouse gas emissions; provided, that eligible projects may include, but not be limited to:  
599 (i) the creation or expansion of dedicated bus lanes; (ii) vanpool or other commuter bus  
600 demonstration project costs; (iii) lane and shoulder width adjustments and improvements; (iv)  
601 ramp adjustments; (v) signal improvements; and (vi) improved signage; provided further, that  
602 funds may be used for grants to municipalities; provided further, that funds shall be distributed in  
603 a manner that reduces congestion and improves traffic flow in multiple traffic quarters; and  
604 provided further, that not later than June 1, 2020, the Massachusetts Department of Transportation  
605 shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint  
606 committee on transportation on the uses of these funds, including any grants provided to  
607 municipalities and the projects funded through those grants.....\$5,000,000

608 Commonwealth Transportation Fund.....100%

609 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

610 *Department of Housing and Community Development*

611 1595-0508 For an operating transfer to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund established in section  
612 2 of chapter 121D of the General Laws to support the creation of units for extremely low-income  
613 households .....\$10,000,000

614 General Fund.....84.03%

615 Local Capital Projects Fund.....15.97%

616 SECTION 3. Clause (2) of section 59 of chapter 23K of the General Laws, as appearing  
617 in the 2018 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out subclause (a) and inserting in  
618 place thereof the following subclause:-

619 (a) 2 per cent to the Massachusetts Cultural and Performing Arts Mitigation Trust Fund  
620 established in section 2IIIII of chapter 29;

621 SECTION 4. Chapter 29 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
622 section 2GGGGG, inserted by section 24 of chapter 41 of the acts of 2019, the following 2  
623 sections:-

624 Section 2HHHHH. (a) There shall be an Emergency Relief and Immediate  
625 Commonwealth Assistance Trust Fund administered by the Massachusetts emergency  
626 management agency. Money in the trust fund shall be deposited with the state treasurer in a  
627 manner that will secure the highest interest rate available consistent with the safety of the trust  
628 fund and with the requirement that all amounts on deposit be available for immediate use.

629 (b) There shall be credited to the trust fund: (i) any unexpended funds from item 8800-  
630 0001, which shall not revert to the General Fund but instead shall be deposited in the trust fund;  
631 (ii) other funds appropriated or transferred to the trust fund by the general court; and (iii) all  
632 interest earned on money in the trust fund.

633 (c) Expenditures from the trust fund shall not be subject to appropriation and balances  
634 remaining at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the General Fund; provided, however, that  
635 expenditures from the trust fund shall be made for state or local response efforts to natural  
636 disasters or emergency incidents as determined by the director of the agency; and provided  
637 further, that expenditures shall not be used to supplant recurring operational costs of the agency  
638 funded through the general appropriations act.

639 (d) Subject to the approval of the secretary of public safety and security, in consultation  
640 with the secretary of administration and finance, the agency may incur liabilities and make



641 expenditures in excess of funds available and the state comptroller may certify for payment  
642 invoices in excess of funds available to the agency; provided, however, that the agency shall cite  
643 a state of emergency declaration upon its request to incur liabilities and make expenditures in  
644 excess of funds available; and provided further, that the negative balance of funds available shall  
645 not exceed \$5,000,000 at any time during the fiscal year.

646 (e) Annually, not later than June 1, the agency shall submit a report to the secretary of  
647 administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall  
648 include: (i) the fund balance at the start of the current fiscal year; (ii) any transfers of funds to  
649 and from the trust fund during the fiscal year; (iii) any revenue deposited into the trust fund (iv)  
650 an itemized description of expenditures by disaster or incident during the fiscal year; (v) a  
651 projected fund balance for the end of the fiscal year; and (vi) any request for supplemental  
652 appropriations to eliminate any negative balance projected for the fund at the end of the fiscal  
653 year.

654 Section 2IIIII. (a) There shall be a Massachusetts Cultural and Performing Arts  
655 Mitigation Trust Fund. All amounts credited to the fund shall be held in trust and shall be  
656 available for expenditure, without further appropriation, by the Massachusetts cultural council.  
657 The fund shall consist of: (i) money transferred to the fund from the Gaming Revenue Fund  
658 pursuant to subclause (a) of clause (2) of section 59 of chapter 23K; (ii) income derived from the  
659 investment of amounts credited to the fund; and (iii) all other money credited to or transferred to  
660 the fund from any other fund or source. The comptroller may certify amounts for payment in  
661 anticipation of expected receipts; provided, however, that no expenditure shall be made from the  
662 fund that shall cause the fund to be deficient at the close of a fiscal year. Money remaining in the

663 fund at the close of a fiscal year shall not revert to the General Fund and shall be available for  
664 expenditure in subsequent fiscal years.

665 (b) Expenditures from the fund shall be made in the following manner: (i) 25 per cent of  
666 all money deposited into the fund pursuant to subsection (a) shall be dedicated to the  
667 organizational support program of the Massachusetts cultural council; and (ii) 75 per cent of all  
668 money deposited into the fund pursuant to said subsection (a) shall be dedicated to support not-  
669 for-profit and municipally-owned performing arts centers impacted as a result of the operation of  
670 gaming facilities; provided, however, that funds dedicated to such performing arts centers shall  
671 be to subsidize fees paid to touring shows or artists; provided further, that funding dedicated to  
672 such performing arts centers shall be allocated through a competitive grant process to be  
673 developed and administered by the Massachusetts cultural council; and provided further, that  
674 administrative and operational expenses shall not exceed 7 per cent of the total assets of the fund  
675 in any 1 fiscal year.

676 (c) Annually, not later than March 1, the Massachusetts cultural council shall report to the  
677 house and senate committees on ways and means on the fund. The report shall include, but not  
678 be limited to: (i) revenue received by the fund; (ii) revenue and expenditure projections for the  
679 forthcoming fiscal year; and (iii) details of all expenditures from the fund.

680 SECTION 5. The first paragraph of section 5G of said chapter 29, as appearing in the  
681 2018 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the second sentence and inserting in  
682 place thereof the following sentence:- If the department of revenue certifies that the amount of  
683 tax revenues estimated to have been collected from capital gains income exceeds \$1,000,000,000  
684 in a fiscal year, the comptroller shall transfer quarterly any such amount that exceeds

685 \$1,000,000,000 collected during that fiscal year as follows: (i) 90 per cent shall be transferred to  
686 the Commonwealth Stabilization Fund established in section 2H; (ii) 5 per cent shall be  
687 transferred to the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund established in section 24 of chapter 32A; and  
688 (iii) 5 per cent shall be transferred to the Commonwealth's Pension Liability Fund established in  
689 section 22 of chapter 32.

690 SECTION 6. The second paragraph of said section 5G of said chapter 29, as so  
691 appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the  
692 following sentence:- The transfers shall be made before the certification of the consolidated net  
693 surplus for the previous fiscal year under section 5C.

694 SECTION 7. Said section 5G of said chapter 29, as so appearing, is hereby further  
695 amended by striking out the third paragraph.

696 SECTION 8. Section 42G½ of chapter 51 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
697 amended by inserting after the word "vote", in line 57, the following words:- under subsection  
698 (d) of section 65.

699 SECTION 9. Said section 42G½ of said chapter 51 of the General Laws, as so appearing,  
700 is hereby amended by striking out subsection (d) and inserting in place thereof the following  
701 subsection:-

702 (d) In accordance with the memorandum of understanding required by subsection (b),  
703 each eligible applicant for services at an automatic voter registration agency who meets the  
704 qualifications to register to vote and does not decline to register to vote under subsection (d) of  
705 section 65 shall be registered as a voter under said section 65 as of the date the registrars add the  
706 person's name and address to the register of voters, pursuant to paragraph (4) of said subsection

707 (d) of said section 65; provided, however, that an applicant who meets the qualifications to  
708 register to vote, does not decline to register to vote under said subsection (d) of said section 65  
709 and completes a qualifying transaction with an automatic voter registration agency not less than  
710 21 days before an election shall be entitled to vote in that election. If necessary to comply with  
711 federal law, the division of medical assistance and the commonwealth health insurance connector  
712 authority may allow an applicant to decline to register to vote at the time of application.  
713 Otherwise, all automatic voter registration agencies, including the registry of motor vehicles,  
714 shall transmit records of all eligible applicants as provided in subsection (e), and these applicants  
715 may decline to register to vote only after receiving notice from the registrars of voters under  
716 paragraph (3) of said subsection (d) of said section 65.

717 SECTION 10. Section 25B of chapter 54 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
718 amended by striking subsection (g) and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:-

719 (g) The designation of an early voting site shall be made not less than 14 days before the  
720 beginning of the voting period established in subsection (b). Not less than 7 days before the  
721 beginning of the early voting period, the registrars for each city and town shall post the location  
722 of the early voting sites as well as the applicable dates and hours. Notice shall be conspicuously  
723 posted in the office of the city or town clerk or on the principal official bulletin board of each  
724 city and town, on any other public building considered necessary, on the city or town's website,  
725 if any, and on the website of the state secretary.

726 SECTION 11. Section 2 of Chapter 61A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
727 amended by inserting after the word "tobacco", in line 4, the following words:- , hemp as defined  
728 in section 116 of chapter 128.

729 SECTION 12. Subsection (c) of section 1 of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as so  
730 appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the figure “106,” in line 8, the following figure:-  
731 , 108(f)(5).

732 SECTION 13. Section 40 of chapter 82 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
733 amended by striking out, in lines 24 to 26, inclusive, the words “, excluding excavation by tools  
734 manipulated only by human power for gardening purposes and use of blasting for quarrying  
735 purposes”.

736 SECTION 14. Section 21 of chapter 137 of the acts of 2003 is hereby amended by  
737 striking out the figure “2019”, inserted by section 26 of chapter 359 of the acts of 2014, and  
738 inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 2024.

739 SECTION 15. Section 226 of chapter 139 of the acts of 2012 is hereby amended by  
740 striking out the figure “2020”, inserted by section 1 of chapter 363 of the acts of 2018, and  
741 inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 2021.

742 SECTION 16. Item 1599-0026 of section 2 of chapter 47 of the acts of 2017 is hereby  
743 further amended by inserting after the word “program”, the fourth time it appears, the following  
744 words:- and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2020.

745 SECTION 17. Item 1000-0008 of section 2 of chapter 154 of the acts of 2018 is hereby  
746 amended by striking out the figure “5” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 16.

747 SECTION 18. Item 1410-0010 of said section 2 of said chapter 154 is hereby amended  
748 by inserting after the word “home” the following words:- and such funds shall be made available  
749 to the town until June 30, 2020.

750 SECTION 19. Item 2330-0100 of said section 2 of said chapter 154 is hereby amended  
751 by inserting after the word “by-catch” the following words:- and such funds shall be made  
752 available until June 30, 2020.

753 SECTION 20. Item 4590-0250 of said section 2 of said chapter 154 is hereby amended  
754 by striking out the words “provided further, that no less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the  
755 purpose of establishing and supporting a school-based health center at Malden High School in  
756 the city of Malden” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- provided further, that not  
757 less than \$100,000 shall be made available for a grant to the Cambridge Health Alliance  
758 Foundation, Inc. for a school-based health center at Malden high school in the city of Malden  
759 and the grant shall be made available until June 30, 2020.

760 SECTION 21. Item 5046-0000 of said section 2 of said chapter 154 is hereby amended  
761 by inserting after the word “Barnstable”, the fourth time it appears, the following words:- and  
762 such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2020.

763 SECTION 22. Item 7007-0300 of said section 2 of said chapter 154 is hereby amended  
764 by inserting after the word “Falmouth”, the second time it appears, the following words:- and  
765 such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2020.

766 SECTION 23. Item 7008-1116 of said section 2 of said chapter 154 is hereby amended  
767 by inserting after the word “Taunton” the following words:- and such funds shall be made  
768 available until June 30, 2020; provided further, that funds appropriated and unspent for the  
769 operation of the life sciences, education and training center located at the former Paul A. Dever  
770 state school in the city of Taunton in item 7008-0900 of section 2 of chapter 47 of the acts of  
771 2017 shall be made available until June 30, 2020.

772 SECTION 24. Said item 7008-1116 of said section 2 of said chapter 154 is hereby further  
773 amended by inserting after the word “Milford”, the second time it appears, the following words:-  
774 and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2020.

775 SECTION 25. Said item 7008-1116 of said section 2 of said chapter 154 is hereby further  
776 amended by striking out the words “for the restoration of the historic Forbes House in the town  
777 of Norwood” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- to the Norwood Historical  
778 Commission for the renovations of the Little Red Brick School and the Old Jail in the town of  
779 Norwood and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2020.

780 SECTION 26. Said item 7008-1116 of said section 2 of said chapter 154 is hereby further  
781 amended by inserting after the word “Wakefield” the following words:- and such funds shall be  
782 made available until June 30, 2020.

783 SECTION 27. Said item 7008-1116 of said section 2 of said chapter 154 is hereby further  
784 amended by inserting after the word “Melrose”, the second time it appears, the following words:-  
785 and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2020.

786 SECTION 28. Item 8324-0000 of said section 2 of said chapter 154 is hereby amended  
787 by inserting after the word “Winthrop” the following words:- and such funds shall be made  
788 available until June 30, 2020.

789 SECTION 29. Said item 8324-0000 of said section 2 of said chapter 154 is hereby  
790 amended by inserting after the word “Attleboro” the following words:- and such funds shall be  
791 made available until June 30, 2020.

792 SECTION 30. Said item 8324-0000 of said section 2 of said chapter 154 is hereby further  
793 amended by inserting after the word "Scituate", the fifth time it appears, the following words:-  
794 and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2020.

795 SECTION 31. Section 76 of said chapter 154 is hereby amended by striking out the  
796 words "June 30, 2019" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- "April 1, 2020."

797 SECTION 32. Section 98 of said chapter 154 is hereby amended by striking out  
798 subsection (a) and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:-

799 (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the unexpended balances  
800 in items 0699-0015 and 0699-9100 shall be deposited into the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund  
801 established pursuant to section 24 of chapter 32A of the General Laws before the certification of  
802 the fiscal year 2019 consolidated net surplus pursuant to section 5C of chapter 29 of the General  
803 Laws. The amount deposited shall be an amount equal to 30 per cent of all payments received by  
804 the commonwealth in fiscal year 2019 under the master settlement agreement in Commonwealth  
805 of Massachusetts v. Philip Morris, Inc. et al., Middlesex Superior Court, No. 95-7378; provided,  
806 however, that if in fiscal year 2019 the unexpended balances of said items 0699-0015 and 0699-  
807 9100 are less than 30 per cent of all payments received by the commonwealth in fiscal year 2019  
808 under the master settlement agreement payments, an amount equal to the difference shall be  
809 transferred to the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund from payments received by the  
810 commonwealth under the master settlement agreement.

811 SECTION 33. Section 11 of chapter 205 of the acts of 2018 is hereby amended by  
812 striking out the word "January" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- April



813 SECTION 34. Subsection (b) of section 97 of chapter 209 of the acts of 2018 is hereby  
814 amended by adding the following sentence:- The co-chairs of the commission may designate 2  
815 other commission members to serve as acting co-chairs for the commission by mutual agreement  
816 of the co-chairs; provided, however, that the co-chairs shall submit the designation in writing to  
817 the clerks of the senate and house of representatives.

818 SECTION 35. Subsection (b) of section 58 of chapter 228 of the acts of 2018 is hereby  
819 amended by striking out the words “energy exploration or development” and inserting in place  
820 thereof the following words:- oil and gas exploration or development; provided further, that said  
821 piers may be used to support offshore wind development and operations.

822 SECTION 36. Item 8100-1014 of section 2A of chapter 5 of the acts of 2019 is hereby  
823 amended by inserting after the figure “2018” the following words:- , or the collection, testing or  
824 tracking of sexual assault evidence kits.

825 SECTION 37. Item 0321-1510 of section 2 of chapter 41 of the acts of 2019 is hereby  
826 amended by adding the following words:- ; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or  
827 special law to the contrary, the committee for public counsel services shall promulgate a 1-time  
828 incentive plan for private counsel assigned to cases under chapter 211D to provide legal services  
829 in underserved areas of the commonwealth; provided further, that the costs of the incentive plan  
830 shall total not more than \$3,000,000; provided further, that, before allocating funds for the  
831 incentive plan, the committee shall submit to the house and senate committees on ways and  
832 means a report detailing the methodology for distributing the funds, including the types of cases  
833 and the underserved areas of the commonwealth that will be targeted with the funds.

834 SECTION 38. Item 0511-0271 of said section 2 of said chapter 41 is hereby amended by  
835 adding the following words: ; provided further, that, not later than November 30, 2019, the  
836 secretary shall publish online a plan of action for implementing the Complete Count grant  
837 program, including a timeline detailing when requests for proposals for the Complete Count  
838 grant program will be issued and when funds will be awarded and disbursed to recipients;  
839 provided further, that the stated goals of said plan of action shall be that requests for proposals be  
840 issued not later than December 1, 2019 and to ensure that not less than 50 per cent of the grants  
841 shall be awarded and disbursed not later than January 15, 2020 to ensure that grant recipients  
842 have sufficient time to prepare and conduct outreach.

843 SECTION 39. Item 0610-2000 of said section 2 of said chapter 41 is hereby amended by  
844 striking out the figure “\$205,000” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- \$300,000.

845 SECTION 40. Said section 2 of said chapter 41 is hereby further amended by striking out  
846 item 1595-1068 and inserting in place thereof the following item:-

847 1595-1068 For an operating transfer to the MassHealth provider payment account in the  
848 Medical Assistance Trust Fund established under section 2QQQ of chapter 29 of the General  
849 Laws; provided, that these funds shall be expended for services provided during state or federal  
850 fiscal year 2019 or 2020 or for public hospital transformation and incentive initiative payments  
851 for state fiscal year 2019 or 2020 or for Medicaid care organization payments under 42 CFR  
852 438.6(c) for rate year 2018, 2019 or 2020; provided further, that all payments from the Medical  
853 Assistance Trust Fund shall be: (i) subject to the availability of federal financial participation; (ii)  
854 made only under federally-approved payment methods; (iii) consistent with federal funding  
855 requirements and all federal payment limits as determined by the secretary of health and human

856 services; and (iv) subject to the terms and conditions of an agreement with the executive office of  
857 health and human services; provided further, that the secretary of health and human services  
858 shall notify, in writing, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint  
859 committee on health care financing of increases or decreases in any payments made within the  
860 term of the current 1115 waiver or other state plan amendments within 15 days; and provided  
861 further, that the secretary of health and human services shall utilize funds from the Medical  
862 Assistance Trust Fund to make payments of not more than \$413,550,000 to the Cambridge  
863 public health commission or to Medicaid care organizations for payment to the Cambridge  
864 public health commission if the Cambridge public health commission, in anticipation of  
865 receiving such payments, first voluntarily transfers an amount equal to the nonfederal share of  
866 the payments to the Medical Assistance Trust Fund using a federally-permissible source of funds  
867 \$505,785,000

868 SECTION 41. Item 2810-0122 of said section 2 of said chapter 41 is hereby amended by  
869 inserting after the word “museum”, the third time it appears, the following words: ; provided  
870 further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the Havey beach property in the West  
871 Roxbury section of the city of Boston for an outdoor recreation center; provided further, that the  
872 department shall provide the house and senate committees on ways and means a status report on  
873 the request for proposal for the Havey beach property site not later than March 5, 2020.

874 SECTION 42. Item 4120-4000 of said section 2 of said chapter 41 is hereby amended by  
875 adding the following words:- ; provided, that not less than \$270,000 shall be expended for the  
876 assistive technology loan program; and provided further, that not less than \$360,000 shall be  
877 expended for the durable medical equipment reuse program.

878 SECTION 43. Item 4200-0010 of said section 2 of said chapter 41 is hereby amended by  
879 inserting after the word “settings” the following words:- ; provided further, that not less than  
880 \$300,000 shall be expended for a competitive grant program developed under the Juvenile  
881 Detention Alternatives Initiative to support projects that reduce reliance on detention for low-risk  
882 youth, support meaningful participation of youth and families and promote racial equity and  
883 inclusion.

884 SECTION 44. Item 7006-0142 of said section 2 of said chapter 41 is hereby amended by  
885 striking out, both times it appears, the figure “\$15,034,593” and inserting in place thereof, in  
886 each instance, the following figure:- \$16,034,593.

887 SECTION 45. Item 2810-0122 of said section 2 of said chapter 41 is hereby amended by  
888 striking out the words “for Camp Meigs memorial park” and inserting in place thereof the  
889 following words:- to the 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry Regiment Company A  
890 Reenactors and Historical Society based.

891 SECTION 46. Item 7035-0006 of said section 2 of said chapter 41 is hereby amended by  
892 adding the following words:- ; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or special law  
893 to the contrary, \$2,616,032 in funds forwarded from fiscal year 2019 shall apply to fiscal year  
894 2020 reimbursements.

895 SECTION 47. Item 7061-9611 of said section 2 of said chapter 41 is hereby amended by  
896 striking out the figure “\$500,000” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- \$700,000.

897 SECTION 48. Item 7061-9813 of said section 2 of said chapter 41 is hereby amended by  
898 striking out the words “school districts serving fewer than 11 students per square mile shall be  
899 given priority for rural school aid” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- rural

900 school aid shall be allocated equitably in the following order of priority: (a) school districts  
901 serving less than 11 students per square mile; (b) school districts serving not more than 21  
902 students per square mile; and (c) school districts serving not more than 35 students per square  
903 mile.

904 SECTION 49. Said item 7061-9813 of said section 2 of said chapter 41 is hereby further  
905 amended by adding the following words:- ; provided further, that notwithstanding any general or  
906 special law to the contrary, \$1,000,000 in funds forwarded from fiscal year 2019 shall apply to  
907 fiscal year 2020 rural school aid.

908 SECTION 50. Item 7061-9408 of said section 2 of said chapter 41 is hereby further  
909 amended by adding the following words:- ; and provided further, that notwithstanding any  
910 general or special law to the contrary, up to \$30,000,000 in funds forwarded from fiscal year  
911 2019 shall be made available until June 30, 2022.

912 SECTION 51. Item 8700-1140 of said section 2 of said chapter 41 is hereby amended by  
913 striking out, both times it appears, the figure “\$400,000” and inserting in place thereof, in each  
914 instance, the following figure:- \$1,900,000.

915 SECTION 52. Section 71 of said chapter 41 is hereby amended by striking out the figure  
916 “2019” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 2020.

917 SECTION 53. The second paragraph of section 82 of said chapter 41 is hereby amended  
918 by striking out the figure “72” and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 75.

919 SECTION 54. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, before  
920 calculating the fiscal year 2019 consolidated net surplus in accordance with section 5C of chapter

921 29 of the General Laws, and upon the recommendation of the secretary of administration and  
922 finance or a designee, the comptroller shall adjust any fiscal year 2019 appropriation fund split  
923 against the following funds to expend available revenue and to prevent deficiencies in those  
924 funds; provided, however, that, changes to fund splits under this section shall not result in any of  
925 the following funds ending fiscal year 2019 in deficit: (i) the Gaming Local Aid Fund established  
926 in section 63 of chapter 23K of the General Laws; (ii) the Education Fund established in section  
927 64 of said chapter 23K; (iii) the Local Capital Projects Fund established in section 2Eeee of  
928 chapter 29 of the General Laws; and (iv) the Public Safety Training Fund established in section  
929 2Jjjj of said chapter 29.

930 SECTION 55. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, not more than  
931 \$5,000,000 of funds deposited pursuant to chapter 273 of the acts of 2018 into the Water  
932 Pollution Abatement Revolving Fund established in section 2L of chapter 29 of the General  
933 Laws may be used for deleading projects, including grants, at early education facilities, childcare  
934 centers and public schools, prioritizing elementary schools. Funding shall be prioritized to  
935 address high risk populations based on characteristics including, but not limited to, age and  
936 socioeconomic status and based on consultation with the advisory committee for the lead  
937 poisoning prevention program established under section 190 of chapter 111 of the General Laws.

938 SECTION 56. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the  
939 department of energy resources shall expend amounts from the RGGI Auction Trust Fund  
940 established in section 35II of chapter 10 of the General Laws to fund the green communities  
941 program established in section 10 of chapter 25A and to fund electric vehicle incentive programs  
942 through December 31, 2021. All payments made from the fund before December 31, 2021 shall  
943 be prioritized so that the initial payments from the fund shall be made to the green communities

944 and electric vehicle incentive programs; provided, however, that not less than \$5,000,000 shall  
945 be available for the green communities program per fiscal year and not less than \$27,000,000  
946 shall be available for electric vehicle incentive programs per fiscal year”; and; and provided  
947 further, that the department shall examine the programs, including, but not limited to, the cost-  
948 effectiveness of the programs in greenhouse gas emissions reductions, and report its findings to  
949 the joint committee on telecommunications, utilities and energy not later than January 1, 2022.

950 SECTION 57. (a) Notwithstanding chapter 31 of the General Laws, any pre-employment  
951 medical examination administered by a federal agency or contractor to any person serving in the  
952 title of firefighter or crash crew member of the Joint Base Cape Cod formerly known as  
953 Massachusetts Military Reservation Fire Department or the 104th Fighter Wing Fire Department,  
954 who transferred from federal employee or other non-state employment status, shall be deemed  
955 sufficient to fulfill any pre-employment medical examination requirement for firefighters in state  
956 or municipal service in the commonwealth under said chapter 31 and chapter 48 of the General  
957 Laws. Any pre-employment medical examination referenced in this section or any physical  
958 taken subsequent to employment must meet the criteria provided in sections 94, 94A and 94B of  
959 chapter 32 of the General Laws.

960 (b) This section shall only apply to Joint Base Cape Cod formerly Massachusetts Military  
961 Reservation Firefighters who are employed as of the effective date of this act as a firefighter or  
962 crash crew member of the Joint Base Cape Cod Fire Department or as a firefighter with the  
963 104th Fighter Wing Fire Department and who entered state service pursuant to chapter 308 of the  
964 acts of 2008 and 104th Fighter Wing Firefighters who entered state service by an executive  
965 action of October 2010.

966 SECTION 58. Notwithstanding section 28 of chapter 53 of the General Laws or any other  
967 general or special law to the contrary, the state primary in 2020 shall be held on Tuesday,  
968 September 1, 2020.

969 SECTION 59. Notwithstanding section 3 of chapter 53 of the General Laws or any other  
970 general or special law to the contrary, a person whose name is not printed on the September 1,  
971 2020 state primary ballot as a candidate for an office, but who receives sufficient votes to  
972 nominate the person for the office, shall file in the office of the state secretary a written  
973 acceptance of the nomination and a receipt from the state ethics commission verifying that a  
974 statement of financial interest has been filed pursuant to chapter 268B of the General Laws not  
975 later than 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, September 3, 2020.

976 SECTION 60. Notwithstanding sections 11, 13 and 53A of chapter 53 of the General  
977 Laws and section 5 of chapter 55B of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the  
978 contrary, objections to and withdrawals from nominations made at the September 1, 2020 state  
979 primary shall be filed with the state secretary not later than 12:00 P.M. on Friday, September 4,  
980 2020.

981 SECTION 61. Notwithstanding section 14 of chapter 53 of the General Laws or any other  
982 general or special law to the contrary, any vacancies from the September 1, 2020 state primary  
983 caused by death, withdrawal or ineligibility under section 60 shall be filled by an executive  
984 committee, determined by the state party committee of the same political party that made the  
985 original nomination.

986 SECTION 62. Notwithstanding section 15 of chapter 53 of the General Laws or any other  
987 general or special law to the contrary, when a nomination is made to fill a vacancy caused by the



988 death, withdrawal or ineligibility of a candidate from the September 1, 2020 state primary, the  
989 certificate of nomination shall be on a form prescribed by the state secretary, signed by the  
990 executive committee appointed by the state committee of the same political party as provided for  
991 in section 61 and filed with the state secretary not later than 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 8,  
992 2020.

993 SECTION 63. Notwithstanding section 135 of chapter 54 of the General Laws or any  
994 other general or special law to the contrary, a petition for a recount of the September 1, 2020  
995 state primary shall be filed with the appropriate local election officials not later than 5:00 P.M.  
996 on Friday, September 4, 2020 and all recounts shall be completed and notice of the results shall  
997 be sent to the state secretary not later than 5:00 P.M. on Saturday, September 12, 2020.

998 Petitions for districtwide and statewide recounts of the September 1, 2020 state primary  
999 shall be submitted to the appropriate local election officials for certification not later than 12:00  
1000 P.M. on Friday, September 4, 2020 and local election officials shall complete certification not  
1001 later than 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, September 8, 2020. Thereafter, certified petitions shall be  
1002 filed with the state secretary not later than 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 8, 2020. If the state  
1003 secretary determines that the contest is eligible for a statewide or districtwide recount, the state  
1004 secretary shall notify the local election officials who shall complete the recount and shall notify  
1005 the state secretary of the results of the recount not later than 5:00 P.M. on Saturday, September  
1006 12, 2020.

1007 Notwithstanding section 135 of said chapter 54, a board of registrars shall provide not  
1008 less than 2 days' notice of the date, time and location of the recount to each candidate for the  
1009 office for which the recount has been petitioned. Electronic notice shall be sufficient.

1010 SECTION 64. (a) Notwithstanding section 25B of chapter 54 of the General Laws or any  
1011 general or special law to the contrary, there shall be early voting for the 2020 presidential  
1012 primary. The election officers and registrars of every city or town shall allow any qualified voter  
1013 under section 1 of chapter 51 of the General Laws to cast a ballot for the 2020 presidential  
1014 primary during the early voting period. The early voting period shall begin on Monday, February  
1015 24, 2020 and end on Friday, February 28, 2020. Early voting shall also apply to any city or town  
1016 election held at the same time as the presidential primary.

1017 (b) Any qualified voter wanting to early vote by mail may file with the voter's local  
1018 election official an application for an early voting ballot for the 2020 presidential primary. Any  
1019 form of written communication evidencing a desire to have an early voting ballot be sent for use  
1020 for voting at an election shall be given the same effect as an application made in the form  
1021 prescribed by the state secretary. No application for an early voting ballot for the 2020  
1022 presidential primary shall be seasonably filed unless it is received in the office of the city or town  
1023 clerk or registrars of voters before 12:00PM on February 28, 2020. If the voter is registered as  
1024 unenrolled or in a political designation, the applicant shall include the name of the party whose  
1025 primary ballot the voter is requesting.

1026 (c) Early voting for the 2020 presidential primary shall be conducted during the usual  
1027 business hours of each city or town clerk. A city or town may provide for additional early voting  
1028 hours beyond the hours required by this subsection during the early voting period.

1029 (d) All early voting ballots voted by mail for the 2020 presidential primary shall be  
1030 received by the city or town clerk before the hour fixed for closing the polls.

1031 (e) Each city and town shall establish an early voting site for the 2020 presidential  
1032 primary that shall include the election office for the city or town; provided, however, that if the  
1033 city or town determines that the office is unavailable or unsuitable for early voting, the registrars  
1034 of each such city or town shall identify and provide for an alternative centrally-located, suitable  
1035 and convenient public building within each such city or town as an early voting site. A city or  
1036 town may also provide for additional early voting sites at the discretion of the registrars for that  
1037 city or town. Each early voting site shall be accessible to persons with disabilities.

1038 (f) The designation of an early voting site for the 2020 presidential primary shall be made  
1039 not later than February 10, 2020. Not later than February 12, 2020, the registrars for each city or  
1040 town shall post the location of the early voting sites as well as the applicable dates and hours.  
1041 Notice shall be conspicuously posted in the office of the city clerk or on the principal official  
1042 bulletin board of each city or town, on any other public building considered necessary, on the  
1043 city or town's website, if any, and on the website of the state secretary.

1044 (g) Not later than February 10, 2020, the state secretary shall deliver to each city or town,  
1045 in the quantities that the state secretary determines are necessary: (1) official early voting ballots  
1046 for the 2020 presidential primaries, similar to the official ballot to be used at the primaries; and  
1047 (2) envelopes of sufficient size to contain the ballots specified in clause (1) bearing on their  
1048 reverse the voter's affidavit in compliance with the requirements of subsection (i).

1049 (h) An early voting ballot along with an envelope shall be provided to each qualified  
1050 voter who participates in early voting for the 2020 presidential primary.

1051 (i) A qualified voter casting a ballot at an early voting site shall complete an affidavit  
1052 under the regulations promulgated pursuant to chapter 54 of the General Laws, which shall  
1053 include a notice of penalties under section 26 of chapter 56 of the General Laws.

1054 (j) Before the beginning of early voting for the 2020 presidential primary, the registrars  
1055 for each city or town shall prepare a list for the early voting sites that contains the names and  
1056 residences of all persons qualified to vote at each voting site, as the names and residences appear  
1057 upon the annual register, and shall reasonably transmit the applicable list to the election officers  
1058 at each early voting site designated by the registrars.

1059 (k) The registrar or presiding official at the early voting site shall cause to be placed on  
1060 the voting lists opposite the name of a qualified voter who participates in early voting the letters  
1061 “EV” designating an early voter.

1062 (l) The registrars shall prepare lists of all voters casting ballots during the early voting  
1063 period and update the voter list in a manner prescribed by the state secretary.

1064 (m) Sections 37 and 38 of chapter 53 of the General Laws shall apply to unenrolled  
1065 voters and voters enrolled in political designations. The registrar or presiding official at the early  
1066 voting site shall cause the name of the party of the ballot being voted to be recorded on the  
1067 voting list.

1068 (n) The counting of early voting ballots including, but not limited to, informing election  
1069 officers and any challengers present under section 85A of chapter 54 of the General Laws shall  
1070 be set by 950 CMR 47.00 so far as applicable. All envelopes referred to in this section shall be  
1071 retained with the ballots cast at the 2020 presidential primary and shall be preserved and

1072 destroyed in the manner provided by law for the retention, preservation or destruction of official  
1073 ballots.

1074 (o) 950 CMR 47.00 shall apply to early voting at the 2020 presidential primary to the  
1075 extent feasible, but the state secretary shall update the rules to accommodate the dates set forth  
1076 herein.

1077 (p) A city or town may opt to detail a sufficient number of police officers or constables  
1078 for each early voting site for the 2020 presidential primary at the expense of the city or town to  
1079 preserve order, protect the election officers and supervisors from any interference with their  
1080 duties and aid in enforcing the laws relating to elections.

1081 (q) No early voting ballot cast under this section shall be counted if the officer charged  
1082 with the duty of counting the ballot is cognizant of the fact that the voter has died before the  
1083 opening of the polls on the day of the 2020 presidential primary.

1084 SECTION 65. Notwithstanding sections 8 to 10, inclusive, of chapter 55B of the General  
1085 Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the state ballot law commission shall  
1086 notify candidates of any objections filed to nominations at the September 1, 2020 state primary  
1087 not later than 5:00 P.M. on Friday, September 4, 2020. Notice of the commission hearings shall  
1088 be given by telephone and electronic mail. Hearings on objections shall be held on Wednesday,  
1089 September 9, 2020 and decisions shall be rendered not later than 5:00 P.M. on Monday,  
1090 September 14, 2020.

1091 SECTION 66. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, local election  
1092 officials shall transmit absentee ballots to voters covered under the federal Uniformed and  
1093 Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 USC 20302 et seq., whose applications were

1094 received not less than 45 days before the November 3, 2020 state election, not later than  
1095 Saturday, September 19, 2020.

1096 SECTION 67. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the state  
1097 secretary may add or change any dates relating to the nominations made at the September 1,  
1098 2020 state primary that the state secretary considers necessary for the orderly administration of  
1099 the November 3, 2020 state election by providing notice of the change to the state parties and  
1100 any affected person, by filing notice with the rules and regulations division, by posting on the  
1101 state secretary's website and by whatever other means the state secretary considers appropriate.

1102 SECTION 68. There shall be a commission to review and provide recommendations on  
1103 the current classification of inside sales employees paid solely by commissions or advances on  
1104 commissions who satisfy the requirements of section 207(i) or section 213(b)(10)(A) of the  
1105 federal Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. 201 to 219, inclusive. The commission's review  
1106 shall include, but not be limited to: (i) economic impacts related to reliance by employers on  
1107 wage and hour statutory guidance provided by an agency; (ii) recent judicial findings on wage  
1108 and hour statutes as applied to such commissioned employees; and (iii) any other factors the  
1109 commission deems appropriate.

1110 The commission shall consist of the secretary of labor and workforce development and  
1111 the secretary for administration and finance or their designees, who shall serve as co-chairs, and  
1112 8 members appointed by the governor, 4 of whom shall represent retailers and employers, 3 of  
1113 whom shall represent employees and 1 of whom shall be selected from either a list provided by  
1114 the Massachusetts Employment Lawyers Association, Inc. or a list provided by a union

1115 representative of inside sales employees paid solely by commissions or advances on  
1116 commissions.

1117         The commission may consult with experts and stakeholders in determining its findings  
1118 and shall hold at least 1 public hearing. The commission shall file a report of its findings with the  
1119 clerks of the senate and the house of representatives, the joint committee on labor and workforce  
1120 development and the senate and house committees on ways and means not later than March 1,  
1121 2020.

1122         SECTION 69. (a) Notwithstanding section 25B of chapter 54 of the General Laws or any  
1123 general or special law to the contrary, there shall be early voting for the 2020 state primary  
1124 scheduled for September 1, 2020. The election officers and registrars of every city or town shall  
1125 allow any qualified voter under section 1 of chapter 51 of the General Laws to cast a ballot for  
1126 the 2020 state primary during the early voting period. The early voting period shall begin on  
1127 Monday, August 24, 2020 and end on Friday, August 28, 2020. Early voting shall also apply to  
1128 any city or town election held at the same time as the state primary.

1129         (b) Any qualified voter wanting to early vote by mail may file with the voter's local  
1130 election official an application for an early voting ballot for the 2020 state primary. Any form of  
1131 written communication evidencing a desire to have an early voting ballot be sent for use for  
1132 voting at an election shall be given the same effect as an application made in the form prescribed  
1133 by the state secretary. No application for an early voting ballot for the 2020 state primary shall be  
1134 seasonably filed unless it is received in the office of the city or town clerk or registrars of voters  
1135 before 12:00 PM on August 28, 2020. If the voter is registered as unenrolled or in a political

1136 designation, the applicant shall include the name of the party whose primary ballot the voter is  
1137 requesting.

1138 (c) Early voting for the 2020 state primary shall be conducted during the usual business  
1139 hours of each city or town clerk. A city or town may provide for additional early voting hours  
1140 beyond the hours required by this subsection during the early voting period.

1141 (d) All early voting ballots voted by mail for the 2020 state primary shall be received by  
1142 the city or town clerk before the hour fixed for closing the polls.

1143 (e) Each city and town shall establish an early voting site for the 2020 state primary that  
1144 shall include the election office for the city or town; provided, however, that if the city or town  
1145 determines that the office is unavailable or unsuitable for early voting, the registrars of each such  
1146 city or town shall identify and provide for an alternative centrally located, suitable and  
1147 convenient public building within each such city or town as an early voting site. A city or town  
1148 may also provide for additional early voting sites at the discretion of the registrar for that city or  
1149 town. Each early voting site shall be accessible to persons with disabilities.

1150 (f) The designation of an early voting site for the 2020 state primary shall be made not  
1151 later than August 10, 2020. Not later than August 12, 2020, the registrars for each city or town  
1152 shall post the location of the early voting sites as well as the applicable dates and hours. Notice  
1153 shall be conspicuously posted in the office of the city clerk or on the principal official bulletin  
1154 board of each city or town, on any other public building considered necessary, on the city's or  
1155 town's website, if any, and on the website of the state secretary.



1156 (g) Not later than August 10, 2020, the state secretary shall deliver to each city or town,  
1157 in the quantities that the state secretary determines are necessary: (1) official early voting ballots  
1158 for the 2020 state primaries, similar to the official ballot to be used at the primaries; and (2)  
1159 envelopes of sufficient size to contain the ballots specified in clause (1) bearing on their reverse  
1160 the voter's affidavit in compliance with the requirements of subsection (i).

1161 (h) An early voting ballot along with an envelope shall be provided to each qualified  
1162 voter who participates in early voting for the 2020 state primary.

1163 (i) A qualified voter casting a ballot at an early voting site shall complete an affidavit  
1164 under the regulations promulgated pursuant to chapter 54 of the General Laws, which shall  
1165 include a notice of penalties under section 26 of chapter 56 of the General Laws.

1166 (j) Before the beginning of early voting for the 2020 state primary, the registrars for each  
1167 city or town shall prepare a list for the early voting sites that contains the names and residences  
1168 of all persons qualified to vote at each voting site, as the names and residences appear upon the  
1169 annual register, and shall reasonably transmit the applicable list to the election officers at each  
1170 early voting site designated by the registrars.

1171 (k) The registrar or presiding official at the early voting site shall cause to be placed on  
1172 the voting lists opposite the name of a qualified voter who participates in early voting the letters  
1173 "EV" designating an early voter.

1174 (l) The registrars shall prepare lists of all voters casting ballots during the early voting  
1175 period and update the voter list in a manner prescribed by the state secretary.

1176 (m) Sections 37 and 38 of chapter 53 of the General Laws shall apply to unenrolled  
1177 voters and voters enrolled in political designations. The registrar or presiding official at the early  
1178 voting site shall cause the name of the party of the ballot being voted to be recorded on the  
1179 voting list.

1180 (n) The counting of early voting ballots including, but not limited to, informing election  
1181 officers and any challengers present under section 85A of chapter 54 of the General Laws shall  
1182 be set by 950 CMR 47.00 so far as applicable. All envelopes referred to in this section shall be  
1183 retained with the ballots cast at the 2020 state primary and shall be preserved and destroyed in  
1184 the manner provided by law for the retention, preservation or destruction of official ballots.

1185 (o) 950 CMR 47.00 shall apply to early voting at the 2020 state primary to the extent  
1186 feasible, but the state secretary shall update the rules to accommodate the dates set forth herein.

1187 (p) A city or town may opt to detail a sufficient number of police officers or constables  
1188 for each early voting site for the 2020 state primary at the expense of the city or town to preserve  
1189 order, protect the election officers and supervisors from any interference with their duties and aid  
1190 in enforcing the laws relating to elections.

1191 (q) No early voting ballot cast under this section shall be counted if the officer charged  
1192 with the duty of counting the ballot is cognizant of the fact that the voter has died before the  
1193 opening of the polls on the day of the 2020 state primary.

1194 SECTION 70. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the special  
1195 commission established in section 103 of chapter 154 of the acts of 2018 is hereby revived and  
1196 continued to December 31, 2019. The special commission shall file the results of its study and its

1197 recommendations, including drafts of legislation necessary to carry those recommendations into  
1198 effect, with the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate, the joint committee on  
1199 consumer protection and professional licensure and the house and senate committees on ways  
1200 and means not later December 31, 2019.

1201 SECTION 71. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the special  
1202 commission established in section 97 of chapter 209 of the acts of 2018 is hereby revived and  
1203 continued to December 31, 2020.

1204 SECTION 72. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, in setting  
1205 standard payments to nursing facilities for the period of October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020,  
1206 inclusive, capital standard payments made to the nursing facilities pursuant to 101 CMR 206  
1207 shall provide that: (i) a facility's upward adjustment to its capital payment shall be calculated as  
1208 the difference between the standard capital payment listed in 101 CMR 206.05(1) and its rebased  
1209 capital payment that it would have received based on the capital standard payment calculation  
1210 methodology in effect before October 1, 2019; and (ii) a nursing facility that becomes  
1211 operational on or after November 1, 2019, an existing nursing facility that completely renovates  
1212 or reconstructs its current building on or after November 1, 2019 or an existing nursing facility  
1213 that fully relocates to a newly constructed location on or after November 1, 2019 shall be eligible  
1214 for a capital standard payment in the amount of not less than \$37.60.

1215 (b) A nursing facility shall be eligible for an adjustment to its capital standard payment  
1216 pursuant to 101 CMR 206.05(2) after October 1, 2019 if, before March 31, 2020, the facility  
1217 provides the executive office of health and human services with documentation of 1 of the  
1218 following: (i) department of public health plan review approval pursuant to an approved

1219 determination of need dated before January 1, 2020; (ii) detailed architectural or engineering  
1220 plans developed in response to an approved determination of need and submitted to the  
1221 department of public of health before January 1, 2020; (iii) evidence of funding received, or a  
1222 firm commitment to fund, from an outside lender dated before January 1, 2020, in an amount  
1223 equal to or in excess of 50 per cent of the maximum capital expenditure as specified in an  
1224 approved determination of need; (iv) evidence of applications made on or before January 1,  
1225 2020, to local government agencies for planning, zoning or building permits or other regulatory  
1226 approvals required in connection with the implementation of an approved determination of need;  
1227 or (v) evidence of the acquisition of land required for development of the project authorized by  
1228 the an approved determination of need.

1229           SECTION 73. Grants from the amounts collected pursuant to subsection (b) of section  
1230 13T of chapter 23A of the General Laws allocated to regional tourism councils for fiscal year  
1231 2019 shall be distributed not later than November 15, 2019 according to the current allocation  
1232 formula.

1233           SECTION 74. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the School for  
1234 Marine Science and Technology at the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth shall conduct a  
1235 study, in consultation with commercial fishermen and offshore wind representatives, to  
1236 investigate the consideration given to impacts on the commonwealth's fisheries and commercial  
1237 fishing industry during the procurement and construction of offshore wind projects in the  
1238 commonwealth. The study shall also include, but not be limited to, a detailed summary of the  
1239 school's ongoing research activities, regulations issued by the federal Bureau of Ocean Energy  
1240 Management and efforts to engage the commercial fishing industry. The study shall be submitted

1241 to the clerks of the senate and the house of representatives, the department of energy resources  
1242 and the division of marine fisheries not later than May 1, 2020.

1243 SECTION 75. The salary adjustments and other economic benefits authorized by the  
1244 following collective bargaining agreements shall be effective for the purposes of section 7 of  
1245 chapter 150E of the General Laws: (i) between the Middlesex sheriff and the Teamsters, Local  
1246 122, Unit SM2; (ii) between the between the Essex north and south registries of deeds and  
1247 AFSCME, Local 653; (iii) between the board of higher education and the Massachusetts  
1248 Community College Council; (iv) between the Massachusetts Department of Transportation and  
1249 DOT Unit C, National Association of Government Employees, IBEW Local 103, Teamsters  
1250 Local 127, and Teamsters Local 25; (v) between the Massachusetts Department of  
1251 Transportation and DOT Unit D, National Association of Government Employees, IBEW Local  
1252 103, Teamsters Local 127, clerical, audit and support Employees and United Steelworkers Local  
1253 5696; (vi) between the state treasurer and the Coalition of Public Safety, Unit 5; and (vii)  
1254 between the Middlesex sheriff and NEPBA, Local 525, Unit SM1.

1255 SECTION 76. Sections 8 and 9 shall take effect on April 1, 2020.

1256 SECTION 77. Section 12 shall be effective for taxable years beginning after December  
1257 31, 2017.

1258 SECTION 78. Section 14 shall take effect on September 11, 2019.

1259 SECTION 79. Except as otherwise specified, this act shall take effect upon its passage.