**SENATE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 3030** 

Senate, July 21, 2022 -- Text of the Senate amendment to the House Bill relating to economic growth and relief for the commonwealth (House, No. 5034) (being the text of Senate, No. 3018, printed as amended)

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court (2021-2022)

1	SECTION 1. The sums set forth in sections 2 and 2A are hereby appropriated from the
2	federal COVID-19 response fund established in section 2JJJJJ of chapter 29 of the General Laws
3	and the General Fund for the several purposes and subject to the conditions specified in this act,
4	and subject to the laws regulating the disbursement of public funds for the fiscal year in which
5	the sums are disbursed. These sums shall be in addition to any amounts previously appropriated
6	and made available for the purposes of those items. These sums shall be made available until
7	June 30, 2027.
8	SECTION 2.
9	OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER
10	Office of the Comptroller
11	1599-3384 Judgments Settlements and Legal Fees \$12,000,000
12	EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE
13	Reserves

14	1599-4448 Collective Bargaining Contract Costs \$12,720,941
15	1599-2051 Federal Funds Oversight \$5,000,000
16	SECTION 2A.
17	SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH
18	0524-2023 For the implementation of chapter 92 of the acts of 2022 for calendar year
19	2022 elections; provided, that funds shall be expended to: (i) send a vote by mail ballot
20	application to each registered voter in the commonwealth; (ii) prepay return postage for said
21	applications; (iii) mail a ballot to each registered voter who has applied for a vote by mail ballot
22	in the commonwealth for every regularly scheduled primary election and general election; (iv)
23	print the envelopes required for voting by mail; and (v) prepay return postage for vote by mail
24	ballots\$14,000,000
25	Special Commission Relative to the Seal and Motto of the Commonwealth
26	0950-2022. For the operation of the special commission relative to the seal and motto of
27	the commonwealth established by chapter 2 of the resolves of 2020, including, but not limited to
28	staffing and administrative expenses\$100,000
29	EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE
30	Reserves
31	For a reserve to support grants to hotels throughout the commonwealth;
32	provided, that any hotel property that: (i) received funds from the Massachusetts Growth Capital
33	Corporation in a previous round of small business grants: or (ii) was eligible to receive said

1599-6064 For a reserve for investments in nursing facilities and rest homes to support costs including, but not limited to, those related to the 2019 novel coronavirus pandemic and subsequent variants; provided, that funds shall be administered by the executive office of health and human services in consultation with the executive office for administration and finance; provided further, that not less than \$30,000,000 shall be expended for rest homes for 2019 novel coronavirus pandemic related costs including, but not limited to, testing, personal protective equipment and reimbursement for said costs; provided further, that not less than \$165,000,000 shall be expended for payments to nursing facilities pursuant to: (i) efforts to recognize updated base year costs and a cost adjustment factor in setting the nursing standard payments and operating cost standard payments for the period from October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023; (ii) supplemental payments for nursing facilities participating in a patient care transitions program established by the executive office of health and human services; or (iii) rate payments to support nursing facilities caring for certain populations with complex or specialized care needs as defined by the executive office of health and human services; provided further, that in

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1599-6066 For a reserve to enhance payments to providers whose rates are subject to review and implementation under chapter 257 of the acts of 2008; provided, that not less than \$100,000,000 shall be provided in fiscal year 2023 to human service providers whose rates are subject to said chapter 257; provided further, that said payments in fiscal year 2023 shall be provided solely to increase payments to direct care, front-line and medical and clinical staff, which may include, but shall not be limited to, hourly rate increases, wraparound benefits, shift differentials, overtime, hiring and retention bonuses or recruitment, as defined by the executive office of health and human services; provided further, that human service providers shall, as a condition of receiving any funds under this item, attest compliance with the conditions established herein, in writing, and submit an attestation confirming their compliance to the executive office of health and human services; provided further, that not later than December 15, 2022, the executive office of health and human services, in consultation with the executive office for administration and finance, shall report to the joint committee on health care financing and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the: (i) methodology used to distribute said funds; and (ii) distribution of funds, delineated by provider; provided further, that not less than \$150,000,000 shall be used to increase rates for service providers at a sustainable level above the fiftieth percentile of the Bureau of Labor Statistics benchmark for the commonwealth;

provided further, that the executive office of health and human services shall develop a methodology to increase said rates above the fiftieth percentile for service groups reviewed under said chapter 257 beginning in fiscal year 2024; provided further, that said methodology shall be developed in consultation with the executive office for administration and finance, representatives of organized labor and representatives from each of the trade associations representing human service providers subject to rate review and implementation under said chapter 257; provided further, that not later than April 15, 2023, the executive office of health and human services shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance, the joint committee on health care financing and the house and senate committees on ways and means including, but not limited to, the: (a) proposed percentage increase above the fiftieth percentile of the Bureau of Labor Statistics benchmark for the commonwealth; (b) estimated fiscal impact to implement said increase over the subsequent 2 and 4 fiscal years; and (c) a summary of the review process undertaken to develop the new methodology; and provided further, that a human service provider receiving said enhanced rates shall use not less than 80 per cent of received funds for compensation for their direct care, front-line and medical and clinical staff, which may include, but shall not be limited to, hourly rate increases, wraparound benefits, shift differentials, overtime, hiring and retention bonuses or recruitment, as defined by the executive office of health and human services.....\$250,000,000

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1599-6067 For a reserve to address the needs of community health centers; provided, that not less than \$10,000,000 shall be expended for addressing deferred care as a result of the 2019 novel coronavirus pandemic and subsequent variants; provided further, that said funds may be expended for hiring and retention of the workforce; provided further, that not less than \$70,000,000 shall be expended for community health centers receiving grants under 42 U.S.C.

hardening and other security enhancements to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of terrorist attacks or hate crimes, as defined under section 32 of chapter 22C of the General Laws; provided, that prioritization shall be given to nonprofit organizations that have experienced instances of terrorist attacks or hate crimes, as defined in said section 32 of said chapter 22C; provided further, that the grants shall be distributed in a geographically equitable manner across the eastern, central and western regions of the commonwealth; and provided further, that until the full exhaustion of funds from this item, the executive office of public safety and security shall submit annual reports to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to, the: (i) number of grant applicants; (ii) successful grant applicants;

## Department of Transitional Assistance

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4403-2001 For a pilot program to mitigate cliff effects for 100 participants from across the commonwealth who have been receiving public benefits for not more than 12 consecutive months at the time of application into said pilot program; provided, that participants in the pilot program must be eligible for the Work Opportunity Tax Credit; provided further, that the Economic Development Council of Western Massachusetts, Inc. and Working Cities Group, in collaboration with the department of transitional assistance, shall assign department case managers to oversee and assist families or individuals who apply or are already receiving public assistance in order to maximize their benefits and prepare for the decrease of benefits as their employment income increases; provided further, that the Working Cities Group shall provide coaching, mentoring, financial wellness training, cliff effect preparation training and other services to pilot participants; provided further, that the Economic Development Council of Western Massachusetts, Inc., in partnership with the department, shall develop the pilot program that serves a demographically and geographically representative sample of individuals and families receiving transitional assistance; provided further, the department shall collaborate with all appropriate agencies when developing the pilot program; provided further, that the pilot program shall run for not less than 3 years beginning in fiscal year 2023; provided further, that the pilot program shall test a model that facilitates, encourages and supports participants to enter, reenter and remain in the workforce; provided further, that the department shall determine the base income amount that shall be paid to each family or individual that participates in the program; provided further, that for the duration of their participation in the pilot program,

participants shall receive an additional benefit from the department of transitional assistance, which shall be equal to the difference between any decrease in transitional assistance and any increase in earned income to ensure that the income of the participant shall be not less than the said base income amount; provided further, that if the participant successfully transitions off public assistance during or at the end of the pilot program, said participant shall continue to receive counseling services and technical support services and be monitored for data collection purposes; provided further, that if the department determines that a participant has successfully moved into the workforce during or at the end of the pilot program, the commonwealth shall award said participant a match equal to 20 per cent of the base, not to exceed an amount of \$10,000; provided further, that for the duration of the pilot program, the department shall coordinate with the Economic Development Council of Western Massachusetts, Inc. to provide 2 intensive case managers with the primary responsibility of overseeing the progress of the pilot participants; provided further, that the Economic Development Council of Western Massachusetts, Inc., the department and the intensive case managers shall utilize shared resources of the Working Cities Group employer partners, staff members, mentors and volunteers in order to maximize the effectiveness of the pilot program; provided further, that in partnership with the Economic Development Council of Western Massachusetts, Inc. and the department, a third party evaluator will be retained to provide the legislature with an annual report on the program's efficiency and impact not later than January 31 for each year the program is in effect; provided further, that said report shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the number of participants; (ii) the number of participants who entered the workforce; (iii) the amount of yearly income each participant earned; (iv) the hourly wage rate of each participant including a record of all salary increases over each year; (v) the dollar amount of all monies that

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1599-6072 For a reserve to address reproductive and family planning service needs in the commonwealth; provided, that funds shall be expended for grants to providers offering services including, but not limited to, pregnancy termination, contraception, miscarriage management, assisted reproductive technology, postpartum depression care, post-miscarriage mental health care, midwifery services and prenatal and perinatal services; provided further, that

said grants may be provided for costs related to providing care including, but not limited to, security, hiring, training and retention and informational materials to educate patients; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for a public awareness campaign to educate providers and the public about so called crisis pregnancy centers and pregnancy resource centers and their lack of medical services; provided further, that said campaign shall include information on the availability of providers across the commonwealth that provide legitimate medical and family planning services; and provided further, that said campaign shall be linguistically diverse and culturally competent.......\$17,500,000

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1599-6074 For a reserve to reduce gun violence and related trauma throughout the commonwealth; provided, that funds shall be expended for competitive grants to nonprofits and community-based organizations focused on reducing gun violence and related trauma on communities and individuals; provided further, that grants shall be administered by the executive office of health and human services; provided further, that in distributing grants, the executive office prioritize nonprofits and community-based organizations that: (i) serve communities that are disproportionately impacted by community violence and gun violence; (ii) utilize evidencebased and evidence-informed approaches to address gun violence and the impacts of gun violence-related trauma on individuals and communities; (iii) focus on practices to interrupt cycles of violence, trauma and retaliation in order to reduce gun violence, particularly in communities made up of historically marginalized and underrepresented groups; and (iv) provide violence intervention services to segments of the community identified as having the highest risk of perpetuating or being victimized by gun violence; provided further, that grant uses shall include, but not be limited to: (a) capacity-building initiatives, including diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives, training and professional development; (b) evidence-based or evidenceinformed pilot programs to provide innovative practices in reducing gun violence; (c) impact studies, policy innovations and grassroots organizing supports; and (d) direct intervention services and support services for survivors of gun violence, including emergency housing and transportation services; provided further, that not less than \$5,000,000 shall be made available for a grant program administered in consultation with the department of elementary and secondary education to support school safety infrastructure improvements meant to protect against acts of gun violence; provided further, that not less than \$2,500,000 shall be made available for a grant program administered in consultation with the department of elementary and secondary education, the department of public health and the department of mental health to provide behavioral health-related supports and resources in schools to reduce instances of gun violence; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for a public awareness campaign on the commonwealth's red flag laws pursuant to sections 131R to 131Y, inclusive, of chapter 140 of the General Laws; and provided further, that said campaign shall be administered in consultation with the department of public health and the department of mental health.....\$22,500,000

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1599-6075 For a reserve for investments in publicly-owned lands and lands otherwise protected and conserved for public access including, but not limited to: reservations, parks, trails, rivers, lakes, ponds, streams and other waterways, trails, beaches, fishing piers, boat ramps, community gardens, urban farms, working farms and forests and other recreational facilities and open spaces; provided further, that the executive office of energy and environmental affairs shall administer the funds in this item in consultation with the executive office for administration and finance; provided further, that funds shall be expended for municipalities and nonprofit organizations to dramatically increase new open space projects including, but not limited to,

waterfront parks, trails, bike paths, playgrounds, urban farms, community gardens and green space; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the acquisition of new conservation land and the conservation and agricultural preservation restrictions on working farms and forests, particularly in critical headwater, wetland and estuarine areas; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the removal of obsolete or unwanted publicly or privately owned dams across the commonwealth; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the protection and restoration of headwaters land and wetlands on publicly or privately owned cranberry farmlands taken out of production by owners; provided further, that funds shall be expended for the restoration of coastal and tidal wetlands, including salt marshes; provided further, that not less \$50,000,000 shall be expended for projects in qualified census tract communities and communities disproportionately impacted by the 2019 novel coronavirus; provided further, that funds shall be distributed from this item in a geographically equitable manner; and provided further, that grants may include a requirement for matching funds............\$125,000,000

1599-6079 For the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust for the purpose of reducing the principal or interest costs of water quality improvement projects; provided, that eligible projects shall include, but not be limited to: improvements to drinking water systems, per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances remediation and combined sewer overflow projects; provided further, that preference shall be given to projects related to per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances remediation; provided further, that not less than 25 per cent of funding shall be expended for grants to qualified census tract communities and communities disproportionately impacted by the 2019 novel coronavirus; provided further, that funds shall be distributed from this item in a geographically equitable manner; and provided further, that grants may include a requirement for matching funds; provided further, that not less than 10 per cent of said funds shall be expended

1599-6080 For investments in and improvements to ports and port infrastructure to support emerging clean energy industry clusters; provided, that not less than \$45,000,000 shall be expended for the port of the city of Salem; provided further, that not less than \$30,000,000 shall be expended for the port of the city of New Bedford; and provided further, that not less than \$20,000,000 shall be expended for the redevelopment of the Brayton Point Commerce Center in the town of Somerset.......\$100,000,000

and investments in clean energy to accelerate the clean energy transition, formation, growth, expansion and retention within the commonwealth of preeminent clusters of renewable energy and related enterprises, institutions and projects, including funding to higher education institutions and vocational-technical education institutions for workforce development and technical training programs; provided, that the center shall make expenditures from this item for the purposes of multi-year efforts for: (i) advancing clean energy research and technologies to commonwealth-based investors, entrepreneurs and institutions that are involved in the clean energy industry; (ii) providing workforce development and technical training programs for public higher education and vocational-technical education institutions in the clean energy industry; (iii) developing a regional strategy in collaboration with regional employment boards to support the development of the clean energy industry; (iv) supporting infrastructure development

including, but not limited to, port infrastructure development, related to supporting clean energy industry in the commonwealth; (v) matching funds to secure future federal funding to support the clean energy industry and clean energy research in the commonwealth; (vi) supporting research and development in the clean energy industry including, but not limited to, the interrelationship between clean energy infrastructure and existing natural habitats, ecosystems and dependent species; (vii) supporting improved outcomes from the development of clean energy resources; (viii) supporting the long-term coexistence and sustainability of the fishing and clean energy industries; (ix) supporting programs that advance clean transportation or result in a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation sector; (x) supporting programs that advance the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from the building sector consistent with requirements set by chapter 21N of the General Laws, including programs that promote the use of lowembodied carbon building materials; and (xi) providing for the necessary and reasonable administrative and personnel costs of the center or of the executive office of energy and environmental affairs related to administering this item; provided further, that funds may be expended for the expansion of the Wind Technology Testing Center; provided further, that not later than March 1, 2023, the center shall submit a report to executive office for administration and finance and the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (a) a comprehensive multi-year strategic plan for the promotion and advancement of clean energy initiatives from this item, including a proposed breakdown of funding available for each initiative; (b) a proposed timeline for expending funds from this item for each initiative; and (c) proposed plan to ensure regional and demographic equity in the promotion and advancement of clean energy initiatives .....\$125,000,000

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1599-6082 For a reserve to promote and accelerate the adoption of electric vehicles; provided, that funds in this item shall be administered by the department of energy resources, in consultation with the executive office for administration and finance, for the electric vehicle incentive program under section 95 of chapter 142 of the acts of 2019, as amended, or any similar program established by the general court...........\$50,000,000

1599-6083 For a reserve to promote and accelerate the deployment of electric vehicle charging infrastructure; provided, that funds in this item shall be administered by the department of energy resources, in consultation with the executive office for administration and finance, the executive office of energy and environmental affairs and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation; provided further, that the funds in this item shall be focused on creating a statewide, comprehensive electric vehicle charging network accessible to the public; provided further, that funds from this item shall be distributed in a geographically equitable manner; and provided further, that not later than March 1, 2023, the department shall submit a report to the joint committee on telecommunications, utilities and energy and the house and senate committees on ways and means detailing its proposed plan for deploying funds from this item, including efforts to promote geographically equitable access to electric vehicle charging infrastructure................\$50,000,000

Agency to support the creation of affordable for-purchase and rental housing; provided, that not less than \$100,000,000 shall be expended for the CommonWealth Builder Program to support the production of for-sale, below market housing to expand homeownership opportunities for first-time homebuyers and socially disadvantaged individuals in communities disproportionately impacted by the 2019 novel coronavirus pandemic; provided further, that grants and loans to

developers shall be used to facilitate production of affordable homeownership units for households earning between 70 per cent and 120 per cent of the area median income; provided further, that projects with units restricted to households earning 70 per cent of the area median income shall receive preference; provided further, that not less than \$150,000,000 shall be expended for a workforce housing program to provide grants, loans or other financial assistance to support the production of rental or for-sale housing that is affordable for households with incomes between 60 per cent and 120 per cent of the area median income; provided further, that projects shall be required to ensure that not less than 20 per cent of units be affordable for households earning at or below 80 per cent of the area median income; provided further, that not less than \$150,000,000 shall be transferred to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund established in chapter 121D of the General Laws to support the creation and preservation of affordable housing units with a particular focus on very low income and extremely low income households; provided further, that projects supported from this item that include clean energy and sustainability initiatives, such as electric heat pumps, net-zero developments, Passive House or equivalent energy efficiency certification and all-electric buildings, shall receive preference; provided further, that considerations in awarding funds from this item shall be given to communities disproportionately impacted by the 2019 novel coronavirus; provided further, that considerations in awarding funds from this item shall be given to creating equitable housing opportunities for historically marginalized and underrepresented groups; provided further, that the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency shall submit biannual reports to the joint committee on housing and the house and senate committees on ways and means on expenditures made from this item to support the creation of affordable housing, including a breakdown of projects by municipality; and provided further, that the first report shall include a strategic plan for

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increasing the availability of affordable housing in all regions of the commonwealth for low-to-moderate income households including efforts to promote equitable homeownership opportunity for historically marginalized or underrepresented populations; provided further, that not less than \$3,500,000 shall be expended for the Saving Towards Affordable and Sustainable

Homeownership program administered by the Massachusetts Affordable Housing Alliance, Inc. to assist first generation homebuyers in a regionally equitable manner to benefit communities throughout the commonwealth ...................\$403,500,000

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1599-6085 For a reserve to support scholarships to Massachusetts students enrolled in and pursuing a program of higher education in any approved public or independent college, university, school of nursing or any other institution furnishing a program of higher education and seeking a degree in high demand fields in the commonwealth; provided, that funds in this item shall be administered by the department of higher education and promote access to debt-free higher education for residents of the commonwealth; provided further, that the department of higher education, in consultation with the executive office of labor and workforce development, shall promulgate regulations for the scholarship program establishing eligibility requirements, application criteria and the amount of the scholarship awards; provided further, that in developing the regulations for the program, the department shall prioritize the distribution of scholarship awards to students enrolled in a course of study or training program aligned with regional labor market blueprints to address workforce needs in high-demand fields including, but not limited to, students enrolled in healthcare, including nursing, education, including early education and special education, manufacturing and cybersecurity programs; provided further, that preference in awarding scholarship awards shall be given to first generation students and traditionally underserved student populations; provided further, that preference shall be given to

students attending public institutions of higher education; provided further, that not less than 30 days prior to obligations being made from this item, the administering entity shall submit a report to the executive office for administration and finance, the joint committee on higher education, the joint committee on labor and workforce development and the house and senate committees on ways and means on any program criteria and guidelines for the distribution of funds......\$50,000,000

1599-6086 For a reserve to support and promote the commonwealth's agricultural, blue economy and cranberry-growing sectors; provided, that not less than \$8,000,000 shall be expended to support blue economy initiatives at the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for the design, engineering and feasibility study of establishing a cranberry educational center in southeastern Massachusetts; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended on grants or other financial assistance to support the economic growth and viability of the commonwealth's cranberry-growing industry...........\$10,000,000

1599-6087 For a reserve to support economic development in the commonwealth; provided, that not less than \$5,000,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Technology Park Corporation established in section 3 of chapter 40J of the General Laws to support start-up costs associated with robotics incubation, testing and innovation for research and development and commercialization activities; provided further, that any award from this funding to a private entity shall result in a significant public benefit and the private benefit is incidental to a legitimate public purpose; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to the USS Massachusetts Memorial Committee, Incorporated for capital upgrades, infrastructure improvements and the maintenance and care of historic naval vessels; and provided further, that

not less than \$3,400,000 shall be expended for the town of Orange to support the cleanup of the brownfield site on West River street; and provided further, that a lien shall be placed on said site to ensure that the commonwealth is the first recipient of reimbursement if the site is sold; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended to leverage matching municipal funds for improvements to Memorial park in the city of Taunton; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for efforts to mitigate invasive aquatic species in Sabbatia lake in the city of Taunto; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for economic development projects in the town of Abington; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for economic development projects in the city known as the town of Braintree; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for economic development projects in the town of Holbrook; and provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for economic development projects in the town of Rockland; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for sewer upgrades on Clark street in the town of Spencer; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for economic development initiatives in the town of Templeton; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for economic development initiatives in the town of Holden; and provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for economic development initiatives and municipal construction needs in the town of Paxton; provided further, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended for Open Table, Inc. to purchase and develop a food-safe warehouse in the town of Maynard; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended to the city of Fitchburg for downtown housing production; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to the Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations for outreach, resource creation and pilot programs to encourage fiscally sound, innovative methods

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to stop the displacement of small businesses and tenants; provided further, that the Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations, in partnership with the Mel King Institute for Community Building, may expend said funds to provide online training and digital learning courses in affordable housing financing, small business development and other entrepreneurial, economic development and management related topics to state-certified community development corporation board members and professionals, housing authority boards, affordable housing resident leaders and other community-based groups, with a particular focus on underinvested-in communities made up of marginalized and underrepresented demographic groups; provided further, that not less than \$750,000 shall be extended to the Fitchburg Redevelopment Authority for property redevelopment and downtown revitalization; provided further, that not less than \$350,000 shall be expended for Greater Boston Legal Services, Inc. to support the displaced survivors of the June 21, 2022 fire in the city of Revere; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended to the Montachusett Community Branch YMCA for infrastructure improvements; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for Boston Area Gleaners, Inc. for capital initiatives at Stonefield Farm located on Martin Street in the town of Acton.; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for the Springfield Food Policy Council for the continued operation and expansion of food markets and mobile food markets in the Hampden district; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the town of Harvard to make renovations and repairs to the Bromfield House located on Massachusetts avenue in the town of Harvard.; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the town of Maynard for the benefit of ArtSpace, Inc. to make renovations and repairs to the facility located on Summer street in the town of Maynard.; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to Food Link,

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Inc. to address food insecurity in the city of Woburn and the towns of Arlington, Billerica, Burlington and Lexington; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Arlington EATS, Inc. in the town of Arlington to allow for operational efficiency and expenses related to the opening of a new facility.; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be expended to the Arlington Youth Counseling Center in the town of Arlington.; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for renovations and updates to the Maurice Buck Auditorium in the town hall in the town of Billerica.; provided further, that not less than \$275,000 shall be expended for transportation improvements and updates in the town of Lexington.; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to Social Capital Inc. in the city of Woburn for civic engagement initiatives for youth and for developing the next generation of leaders.; provided further, that not less than \$355,000 shall be expended for the town of Wellesley to improve pedestrian and bicycle access to the Elm Bank Reservation.; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the city of Newton for the Newton Highlands Village Enhancement Project.; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the city of Newton for the purchase of bike share stations.; provided further, that not less than \$70,000 shall be expended for the city of Newton to expand its composting program and make composting starter kits available to residents free of charge.; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the city of Newton for the design and construction of the Spears Park community garden.; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the town of Brookline for the acquisition and installation of electric vehicle charging stations.; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the town of Brookline for stencil templates, pavement markings, share-the-road symbols and other materials needed for the installation of dedicated bike lines.; provided further,

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that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the town of Grafton for the purchase of fire fighter radios.; provided further, that not less than \$450,000 shall be expended to Veterans Inc., for the continued operation of their homeless veterans' reintegration program in the counties of Worcester, Franklin, Hampshire and Hampden.; provided further, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended to the city of Malden to make improvements to Summer street, including, but not limited to, placemaking, streetscaping and artistic design.; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for repairs to the fire department headquarters in the city of Melrose.; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for the New North Citizens Council, Inc. to support anti-gun violence initiatives in the North End and Mason Square sections of the city of Springfield, youth job initiatives and the North End Housing Initiative project in the city of Springfield.; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Springfield Museums Corporation for construction and renovation costs associated with the addition of upgraded handicap accessible entrance doors at the Amazing World of Dr. Seuss Museum and the Springfield Science Museum in the city of Springfield.; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for pedestrian and bicycle improvements in the downtown area of the town of Wakefield.; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to Centro Las Americas Inc. for the operation of its food pantry program; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended to Dismas House of Massachusetts, Inc. in the city of Worcester for the operation of human service programming.; provided, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Central Massachusetts Center for Business and Enterprise, Inc. for the operation of a collaborative workforce pipeline program; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the design, purchase and implementation of wayfinding signs and banners in the town of Auburn; provided, not less than

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\$90,000 shall be expended for the design, purchase and implementation of wayfinding signs and banners in the town of Westborough.; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the operation of a building façade improvement grant program for small businesses and organizations in the town center district in the town of Shrewsbury.; provided further, that not less than \$650,000 shall be expended for the redevelopment of Jefferson park in the city of Cambridge.; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for repairs and improvements to Memorial Hall in the city of Melrose.; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended to Jamaica Plain Coalition & Family Engagement Network/Tree of Life in the Jamaica Plain neighborhood of the city of Boston for the infrastructure and technology needs of the Mildred C. Hailey apartments housing development's food distribution service.; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to the Leadership and Literacy Foundation, Inc. for the Methuen youth and community center for purposes including, but not limited to, supporting and enhancing the center's facilities, staffing and programming. "; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for economic development initiatives by the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University located in the city of Boston.; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended to the city of Amesbury for improvements to urban pedestrian spaces.; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for improvements at the Mother Brook Arts and Community Center, Inc. located in the town of Dedham; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the town of Reading to implement the rapid recovery plan for downtown Reading; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended to the town of Andover for park improvements, including, but not limited to, improvements to Recreation park and the design and construction of passive and active recreational improvements to the Chandler Road recreation area; provided further,

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that not less than \$210,000 shall be expended to the department of conservation and recreation for accessibility improvements, light improvements, bench seating and landscaping to the John Boyle O'Reilly monument plaza in the Fenway neighborhood in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$900,000 shall be expended to the city of Watertown for design and construction of improvements of Saltonstall park, including, but limited to, accessibility improvements, beautification and construction of a performance gazebo; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the Downtown Brockton Association, Inc. to promote economic development in the city of Brockton; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended to Soldier On, Inc. for the design and construction of a veterans housing project in the town of Tewksbury; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for the Marine Biological Laboratory for the restoration of the seawall located in Woods Hole; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to furnish and for equipment for the council on aging in the town of Pembroke; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended to the city of Haverhill for the design, planning and construction of an industrial park off of state highway route 110; provided further that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for roadway improvements along the VFW Parkway in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$220,000 shall be expended for improvements to the gymnasium at the Old Colony Young Men's Christian Association, Incorporated in the city of Brockton; provided further, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended to the Downtown Worcester Business Improvement District, Inc. to study the feasibility of constructing public restrooms and other public amenities in the downtown are of the city of Worcester; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended to the town of Boylston to undergo a feasibility study for the Senior Center and Public Safety Building project, including, but not

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limited to, determining the location, environmental codes and needs of the building; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for capital needs in the town of Shutesbury; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the town of West Boylston to fund the architectural, mechanical and electrical bid specifications for the installation of a new high efficiency air to water heat pump at the Beaman Memorial Public Library; provided further, that not less than \$175,000 shall be expended for the Collaborative for Educational Services, Inc. in the city of Northampton; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Food Trust Program established in section 65 of chapter 23A of the General Laws; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Baystate Franklin Medical Center's family medicine residency program in the city of Greenfield; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for municipal economic development initiatives in the towns of Rowley, Hamilton, Middleton, West Newbury and Wenham; provided further, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended for the construction of wet laboratories and maker space to support early stage life sciences companies at the Northeastern University's Innovation Campus in the town of Burlington; provided further, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended to the city of Gloucester and towns of Manchesterby-the-Sea, Rockport and Essex for broadband infrastructure improvements; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for athletic field improvements in the town of Wilmington; provided further, that not less than \$90,000 shall be expended for improvements to the Holyoke animal control department; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for a feasibility study for the decommissioned power plant on Agawam avenue in the city known as the town of West Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the greenway bicycle and pedestrian path in the town of Southampton; provided

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further, that not less than \$135,000 shall be expended to the Worcester Youth Center, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to the SouthCoast Community Foundation. Inc. to administer a 1-time grant program to provide capital assistance, equipment and programmatic support for the benefit of children and families of Greater New Bedford; provided further, that not less than \$95,000 shall be expended for the Agawam Youth Football Association, the Agawam Soccer Association and the Agawam Basketball Association; provided further, that not less than \$18,500 shall be expended for youth sports improvements to Borgatti park in the city known as the town of Agawam; provided further, that not less than \$40,000 shall be expended for Easthampton Little League; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to the town of Lexington for farmers markets, local festivals, parades, musical and theatrical performances or other governmental or non-profit events sponsored or sanctioned by municipal government; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for construction industry apprenticeship and career preparedness training programs administered by Building Pathways, Inc., aimed at increasing the participation of socially and economically disadvantaged populations, which may include, but shall not limited to, women and people of color, in the building trades industries; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to the town of Lincoln for farmers markets, local festivals, parades, musical and theatrical performances or other governmental or non-profit events sponsored or sanctioned by municipal government; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for a study on possible improvements to the property at the Stony Brook reservation located in the Hyde Park section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for economic development initiatives by the Emerald Necklace Conservancy, Inc. in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to the

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Economic Development & Industrial Corporation of Lynn for capital needs related to the operation of a ferry service in the city of Lynn; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for broadband and emissions updates to the North American Indian Center of Boston, Inc.'s headquarters located in the Jamaica Plain neighborhood of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$275,000 shall be expended for repairs, construction and improvements at Smith vocational and agricultural high school in the city of Northampton including, but not limited to, repairing roof damage due to a storm on May 22, 2022 and damage caused by a fire on May 23, 2022; provided further, that not less than \$750,000 shall be expended for road improvements at the intersection of Ararat street and C street in the city of Worcester; provided further, that not less than \$225,000 shall be expended for the Greater Lowell Community Foundation, Inc. for community programs in the city of Lowell; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the Greater Lowell Community Foundation, Inc. for the Lowell Waterways Vitality Initiative in the city of Lowell; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for the development of a food hub and commercial kitchen at the location of the former Peter Fitzpatrick school in the town of Pepperell; provided further, that not less than \$890,000 shall be expended for capital improvements to rehabilitate Children's Services of Roxbury, Inc.'s headquarters into a diverse community space to expand access to services for families in crisis, including eviction prevention and culturally responsive mental health and substance use disorder recovery support services; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the reconstruction of the bandstand and gazebo in the town of Dunstable; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for improvements to the function facility at the municipally-owned Hillview Country Club Corporation in the town of North Reading; provided further, that not less than

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\$150,000 shall be expended for the Student and Parent Internship program and the Reality Check program at Everett public schools; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to the city of Waltham for farmers markets, local festivals, parades, musical and theatrical performances or other governmental or non-profit events sponsored or sanctioned by municipal government; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to the town of Concord for farmers markets, local festivals, parades, musical and theatrical performances or other governmental or non-profit events sponsored or sanctioned by municipal government; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Medfield cultural alliance for the remediation, design, construction and improvements to the Performing Arts and Educational Center at the old State Hospital property in the town of Medfield; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended to the town of Sutton for construction of an outdoor stage at Waters Farm; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to support the operations of the Chelmsford Center for the Arts in the town of Chelmsford; provided further, that not less than \$290,000 shall be expended to the Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce, Inc. for expansion of business infrastructure, staff development and training, and agritourism; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Blackstone Valley Boys & Girls Club, Inc. for construction projects; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended to the Charlton Historical Society, Incorporated for infrastructure improvements and tourism expansion; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for zoning recodification in the town of Wrentham; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for a study to evaluate simplifying town fees for business owners in the town of Wrentham; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to the Milford Area Chamber of Commerce, Inc. for road safety improvements and sewer

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upgrades in the town of Milford; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the development of Booth playground and a skatepark on South street in Foxborough; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for information technology infrastructure, including, but not limited to, record digitization, storage and electronic retrieval, in the town of Sherborn; provided further, that not less than \$170,000 shall be expended for a downtown facade improvement program in the town of Medfield; provided further, that not less than \$170,000 shall be expended for the creation of a downtown business improvement district in the town of Millis; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for a business development collaborative to support, recruit, assist and incentivize investment and growth of new and existing businesses and to act as an incubator and accelerator for economic development opportunities in the city known as the town of North Attleborough; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for improvements to boating-related infrastructure at Veterans Memorial Park beach in the town of Sharon; provided further, that not less than \$170,000 shall be expended for a sidewalk development project on Washington street in the city known as the town of Franklin; provided further, that not less than \$170,000 shall be expended for improvements to grade crossings located on Great Plain avenue in the town of Needham; provided further, that not less than \$120,000 shall be expended for replacing water mains in the town center in the town of Dover; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to the Massachusetts Growth Capital Corporation to provide grants, in consultation with the Massachusetts emergency food assistance program, to independent restaurants located in the commonwealth to supply prepared meals and other food products to food banks and other programs addressing food insecurity needs of individuals in the commonwealth; provided further that not less than \$15,000 shall be expended to the Cape Cod

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Toy Library, Inc. to support programs, capital investments and staffing needs; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the AIDS Support Group of Cape Cod to support the commemoration of the agency's fortieth anniversary, to construct client service facilities and to ensure the health and vitality of residents and tourists on the lower and outer Cape; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to WE CAN Corporation to coordinate free and confidential services, including legal consultation with volunteer attorneys, volunteer career specialists and volunteer financial counselors, to assist women in navigating legal crises, job loss, homelessness and housing instability, divorce and custody matters, immigration or residency issues, personal loss, financial troubles and other transitions; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the John F. Kennedy Hyannis Museum Foundation, Inc. for the creation of a technology platform to include virtual reality and augmented reality elements to digitize museum assets and produce digitized content; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the Family Table Collaborative, Inc. for packaging, production and distribution of meals and other operational programs and needs; provided further, that not less than \$45,000 shall be expended to the town of Wellfleet for the surveying, environmental inspection, financial forecasting and accounting costs associated with the Maurice Campground site located on state highway route 6; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended to the town of Barnstable for facility upgrades to the United States Customs House, including the Coast Guard Heritage Museum, to protect and preserve the museum's historic archives and ensure the safety and comfort of visitors and volunteer docents; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to Harbor Health Services, Inc.'s Ellen Jones Community Dental Center in the town of Dennis for the operation and equipping of a dental clinic serving the mid and lower Cape Cod area; provided further, that not less than

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\$1,000,000 shall be expended to Jewish Family and Children's Service, Inc. for services for vulnerable populations; provided further, that not less than \$70,000 shall be expended to relocate the Cape Cod Watershed Institute facility and program to the grounds of Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for Massachusetts Military Support Foundation, Inc. for veterans housing projects; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended to the Massachusetts Camping Association Inc. for a grant program to provide summer mental health services in licensed summer camps; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for improvements to the Northern Strand bike path in the city of Everett; provided further, that not less than \$20,000 shall be expended to conduct a traffic analysis of the intersection of Main street and Lawrence road in the town of Boxford; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for railings on the Main street bridge in the town of Newbury; provided further, that not less than \$45,000 shall be expended for signalization upgrades in the town of Groveland; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for enhancements to Mary O'Malley park in the city of Chelsea; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for college and career assistance programs at Chelsea public schools; provided further, that not less than \$130,000 shall be expended to The Quaboag Hills Chamber of Commerce, Inc. for the expansion of regional agritourism; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to The Margaret Fuller House, Incorporated for a food pantry and additional services in the city of Cambridge; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to East End House, Inc. for services in the city of Cambridge; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee, Inc. for services in the city of Cambridge; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to Zion Community Services

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Corporation for services in the city of Everett; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the John F. Kennedy Family Service Center, Inc. for services in the Charlestown section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the Harvest on Vine food pantry in the Charlestown section of the city of Boston for food distribution and additional services; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to Eben-Ezer Family and Children's Services, Inc. in the city of Everett; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to Nurtury, Inc. in the city of Cambridge; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for Berkshire Agricultural Ventures, Inc. for the development of a shared freezer and cold storage project to improve rural food security in Berkshire county; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the Ohketeau Cultural Center for work related to interdisciplinary education in the central and western regions of the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the establishment of a regional transportation shuttle service between the town of Great Barrington and Wassaic station in the town of Amenia, New York; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Housatonic river water remediation efforts in the town of Great Barrington; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for the Northern Berkshire Community Coalition, Inc. to acquire a new space in the city of North Adams; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to upgrade and improve buildings and facilities at Plummer Youth Promise, Inc. in the city of Salem; provided further, that not less than \$10,000 shall be expended for staffing costs at the Salem Alliance for the Environment (SAFE), Inc,; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the planning and development of school-based health center programs at Manet Community Health Center, Incorporated to invest in the advancement of school health

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and school-based co-location health clinics in partnership with local school districts and health staff to meet the medical, urgent and same day, health education, disease prevention and behavioral health needs of students by improving access to care and services for all students and families with a particular focus on those with social, financial, cultural, linguistic and transportation barriers; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended to the city of Quincy for design, permitting and planning costs related to the development of a presidential museum and learning center; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for local economic development projects in equal amounts to the towns of Easton, Milton, Stoughton and West Bridgewater and the cities known as the towns of Braintree, Bridgewater and Randolph; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to Citizens Housing and Planning Association, Inc. to support programming to eradicate racial discrimination in housing in the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the operation of weekend ferry services in the city known as the town of Winthrop; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for Hugh R. O'Donnell elementary school in the East Boston section of the city of Boston for playground and outdoor space improvements and free concerts in partnership with the Boston Landmarks Orchestra; provided further, that not less than \$2,000,000 shall be expended to support the operations, design and construction costs for a state-of-the-art coastal research port infrastructure currently called the Complex for Waterfront Access To Exploration and Research in the town of Falmouth, operated by Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution; provided further, that funds shall be used for the purposes of supporting the region's position as a leader in blue tech research and development, and to promote innovation, economic development and competitiveness in the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$1,400,000 shall be expended for the costs

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associated with the study, planning and design of a fire training and emergency response coordination facility by the Essex County Fire Chiefs Association, Inc. to serve Essex county; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to World Farmers, Inc. for the purpose of on-farm infrastructure development improvements; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Association of Black Business and Professionals, Incorporated for their programs assisting black businesses and professionals; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for 413 Stay Woke, Stay Active Inc., in the city of Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for the Baystate Brightwood Health Center in the city of Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for a neighborhood economic development and land use study for the West Medford commercial district and immediate neighborhood in the city of Medford; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to conduct a study on the addition of a commuter rail station on the Fitchburg line in the Alewife neighborhood of the city of Cambridge near Cambridge park drive; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the town of Acton to make improvements to the Nathaniel Allen Recreation Area, also known as NARA Park, located at Ledge Rock way in the town of Acton; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for a grant program to be administered by the department of agricultural resources to assist with the administrative costs of nonprofits that provide: (i) land to low-income and moderate-income individuals for agricultural production; or (ii) food security jobs to individuals in communities where the median household income is not greater than 80 per cent of the statewide median income and residents are at-risk of health issues due to pollution or other environmental hazards; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the creation of an accessible path to access Mystic River road from the West

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Medford community center in the city of Medford; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended to the Cape Cod Canal Region Chamber of Commerce, Inc. for improvements to the visitor information center in Buzzards Bay; provided further, that not less than \$155,000 shall be expended to the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce for seasonal workforce housing coordination; provided further, that not less than \$400,000 shall be expended to make technological improvements to the application process for the emergency housing assistance program under section 30 of chapter 23B of the General Laws in order to reduce erroneous delays and denials, improve data tracking and increase accessibility by reducing barriers for applicants, including applicants with disabilities and applicants with limited English proficiency; provided further, that said improvements shall include, but not be limited to: (i) improvements to the telephone application system; (ii) improvements to the computerized application platform; and (iii) the development of an online application that has responsive design on mobile devices, satisfies federal plain language guidelines developed by the Plain Language Action and Information Network and Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.1 accessibility guidelines and can be integrated into efforts to develop a common application for benefits; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Lawrence Partnership, Inc. for operating expenses related to inclusive economic development in the city of Lawrence; provided further, that not less than \$120,000 shall be expended to the town of East Bridgewater for costs associated with the marketing of businesses, including, but not limited to, the creation of brochures, increasing the presence of businesses on the town website and instructing local businesses of available state and federal assistance programs; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Cohasset food pantry in the town of Cohasset; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Duxbury food pantry in the town of

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Duxbury; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Hingham food pantry in the town of Hingham; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Wellspring Multi-Service Center in the town of Hull; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Marshfield food pantry in the town of Marshfield; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Norwell food pantry in the town of Norwell; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the Scituate food pantry in the town of Scituate; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Friendship Home, Inc. in the town of Norwell; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for the Norwell Grange Corporation in the town of Norwell; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Maddie's Promise, Inc. in the town of Hingham; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the American Legion Post 223 in the town of Duxbury; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Neighbor Works Housing Solutions to support the veterans home in the town of Marshfield; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for Friends of Hull Scouting, Inc. in the town of Hull; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for arts improvements at the Westfield middle school in the city of Westfield; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for playground improvements for the Southampton road elementary school in the city of Westfield; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for school safety improvements in equal amounts to the cities of Westfield and Agawam; provided further, that not less than \$170,000 shall be expended to evaluate the rehabilitation and reuse of landmarks in the town of Hanson, including the former Plymouth County Hospital site, the historic Bonney House and the construction of a boardwalk from Main street to Burrage pond in the town of Hanson; provided further, that not less than \$78,000 shall

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be expended for public safety improvements in the town of Halifax; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the police department in the city known as the town of Weymouth; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the police department in the town of Marshfield; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the police department in the town of Hingham; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for a mattress recycling social enterprise program operated by UTEC, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the senior center in the town of Cohasset; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the senior center in the town of Duxbury; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the senior center in the town of Hingham; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the senior center in the town of Hull; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the senior center in the town of Marshfield; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the senior center in the town of Norwell; provided further, that not less than \$25,000 shall be expended for the senior center in the town of Scituate; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Suffolk district attorney's office to support the Services Over Sentences program and improvements related to public safety and security; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Catie's Closet, Inc. to connect low-income and homeless students in the city of Boston with access to social services, mental and behavioral health resources and other necessities including, but not limited to, clothing and toiletries; provided further, that not less than \$57,000 shall be expended to study the implementation of underground electricity and telecommunication lines and town-owned broadband in the town of Whitman; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for the shared police department between the towns of Russell and

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Montgomery; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for improvements for the police department in the city of Westfield; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Self-Evident Education, Inc. in the city of Northampton; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended to the Easthampton council on aging; provided further, that not less than \$35,000 shall be expended on facility improvements to the Easthampton community center; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to American Legion post 207 in the city known as the town of West Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$46,500 shall be expended for transportation expansion for the Hope for Holyoke recovery center in the city of Holyoke; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for accessibility improvements to the New England Farm Workers' Council, Inc.'s location in the city of Holyoke; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended for a feasibility study on building a new Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority commuter rail station in the town of North Andover; provided further, that not less than \$85,000 shall be expended for cultural initiatives and programming by Cape Ann Museum, Inc. in the city of Gloucester; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the executive office of public safety and security to administer a pilot program, to be known as the officer peer support program, to distribute grants to police departments to provide mental health training and support services for police officers; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Cabral Center for Leadership and Innovation in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended for pipe replacement on Main street in the city known as the town of Agawam; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the city of Attleboro, for the Industrial Development Strategy initiative to identify local workforce strengths, industry clusters, available industrial land, opportunities and

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limitations for development and to recommend approaches to attract emerging industries related to the workforce strengths in the city of Attleboro; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to Roca, Inc. for the implementation and evaluation of a 4-year grant to fund the Rewire4 program to plan for and expand the delivery of training for police and other criminal justice partners; provided further, that said training shall focus on brain science, trauma and community interactions and use a cognitive behavioral theory approach; provided further, that said training shall utilize the Rewire4 program or other similar training programs where no similar training tools exist across the commonwealth or nationally; provided further, that said grant funding shall be utilized to train not less than 25 cohorts of police per year throughout the commonwealth; provided further, that each cohort shall receive not less than 8 hours of training and additional virtual support utilizing text-based services or similar alternatives; provided further, that said grant funding may be used to support ongoing content development including, but not limited to, training modifications and tools to ensure the sustainability of said program within police departments; provided further, that said grant funding shall be used to conduct project evaluations and ongoing quality improvement efforts; provided further, that not less than 30 days following the close of the grant period, any findings from said program evaluations shall be submitted in a report to the executive office of health and human services and the house and senate committees on ways and means; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the W.E.B. DuBois Institute for summer and after school programming for students; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for Sarepta Women and Children Empowerment Center, Inc. to conduct a study on the history and status of citizens of Haitian decent in the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for the development of 200 affordable senior housing units at the intersection of Walnut street and

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Commercial street in the town of Foxborough; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended to Robert F. Kennedy Community Alliance, Inc. for the development of a clinically focused, multi-use mental health treatment and clinician training site in the town of Lancaster; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended to the Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority for the staffing costs associated with the Massachusetts Graf Writers Collective pilot program; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the South Boston Allied War Veterans Council for the operation, safety and administration of the annual South Boston Evacuation Day and St. Patrick's Day parade in the South Boston section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for the registry of motor vehicles to take steps to ensure equitable access to state services, programs and activities serving limited English proficient individuals; provided further, that such steps shall include, but not be limited to: (i) timely provision of oral interpretation; (ii) multilingual translation of vital documents and communications related to eligibility, legal rights, privileges or duties including, but not limited to: (A) applications; (B) informational materials; (C) notices; and (D) complaint forms; (iii) multilingual translation of public facing websites; (iv) hiring and retention of multilingual staff; and (v) updating and implementing language access plans; provided further, that the registry of motor vehicles shall appoint a language access coordinator whose sole responsibilities are to implement the steps described in clauses (i) to (v), inclusive, and to train staff on compliance with said clauses; provided further, that not later than June 30, 2023, the registry of motor vehicles shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on state administration and regulatory oversight detailing an accounting of all funds expended and steps taken to fulfill clauses (i) to (v), inclusive; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended to the Island Housing Trust Corporation to

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assist in the development of the Southern Tier neighborhood consisting of 45 rental units on land owned by the town of Oak Bluffs; provided further, that not less than \$450,000 shall be expended for the Berkshire county sheriff's office to close the budget gap associated with 911 dispatch operations at the Berkshire county communication center; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the implementation of the Tech Impact Collaborative's digital economy initiatives with the Berkshire Innovation Center, Inc. in Berkshire county; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Boston Housing Authority for the long-term preservation and maintenance of open and green space at state-aided public housing communities in the South Boston section of the city of Boston, including the courtyard at the Monsignor Powers apartments known as 'Colin's Courtyard; provided further, that the executive office of administration and finance, in consultation with the executive office of technology services and security, shall develop a single-entry portal for small businesses to use to apply for state government grants; provided further, that the single-entry grant application portal shall store basic applicant information, including, but not limited to, business name, address and contact information, to more easily facilitate the grant application process for small business owners in the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for a grant program to train wastewater operators, including diverse wastewater operators; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for the department of elementary and secondary education to aid in the disbursement of federal funds for the Local Food for Schools Program; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended to Earth Limited for the costs associated with an education facility construction project; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for infrastructure improvements in the city known as the town of Weymouth; provided further, that not less than \$3,185,343 shall be

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expended for the Education Development Center, Inc. to increase K-16 student participation in data science education pathways by recruiting participating school districts, preparing a public awareness campaign for data science educational opportunities and careers and providing professional development courses in computational biology, chemistry and physics courses to teachers; provided further, that not less than \$8,000,000 shall be expended for planning, design, acquisition, construction and any other costs associated with improvements to public safety, pedestrian access, utilities, federal Americans with Disabilities Act compliance and downtown revitalization in the area impacted by the at-grade commuter rail crossing near the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority Ashland commuter rail station; provided further, that not less than \$400,000 shall be expended for improvements to the wastewater treatment facility in the town of Holliston including, but not limited to, upgrades to the supervisory control and data acquisition system; provided further, that not less than \$65,000 shall be expended for community-based economic development efforts in the town of Hopkinton including, but not limited to, placemaking projects, local farmers markets, community supported agriculture projects and identification of form-based code areas within the town; provided further, that not less than \$275,000 shall be expended for pedestrian connectivity and safety improvements for Milford street in the town of Medway; provided further, that not less than \$120,000 shall be expended for clean-up of polychlorinated biphenyls from soils on Willow street near the Cochituate rail trail in the town of Natick; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for design and community engagement for a project to improve Main street in the town of Natick including, but not limited to, access to the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority Natick Center commuter rail station; provided further, that not less than \$750,000 shall be expended for the entity that assumes management of cancer services at MetroWest Medical Center, Inc.; provided

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further, that not less than \$2,000,000 shall be expended for Leonard Morse Hospital in the town of Natick for a pilot program to improve practices in behavioral health care and to address behavioral health staffing shortages; provided further, that not less than \$750,000 shall be expended as a grant to the town of Somerset for the replacement and upgrade of old drainage infrastructure on Valley road neighborhood; provided further, that not less than \$450,000 shall be expended as a grant to Stanley Street Treatment and Resources, Inc. for water sprinkler system and water pumping station upgrades; provided further, that not less than \$410,000 shall be expended as a grant to Westport Community Schools in the town of Westport for laptop technology upgrades and technical education supports; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended for safety improvements and upgrades at the intersection of state highway route 177 and Gifford road in the town of

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Office of the Secretary

4000-0054 For a reserve to promote and support harm reduction efforts and services to address substance use disorder in the commonwealth; provided, that funds in this item shall be administered by the executive office of health and human services; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended to train state and municipal law enforcement personnel and emergency medical personnel, including, but not limited to, emergency medical technicians, paramedics and fire department personnel on the administration and use of federally-approved emergency opioid antagonists, including, but not limited to, naloxone, to provide opioid overdose protection to an individual; provided further, that not less than \$2,000,000 shall be

expended for the state office of pharmacy services to provide emergency opioid antagonists in emergency first response vehicles throughout the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended to the bureau of substance addiction services to procure testing equipment, which shall include, but not be limited to, fentanyl test strips, colorimetric reagents, high-performance liquid chromatography, gas chromatography and mass spectrometry equipment, to identify the strength, effectiveness or purity of controlled substances; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for the department of public health to comply with state and federal opioid overdose reporting requirements; provided further, that not less than \$400,000 shall be expended for the department of public health and the board of registration in medicine to develop or provide for a healthcare provider education program; provided further, that said program shall include a continuing education course available to all providers that are licensed to prescribe medication in the commonwealth and shall encourage the prescribing of medications for addiction treatment currently approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration where appropriate; provided further, that said program shall focus on increasing the number of providers offering such medications, directly or by referral, in addition to counseling and other appropriate support services; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for the executive office of health and human services to establish a grant program to support providers that can demonstrate the ability to offer federal Food and Drug Administration-approved medications for addiction treatment, in addition to counseling and other supports, directly or by referral; provided further, that providers that complete the federal waiver process and related educational programming on approved medications will be eligible to apply for said grant funding for the purposes of funding additional staff members to support expanded services; provided further, that providers that do not require a federal waiver to

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prescribe such medications shall be eligible to apply for said grant funding; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for a pilot program at county correctional facilities to assess and treat persons with alcohol use disorder with federal Food and Drug Administrationapproved medications for alcohol use disorder; provided further, that not later than March 10, 2023, the office shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means that shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the total number of individuals that have received such treatment; (ii) the number of individuals that requested said treatment and were not approved; (iii) the reasons for any denials of treatment; and (iv) initiatives in place to expand and improve access to medications for alcohol use disorder for incarcerated individuals within county correctional facilities; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended for the department of public health to establish a special task force to investigate best practices for alcohol- and drug-free housing in the commonwealth; provided further, that said task force shall examine the effects of: (a) the presence of on-site supervisors on individuals in said housing; (b) access to treatment, including any barriers to medication assisted treatment in alcohol- and drugfree housing; (c) discrimination by alcohol- and drug-free housing against individuals complying with treatment plans that include medication assisted treatment, including requirements that individuals abstain from medication assisted treatment as a condition of admission or residency; (d) best practices for dispensing medication in said housing; (e) the impact of local zoning laws and local control over said housing; (f) the role of alcohol- and drug-free housing for persons released on probation for alcohol or drug related offenses that have been ordered to reside in such housing, including impacts on recidivism rates and the role of probation officers and sheriff's departments in monitoring said persons after their release to said housing; (g) the certification process for said housing; and (h) any other issue the task force deems relevant to the

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success of said housing and the individuals therein; and provided further, that not later than May 1, 2023 said task force shall submit its findings to the clerks of the senate and the house of representatives, the senate and house committees on ways and means and the senate and house committees on mental health, substance use and recovery.......\$5,000,000

### **EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF EDUCATION**

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## Department of Early Education and Care

3000-1045 For grants to support and stabilize the early education and care workforce and address varied operational costs at state child care programs supervised by the department of early education and care, especially those related to the 2019 novel coronavirus pandemic and the costs associated with stabilizing capacity during the period of pandemic recovery; provided, that the distribution of stabilization grants shall prioritize equity and early education programs with higher percentages of state subsidized enrollment; provided further, that the department shall collect data from participating programs including, but not limited to, the: (i) number of enrolled children; (ii) number of educators employed; (iii) efforts to recruit and retain employees; and (iv) available demographic data of the families served by participating providers; provided further, that the department shall submit quarterly reports on the distribution of funds from this item to the executive office for administration and finance, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on education; provided further, that each report shall include, but not be limited to: (a) a description of the formula through which funding is allocated to providers; (b) an analysis of the incorporation of equity into said formula, including the projected disbursement of funding to state subsidized and non-state subsidized childcare programs; (c) an analysis of the data collected by the department from participating

programs; and (d) a description of the efforts undertaken to improve the distribution of funds to providers serving high-needs populations; provided further, that all funding distributed in this item shall be in accordance with the terms of the supplemental Child Care and Development Fund Discretionary Funds in the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Public law 117-2, and any state plans filed under that act; provided further, that funds may be expended for departmental technical assistance related to the administration and distribution of funding; and provided further, that the department shall provide technical assistance to providers to assist them in planning expenditures so as to avoid any fiscal cliffs in future fiscal years, prior appropriation continued.............\$150,000,000

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

7010-1195. For grants to be administered by the executive office of education to support the planning of pathways in technology early college high school programs in not less than 3 public school districts or charter schools; provided, that applications for said planning grants must demonstrate that the proposal: (i) provides equitable access to students who are traditionally underrepresented in higher education and high demand industry sectors; (ii) allows

## Office of the Secretary

7009-6601 For a reserve to support the recruitment and training of educators to teach computer science instruction in the public schools of the commonwealth; provided, that funds in this item may be expended by the department of elementary and secondary education for efforts including, but not limited to: (i) the recruitment of teachers to specialize in teaching computer science; (ii) support in certifying teachers in computer science instruction; and (iii) the education and training of teachers across certifications in support of enhancing their skills at integrating computer science and digital literacy across the K-12 curriculum; provided further, that not later than February 1, 2023, the department shall submit a report to the joint committee on education on: (a) a strategy for ensuring that computer science instruction is offered in each of the commonwealth's high schools by September 1, 2025; (b) a strategy to increase participation rates

in computer science courses, particularly for female students, students of color, English language learners and students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds; (iii) a recommendation on whether a foundational computer science course should be a requirement to graduate high school in the commonwealth; and (iv) a proposed timeline for said requirement to be implemented if recommended; and provided further, that funds in this item shall be prioritized for schools and districts that the department identifies as having inadequate computer science instruction......\$2,500,000

SECTION 3A. To provide for a program of economic development and job creation, the sums set forth in sections 3A to 3C, inclusive, for the several purposes and subject to the conditions specified in this act, are hereby made available, subject to the laws regulating the disbursement of public funds; provided, however, that the amounts specified in an item or for a particular project may be adjusted in order to facilitate projects authorized in this act. These sums shall be in addition to any amounts previously authorized and made available for these purposes.

## EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

# Office of the Secretary

6720-1352 For a grant program to coastal communities to be administered by the Seaport Economic Council; provided, that funds shall be used for community planning and investment activities that stimulate economic development and create jobs in the maritime economy sector and to construct, improve, repair, maintain and protect coastal assets that are vital to achieving these aims; and provided further, that the planning, prioritization, selection and implementation of projects shall consider climate change impacts in furtherance of the goals of

climate change mitigation and adaptation and consistent with the integra	ited state hazard
mitigation and climate change adaptation plan	\$10,000,000

7002-8043 For the Massachusetts Technology Park Corporation, established in section 3 of chapter 40J of the General Laws, for matching grants that support collaboration among manufacturers located in the commonwealth and institutions of higher education, nonprofits and other public or quasi-public entities; provided, that eligible grantees shall include

7002-8044 For projects receiving assistance from the Scientific and Technology
Research and Development Matching Grant Fund established in section 4G of chapter 40J of the
General Laws; provided, that grants shall be awarded in a manner that promotes geographic,
social, racial and economic equity ..........\$24,000,000

7002-8046 For the Massachusetts Technology Park Corporation, established in section 3 of chapter 40J of the General Laws, to establish a competitive and secure future innovation program that promotes partnerships between academic institutions, federally funded research and development centers, industry and the venture community that drive innovation in technology fields in the commonwealth including, but not limited to, the defense, health, commercial and public sectors; provided, that nonprofit and private business entities shall be eligible to receive funding from the program; and provided further, that any award to a private

1153	entity shall result in a significant public benefit and the private benefit is incidental to a
1154	legitimate public purpose\$50,000,000
1155	7002-8047 For matching grants to support advanced manufacturing projects in
1156	partnership with institutions of higher education, including state and municipal colleges and
1157	universities, nonprofits and other public or quasi-public entities; provided, that such projects
1158	shall be in alignment with a Manufacturing USA institute\$30,000,000
1159	7002-8048 For the MassWorks infrastructure program established in section 63 of
1160	chapter 23A of the General Laws\$400,000,000
1161	7002-8049 For public entities and other eligible entities within the commonwealth to
1162	provide matching funds necessary to receive federal funding for broadband infrastructure, access
1163	and deployment in unserved or underserved locations and for adoption, digital equity and other
1164	eligible uses consistent with federal guidelines; provided, that funds may be made available to
1165	assist municipalities with debt service payments related to broadband infrastructure
1166	projects\$50,000,000
1167	For a program to provide assistance to projects that will improve,
1168	rehabilitate or redevelop blighted, abandoned, vacant or underutilized properties to achieve the
1169	public purposes of eliminating blight, increasing housing production, supporting economic
1170	development projects, increasing the number of commercial buildings accessible to persons with
1171	disabilities and conserving natural resources through the targeted rehabilitation and reuse of

vacant and underutilized property; provided, that such assistance shall take the form of a grant or

a loan provided to a municipality or other public entity, a community development corporation,

nonprofit entity or for-profit entity; provided further, that eligible uses of funding shall include,

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but not be limited to: (i) improvements and additions to or alterations of structures and other facilities necessary to comply with requirements of building codes; (ii) fire or other life safety codes and regulations pertaining to accessibility for persons with disabilities; (iii) where such code or regulatory compliance is required in connection with a new commercial residential or civic use of such structure or facility; and (iv) the targeted removal of existing underutilized structures or facilities to create or activate publicly-accessible recreational or civic spaces; provided further, that funding shall be awarded on a competitive basis in accordance with guidelines developed by the agency; provided further, that financial assistance offered pursuant to this line item may be administered by the executive office through a contract with the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency established in section 2 of chapter 23G of the General Laws; provided further, that the executive office or the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency may establish additional program requirements through regulations or policy guidelines; provided further, that financial assistance offered pursuant to this item shall be awarded, to the extent feasible, in a manner that reflects geographic and demographic diversity and social, racial and economic equity within the commonwealth; and provided further, that program funds may be used for the reasonable costs of administering the program not to exceed 5 per cent of the total assistance made during the fiscal year.....\$50,000,000

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7002-8052 For grants and technical assistance to be made to municipalities and regional applicants to support planning and locally-driven initiatives related to community development, housing production, workforce training and economic opportunity, child care and early education initiatives and climate resilience initiatives, including nature-based solutions projects, that incorporate these elements, across the commonwealth within individual

communities, regions or a defined subset of communities therein; provided, that funds may be expended for culturally competent and multilingual technical assistance and training to small businesses; provided further, that preference for these funds shall be given to businesses located in low- or moderate-income areas and owned by women, veterans, minorities or immigrants; and provided further, that grants shall be awarded in a manner that promotes geographic equity.......\$5,000,000

7002-8054 For a competitive program of grants or other financial assistance to support economic development, job creation and housing and climate resilience initiatives, including nature-based solutions projects that incorporate these elements for the public purpose of promoting economic growth in rural areas of the commonwealth; provided, that such financial assistance may be offered to a municipality or other public entity, a community development corporation, nonprofit entity or for-profit entity; provided further, that such financial assistance shall support a project located in a municipality with a population of not more than 7,000 year-

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7002-8056 For a competitive grant program administered by the office of travel and tourism; provided, that funds may be used to improve facilities and destinations visited by instate and out-of-state travelers, with the goals of increasing visitation, enticing repeat visitation and increasing the direct and indirect economic impacts of the tourism industry in all regions of the commonwealth; provided further, that grants shall support the design, repair, renovation, improvement, expansion and construction of facilities owned by municipalities or nonprofit entities; provided further, that all grantees to improve facilities and destinations visited by instate and out-of-state travelers shall provide a match based on a graduated formula determined by the office of travel and tourism; provided further, that grant recipients shall be required to measure and report on return on investment data after the expenditure of grant funds; provided further, that the program shall prioritize socially or economically disadvantaged businesses, which may include, but shall not be limited to, minority-owned, women-owned, veteran-owned and immigrant-owned small businesses, that have historically faced obstacles accessing capital; and provided further, that grants shall be awarded in a manner that promotes geographic 

1243	7002-8057 For the Massachusetts Technology Park Corporation established in section
1244	3 of chapter 40J of the General Laws to create a capital program to support facilities, equipment
1245	and systems that support robotics incubation, testing and innovation for research and
1246	development and commercialization activities; provided, that for a facility to be eligible for
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1248	provided further, that any award to a private entity shall result in a significant public benefit and
1249	the private benefit is incidental to a legitimate public purpose\$75,000,000
1250	7002-8058 For capital improvements to the college of visual and performing arts at
1251	the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth to promote economic development in southeastern
1252	Massachusetts; provided, that the university shall maintain facilities for existing arts programs at
1253	the college of visual and performing arts, also known as the Star Store campus, necessary to
1254	sustain the artists and makers contributing to the arts and cultural renaissance in the downtown
1255	area of the city of New Bedford; and provided further, that the university shall annually report to
1256	the house and senate committees on ways and means and the senate committee on steering and
1257	policy on the status of the capital improvements, including, progress, costs and design plans to
1258	maintain adequate art studios and maker space for programs within the
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1260	7002-8059 For a competitive grant program administered by Massachusetts
1261	Technology Development Corporation established in section 2 of chapter 40G of the General
1262	Laws, and doing business as MassVentures, pursuant to section 12 of chapter 40G to promote
1263	startups owned or operated by individuals from historically underrepresented
1264	groups\$25,000,000

7002-8060 For local and regional economic development capital projects; provided, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the construction of the cranberry educational center in southeastern Massachusetts; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to the city of Malden for the completion of planning and economic development studies; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended for safety and function improvements to Memorial Hall in the town of Plymouth; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended to replace the water main in the town of Falmouth to improve water service and water quality for homes and businesses; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to repair the recreational facilities at Nathaniel Morton elementary school in the town of Plymouth; provided further, that not less than \$800,000 shall be expended for economic development projects in the town of Abington; provided further, that not less than \$800,000 shall be expended for economic development projects in the city known as the town of Braintree; provided further, that not less than \$800,000 shall be expended for economic development projects in the town of Holbrook; provided further, that not less than \$800,000 shall be expended for economic development projects in the city of Quincy; and provided further, that not less than \$800,000 shall be expended for economic development projects in the city of Rockland; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,00 shall be expended for upgrades to the Leland Road Water Plant in the town of West Brookfield; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to the town of Lunenburg for road improvements to Leominster Shirley road; provided further, that not less than \$2,000,000 shall be expended to the Fitchburg Redevelopment Authority for property redevelopment and downtown revitalization; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to the Massachusetts Biotechnology Education Foundation for the creation of a Massachusetts life sciences career hub to provide

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locally based, current training and information for those new to the life sciences workforce and those looking to transition to a new career; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for feasibility, visioning and redesign implementation of the Pleasant Street Center in the town of Reading; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for Springfield Technical Community College for capital planning efforts; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for a recreational trail around Lake Quannapowitt in the town of Wakefield connecting to the Mystic Highland greenway; provided further, that not less than \$4,000,000 shall be expended for the design, construction, programming and configuration of the Mill Pond Water Treatment Plant PFAS filter addition to remediate PFAS contamination in the public water supply in the town of Burlington; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended for the town of Brookline for the expansion and renovation of the Larz Anderson park visitor center and comfort station; provided further, that not less than \$1,250,000 shall be expended for the town of Wellesley for the redesign and construction of the Wellesley square streetscape; provided further, that not less than \$1,250,000 shall be expended for the city of Newton for the acquisition of electric vehicles and for the acquisition and installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the Springfield water and sewer commission to improve, repair and modernize the sewer and drinking water infrastructure in the city of Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the New England Farm Workers' Council, Inc. to cover costs associated with the façade restoration and window replacement of the Historic City Block located on Main street in the downtown area of the city of Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the Springfield housing authority to support a variety of building improvements in the city of Springfield; provided

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further, that not less than \$3,000,000 shall be expended to the Commonwealth Zoological Corporation for the construction of the welcome center and African Experience exhibit at the entrance to the Franklin Park Zoo located in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for affordable housing in the town of Grafton; provided further, that not less than \$2,000,000 shall be expended for the Otis street regional improvement project in the town of Westborough; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the improvement of pedestrian and bicycle access in the city of Melrose; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended for bus stop infrastructure improvements in the city of Malden; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to the city of Methuen for revitalization of the downtown area of the city including, but not limited to, the design and implementation of historic downtown wayfinding, public parking and electric vehicle charging improvements; and provided further, that not less than \$385,000 shall be expended to the town of Salisbury for construction of a visitor center at Salisbury beach; provided further, that not less than \$650,000 shall be expended to the city of Amesbury for the design and construction of improvements to urban pedestrian spaces in the downtown area of the city of Amesbury; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to the city of Newburyport for economic development including, but not limited to, investments in downtown infrastructure including paving and lighting improvements, repairs to waterfront bulkheads, including the central waterfront bulkhead, and mobility and mixed-use studies of the downtown area of the city; provided further, that not less than \$475,000 shall be expended to the town of North Andover for economic development including, but not limited to, improvements and grants for improvements to downtown facades, a Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority station feasibility study and community planning and outreach related to the Royal Crest

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property to promote local economic development for a public purpose; provided further, that not less than \$490,000 shall be expended to the town of Merrimac for economic development including, but not limited to, the revitalization of the downtown area of the town, the replacement of automated external defibrillators throughout the town, the implementation of a fire cascade system and the replacement of vital signs monitors and external cardiac defibrillators in the town's ambulances; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the city of Lawrence for the Resilient Lands Initiative; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for redevelopment of the Riverbend and Ellen Bigelow schools in the town of Athol for affordable housing and multi-generational apartments; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for streetscape improvements on Avenue A in the town of Montague; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for a performance shell on the South Common in the city known as the town of Amherst; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended to the redevelopment of public housing in the City of Worcester; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for lead service line abatement projects in the town of Andover; provided further, that not less than \$1,475,000 shall be expended to the Old Colony Young Men's Christian Association, Incorporated for exterior renovations to the building in the city of Brockton; provided further, that not less than \$100,000 shall be expended to the Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Development Corporation to provide high-speed internet to strengthen home-based childcare businesses; provided further, that not less than \$4,000,000 shall be expended for the central park athletic field in the city known as the town of West Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended for a strategic reorganization plan for the Attleboro Redevelopment Authority; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for the development of

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Kenwood circle in the North Grove street economic development opportunity area in the city known as the town of Franklin; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the Lowell Art Association for costs associated with the renovation of the Whistler House Museum of Art in the city of Lowell; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to support redevelopment activities of the targeted property in the Downtown Urban Revitalization Plan and Business Improvement District in the city of Worcester; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the reconstruction and infrastructure improvements of the Lower Locks area in the city of Lowell; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for a school-based health center operated by the Hilltown Community Health Centers, Inc. on the campus at Smith vocational and agricultural high school in the city of Northampton; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the renovation and development of the Dimock Center's crisis stabilization services unit for men in the Roxbury section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for the Lena Park community center in the Dorchester section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the Jack Kerouac Foundation Inc. for the renovations of the Jack Kerouac Museum and Performance Center at the former Saint Jean Baptiste Church in the city of Lowell; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended to support the immediate capital repairs needed to maintain accreditation at Burncoat high school in the city of Worcester; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Audubon Society, Inc. and the Lowell Parks and Conservation Trust, Inc. to jointly acquire, conserve and renovate land at 1413-1415 Varnum avenue to increase public access and usage of the site in the city of Lowell; provided further, that not less than \$2,650,000 shall be expended for Harvard Street Neighborhood Health Center, Inc.,

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a federally qualified community health center, for the planning and construction of a new state of the art, Americans with Disabilities Act compliant health center in the Dorchester section of the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$4,000,000 shall be expended for infrastructure improvements to promote economic development along state highway route 20 in the towns of Charlton and Oxford; provided further, that not less than \$250,000 shall be expended for repairs and improvements to fire stations in the city of Chicopee; provided further that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be provided for a feasibility study to determine need, potential location, study and design of a community center in the town of Foxborough; provided further that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended for a feasibility study to develop and construct a neighborhood of low-threshold permanent supportive housing units for homeless veterans and seniors in the city of Attleboro; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for a feasibility study of a railroad-grade crossing relocation, transit-oriented development from North Main street to state highway route 106 and a passenger parking structure at the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority intermodal transportation station in the town of Mansfield; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for a feasibility study of a railroad-grade crossing relocation, transit-oriented development from North Main street to state highway route 106 and a passenger parking structure at the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority intermodal transportation station in the town of Mansfield; provided further, not less than \$500,000 shall be expended to the Canton Housing Authority in the town of Canton for the purposes of making improvements and revitalizing the authority's public housing stock; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended to the town of Truro for improvements to the Walsh property including, but not limited to, water, wastewater, road and other infrastructure improvements; provided further, that not less than \$125,000 shall be

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expended to the town of Brewster for the permitting and construction of a retaining wall at the North Bank fishway at the Stony Brook Grist Mill; provided further, that not less than \$275,000 shall be expended for design and improvements to state highway route 5 in the town of Longmeadow; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended to the town of Barnstable for an engineering and planning study on the extension and repair of the sidewalks along state highway route 6A beginning from the area east of Barnstable-West Barnstable elementary school and extending to the east therefrom; provided further, that not less than \$475,000 shall be expended for hazardous material abatement and remediation at the former Belchertown state school in the town of Belchertown; provided further, that not less than \$425,000 shall be expended to the Island Housing Trust Corporation to assist in the development of the Meshacket neighborhood on land owned by the town of Edgartown; provided further, that not less than \$1,450,000 shall be expended to Martha's Vineyard Hospital, Inc. for a wastewater treatment system for a skilled nursing facility and associated workforce housing located in the town of Edgartown; provided further, that not less than \$3,000,000 shall be expended for Westmass Area Development Corporation to increase affordable housing through targeted rehabilitation projects at the historical Ludlow Mills facility in the town of Ludlow; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended for brownfields remediation and redevelopment of properties in the town of Adams; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the development of community leach fields to prevent aquifer contamination along the South river in the town of Conway; provided further, that not less than \$10,000,000 shall be appropriated to the Massachusetts Cultural Facilities Fund established by section 42 of chapter 23G for the construction, repair, renovation or improvement of artist housing and studios; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the

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Acton housing authority for costs related to increasing housing availability including, but not limited to, construction, land acquisition, additions, renovations, repairs and maintenance; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the town of Sudbury to design, study or make improvements to its sewer system; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for the water department in the town of Littleton to support local water infrastructure projects; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for the Marlborough community development housing authority for costs related to increasing housing availability including, but not limited to, construction, land acquisition, additions, renovations, repairs and maintenance; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended for utility work and improvements in the downtown Broadway corridor in the city of Chelsea; provided further, that not less than \$850,000 shall be expended for branding, wayfinding and site improvement for Sweatt park in the town of Wrentham; provided further, that not less than \$425,000 shall be expended for the structural stabilization of the Lansing Millis memorial building in the town of Millis; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended for repairs and improvements to the former Everett high school building in the city of Everett; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for repairs and improvements to the Mary O'Malley waterfront park in the city of Chelsea; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended for capital, planning and infrastructure costs related to the expansion of the Berkshire Innovation Center into northern and southern Berkshire county; provided further, that not less than \$4,000,000 shall be expended for local capital development projects in equal amounts to the towns of Easton, Milton, Stoughton, West Bridgewater and Bridgewater and the cities known as the towns of Braintree and Randolph; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,00 shall be expended to the Disabled American Veterans Department of

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Massachusetts Service Fund, Inc. for the purpose of establishing regional veterans housing on the campus of the former Becker College in the town of Leicester; provided further, that not less than \$2,500,000 shall be expended for a program to be administered by the division of professional licensure that shall provide financial assistance to owners of residential real property for the costs associated with the deterioration, repair or replacement of concrete foundations due to the presence of pyrite or pyrrhotite in the foundation of homes built in the commonwealth; provided further, that said program shall provide financial assistance to minimize any negative economic impacts on the municipalities in which such properties are located; provided further, that not less than \$1,250,000 shall be expended to the city of Brockton for site, sewer and transportation upgrades and improvements for the Thatcher Street Housing project; provided further, that not less than \$1,800,000 shall be expended for the renovation and construction of the Family Pantry - Damien's Place Corp. in the town of Wareham; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the Massachusetts Food Trust Program established under section 65 of chapter 23A of the General Laws; provided further, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended to the town of Belmont for the study, design and construction of bicycle, pedestrian and vehicle safety improvements on Grove street and adjacent areas in the city of Cambridge, including improvements to sidewalks and the intersection of Grove street and Huron avenue; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended to the Massachusetts Military Support Foundation, Inc., for the reimbursement of vehicle fuel costs associated with the delivery of food to veterans in Barnstable county; provided further, that not less than \$85,000 shall be expended to the Plymouth Area Chamber of Commerce, Inc. for a program to offset the costs of childcare for women, including women who are returning to work, actively engaged in workforce training or technical capacity building or enrolled in a non-matriculated program at an

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area college or university; provided further, that not less than \$85,000 shall be expended to the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce to leverage matching funds from businesses to offset childcare costs for employees or support on-site childcare services; provided further, that not less than \$75,000 shall be expended to the Wildlands Trust, Inc. for the redevelopment of D.W. Field park in the city of Brockton and the town of Avon; provided further, that not less than \$30,000 shall be expended to D.W. Field Park Association, Inc. for the restoration, upgrade and historic preservation of the Tower Hill observation tower; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the Italian Home for Children, Inc. for a capital improvement project to serve high acuity children that require a specialized facility; provided further, that not less than \$200,000 shall be expended to the Old Colony Planning Council to conduct a regional study of water supply needs in connection to the economic resiliency and sustainability of the water supply in the greater Brockton area; provided further, that not less than \$4,000,000 shall be expended for the city of Lynn to conduct construction, improvements and repairs to infrastructure related to the sea wall in the South Harbor; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the Massasoit Springfield limited partners for the removal of the blighted Massasoit property in the city of Springfield; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to LGBTQ Senior Housing, Inc. to facilitate access to welcoming, safe and affordable housing for low-income LGBTQ older adults through the development of affordable housing, inclusive housing services and programming that addresses the needs of LGBTQ older adults, and to support and preserve open spaces that serve seniors in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for capital costs associated with the Boch Center Wang Theatre's Folk Americana Roots Hall of Fame in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to the Boston

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Centers for Youth and Families James M. Curley community center in the city of Boston for the construction of indoor racket and handball facilities; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to Inquilinos Boricuas en Acción, Inc. in the city of Boston; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended to the city of Lawrence for costs related to assessment and remediation at the Tombarello junkyard; provided further, that not less than \$2,050,000 shall be expended to the department of conservation and recreation for improvements to Sweets Knoll state park located in the town of Dighton; provided further, that not less than \$150,000 shall be expended to Camp Avoda, Inc. in the town of Middleborough for necessary improvements; provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the state boat ramp and parking lot at Lake Attitash in the town of Merrimac; provided further, that not less than \$1,275,000 shall be expended to the Old Colony Planning Council to support the infrastructure and planning needs of municipalities in the greater Brockton area through services and projects, including, but not limited to, economic summits, regional training technical assistance, a feasibility study for regional sewer infrastructure, the development of regional tourism, community outreach for the redevelopment of brownfield sites and expansion of the Jones River Watershed Association, Inc.; provided further, that not less than \$500,000 shall be expended for water system upgrades, interconnections and improvements for municipalities in the Ipswich river watershed; provided further, that not less than \$333,333 shall be expended for the repair of the Haskell Pond dam in the city of Gloucester; provided further, that not less than \$333,333 shall be expended for the removal of the South Middleton dam in the town of Middleton; provided further, that not less than \$333,334 shall be expended for the removal of the Larkin Mill dam in the town of Newbury; provided further, that not less than \$2,000,000 shall be expended for the revitalization of the Victory Theatre in the city of Holyoke;

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"; provided further, that not less than \$11,180,000 shall be expended for the small properties state acquisition funding pilot as part of the Housing Stabilization and Investment Trust Fund established in section 2 of chapter 121F of the General Laws; provided further, that this program shall issue soft loans to supplement other acquisition soft loans administered by municipal or other affordable housing acquisition lenders on a rolling basis; provided further, that acquisitions pursuant to this program shall follow the affordability restrictions of said affordable housing acquisition lenders; provided further, that loans under this program shall be used for the acquisition of buildings containing not less than 1 unit and not more than 8 units of residential housing for rental or ownership or mixed-use buildings for a term of up to 50 years; provided further, that this program shall be administered by the Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation; provided further, that not less than \$5,000,000 shall be expended for efforts to modernize, upgrade and expand electric power transmission and distribution infrastructure necessary to support economic development, job creation, decarbonization and reliability in communities in the North Shore region of the commonwealth; provided further, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended to the Charles River Center to expand its location in the town of Needham in order to provide services to individuals with developmental disabilities, including, but not limited to, individuals from the towns of Dover, Medfield, Millis, Natick, Needham, Norfolk, Plainville, Sherborn, Wayland, Wellesley and Wrentham; provided further, that not less than \$300,000 shall be expended for the Learning Center at Northeast Arc, Inc. in the town of Danvers; provided further, that not less than \$1,500,000 shall be expended for the replacement of the Hall-Whitaker bridge in the city of Beverly; provided further, that not less than \$50,000 shall be expended for Love Live Local Inc. for small business capital and technical assistance programs; provided further, that not less than \$4,000,000 shall be expended for the

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creation of permanent supportive housing for survivors of human trafficking and commercial exploitation; provided further, that not less than \$5,000,000 shall be expended to the Island End river project to prevent coastal flooding and protect the regional food supply and resiliency in the cities of Chelsea and Everett; provided further, that not less than \$10,000,000 shall be expended for the construction of a cleanroom semiconductor manufacturing facility to provide space for semiconductor startup companies, research and development, workforce development initiatives, semiconductor advanced packaging to prototype and performance of low volume production runs; provided further, that said funds shall be expended in partnership with a research university located in the commonwealth; provided further, that said facility shall be utilized to leverage United States Department of Defense grants, other sources of federal funding, including the Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors (CHIPS) for America Act and local semiconductor industry support; provided further, that not less than \$2,500,000 shall be expended for costs related to the planning, design and construction for utility upgrades including, but not limited to, electric upgrades, water and wastewater treatment and collection and fleet modernization for the working waterfront in the city of Gloucester to support economic development and job creation; provided further, that not less than \$725,000 shall be expended to the water department in the town of Milford for water infrastructure and other capital projects; and provided further, that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be expended for the reduction of phosphorus in the town of Sherborn; provided further, that not less than \$2,000,000 shall be expended for improvements to Fort Andrew at Peddocks island located in the town of Hull; provided further, that not less than \$3,000,000 shall be expended for design and construction costs associated with traffic, pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements in the Saxonville section of the city of Framingham; and provided further, that not less than \$4,000,000 for

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# EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Department of Housing and Community Development

7004-0070 For state financial assistance in the form of loans for the development of community-based housing or supportive housing for individuals with mental health needs and individuals with intellectual disabilities; provided, that the loan program shall be administered by the department of housing and community development through contracts with the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency established in chapter 23G of the General Laws, the Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation established in chapter 40H of the General Laws, operating agencies established pursuant to chapter 121B of the General Laws and the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency established in chapter 708 of the acts of 1966; provided further, that those agencies may develop or finance community-based housing or supportive housing or may enter into subcontracts with nonprofit organizations, established pursuant to chapter 180 of the General Laws, or organizations in which such nonprofit corporations have a controlling financial or managerial interest or for-profit organizations; provided further, that preference for the subcontracts shall be given to nonprofit organizations; provided further, that the department shall consider a balanced geographic plan for such community-based housing or supportive housing when issuing the loans; provided further, that the department shall consider development of a balanced range of housing models by prioritizing funds for integrated housing as defined by the appropriate housing and service agencies including, but not limited to, the department of housing and community development, the Massachusetts rehabilitation commission, the department of mental health and the department of developmental services, in consultation with relevant and interested clients, clients' families, advocates and other parties as necessary; provided further, that loans issued pursuant to this item shall: (i) not exceed 50 per cent of the financing of the total development costs; (ii) not be issued unless a contract or agreement for the use of the property for such housing provides for repayment to the commonwealth at the time of disposition of the property in an amount equal to the commonwealth's proportional contribution from the Facilities Consolidation Fund to the cost of the development through payments made by the state agency making the contract; (iii) not be issued unless the contract or agreement for the use of the property for the purposes of such housing provides for the recording of a deed restriction in the registry of deeds or the registry district of the land court of the county in which the real property is located, for the benefit of the departments, running with the land, that the land shall be used to provide community-based housing or supportive housing for eligible individuals as determined by the department of mental health and the department of developmental services; provided further, that the property shall not be released from such restriction until the balance of the principal and interest for the loan has been repaid in full or until a mortgage foreclosure deed has been recorded; (iv) be issued for a term not to exceed 30 years, during which time repayment may be deferred by the loan issuing authority; provided further, that if on the date the loans become due and payable to the commonwealth, an outstanding balance exists and if, on such date, the department, in consultation with the executive office of health and human services, determines that there still exists a need for such housing and that there is continued funding available for the provision of

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services to such development, the department may, by agreement with the owner of the development, extend the loans for such periods, each period not to exceed 10 years, as the department shall determine; provided further, that the project shall remain affordable housing for the duration of the loan term, including any extension thereof, as set forth in the contract or agreement entered into by the department; provided further, that in the event the terms of repayment detailed in this item would cause a project authorized by this item to become ineligible to receive federal funds which would otherwise assist in the development of that project, the department may waive the terms of repayment which would cause the project to become ineligible; and (v) have interest rates fixed at a rate, to be determined by the department, in consultation with the state treasurer; provided further, that the loans shall be provided only for projects conforming to this item; provided further, that the loans shall be issued in accordance with a facilities consolidation plan prepared by the secretary of health and human services, reviewed and approved by the department and filed with the secretary of administration and finance, the house and senate committees on ways and means, the house and senate committees on bonding, capital expenditures and state assets and the joint committee on housing; provided further, that no expenditure shall be made from this item without the prior approval of the secretary of administration and finance; provided further, that the department of housing and community development, the department of mental health and the Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation may identify appropriate financing mechanisms and guidelines for grants or loans from this item to promote private development to produce housing, to provide for independent integrated living opportunities, to write down building and operating costs and to serve households at or below 15 per cent of area median income for the benefit of department of mental health clients; provided further, that not more than \$5,000,000 may be

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Stabilization and Investment Trust Fund, established in section 2 of chapter 121F of the General Laws, and awarded only pursuant to the criteria established in said section 2 of said chapter 121F; provided, that not less than 25 per cent shall be used to fund projects which preserve and produce housing for families and individuals with incomes of not more than 30 per cent of the area median income, as defined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; and provided further, that if the department of housing and community development has not spent the amount authorized under the bond cap for this program, at the end of each year following the effective date of this act, the department may award the remaining funds to projects that serve households earning more than 30 per cent of the area median income,

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7004-0075 For state financial assistance in the form of grants for a 5-year demonstration program, administered by the department of housing and community development to demonstrate cost effective revitalization methods for state-aided family and elderly-disabled public housing that seek to reduce the need for future state modernization funding; provided, that housing authorities with state-aided housing developments pursuant to chapter 200 of the acts of 1948, chapter 667 of the acts of 1954, chapter 705 of the acts of 1966, chapter 689 of the acts of 1974 or chapter 167 of the acts of 1987 shall be eligible to participate in the demonstration program; provided further, that the department may exempt a recipient of demonstration grants from the requirements of chapters 7C and 121B of the General Laws upon a showing by the recipient that such exemptions are necessary to accomplish the effective revitalization of public housing and shall not adversely affect public housing residents or applicants of any income who are otherwise eligible; provided further, that the department may provide to recipients of demonstration grants such additional regulatory relief as may be required to further the objectives of the demonstration program; provided further, that funds shall be made available for technical assistance provided by the Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation established in chapter 40H of the General Laws or the Massachusetts Housing Partnership Fund established in section 35 of chapter 405 of the acts of 1985 to recipients of demonstration grants and for evaluation of the demonstration projects; provided further, that the department shall promulgate regulations for the implementation, administration and enforcement of this item that shall: (i) require that selected housing authorities demonstrate innovative and replicable solutions to the management, marketing or capital needs of state-aided family and elderly-disabled public

housing developments and contribute to the continued viability of the housing as a resource for public housing eligible residents; (ii) encourage proposals that demonstrate regional collaborations among housing authorities; and (iii) encourage proposals that propose new affordable housing units on municipally-owned land, underutilized public housing sites or other land owned by the housing authority; and provided further, that the department shall annually report to the house and senate committees on ways and means, the house and senate committees on bonding, capital expenditures and state assets and the joint committee on housing on the progress of the demonstration program..................\$19,300,000

7004-0079 For state financial assistance in the form of grants or loans to accelerate and support the creation of low-income and moderate-income housing in close proximity to transit nodes; provided, that the program shall be administered to: (i) maximize the amount of affordable residential and mixed-use space in close proximity to transit nodes, resulting in higher density, compact development and pedestrian-friendly, inclusive and connected neighborhoods; (ii) increase mass transit ridership; (iii) decrease traffic congestion and reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and (iv) increase economic opportunity for disadvantaged populations by making it easier for residents of affordable housing to access public transportation, including transportation supporting commutes to employment centers; provided further, that entities eligible to receive

financial assistance shall include governmental bodies, community development corporations, local housing authorities, community action agencies, community-based or neighborhood-based nonprofit housing organizations, other nonprofit organizations and for-profit entities; provided further, that financial assistance provided pursuant to this section shall be made on a competitive basis, with preference for projects in communities disproportionately impacted by the 2019 novel coronavirus pandemic health and economic crisis; provided further, that grants shall be awarded in a manner that promotes geographic, social, racial and economic equity; provided further, that funds may be used to assist units occupied by and affordable to persons with incomes not more than 110 per cent of the area median income, as defined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, with priority given to projects that provide higher and deeper levels of affordability; provided further, that not less than 25 per cent of the occupants of housing in projects assisted by this item shall be persons whose income is not more than 60 per cent of the area median income, as defined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; provided further, that financial assistance offered pursuant to this item may be administered by the department of housing and community development through a contract with the Massachusetts Housing Partnership Fund, established in section 35 of chapter 405 of the acts of 1985, which in turn may directly offer financial assistance for the purposes set forth herein or may enter into subcontracts with nonprofit organizations, established pursuant to chapter 180 of the General Laws for the purposes herein; provided further, that the department may provide financial support to nonprofit and for-profit developers that enter into binding agreements to set aside residential units in market-rate, transit-oriented housing, over and above any units required to be set aside under local zoning or approvals, for rent or sale to income-qualified households at affordable rents or sale prices, as applicable; and provided further, that the department may

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7004-0081 For state financial assistance in the form of grants for projects undertaken pursuant to clause (j) of section 26 of chapter 121B of the General Laws; provided, that contracts entered into by the department of housing and community development for those projects may include, but shall not be limited to, projects providing for renovation, remodeling, reconstruction, redevelopment and hazardous material abatement, including asbestos and lead paint, and for compliance with state codes and laws and for adaptations necessary for compliance with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the provision of day care facilities, learning centers and teen service centers and the adaptation of units for families and persons with disabilities; provided further, that priority shall be given to projects undertaken for the purpose of compliance with state codes and laws or for other purposes related to the health and safety of residents; provided further, that funds may be expended from this item to make such modifications to congregate housing units as may be necessary to increase the occupancy rate of those units; provided further, that the department shall continue to fund a program to provide predictable funds to be used flexibly by housing authorities for capital improvements to extend the useful life of state-assisted public housing; and provided further, that not less than 25 per cent of the funds made available in this item shall be used to fund projects which preserve or produce housing for families and individuals with incomes of not more than 30 per cent of the area median income, as defined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development......\$95,200,000

7004-0084 For financial assistance to accelerate and support the creation and preservation of sustainable and climate resilient affordable multifamily housing; provided, that

such financial assistance shall be made to: (i) incorporate efficient, sustainable and climateresilient design practices in affordable residential development to support positive climate mitigation outcomes; (ii) reduce greenhouse gas emissions and reliance on fossil fuels; (iii) increase resiliency of existing housing developments to mitigate impacts of climate change, including flooding and extreme temperatures; and (iv) enhance emergency preparedness, including sustainable means of power generation to allow for sheltering vulnerable populations in place; provided further, that financial assistance shall be made available on a competitive basis to community development corporations, local housing authorities, community action agencies, community-based or neighborhood-based nonprofit housing organizations, other nonprofit organizations and for-profit entities; provided further, that funds may be used to assist units occupied by and affordable to persons with incomes not more than 110 per cent of the area median income, as defined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development with priority given to projects that provide higher and deeper levels of affordability; provided further, that not less than 25 per cent of the occupants of housing in projects assisted by this item shall be persons whose income is not more than 60 per cent of the area median income, as defined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development; provided further, that financial assistance shall be awarded in a manner that promotes geographic, social, racial and economic equity provided further, that financial assistance provided pursuant to this section may be administered by the department of housing and community development through contracts with the Massachusetts Housing Partnership Fund, established in section 35 of chapter 405 of the acts of 1985, the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency, established in chapter 708 of the acts of 1966, or both, which authorities may directly offer financial assistance for the purposes set forth herein or may enter into subcontracts with nonprofit organizations established

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SECTION 3C.

## TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL

SECTION 4. Chapter 6 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 204, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 204. (a) There shall be an advisory board on employee ownership that shall consist of: the director of the Massachusetts office of business development or a designee; the secretary of labor and workforce development or a designee; the president of the Massachusetts Growth Capital Corporation or a designee; the chief executive officer of Associated Industries of Massachusetts, Inc. or a designee; the executive director of the Center for Economic Democracy Inc. or a designee; the chapter president of the New England chapter of the ESOP Association or a designee; the president of the Massachusetts AFL-CIO or a designee; the president of the University of Massachusetts or a designee; and 7 additional members appointed by the governor who shall represent separate and distinct corporations, each with not less than 30 per cent of company stock owned by an employee stock ownership plan or an employee ownership trust and 4 additional members appointed by the governor who shall represent separate and distinct industrial or worker cooperatives.

- (b) Each appointed member shall serve for a term of 4 years. Upon expiration of the term, a successor shall be appointed in the same manner. Any member shall be eligible for reappointment but shall not serve for longer than 8 consecutive years. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term. Any member may be removed from their appointment by a vote of the majority of the advisory board.
- (c) Ten members of the board shall constitute a quorum and the affirmative vote of 10 members shall be necessary and sufficient for any action to be taken by the board. The board

shall meet not less than 3 times annually; provided, however, that remote participation in meetings shall be allowed. No vacancy in the membership of the board shall impair the right of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the board. Any action taken by the board may be authorized by resolution at any regular or special meeting and shall take effect immediately unless otherwise provided in the resolution.

- (d) There shall be a chair and a vice chair of the board elected annually at the first meeting of the advisory board. The board may elect such other officers as it deems necessary.
- (e) The board shall advise the governor and the executive director of the Massachusetts

  Center for Employee Ownership on issues and policy matters pertaining to employee

  involvement and ownership in the commonwealth. Staff members of the Massachusetts Center

  for Employee Ownership shall support the administrative functions of the board.
- (f) The board shall advise the director of the Massachusetts office of business development on the selection of a director of the Massachusetts center for employee ownership.
  - (g) The board shall adopt by-laws, operating rules, procedures and a mission statement.
- SECTION 4A. Said chapter 6 is hereby amended by adding the following section:-
  - Section 222. (a) As used in this section, the term "governmental entity" shall mean the executive branch, the legislature, the judiciary and any agency, office, department, board, commission, bureau, division, instrumentality or other entity of the commonwealth.
  - (b) No governmental entity shall include or permit the inclusion of a nondisclosure, nondisparagement or other similar clause as a condition of employment or in a settlement agreement between the governmental entity and an employee or a student; provided, however, that such a

settlement may include, at the request of the employee or student, a provision that prevents the governmental entity from disclosing the individual's identity and all facts that could lead to the discovery of the individual's identity.

SECTION 5. Chapter 6A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 18Z the following section:-

Section 18AA. The Massachusetts emergency management agency shall assist in the development of plans for supporting agricultural, seafood, and processed food production in order to mitigate the impacts of food supply chain disruptions. Plans shall be developed in coordination with the department of agricultural resources, the department of public health, and the department of transitional assistance and shall include consideration for production, transportation, storage and distribution.

SECTION 5A. Chapter 15A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after Section 19E the following section:-

Section 19F. (a) For purposes of this section, "public institution" shall mean a public institution of higher education under section 5.

(b) A public institution shall not withhold a student's academic transcript containing academic credits or grades for a course for which that student's tuition and mandatory course fees are paid in full. A public institution may withhold a student's official transcript containing academic credits or grades for a course for which that student's tuition and mandatory course fees are not paid in full. For a student paying on a per semester basis, a public institution may withhold that student's transcript containing academic credits or grades for a course taken in a semester for which that student's tuition and mandatory course fees have not been paid. A public

institution may withhold a student's diploma or degree if that student has failed to make a loan payment or pay a fine, a fee, tuition or any other expense owed to the institution.

(c) The department of higher education shall promulgate the regulations necessary to implement this section.

SECTION 5A. Said chapter 15A is hereby further amended by adding the following section:-

Section 46. (a) Subject to appropriation, there shall be a hunger-free campus grant program managed by the department to provide grants to institutions of public higher education to address student food insecurity and hunger in order to support students in completion of their career and technical education at the post-secondary level with the goal of enhancing the workforce of the commonwealth. This grant program shall also be available to municipally administered colleges and to minority serving institutions as defined under 20 U.S.C. 1067k (3) as determined by the United States Department of Education.

Using funding allocated under the grant program, the department is authorized to hire a director of the program who shall report to the commissioner. The director shall develop guidelines and procedures governing the grant making process and the program using available data pertaining to student hunger. The director may also conduct any additional surveys the department deems necessary to understand gaps in addressing student food insecurity and hunger eligible higher education campuses across the commonwealth.

The guidelines and procedures that govern the program shall specify any requirements applicable to eligible institutions of higher education including, but not limited to: (i) whether the institution has designated campus staff to interface with the department; (ii) the existence and

extent of any campus-level hunger awareness programs, including notification to students of their rights to participate in federal and state food assistance programs; (iii) whether the institution has established on-campus meal vendors to accept available federal and state nutrition benefits; (iv) the existence or development of a student meal credit sharing program; (v) income-based standards by which grant levels are determined according to the student population at each participating campus; and (vi) any other pertinent criteria as developed by the department. The department shall further develop and deliver technical assistance to assist eligible institutions of higher education to meet the goals of this program.

- (b) Subject to appropriation, the department shall award grants to institutions that have met the guidelines and procedures established by the department. Upon recommendation by the director of the program, the commissioner or a designee shall determine the amount of each grant which shall be used by the institution to address food insecurity among its students in accordance with the program and shall establish reporting guidelines for grant recipients.
- (c) Annually, not later than July 1, the department shall submit a report on the hungerfree campus grant program for the preceding fiscal year to the governor, the clerks of the senate
  and house of representatives and the joint committee on higher education. The report shall
  include the number and amounts of grants to eligible institutions well as a comprehensive
  assessment of the program for the applicable year, including: (i) identifying the institutions
  participating in the program; (ii) describing the activities of participating campuses; (iii) the level
  of student engagement in activities; and (iv) the outcomes resulting from activities.
- (d) There shall be established and set up on the books of the commonwealth a separate fund to be known as the Hunger-Free Campus Trust Fund administered by the commissioner of

higher education. The fund shall be credited with: (i) revenue from appropriations or other money authorized by the general court and specifically designated to be credited to the fund; (ii) interest earned on such revenues; and (iii) funds from public and private sources such as gifts, grants and donations. Amounts credited to the fund shall not be subject to further appropriation and any money remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the General Fund. Amounts credited to the fund shall be used to fund grants made pursuant to the program and for the cost of administration of such program by the department of higher education.

(e) Annually, not later than October 1, the commissioner shall report to the clerks of the senate and house of representatives, the joint committee on higher education and the house and senate committees on ways and means on the fund's activity including: (i) the source and amount of funds received; (ii) the amounts distributed and the purpose of expenditures from the fund; (iii) any grants provided to institutions of higher education and other stakeholder organizations; and (iv) anticipated revenue and expenditure projections for the next year.

SECTION 6. Chapter 20 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 6C the following section:-

Section 6D. There shall be a circuit rider program within the department to provide onsite guidance to businesses that are regulated by the department of agricultural resources about
state programs, regulations and funding opportunities. Subject to appropriation, the
commissioner shall designate a program director. The director shall establish a process by which
a farmer may make a request for a farm visit by program staff at no cost. Program staff shall
coordinate with state agencies as necessary to assist farmers with compliance. Farm visits under
the circuit rider program shall not be made for enforcement purposes.

SECTION 7. Chapter 18 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

Section 40. (a) The department, in collaboration with the department of agricultural resources and the department of public health, shall operate a healthy incentives program. The program shall require a participating vendor to accept supplemental nutrition assistance program benefits for fruit and vegetable purchases, whether fresh, canned, dried or frozen, and shall provide matching benefit reimbursed on a benefit recipient's electronic benefit transfer card for such purchases, subject to limitations established by the department.

- (b) There shall be a Healthy Incentives Trust Fund to be administered by the commissioner for the purpose of supporting the operation of the healthy incentives program established in subsection (a). The fund shall consist of money authorized by the general court and specifically designated to be credited to the fund and any gifts, grants, private contributions, investment income earned by the fund's assets and any designated funds from other sources. The department may apply for any available federal program, including, but not limited to, the Gus Schumacher Nutrition Incentive Program administered by the United States Department of Agriculture, to provide matching benefits to be deposited in the fund. No expenditures from the fund shall cause the fund to be deficient at the close of the fiscal year. Any money in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall not revert to the General Fund, shall be available for expenditure in the subsequent year and shall not be subject to section 5C of chapter 29.
- (c) The department shall the promulgate rules and regulations necessary to implement this section.

SECTION 8. Section 16 of chapter 23D of the General Laws, as so appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 9, the words "industrial services program" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- Massachusetts center for employee ownership.

SECTION 9. Said chapter 23D is hereby further amended by striking out section 17, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 17. (a) There is hereby established a Massachusetts center for employee ownership within the Massachusetts office of business development established pursuant to section 1 of chapter 23A. The Massachusetts center for employee ownership shall provide education, conduct outreach and promote efforts to create an overall environment in the commonwealth to: (i) expand and enhance employee ownership; (ii) increase the number of employee-owned companies; (iii) publicize and promote the benefits of employee involvement and ownership to policy makers and the general public; (iv) encourage collaborative outreach efforts regarding involvement and ownership in the workplace; (v) research and evaluate employee involvement and employee ownership in the commonwealth; (vi) showcase employee ownership initiatives in the commonwealth; (vii) facilitate and coordinate the sharing of existing information and resources; and (viii) provide grants pursuant to this chapter.

- (b)(1) The director of the Massachusetts center for employee ownership shall have the power to hire staff, appoint any specific committee or task force and contract with consultants, agents or advisors deemed necessary to further the purposes of this section.
- (2) The director may accept gifts or grants of money or property from any source to further the work of the center; provided, however, that any money received shall be deposited

with the state treasurer to be kept in a separate fund in the treasury to be named the Massachusetts Center for Employee Ownership Fund dedicated to the center and for expenditure without appropriation by the director of the center in accordance with the conditions of such a gift or grant. Amounts remaining in the fund at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the General Fund and shall be available for expenditure in subsequent fiscal years.

- (3) The director shall issue rules, regulations and procedures governing the application for and delivery of services which are deemed necessary for the proper performance of the duties of the center.
- (4) Annually, the director shall file a report with the clerks of the senate and house of representatives, including an inventory of employee-owned businesses in the state and the specific activities taken by the center to support and promote the transition of traditionally structured companies to an employee ownership model.
- (5) The director shall be a full-time employee of the Massachusetts office of business development and shall be appointed by and report directly to the director of the Massachusetts office of business development.

SECTION 10. Subsection (b) of section 29A of chapter 23G of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the definition of "Economically distressed area".

SECTION 11. Said section 29A of said chapter 23G, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 29, the words "located within an economically distressed area".

SECTION 12. Said section 29A of said chapter 23G, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "made", in line 34, the following words:- or will make.

SECTION 13. Said section 29A of said chapter 23G, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 44 and 45, the words "economically distressed areas of".

SECTION 14. Said section 29A of said chapter 23G, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 55 and 56, the words "within an economically distressed area as defined in section 2 of chapter 21E".

SECTION 15. Said section 29A of said chapter 23G, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 66, the figure "\$500,000" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- \$750,000.

SECTION 16. Said section 29A of said chapter 23G, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 69, the figure "\$100,000" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- \$250,000.

SECTION 17. Said section 29A of said chapter 23G, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "applied", in line 78, the following words:-; provided, however, that the required contribution may be in the form of in-kind services or other non-cash contribution as the agency may determine in its reasonable discretion.

SECTION 18. Said section 29A of said chapter 23G, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 84, the word "and".

SECTION 19. Said section 29A of said chapter 23G, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 87 and 88, the words "corporation or an economic development authority" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- corporation, economic development authority or a nonprofit entity in connection with a project that has a demonstrable

public benefit; provided, however, that the agency shall establish guidelines for nonprofit eligibility; and.

SECTION 20. Subsection (d) of said section 29A of said chapter 23G, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by adding the following clause:-

(12) preference shall be given to projects located within 1 mile of a qualified census tract, as defined in Section 42(d)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code.

SECTION 21. Said section 29A of said chapter 23G, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 97 and 98, the words "economically distressed".

SECTION 22. Said section 29A of said chapter 23G, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 128 and 129 and in lines 129 and 130, the words "economically distressed area" and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following word:—municipality.

SECTION 23. Said section 29A of said chapter 23G, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 189 and 190, the words "director of economic development or his" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- secretary of housing and economic development or the secretary's.

SECTION 24. Said section 29A of said chapter 23G, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 208 to 210, inclusive, the words "in economically distressed areas that are considered by the ombudsman and the department of economic development" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- that are considered by the ombudsman and the secretary of housing and economic development.

SECTION 25. Section 20 of chapter 32B of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 158, the words "governing boards" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- governing body.

SECTION 26. Section 5B of chapter 40 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the third paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

There shall be designated 2 types of stabilization funds. One shall be known as the general purpose stabilization fund and the other stabilization funds shall be known as special purpose stabilization funds. At the time of creating any stabilization fund, the city, town or district shall specify, and may alter any time thereafter, the purpose of the fund, which may be for any lawful purpose, including, but not limited to, an approved school project pursuant to chapter 70B or any other purpose for which the city, town or district may lawfully borrow money. The specification and any alteration of purpose and any appropriation of funds from the general purpose stabilization fund shall be approved by a two-thirds vote, except as provided in paragraph (g) of section 21C of chapter 59 for a majority referendum vote. Subject to said section 21C of said chapter 59, any such vote shall be of the legislative body of the city, town or district, subject to the city, town or district charter. Appropriation of funds from a special purpose stabilization fund shall be approved by a majority vote.

SECTION 27. Section 10 of chapter 40G of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:

Any documentary materials or data whatsoever made or received by any member or employee of the corporation and consisting of, or to the extent that such material or data consist of, trade

secrets or commercial or financial information regarding the operation of any business conducted by an applicant for, or recipient of, any form of assistance which the corporation is empowered to render or regarding the competitive position of such applicant in a particular field of endeavor shall not be deemed public records of the corporation and shall not be subject to section 10 of chapter 66.

SECTION 28. Chapter 40J of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 6I the following 2 sections:-

Section 6J. (a) There shall be established within the corporation a Massachusetts cybersecurity center. The purpose of the center shall be to enhance the conditions for economic growth through outreach to the cybersecurity industry cluster in the commonwealth and to foster cybersecurity resiliency through communication, collaboration and outreach with state agencies, municipalities, educational institutions and private partners.

- (b) The center shall carry out the purposes of the fund established in section 4H.
- (c) The center shall be responsible for convening state and local officials and private sector participants to recommend actions needed to address the cybersecurity resiliency of the commonwealth. The center may also convene regional hubs for business development to support cybersecurity entrepreneurs that are establishing innovative technologies to support resiliency.
- (d) The center shall work in collaboration with private sector entities, educational institutions and state and local government to address cybersecurity issues, including, but not limited to: (i) improving the cybersecurity of organizations, particularly municipalities, small businesses and non-profits, without access to affordable resources to defend against cybersecurity threats and to maintain cyber resiliency; (ii) the shortage of trained workers

available to meet the cybersecurity industry's workforce demands, with a particular focus on increasing the diversity of the cybersecurity workforce; and (iii) the lack of affordable cybersecurity training for employees in all types of businesses.

Section 6K. (a) There shall be established within the corporation a center for advanced manufacturing. The purpose of the center shall be to support companies engaged in manufacturing in the commonwealth and shall be administered in a manner that considers the needs of manufacturers in all regions of the commonwealth and supports growth in the manufacturing sector statewide. The corporation shall design and implement the activities of the center, in consultation with the secretary of housing and economic development and the Massachusetts advanced manufacturing collaborative established pursuant to section 10B of chapter 23A.

(b) The center shall facilitate the growth and competitiveness of the advanced manufacturing sector in the commonwealth by: (i) aligning investments and programs with the commonwealth's priorities for advanced manufacturing; (ii) leveraging existing state and federal programs that support manufacturers to increase the regional impact of advanced manufacturing; (iii) fostering collaboration throughout the manufacturing ecosystem; (iv) aligning programs and investments in support of federal programs to scale critical and secure supply chains; (v) supporting, coordinating and developing advanced manufacturing workforce training programs; and (vi) creating initiatives that advance the commonwealth's manufacturing plan established pursuant to section 10B of chapter 23A.

2091 SECTION 29. Section 2 of chapter 40R of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 2092 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the definition of "Approved starter home 2093 zoning district". 2094 SECTION 30. Said section 2 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further 2095 amended by striking out, in line 38, the words "or starter home zoning". 2096 SECTION 31. Said section 2 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further 2097 amended by striking out, in line 56, the words "or starter home zoning districts". 2098 SECTION 32. Said section 2 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further 2099 amended by striking out, in lines 78 and 79, the words "or starter home zoning". 2100 SECTION 33. Said section 2 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further 2101 amended by striking out, in line 91, the words "under the underlying zoning" and inserting in 2102 place thereof the following words:- without the smart growth zoning district. 2103 SECTION 34. Said section 2 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further 2104 amended by striking out the definitions of "Production bonus payment" to "Starter home zoning 2105 district certificate of compliance", inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the following 3 2106 definitions:-2107 "Project", a proposed residential or mixed-use development within a smart growth zoning 2108 district.

"Smart growth zoning district", a zoning district adopted by a city or town under this chapter that replaces or is superimposed over 1 or more zoning districts in an eligible location, within which a developer may elect to either develop a project in accordance with requirements

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2112 of the smart growth zoning district ordinance or by-law or, where superimposed over 1 or more 2113 zoning districts, develop a project in accordance with requirements of the underlying zoning 2114 district. 2115 "Smart growth zoning district certificate of compliance", a written certification by the 2116 department in accordance with section 7. 2117 SECTION 35. Section 3 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby amended by 2118 striking out, in lines 2, 8 and 19 and 20, each time they appear, the words "or starter home 2119 zoning district". 2120 SECTION 36. Said section 3 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further 2121 amended by striking out, in line 16, the words "or starter home zoning districts". 2122 SECTION 37. Section 4 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby amended by 2123 striking out, in line 3, the words "or starter home". 2124 SECTION 38. Said section 4 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further 2125 amended by striking out, in line 15, the words "or starter home zoning district". 2126 SECTION 39. Section 5 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby amended by 2127 striking out, in lines 2, 7, 9, and 18 and 19, each time they appear, the words "or starter home 2128 zoning district". 2129 SECTION 40. Said section 5 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further 2130 amended by striking out, in line 10, the words "as to smart growth zoning districts only,". 2131 SECTION 41. Section 6 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby amended by 2132 striking out, in lines 1 and 2, the words "or starter home zoning district".

2133	SECTION 42. Clause (3) of subsection (a) of said section 6 of said chapter 40R, as so
2134	appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the second sentence.
2135	SECTION 43. Said subsection (a) of said section 6 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing,
2136	is hereby further amended by striking out clause (5).
2137	SECTION 44. Said subsection (a) of said section 6 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing,
2138	is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 40, the figure "(6)" and inserting in place
2139	thereof the following figure:- (5).
2140	SECTION 45. Said subsection (a) of said section 6 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing,
2141	is hereby further amended by striking out clause (7) and inserting in place thereof the following
2142	clause:-
2143	(6) A proposed smart growth zoning district shall not be subject to limitation of the
2144	issuance of building permits for residential uses or a local moratorium on the issuance of such
2145	permits.
2146	SECTION 46. Said section 6 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further
2147	amended by striking out, in lines 56 and 57, the words "(8) A proposed smart growth zoning
2148	district or starter home zoning district" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- (7) A
2149	proposed smart growth zoning district.
2150	SECTION 46A. Section 3 of chapter 40A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
2151	amended by adding the following paragraph:-
2152	No zoning ordinance or by-law shall prohibit or require a special permit for the use of
2153	land or structures for an accessory dwelling unit, or the rental thereof, in a single-family

residential zoning district on a lot with not less than 5,000 square feet or on a lot of sufficient area to meet the requirements of title 5 of the state environmental. The use of land or structures for an accessory dwelling unit may be subject to reasonable regulations concerning dimensional setbacks and the bulk and height of structures; provided, however, that not more than 1 additional parking space shall be required for an accessory dwelling unit. The department of housing and community development shall create and implement guidelines for municipal regulations. Nothing in this paragraph shall authorize an accessory dwelling unit to violate any building, fire, health or sanitary codes, historic or wetlands laws or municipal ordinances or bylaws. As used in this section, "accessory dwelling unit" shall mean a self-contained housing unit, inclusive of sleeping, cooking and sanitary facilities, incorporated within the same structure as a single-family dwelling or in a detached accessory structure and that has: (i) not less than 450 square feet in floor area; and (ii) a floor area not more than one-half of the floor area of the single-family dwelling or 900 square feet.

SECTION 47. Said section 6 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 70 and 71, the words "(9) Housing in a smart growth zoning district or starter home zoning district" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- (8) Housing in a smart growth zoning district.

SECTION 48. Said section 6 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 73 and 74, the words "(10) A proposed smart growth zoning district or starter home zoning district" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- (9) A proposed smart growth zoning district.

SECTION 49. Said section 6 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 78 and 79, the words "(11) The aggregate land area of all approved smart growth zoning districts and starter home zoning district" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- (10) The aggregate land area of all approved smart growth zoning districts.

SECTION 50. Said section 6 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 84, the figure "(12)" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- (11).

SECTION 51. Said section 6 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 88 and 89, the words "(13) A proposed smart growth zoning district or starter home zoning district" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- (12) A proposed smart growth zoning district.

SECTION 52. Subsection (b) of said section 6 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- A smart growth zoning district ordinance or by-law may modify or eliminate the city or town's dimensional standards in order to support desired densities, mix of uses and physical character.

SECTION 53. Said section 6 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 101 and 102, 103, 105 and 106, 110 and 111, 116 and 117, 122, 125 and 126, 131, 149 and 150 and in lines 165 and 166, each time they appear, the words "or starter home zoning district".

2196 SECTION 54. Subsection (c) of said section 6 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is 2197 hereby amended by striking out the second sentence. 2198 SECTION 55. Section 7 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby amended by 2199 striking out, in lines 3 and 4, the words "or starter home zoning district certificate of compliance, 2200 as applicable,". 2201 SECTION 56. Said section 7 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further 2202 amended by striking out, in line 9, the words "or a starter home zoning district, as applicable". 2203 SECTION 57. Said section 7 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further 2204 amended by striking out, in lines 16 and 17, the words "or starter home zoning district ordinance 2205 or by-law, as applicable,". 2206 SECTION 58. Said section 7 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further 2207 amended by striking out, in lines 29 and 30, the words "or starter home zoning district ordinance 2208 or by-law, as applicable,". 2209 SECTION 59. Section 8 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby amended by 2210 striking out, in lines 7 and 11, each time they appear, the words "or starter home zoning district". SECTION 60. Section 9 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby amended by 2211 2212 striking out, in line 2, lines 16 and 17 and line 20, each time they appear, the words:- or starter 2213 home zoning district. 2214 SECTION 61. Said section 9 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further 2215 amended by striking out, in lines 24 to 26, inclusive, the words "and a one-time production

bonus payment to each city or town with an approved starter home zoning district".

2217	SECTION 62. Said section 9 'of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further
2218	amended by striking out, in lines 27 to 29, inclusive, the words "and \$3,000 for each housing
2219	unit of new construction created in the starter home zoning district".
2220	SECTION 63. Said section 9 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further
2221	amended by striking out, in line 38, the words "or starter home zoning districts".
2222	SECTION 64. Section 10 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
2223	striking out, in line 5 and lines 21 and 22, each time they appear the words "or starter home
2224	zoning district".
2225	SECTION 65. Said section 10 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further
2226	amended by striking out, in line 12, the words "In a smart growth zoning district, the" and
2227	inserting in place thereof the following word:- The.
2228	SECTION 66. Section 11 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
2229	striking out, in lines 2, 12, 18, 71 and 76 and lines 130 and 131, each time they appear, the words
2230	"or starter home zoning district".
2231	SECTION 67. Section 12 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
2232	striking out, in line 3, the words "and starter home zoning district programs" and inserting in
2233	place thereof the following word:- program.
2234	SECTION 68. Said section 12 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further
2235	amended by striking out, in lines 7 and 8, the words "or starter home zoning districts".
2236	SECTION 69. Said section 12 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further
2237	amended by striking out, in lines 14 and 15, the words "and starter home zoning districts".

2238	SECTION 70. Said section 12 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further
2239	amended by striking out, in line 16 and lines 23 and 24, each time they appear, the words "and
2240	one-time production bonus payments".
2241	SECTION 71. Section 14 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
2242	striking out, in lines 2 and 3, 5 and 6, 8, 15 and 16 and in line 24, each time they appear, the
2243	words "or starter home zoning district".
2244	SECTION 72. Said section 14 of said chapter 40R, as so appearing, is hereby further
2245	amended by striking out, in lines 21 and 22, the words "or starter home zoning".
2246	SECTION 73. The General Laws are hereby further amended by inserting after chapter
2247	40X the following chapter:-
2248	CHAPTER 40Y.
2249	STARTER HOME ZONING DISTRICTS.
2250	Section 1. As used in this chapter, the following words shall have the following meanings
2251	unless the context clearly requires otherwise:
2252	"Department", the department of housing and community development.
2253	"Developable land area", area within an approved starter home zoning district that can be
2254	feasibly developed into residential or mixed-use developments, which may include the land area
2255	occupied by or associated with underutilized residential, commercial, industrial or institutional
2256	buildings or uses that have the potential to be recycled or converted into residential or mixed-use
2257	developments, all as determined in accordance with regulations of the department; provided,
2258	however, that "developable land area" shall not include: (i) land area that is already substantially

developed, including existing parks and dedicated, perpetual open space within such substantially developed land area; (ii) open space designated by the city or town as provided in section 3; or (iii) areas exceeding 1/2 acre of contiguous land that are unsuitable for development because of topographic features or for environmental reasons, including wetlands.

"Historic district", a local historic district established under chapter 40C.

"Open space", without limitation, land to protect existing and future well fields, aquifers and recharge areas, watershed land, agricultural land, grasslands, fields, forest land, fresh and saltwater marshes and other wetlands, ocean, river, stream, lake and pond frontage, beaches, dunes and other coastal lands, lands to protect scenic vistas, land for wildlife or nature preserve and land for recreational use.

"Plan approval authority", the board or other unit of municipal government designated by the city or town to conduct site plan review of proposed starter home projects.

"Production bonus payment", a 1-time payment to a municipality from the trust fund for each starter home created in a starter home zoning district.

"Starter home", a single-family home not exceeding 1,850 square feet of heated living area.

"Starter home zoning district", a base or overlay zoning district established by a zoning ordinance or by-law that complies with the requirements of section 3.

"Sustainable development standards", provisions in the zoning ordinance or by-law including, but not limited to, requirements that new development projects: (i) minimize site disturbance and permanently preserve undeveloped open space to the greatest extent practicable;

and (ii) collect and manage storm water runoff in accordance with low impact development practices.

"Trust fund", the Smart Growth Housing Trust Fund established in section 35AA of chapter 10.

"Zoning incentive payment", a 1-time payment to a municipality from the trust fund payable upon the municipality's adoption, and the department's approval, of an approved starter home zoning district.

Section 2. (a) A city or town may, by zoning ordinance or by-law, establish a starter home zoning district in any area deemed suitable by the city or town. A starter home zoning district ordinance or by-law, or any amendment thereto or repeal thereof, shall be adopted in accordance with section 5 of chapter 40A; provided, however, that the ordinance or by-law, or any amendment thereto or repeal thereof, shall be adopted by a majority vote of all of the members of the city council or of the town council in a town having a town council form and town manager form of government or by a majority vote of the town meeting in all other towns.

(b) Prior to the adoption of a proposed starter home zoning district ordinance or by-law, a city or town shall request a preliminary determination by the department as to whether the proposed starter home zoning district will comply with the requirements of this chapter. A request for a preliminary determination of eligibility shall be submitted by the chief executive of a city or town on a form prescribed by the department and shall include: (i) the boundaries of the proposed starter home zoning district; (ii) a map and description of the developable land area within the proposed starter home zoning district; (iii) a copy of the proposed starter home zoning district ordinance or by-law; (iv) a narrative and any exhibits needed to establish the elements set

forth in section 3; and (v) any additional information the department may require in order to make a preliminary determination of eligibility. The department shall respond any such request within 45 days after receipt of all information required to make a preliminary determination.

- (c) After the adoption of a proposed starter home zoning district ordinance or by-law, the city or town shall request from the department a final approval of the starter home zoning district. The department shall issue a final approval upon finding that the starter home zoning district as established complies with the requirements of this chapter, subject to any conditions imposed by the department as a condition of its approval. The department's final approval shall be required prior to the disbursement of a zoning incentive payment as set forth in section 6.
- (d) The city or town shall provide written notice to the department not less than 45 days before a vote taken to adopt any amendment to the zoning ordinance or by-law as it applies to an approved starter home zoning district. The notice shall state the number of starter homes that have been built within the district since its establishment and shall include an evaluation of the number of projected starter homes, if any, that will remain developable within the starter home district after the adoption of the proposed amendment.
- Section 3. (a) A starter home zoning district shall comply with the requirements of this section
- (b) Starter homes shall be a use permitted as of right at a density of not fewer than 4 units per acre of developable land area. No other single-family residential uses shall be permitted as of right or by special permit in the starter home zoning district, except the zoning ordinance may permit construction of an accessory dwelling unit of 600 square feet or less on the same lot as a

starter home. Accessory commercial and other nonresidential uses may be allowed in a starter home district with the approval of the department.

- (c) Each starter home zoning district shall incorporate sustainable development standards that apply to all starter home developments.
- (d) Not less than 50 per cent of the starter homes to be developed in a proposed starter home zoning district, excluding accessory dwelling units, shall contain not less than 3 bedrooms.
- (e) The zoning ordinance or by-law shall provide that for each proposed starter home zoning district in which a proposed development is for more than 12 starter homes, not less than 10 per cent of the starter homes shall be affordable to and occupied by individuals and families whose annual income is less than 110 per cent of the area median income as determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. The zoning ordinance or by-law shall specify the mechanism by which the city or town shall ensure that a project complies with the affordability requirements, when applicable, and may require the execution and recording of an affordable housing restriction as defined in section 31 of chapter 184.
- (f) A proposed starter home zoning district shall not be subject to limitation of the issuance of building permits for residential uses or a local moratorium on the issuance of such permits. Further, a proposed starter home zoning district shall not be subject to any municipal environmental or health ordinances, by-laws or regulations that exceed applicable requirements of state law or regulation that would render infeasible the development contemplated under the application for the district, as determined by the department.

(g) A starter home zoning district ordinance or by-law shall not impose restrictions on age or any other occupancy restrictions on the district as a whole or any portion thereof or project therein.

- (h) Housing in a starter home zoning district shall comply with federal, state and local fair housing laws.
- (i) The total land area of all starter home zoning districts in a city or town shall not exceed 15 per cent of the total land area in the city or town. Upon request, the department may approve a larger land area if such approval serves the goals and objectives of this chapter.
- Section 4. (a) The starter home zoning district ordinance or by-law may require individual projects to design site plans in a manner that preserves developable land area as open space; provided, however, that the zoning ordinance or by-law shall allow for 4 starter homes per acre, including the developable land area preserved as open space. The zoning ordinance or by-law may provide for such open space to be preserved through a conservation restriction as defined in section 31 of chapter 184 by the grant of an easement or restriction to the municipal conservation commission or by such other means as is authorized by the General Laws.
- (b) A local historic district may overlap with a starter home zoning district in whole or in part and the local historic district shall not render the city or town noncompliant with this chapter, as determined by the department.
- (c) The zoning ordinance or by-law applicable to a starter home zoning district may include reasonable design standards applicable to individual starter home projects, to ensure that the physical character of development within the starter home zoning district is complementary to adjacent buildings and structures. Such standards may address the scale and proportions of

buildings, the alignment, the width and grade of streets and sidewalks, the type and location of infrastructure, the location of building and garage entrances, off-street parking, the protection of significant natural site features, the location and design of on-site open spaces, exterior signs and buffering in relation to adjacent properties. A design standard shall not be adopted if it will add unreasonable costs to starter home developments or unreasonably impair the economic feasibility of proposed starter home projects.

- (d)(1) The starter home zoning district zoning ordinance or by-law may provide for site plan review of proposed starter home projects; provided, however, that such review shall be consistent with and subject to the limitations in this subsection.
- (2) The ordinance or by-law may require the applicant to pay for reasonable consulting fees to provide peer review of the applications for the benefit of the plan approval authority; provided, however, that fees shall be held by the municipality in a separate interest-bearing account and used solely for expenses associated with the review of the development application by outside consultants. Any surplus remaining after the completion of the review, including any interest accrued, shall be returned to the applicant.
- (3) The starter home zoning district ordinance or by-law may provide for the referral of the plan to municipal officers, agencies or boards other than the plan approval authority for comment; provided, however, that any such board, agency or officer shall provide its comments to the plan approval authority within 60 days after its receipt of a copy of the plan.
- (4) Notwithstanding any provision in the zoning code or by-law to the contrary, the decision of the plan approval authority shall be made, and a written notice of the decision filed with the city or town clerk, not later than 120 days after the receipt of a complete application by

the city or town clerk, unless such timeframe for decision is extended by written agreement between the applicant and the plan approval authority. Failure of the plan approval authority to take action within 120 days or any such extended time, shall be deemed to be an approval of the plan. An applicant who seeks approval of a plan by reason of the failure of the plan approval authority to act within the 120-day period shall notify the city or town clerk, in writing, within 14 days after the expiration of the 120-day period or any such extended time. Such notice to the city or town clerk shall specify relevant details of the application timeline demonstrating the lack of decision.

- (5) Notwithstanding any provision of the starter home zoning district ordinance or by-law to the contrary, the plan approval authority may approve a site plan subject only to those conditions that are necessary to: (i) ensure substantial compliance of the proposed project with the requirements of the starter home zoning district ordinance or by-law; (ii) ensure public safety or the safety of persons living in or visiting the proposed project; or (iii) mitigate any extraordinary adverse impacts of the project on nearby properties.
- (6) The department may establish additional standards or limitations for site plan review pursuant to this section.
- Section 5. At least once annually, on or before a date specified by the department, each city or town with at least 1 approved starter home zoning district shall submit the following information to the department:
- (i) whether the city or town has repealed or amended, or proposed to amend or repeal, any of the requirements applicable to any starter home zoning district;

2408 (ii) whether there are any pending proposals to construct starter homes within a starter 2409 home zoning district; and

(iii) whether any starter homes have been constructed within a starter home zoning district and, if so, whether those projects comply with the zoning requirements applicable to that district.

Section 6. Subject to any conditions imposed by the department as a condition of approving a starter home zoning district, each city or town with an approved starter home zoning district shall be entitled to a 1-time zoning incentive payment upon approval of the district by the department in accordance with the schedule set forth in subsection (a) of section 9 of chapter 40R and a production bonus payment of \$3,000 for each starter home created in the starter home zoning district.

- Section 7. (a) The department may revoke its approval of an approved starter home zoning district if, at any time, the department determines that:
- (i) a city or town with an approved starter home zoning district has not complied with the requirements of this chapter;
- (ii) The zoning ordinance or by-law applicable to an approved starter home zoning district no longer complies with the requirements of this chapter;
- (iii) The zoning ordinance or by-law applicable to an approved starter home zoning district has been amended in such a way that the number of starter homes that can be developed within the starter home zoning district is reduced; or

(iv) No building permits have been issued for any starter homes within the starter home zoning district within 5 years from the date of the department's approval of the district.

The department may revoke the approval of an approved starter home zoning district only after conducting a hearing in accordance with chapter 30A unless the municipality waives its right to a hearing, in writing. The department's revocation of approval shall not affect the validity of the starter home zoning district ordinance or by-law, as applicable, or the application of such ordinance or by-law to land, development or proposed development within the starter home zoning district.

(b) If the department revokes its approval of an approved starter home zoning district, the affected city or town shall repay to the department the zoning incentive payment or such portion thereof as the department may specify. All money repaid to the department under this section shall be credited to the funding source from which the payment originated.

Section 8. The department may promulgate regulations for the administration and enforcement of this chapter.

SECTION 74. Section 1B of chapter 41 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

In any town that accepts this paragraph, the positions of appointed town treasurer and appointed collector of taxes shall be combined into 1 position and become an appointed position in the manner provided in this section. Any incumbent serving in either such position at the time of acceptance shall continue to hold office and perform the duties thereof until the expiration of the term for which the person was appointed or until the person otherwise vacates such office.

SECTION 75. Section 53 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out clauses (2) and (3) and inserting in place thereof the following 4 clauses:- (2) sums not in excess of \$150,000 to be recovered under the terms of a fire or physical damage insurance policy or received as restitution for damage done to such city, town or district property may, with the approval of the chief executive officer, be spent by the officer or department having control of the city, town or district property for the restoration or replacement of such property without specific appropriation during the fiscal year in which the damage occurs or within 120 days after the end of that fiscal year, whichever is later; provided, however, that any insurance or restitution received by the city, town or district shall be applied to finance the restoration or replacement of the damaged property and any such expenditures outstanding at the close of the fiscal year after the fiscal year in which the damage occurred shall be reported by the auditor or accountant of the city, town or district, or other officer having similar duties, or by the treasurer if there is no such officer, to the assessors, who shall include the amount so reported in the determination of the next annual tax rate unless the city, town or district has otherwise made provision therefor; (3) sums recovered from pupils in the public schools for loss of or damage to school books, materials, electronic devices or other learning aids provided by the school committee, or paid by pupils for materials used in the industrial arts projects, may be used by the school committee for the restoration or replacement of such books or materials without specific appropriation; (4) nonrecurring, unanticipated sums received by multiple cities, towns or districts and not otherwise provided for by a general or special law may, upon the approval of the director of accounts, be expended at the direction of the chief executive officer without further appropriation solely for the purpose for which the money was received; and (5) nonrecurring, unanticipated sums received by multiple cities, towns or districts and not otherwise provided for

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by a general or special law may, upon the approval of the director of accounts, be deposited in a separate revenue account established in the treasury and expended, by appropriation, solely for the purposes for which the money was received.

SECTION 76. The fourth paragraph of section 53E½ of said chapter 44, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- The city or town shall, on or before July 1 of the fiscal year to which it shall first apply, vote on the total amount that may be expended from each revolving fund established under this section during any fiscal year.

SECTION 77. Said chapter 44 of the General Laws is hereby further amended by inserting after section 53J the following section:-

Section 53K. Notwithstanding section 53, any city or town may, upon the approval of the chief executive officer, establish in the city or town treasury a separate revenue account into which shall be deposited any money received from: (i) a party under a host or other agreement in connection with the costs imposed upon the city or town by the operation or location of the party in the city or town; or (ii) an applicant to meet any condition or obligation required for the approval or issuance of a permit or license, including those issued under section 8C of chapter 40, chapter 40A, chapter 40B, sections 81K to 81GG, inclusive, of chapter 41, chapter 111, chapter 138 or any other municipal permitting or licensing law or under any ordinance, by-law, rule or regulations promulgated by a municipal permit or license-approving or license-granting officer or board when exercising any authority conferred by any such law, ordinance, by-law, rule or regulation. Any such special revenue account shall be established by the municipal treasurer and shall be kept separate and apart from other funds. Money in such account shall be

expended at the direction of the chief executive officer without further appropriation solely for the purposes for which the money was received.

SECTION 77A. Section 1 of chapter 55 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the definition of "Candidate's committee" the following definition: -

"Child-care services," care services provided to a candidate's child, including, but not limited to, baby-sitting services by an individual, non-profit or for-profit organizations that provide such services and any other costs directly related to such services that occur as a result of campaign activities; provided, however, that expenses related to child-care services shall not include payments to a family member, as defined in section 1 of chapter 50, of a child, unless the family member owns, operates or is employed by a professional daycare or babysitting service, and the cost of the service is not greater than the family member would otherwise charge.

SECTION 77B. Section 6 of said chapter 55, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "to", in line 64, the following words:- the provision of child-care services, to.

SECTION 78. Section 2 of chapter 61 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 40, the word "October" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- December.

SECTION 79. Said section 2 of said chapter 61, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the seventh paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

If, in the judgment of the assessors, land which is classified as forest land or which is the subject of an application for such classification is not being managed under a program, is being used for purposes incompatible with forest production or does not otherwise qualify under this chapter, the assessors may, not later than February 1 in any year, file an appeal in writing, which shall be sent by certified mail, to the state forester requesting a denial of the application or, in the case of classified forest land, requesting removal of the land from such classification. The appeal shall state the reasons for the request. A copy of the appeal shall be sent by the assessors by certified mail to the owner of the land. The state forester may initiate, not later than December 1 of any year, a proceeding to remove the land from classification and shall send notice of the action by certified mail to the assessors and the owner of the land. The state forester may deny the owner's application, may withdraw all or part of the land from classification or may grant the application, imposing terms and conditions that the state forester deems reasonable to carry out this chapter and shall notify the assessors and the owner of that decision not later than March 1 of the following year. If the owner or the assessors are aggrieved by a decision of the state forester, such aggrieved party may, not later than June 15, submit a notice of appeal to the state forester. Not later than 30 days after receipt of a notice of appeal from an aggrieved party, the state forester shall convene a panel in the region in which the land is located. The panel shall consist of 3 persons, 1 of whom shall be selected by the state forester, 1 of whom shall be selected by the assessors and 1 of whom shall be selected jointly by the state forester and the assessors. The panel shall give written notice of the date, time and place of the hearing to the parties by certified mail not less than 7 days before the date of that hearing. The panel shall provide written notice to the parties, of its decision not later than 10 days after the adjournment of the hearing. Decisions of the panel shall be by majority vote of its members. If the owner or

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the assessors are aggrieved by a decision of the panel, the aggrieved party may, not later than 45 days after receipt of the decision, petition the superior court in the county in which the land is located for a review of the decision pursuant to chapter 30A or petition the appellate tax board pursuant to chapter 58A; provided, however, that the land shall not be classified or withdrawn from classification until the final determination of the petition. The state forester may adopt such regulations as the state forester deems necessary to carry out this chapter.

SECTION 80. Section 2 of chapter 61A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "products", in line 5, the following words:- or any products derived from such products.

SECTION 81. Said section 2 of said chapter 61A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "them", in line 13, the words: and any products derived therefrom.

SECTION 82. Said chapter 61A is hereby further amended by striking out section 6, as so appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 6. The eligibility of land for valuation, assessment and taxation pursuant to section 4 shall be determined separately for each tax year. An application for eligibility shall be submitted to the board of assessors in the city or town in which the land is situated by not later than December 1 preceding each tax year for which the valuation, assessment and taxation are being sought, and once submitted, the application shall not be withdrawn. An application shall be made on a form prescribed by the commissioner of revenue and provided to applicants by the board of assessors. The form shall provide for the reporting of information pertinent to this chapter and to Article XCIX of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth and

for certification by the applicant that the applicant will immediately, but not later than December 1 of the following year, notify the board of assessors in writing of any subsequently developing circumstance within the applicant's control or knowledge which may cause a change in use of the land covered by the form. An application submitted pursuant to this section for leased land shall be accompanied by a written statement of the lessee's intent to use the land for the purposes in the application and shall be signed by the lessee. The landowner shall certify, in a manner prescribed by the commissioner, that under the penalties of perjury the information in the landowner's application is true. If the application is allowed pursuant to section 9, then the classification of the land as actively devoted to agricultural, horticultural or agricultural and horticultural use shall take effect on the January 1 preceding the beginning of the tax year to which the application relates and taxation pursuant to this chapter shall commence with that tax year.

SECTION 83. Section 7 of said chapter 61A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 3, the words "October first and June thirtieth of the year" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- December 1 and June 30.

SECTION 84. Said chapter 61A is hereby further amended by striking out section 8, as so appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 8. Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, in any tax year for which a city or town has undertaken and completed a program of revaluation of all property in that city or town and the commissioner of revenue has certified that the revalued property is assessed by the board of assessors at full and fair cash valuation, applications by landowners for the valuation, assessment and taxation of their lands on the basis of being actively devoted to

agricultural, horticultural or agricultural and horticultural use that are filed with the board of assessors by not later than the last day for filing an application for abatement of the tax assessed on the new valuation, shall be deemed to have been timely made for the tax year of the revaluation program. If the application is approved and the lands qualify for valuation, assessment and taxation as lands maintained for recreational use in that tax year, then the portion of any tax assessed for that year which is in excess of the tax that would have been assessed on the lands, if the application had been timely made and approved, shall be abated.

SECTION 85. Section 14 of said chapter 61A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 113 to 116, inclusive, the words "no less than 70 per cent of the land in use as forest land as defined in section 1, as agricultural and horticultural land as defined in sections 1 and 2 of chapter 61A or as recreation" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- not less than 70 per cent of the land in use as forest land as defined in section 1 of chapter 61, as land in agricultural or horticultural use as defined in sections 1 and 2 or as recreational.

SECTION 86. Chapter 61B of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 3, as so appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 3. The eligibility of land for valuation, assessment and taxation pursuant to this chapter shall be determined separately for each tax year. An application for eligibility shall be submitted to the board of assessors in the city or town in which the land is situated by not later than December 1 of the preceding tax year for which the valuation, assessment and taxation is being sought. The application shall be made on a form prescribed by the commissioner of revenue and provided to applicants by the board of assessors. The form shall provide for the reporting of information pertinent to this chapter and for certification by the applicant that the

applicant will immediately, but not later than the December 1 of the following year, notify the board of assessors in writing of any subsequent circumstance within the applicant's control or knowledge which may cause a change in use of the land covered by the form. An application submitted pursuant to this section for leased land shall be accompanied by a written statement of the lessee's intent to use the land for the purposes in the application and shall be signed by the lessee. The landowner shall certify, in a manner prescribed by the commissioner, that under the penalties of perjury the information in the landowner's application is true. If the application is allowed pursuant to section 6, then the classification of the land as recreational land shall take effect on January 1 preceding the beginning of the tax year to which the application relates and taxation pursuant to this chapter shall commence with that tax year.

SECTION 87. Section 4 of said chapter 61B of the General Laws, as so appearing. is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 2 and 3, the words "October first and June thirtieth" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- December 1 and June 30.

SECTION 88. Said chapter 61B of the General Laws is hereby further amended by striking out section 5, as so appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following section:

Section 5. Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, in any tax year for which a city or town has undertaken and completed a program of revaluation of all property in that city or town and the commissioner of revenue has certified that revalued property is assessed by the board of assessors at full and fair cash valuation, applications by landowners for the valuation, assessment and taxation of their lands on the basis of being maintained in recreational use, if filed with the board of assessors by not later than the last day for filing an application for abatement of the tax assessed on the new valuation, shall be deemed to have been

timely made for the tax year of the revaluation program. If the application is approved and the lands qualify for valuation, assessment and taxation as lands actively devoted to agricultural, horticultural or agricultural and horticultural use in that tax year, then the portion of a tax assessed for that year which is in excess of the tax which would have been assessed on the lands if the application had been timely made and approved, shall be abated.

SECTION 89. Section 6 of said chapter 61B of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 13, the word "disallowance" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- an allowance.

SECTION 89A. Section 9 of said chapter 61B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the eighteenth paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

The assignment shall be for the purpose of maintaining not less than 70 per cent of the land in use as forest land as defined in section 1 of chapter 61, as agricultural and horticultural land as described in sections 1 and 2 of chapter 61A or as recreation land as described in section 1 of this chapter and the assignee shall not develop a greater proportion of the land than was proposed by the developer whose offer gave rise to the assignment. All land other than land that is to be developed shall then be bound by a permanent deed restriction that meets the requirements of chapter 184.

SECTION 90. Section 3 of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 109, the figure "\$3,000" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- \$4,000.

SECTION 90A. Subsection (f) of section 93 of chapter 358 of the acts of 2020 is hereby amended by striking out the figure "2022", inserted by section 98 of chapter 24 of the acts of 2021, and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 2023.

SECTION 91. Section 6 of said chapter 62, as most recently amended by section 33 of chapter 102 of the Acts of 2021, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 245 and 250, the figure "30" and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following figure:- 40.

SECTION 92. Said section 6 of said chapter 62, as so amended, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 290, the figure "2023" and inserting in place thereof the following figure: 2028.

SECTION 93. Said section 6 of said chapter 62, as so amended, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 296, the figure "2024" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 2029.

SECTION 94. Paragraph (4) of subsection (j) of said section 6 of said chapter 62, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:For the purpose of the Brownfields Redevelopment Fund, state financial assistance shall mean the amount of any grant or principal amount of any loan, but shall not include any loan principal repaid as of the date the credit application is filed with the commissioner.

SECTION 95. Said section 6 of said chapter 62, as most recently amended by section 33 of chapter 102 of the Acts of 2021, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 447, the figure "\$750" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- \$1,755.

SECTION 96. Said section 6 of said chapter 62, as so amended, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 896 to 898, inclusive, the words "The total amount of credits that may be authorized by DHCD in a calendar year pursuant to this subsection and section 38BB of chapter 63 shall not exceed \$10,000,000 and" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- DHCD may authorize not more than \$30,000,000 in credits annually under this subsection and section 38BB of chapter 63. In addition, DHCD may authorize annually any credits under this subsection or said section 38BB of said chapter 63 returned to DHCD by a certified housing development project. The total amount of credits authorized during a year.

SECTION 97. Said section 6 of said chapter 62, as so amended, is hereby further amended by inserting after the figure "63;", in line 900, the following word:- and.

SECTION 98. Said section 6 of said chapter 62, as so amended, is hereby further amended by striking out, in lines 904, inclusive, the figure "\$10,000,000" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- \$30,000,000.

SECTION 99. Said section 6 of said chapter 62, as so amended, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 906, the word "The" the first time it appears.

SECTION 100. Said section 6 of said chapter 62, as so amended, is hereby further amended by striking out subsections (x) and (y) and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:-

(x) A taxpayer who maintains a household that includes as a member: (i) at least 1 individual under the age of 13 who qualifies for exemption as a dependent under section 151 of the Code; (ii) at least 1 qualifying individual, as defined in said section 21 of the Code; or (iii) at least 1 individual who is: (A) not less than 65 years of age or who is disabled; and (B) who

qualifies as a dependent under section 152 of the Code, shall be allowed a credit in an amount equal to \$310 for each such dependent or qualifying individual with respect to the taxpayer; provided, however, that if the taxpayer is married at the close of the taxable year, the credit provided in this subsection shall be allowed if the taxpayer and the taxpayer's spouse file a joint return for the taxable year or if the taxpayer qualifies as a head of household under section 2(b) of the Code; and provided further, that for the purposes of this subsection, "maintains a household" shall have the same meaning as in said section 21 of the Code. With respect to a taxpayer who is a non-resident for part of the taxable year, the credit shall be further limited to the amount of allowable credit multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which shall be the number of days in the taxable year the person resided in the commonwealth and the denominator of which shall be the number of days in the taxable year. A person who is a non-resident for the entire taxable year shall not be allowed the credit. If the amount of the credit allowed under this subsection exceeds the taxpayer's tax liability, the commissioner shall treat the excess as an overpayment and shall pay the taxpayer the entire amount of the excess without interest.

SECTION 101. Section 38Q of chapter 63 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 3, the figure "2023" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 2028.

SECTION 102. Said section 38Q of said chapter 63, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 9, the figure "2024" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 2029.

SECTION 103. Subsection (d) of said section 38Q of said chapter 63, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:- For the purpose of the Brownfields

Redevelopment Fund, state financial assistance shall mean the amount of any grant or principal amount of any loan, but shall not include any loan principal repaid as of the date the credit application is filed with the commissioner.

SECTION 104. Section 38BB of said chapter 63, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 42 to 44, inclusive, the words "The total amount of credits that may be authorized by DHCD in a calendar year under this section and subsection (q) of section (6) of chapter 62 shall not exceed \$10,000,000 and" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- DHCD may authorize up to \$30,000,000 in credits annually under this section and subsection (q) of section (6) of chapter 62. In addition, DHCD may authorize annually any credits under this section or said subsection (q) of said section (6) of said chapter 62 returned to DHCD by a certified housing development project. The total amount of credits authorized during a year.

SECTION 105. Said section 38BB of said chapter 63, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the words "chapter 62;", in line 46, the following word:- and.

SECTION 106. Said section 38BB of said chapter 63, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 50, the figure "\$10,000,000 and inserting in place thereof the following figure:-\$30,000,000.

SECTION 107. Section 2A of chapter 65C of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out subsection (a) and inserting in place the following subsection:-

(a) A tax is hereby imposed upon the transfer of the estate of each person dying on or after January 1, 1997 who, at the time of death, was a resident of the commonwealth. The amount of the tax shall be equal to the credit for state death taxes that would have been allowable

to a decedent's estate as computed under Code section 2011, as in effect on December 31, 2000, hereinafter referred to as the "credit". If the federal gross estate of a person includes real or tangible personal property located outside of the commonwealth at the time of death, the tax shall be reduced by an amount equal to the proportion of such allowable credit as the value of such real or tangible personal property located outside of the commonwealth bears to the value of the entire federal gross estate wherever situated, as determined under Code section 2011, as in effect on December 31, 2000.

SECTION 108. Said section 2A of said chapter 65C, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by adding the following 2 subsections:-

- (f) For the estates of decedents dying on or after September 1, 2022, a credit shall be allowed against the tax imposed by subsections (a) and (b) equal to the amount of such tax; provided, however, that the credit shall not exceed \$99,600.
- (g) The estates of decedents dying on or after September 1, 2022 shall not be required to pay any tax under subsections (a) and (b) if the value of the federal taxable estate is not more than \$2,000,000.

SECTION 108A. Section 16 of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 152, the word "five" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 25.

SECTION 108B. Subsection (a) of section 52 of chapter 93 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following clause:- (7) eviction records sealed pursuant to section 15 of chapter 239.

SECTION 108C. The General Laws are hereby amended by inserting after chapter 93K the following chapter:-

2754 Chapter 93M

Portable Wireless Device Repair Act.

Section 1. As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

"Authorized repair provider", with respect to a manufacturer, an individual or business who is unaffiliated with the manufacturer and who has an arrangement with manufacturer under which the manufacturer grants to the individual or business a license to use a trade name, service mark or other proprietary identifier for the purposes of offering the services of diagnosis, maintenance or repair of portable wireless devices under the name of the manufacturer or other arrangement with the manufacturer to offer such services on behalf of manufacturer; provided, however, that a manufacturer who offers the services of diagnosis, maintenance or repair of portable wireless devices manufactured by it or on its behalf, or sold or otherwise supplied by it, and who does not do so exclusively through one or more arrangements as described in this subsection with an unaffiliated individual or business shall be an "authorized repair provider" with respect to such equipment.

"Portable wireless device", a product which includes a battery, microphone, speaker and display designed to send and receive transmissions through a cellular radiotelephone service.

"Documentation", any manual, diagram, reporting output, service code description, schematic, security codes or passwords, or other information used in effecting the services of diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of portable wireless devices.

"Fair and reasonable terms", for obtaining a part or tool or documentation, costs and terms that are equivalent to the most favorable costs and terms under which manufacturer offers the part, tool, or documentation to an authorized repair provider accounting for any discount, rebate, convenient and timely means of delivery, means of enabling fully restored and updated functionality, rights of use, or other incentive or preference the manufacturer offers to an authorized repair provider, or any additional cost, burden, or impediment the manufacturer imposes on an owner or independent repair provider; provided, however, that for documentation, including any relevant updates, "fair and reasonable terms" shall mean at no charge, except that when the documentation is requested in physical printed form, a charge may be included for the reasonable actual costs of preparing and sending the copy.

"Independent repair provider", with respect to a manufacturer, an individual or business operating in the commonwealth, who does not have an arrangement as an authorized repair provider with the manufacturer, and who is not affiliated with any individual or business who has such an arrangement with the manufacturer, when that individual or business is engaged in the services of diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of portable wireless devices; provided, however, that a manufacturer or, with respect to that manufacturer, an individual or business who has such an arrangement with that manufacturer, or who is affiliated with an individual or business who has such an arrangement with that manufacturer, shall be an "independent repair provider" when engaging in the services of diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of portable wireless devices that is not manufactured by or on behalf of, or sold or otherwise supplied by, that manufacturer.

"Manufacturer", a business engaged in the business of selling, leasing or otherwise supplying new portable wireless devices, or parts of equipment, manufactured by or on behalf of itself, to any individual or business.

"Owner", an individual or business who lawfully acquires a portable wireless device purchased or used in the commonwealth.

"Part", any replacement part, either new or used, made available by or to a manufacturer for purposes of effecting the services of maintenance or repair of portable wireless devices manufactured by or on behalf of, sold or otherwise supplied by the manufacturer.

"Tool", any software program, hardware implement, or other apparatus used for diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of portable wireless devices, including software or other mechanisms that provision, program, or pair a part, calibrate functionality, or perform any other function required to bring the product back to fully functional condition.

"Trade secret", anything tangible or intangible or electronically stored or kept which constitutes, represents, evidences, or records intellectual property including secret or confidentially held designs, processes, procedures, formulas, inventions or improvements, or secrets of confidentially held scientific, technical, merchandising, production, financial, business or management information, or anything within the definition in 18 U.S.C. 1839(3).

Section 2. Manufacturers of portable wireless devices, or parts for such equipment, manufactured by it or on its behalf, or sold or otherwise supplied by it in the commonwealth, shall make available to owners of such devices and to independent repair providers, on fair and reasonable terms, documentation, parts, and tools, inclusive of any updates, for purposes of diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of such devices; provided, however, that nothing in this

subsection shall require a manufacturer to make available a part that is no longer available to the manufacturer.

Section 3. Manufacturers that sell any diagnostic, service, or repair information to any independent repair provider or any other third-party provider in a format that is standardized with other manufacturers, and on terms and conditions more favorable than the manner and the terms and conditions pursuant to which an authorized repair provider obtains the same diagnostic, service, or repair information, shall be prohibited from requiring any authorized repair provider to continue purchasing diagnostic, service, or repair information in a proprietary format, unless such proprietary format includes diagnostic, service, repair, or dealership operations information or functionality that is not available in such standardized format.

Section 4. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to require a manufacturer to divulge a trade secret, except as necessary to provide documentation, parts, and tools on fair and reasonable terms.

Section 5. Nothing in this chapter shall require manufacturers or authorized repair providers to provide an owner or independent repair provider access to non-diagnostic and non-repair

information provided by a manufacturer to an authorized repair provider pursuant to the terms of an authorizing agreement.

Section 6. (a) An independent repair provider or owner who believes that a manufacturer has failed to provide documentation, parts, and tools for purposes of diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of portable wireless devices as required by this chapter shall notify the manufacturer in writing and give the manufacturer 30 days from the time the manufacturer receives the complaint

to cure the failure. If the manufacturer cures such a complaint within the cure period, damages shall be limited to actual damages in any subsequent litigation.

(b) If the manufacturer fails to respond to the notice provided pursuant to subsection (a), or if an independent repair provider or owner is not satisfied with the manufacturer's cure, the independent repair provider or owner may file a complaint in superior court. The complaint shall include: (i) written information confirming that the complainant has attempted to acquire and use, through the then available standard support function provided by the manufacturer, relevant documentation, parts, and tools, including communication with customer assistance via the manufacturer's then standard process, if made available by the manufacturer; and (ii) evidence of notice to the manufacturer as required by subsection (a).

Section 7. In addition to any other remedies that may be available, a violation of this chapter shall be deemed to be an unfair method of competition and an unfair or deceptive act or practice in the conduct of trade or commerce in violation of section 2 of chapter 93A.

Section 8. This chapter shall only apply to equipment sold or in use on or after the effective date of this chapter.

Section 9. Nothing in this chapter shall apply to a device approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration.

SECTION 109. Chapter 94C of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 19D the following section:-

Section 19E. (a) As used in this section and unless the context clearly requires otherwise, "COVID-19 control measure" shall mean a COVID-19 drug, COVID-19 test or other COVID-19

diagnostic device approved or otherwise authorized by the federal Food and Drug Administration.

- (b) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the commissioner or an actively practicing physician who currently prescribes a COVID-19 drug, is designated by the commissioner and is registered to prescribe or dispense a controlled substance in the course of professional practice under section 7 may issue a standing order that may be used for a licensed pharmacist to dispense a COVID-19 control measure. A standing order issued pursuant to this section shall include, but not be limited to, written standardized procedures or protocols developed by the commissioner, in collaboration with an actively practicing physician who currently prescribes a COVID-19 drug. Such procedures and protocols shall be consistent with the federal Food and Drug Administration's revised Emergency Use Authorization for Paxlovid issued July 6, 2022 and declarations issued by the United States Department of Health and Human Services under the federal Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness Act.
- (c) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, a pharmacist may dispense a COVID-19 control measure in accordance with a standing order issued under subsection (b); provided, however, that before dispensing a COVID-19 drug authorized under this section, a pharmacist shall complete a training program approved by the commissioner on COVID-19 drugs that shall include, but not be limited to, evaluation of the patient's medical history and relevant records including recent reports of laboratory blood work to review for kidney or liver problems, clinical considerations relative to contraindications with commonly prescribed medications, recommendations for clinical monitoring for side effects and appropriate recommendation that the patient follow up with a medical practitioner.

(d) A pharmacist who dispenses a COVID-19 control measure in accordance with a standing order issued under subsection (b) shall, upon request, report to the department on the doses, tests or devices dispensed. Reports shall be confidential and shall not constitute a public record under clause Twenty-sixth of section 7 of chapter 4. The department shall publish an annual report that includes aggregate information about the dispensing of COVID-19 control measures in the commonwealth.

- (e) A pharmacist who dispenses a COVID-19 control measure pursuant to this section shall, for the purposes of health insurance billing and cost-sharing, treat the transaction as the dispensing of a prescription to the person purchasing the COVID-19 control measure in accordance with the standing order. Unless the person purchasing the COVID-19 control measure requests to pay for the prescription out-of-pocket, the pharmacist shall make a reasonable effort to identify the purchaser's insurance coverage and to submit a claim for the COVID-19 control measure to the insurance carrier prior to dispensing the COVID-19 control measure.
- (f) Except for an act of gross negligence or willful misconduct, the commissioner or a physician who issues a statewide standing order under subsection (b) and any pharmacist who, acting in good faith, directly or through the standing order, dispenses a COVID-19 control measure in accordance with a standing order issued under said subsection (b) shall not be subject to any criminal or civil liability or any professional disciplinary action.
- (g) The department, the board of registration in medicine and the board of registration in pharmacy may promulgate regulations to implement this section.

SECTION 110. Chapter 100A of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following 2 sections:-

Section 15. There shall be, within the division of insurance, an auto body labor rate advisory board to address any issues related to auto body labor rates. The advisory board shall consist of: 1 member appointed by the commissioner of insurance; 1 member appointed by the attorney general; 1 member appointed by the director of the division of standards; 3 members from the auto insurance industry appointed by the Automobile Insurers Bureau of Massachusetts, 1 of whom shall be chosen by the 3 members to serve as co-chair; 3 members from the auto repair industry from different geographic regions of the commonwealth appointed by the Alliance of Automotive Service Providers of Massachusetts, Inc., 1 of whom shall be chosen by the 3 members to serve as co-chair; 1 member appointed by the Massachusetts State Automobile Dealers Association, Inc; and 4 members appointed by the co-chairs, 1 of whom shall be from vocational-technical schools, 2 of whom shall be from a consumer advocacy group and 1 of whom shall be an economist with expertise on the insurance industry.

The advisory board shall meet not less than 2 times in a year. The advisory board shall be responsible for creating, implementing and overseeing an annual survey given to relevant auto body shops as determined by the advisory board. The survey should compile data pertaining to contracted hourly labor rates, posted hourly labor rates and prevailing hourly labor rates and any additional information the advisory board deems relevant. The advisory board shall collect industry data including, but not limited to: (i) labor rates in neighboring states; (ii) auto body shop costs; (iii) total labor costs; (iv) inflation data; (v) work force data; (vi) vocational school trends; (vii) insurance premiums; and (viii) any additional information as requested by the advisory board. The results of the survey and the data collected shall be reviewed and analyzed

by the advisory board annually and the board shall make a recommendation for a fair and equitable labor rate.

Annually, not later than December 31, the advisory board shall file a report of its findings, conclusions and any recommendations with the clerks of the senate and house of representatives, the joint committee on financial services, the senate and house committees on ways and means and the division of insurance.

Section 16. Not more than 30 days after receiving the annual report from the auto body labor rate advisory board under section 15, the commissioner of insurance shall set a minimum hourly labor rate that insurers shall pay on insured claims for repairs made by registered motor vehicle repair shops; provided, however, that the minimum hourly labor rate shall not be less than \$55. The minimum hourly labor rate shall go into effect 30 days after it is set by the commissioner.

SECTION 110A. Section 24N of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "24M", in line 32, the following words:-, and to administer chapter 111P.

SECTION 110B. The General Laws are hereby amended by inserting after chapter 1110 the following chapter:-

CHAPTER 111P.

## COMMUNITY IMMUNITY.

Section 1. As used in this chapter, the following words shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly requires otherwise:-

"Covered program", (a) a child care center, an early education and care program, a family
child care home, a large family child care home, a public preschool program, or a school-aged
child care program, as defined in section 1A of chapter 15D; (b) a school, whether public, private
or charter, that provides education to students in any combination of grade levels from
kindergarten to grade 12, inclusive, and including, but not limited to, any school activity open to
children who are otherwise instructed in accordance with section 1 of chapter 76; or (c) an
institution of higher education, whether public or private.

"Department", the department of public health.

"Exemption", written acknowledgement from the department that a participant is excused from the schedule.

"Immunization", an inoculation administered for the purpose of making a person resistant to an infectious disease.

"Participant", a person who engages in 1 or more activities of a covered program through enrollment or other registration process.

"Provider", a health care provider licensed by an agency, board or division of the commonwealth who, acting within their scope of practice, may lawfully administer an immunization.

"Responsible adult", a parent or legal guardian of a participant or a participant who is an emancipated minor or who has achieved the age of majority.

"Schedule", the immunization administration schedule established by the department and consistent with generally accepted medical practice.

Section 2. The department shall prepare and maintain separate standardized declaration of exemption forms for medical and religious exemptions to required immunizations. The department shall make the forms available to covered programs and the public online and, as necessary, in hard copy.

Section 3. The declaration of medical exemption form shall include: (i) a checklist of generally accepted contraindications to immunizations that shall be completed by a provider; (ii) a statement that the provider has an established provider-patient relationship with the participant; (iii) a request for the signature of the provider; (iv) a request for a unique government-issued professional identification number assigned to the provider; (v) a request for the signature of the responsible adult; and (vi) requests for dates for all signatures.

Section 4. The declaration of religious exemption form shall include: (i) a statement that the participant or responsible adult has a sincere religious belief conflicting with immunizations; (ii) a certification that the responsible adult has provided a complete and accurate copy of the religious exemption form to the participant's primary health care provider, including the provider's name and contact information; (iii) an acknowledgement of receipt from a provider on the participant's primary health care team; and (iv) a request for the dated signature of the responsible adult. The form shall include a statement from the department that refusing to immunize is against public health policy and may result in serious illness or death of the participant or others. The department may provide alternative requirements to clauses (ii) and (iii) of this section if a participant does not have a primary health care provider.

Section 5. Covered program participants shall provide: (a) documentation of immunizations in accordance with the schedule; (b) a validly executed and accurately completed

declaration of exemption; or (c) other documentation as determined by the department of public health. A private covered program may implement immunization requirements more stringent than those set forth in this chapter; provided, that the program creates and maintains a written immunization policy, which shall be made available to all responsible adults; and provided further, that no private covered program shall refuse to accept medical exemptions.

Section 6. All covered programs shall annually report total numbers of participants who have been immunized and participants who are exempt from immunization requirements, delineated by exemption type, as applicable, to the department, in a method determined by the department, and shall distribute the data from the report to all responsible adults electronically or in hard copy. Distribution shall not be required if it would result in disclosure of personal information as defined in section 1 of chapter 93H or otherwise violate applicable privacy laws.

Section 7. The department shall annually publish immunizations and exemptions data, delineated by exemption type, as applicable, for each covered program and school district on its website and may publish such data in hard copy. The department may also publish data by municipality, county, other geographic designation or by other criteria in its discretion.

Publication shall not be required whenever doing so would result in disclosure of personal information as defined in section 1 of chapter 93H or otherwise violate applicable privacy laws. The department shall directly disseminate electronic copies of any published data to the school physician or nurse assigned to any public covered program pursuant to section 53 of chapter 71.

Section 8. The department shall develop and make available online an informational pamphlet about immunization safety and immunization efficacy. The department shall distribute the informational pamphlet, either electronically or in hard copy, to every responsible adult who

submits a declaration of exemption form pursuant to this chapter. All elevated risk programs shall distribute the informational pamphlet, either electronically or in hard copy, to all responsible adults for participants or those seeking enrollment in the program during the period in which the designation is in place.

Section 9. The department shall promulgate regulations to implement this chapter, except that the department of early education and care, department of elementary and secondary education and department of higher education shall promulgate regulations to implement application of this chapter to covered programs falling within each department's jurisdiction.

Section 10. In conjunction with and as facilitated by the departments listed in section 9 of this chapter, as well as partnerships with trusted community-based organizations and local public health departments, health care providers or clergy, the department shall conduct outreach to support the delivery of medically accurate information about immunizations, including, but not limited to, the availability of programs funded through the Vaccine Purchase Trust Fund established in section 24N of chapter 111. Such outreach shall focus on, but not be limited to, immunization gap populations in under-vaccinated communities.

Section 11. The department shall collect and report data on immunizations against any infectious disease which has given rise to a declared public health state of emergency in the commonwealth. Daily immunization data reports, which the department shall publish on its website, shall include the number of individuals receiving the immunization, delineated by age and geographic location, including municipal, county and statewide counts. The department shall collect infectious disease immunization data by key socioeconomic and demographic indicators, including race, gender, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation and gender identity, primary

language, occupation, household income, residence in elder care facilities and other congregate care settings and housing status, and report such data on its website not less than weekly, except where publication would result in disclosure of personal information as defined in section 1 of chapter 93H or would otherwise violate applicable privacy laws.

SECTION 110C. Subdivision A of section 174 of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the second sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- Except to the extent permitted under subdivision B, a person who has not obtained a real estate appraisal license or certification under this chapter shall not prepare, for a fee or other consideration, an appraisal or appraisal report relating to real estate or real property in the commonwealth.

SECTION 110D. Said Section 174 of said chapter 112, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out subdivision C.

SECTION 110E. Section 6B of chapter 115 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 31 and 32, the words ", provided that the surviving spouse does not remarry,".

SECTION 110F. Said section 6B of said chapter 115, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 35, the figure "\$2,000" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- \$3,000.

SECTION 110G. Section 119A of chapter 127 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 129, the word 'fiscal'.

SECTION 110H. Section 31 of chapter 118E of the General Laws, as appearing in the
2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (b) the following
subsection:-

- (b½) This subsection shall apply to estates of individuals dying on or after April 1, 1995. There shall be no adjustments or recovery of medical assistance correctly paid except for recovery from the estate of an individual who was:
- (i) regardless of age, a resident in a nursing facility or other medical institution within the meaning of 42 USC 1396p(a)(1)(B)(i) when the individual received such assistance; provided, however, that recovery of such assistance shall be limited to assistance provided on or after March 22, 1991; or
- (ii) 55 years of age or older when the individual received such assistance, where such assistance was for services provided on or after October 1, 1993, but only for medical assistance consisting of nursing facility services, home and community-based services and related hospital and prescription drug services for which estate recovery is mandated by 42 USC 1396p(b)(1)(B)(i) or other federal law.

Any recovery may be made only after the death of the surviving spouse, if any, and only at a time when the individual has no surviving child under the age of 21 years or who is an individual who is blind or an individual with a disability.

SECTION 110I. Said section 31 of said chapter 118E, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by adding the following subsection:-

(e) Notwithstanding subsection (b½), there shall be no adjustment or recovery of medical assistance correctly paid from the estate of an individual who was receiving such assistance under the CommonHealth program for adults with disabilities or for payment of personal care attendant services.

SECTION 111. Section 1 of chapter 121B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the definition of "Blighted open area" the following definition:-

"Capital funds", funds advanced by the department to a housing authority to finance capital outlays for housing production or preservation from proceeds of a bond authorization as defined in section 1 of chapter 29.

SECTION 112. Said section 1 of said chapter 121B, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting, after the definition of "Relocation project" the following definition:-

"Replacement units", low-rent housing created to replace an existing housing project that is demolished or disposed of under subsection (k) of section 26; provided, however, that such units may be included within a privately-owned mixed-income development that also includes dwellings that are not low-rent housing; and provided further, that the use and occupancy of the replacement units is subject to a binding legal contract and land use restriction under paragraph (7) of subsection (k) of section 26.

SECTION 113. Section 26 of said chapter 121B, as amended by section 72 of chapter 39 of the acts of 2021, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "sale", in line 91, the following words:- or other disposition.

SECTION 114. Subsection (k) of said section 26 of said chapter 121B, as so amended, is hereby further amended by striking out paragraphs (1) to (4), inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the following 4 paragraphs:-

- (1) found that all or a substantial portion of such existing housing project or part thereof requires such substantial modernization or rehabilitation to continue to provide decent, safe and sanitary housing and that, in the judgment of the department, the required substantial modernization or rehabilitation cannot feasibly be executed by the housing authority pursuant to this chapter;
- (2) approved the proposed project, including a relocation plan for occupants of the existing project and a plan to make housing available on the land where the existing project is situated, in which the number of replacement units restricted as low-rent housing for occupancy by low-income persons or families shall be the same as the number of low-rent housing units in the existing housing project or part thereof that is subject to demolition or disposition, unless the department determines that: (i) a shortage of low-rent housing no longer exists in the applicable city or town; or (ii) the reduction in the number of units is necessary to increase the number of units that are accessible for persons with disabilities, which project may include plans to use a portion of such land for market-rate housing or for a public purpose ancillary to such development and approved by the department;
- (3) approved the sale or other disposition and the terms thereof, which shall be at a value determined through procedures customarily accepted by the appraising profession as valid, unless the department determines that a below-market disposition would be in the public interest

in order to support the continued occupancy of dwelling units in the new development by lowincome families;

(4) determined that the availability of funds to the housing authority for such project is conditioned upon the occurrence of the initial mortgage loan closing for the development of new or rehabilitated housing on the land where the existing project is situated, and the housing authority has selected, through a qualifications-based competitive procurement process approved by the department, a developer best qualified to develop, own and operate the new or rehabilitated housing on the existing land, to provide for such development of the new housing within a reasonable time in accordance with department-approved contracts, and to assure continued occupancy of the required number of replacement units in the new development by low-income families in accordance with this chapter.

SECTION 115. Said subsection (k) of said section 26 of said chapter 121B, as so amended, is hereby further amended by adding the following paragraph:-

(7) approved a binding legal contract and land use restriction to be entered into by the transferee of the property in favor of the local housing authority and the department that requires compliance with this chapter and the department's regulations if this chapter and the department's regulations apply to tenancy in and application to public housing, as determined by the department, with respect to the replacement units in the same manner and to the same effect as if the transferee were a housing authority; provided, however, that the department may waive this requirement as may be necessary to secure financing. The contract shall require compliance in perpetuity unless the department determines that the project financing requires the use of federal low-income housing tax credits and that compliance in perpetuity would make it

infeasible to comply with Internal Revenue Service requirements with respect to the low-income housing tax credit program.

SECTION 116. Said section 26 of said chapter 121B, as so amended, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 243, the words "this section or section 34" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- this chapter.

SECTION 117. Said section 26 of said chapter 121B, as so amended, is hereby further amended by inserting after the words "feasible to", in line 248, the following words:- maintain or to.

SECTION 118. Said section 26 of said chapter 121B, as so amended, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "demolition", in line 252, the following words:- or other disposition.

SECTION 119. Said section 26 of said chapter 121B, as so amended, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 254, the words "as of November 1, 2012", and inserting in place thereof the following words:- for reasons the department has determined not to be the fault of the housing authority for not less than 2 years.

SECTION 120. Said section 26 of said chapter 121B, as so amended, is hereby further amended by adding the following subsection:-

(q) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, including, without limitation, section 16 of chapter 30B, a housing authority may dispose of property pursuant to this section or section 34 to a developer selected by competitive, qualifications-based procurement without separately soliciting proposals for the property disposition; provided,

however, that the developer procurement declares the property available for disposition and that, in the case of a disposition of property pursuant to subsection (k), the number of replacement units required under paragraph (2) of said subsection (k) are provided. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing:

- (1) A housing authority shall not be required to determine the value of the property prior to soliciting proposals for selection of a developer best qualified to develop, own and operate the new or rehabilitated housing on the land. Prior to disposition of property by deed or other instrument, the housing authority shall determine the value of the property through procedures customarily accepted by the appraising profession as valid prior to the sale or other disposition of the property and if, with the approval of the department, the housing authority decides to dispose of the property at a price less than the value as so determined, the housing authority shall publish notice of its decision in the central register, explaining the reasons for its decision and disclosing the difference between such value and the price to be received; and
- (2) A housing authority shall not be required to specify all the restrictions that may be placed on the subsequent use of property prior to selecting a developer through a qualifications-based competitive procurement process; provided, that the developer procurement shall identify the minimum number of dwelling units in the new development that shall be occupied by low-income families. In the case of a disposition pursuant to subsection (k), such minimum number shall conform to the requirements of paragraph (2) of said subsection (k).
- 3177 SECTION 121. Section 29 of said chapter 121B, as appearing in the 2020 Official
  3178 Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

Notwithstanding any provision in this chapter to the contrary, if a housing authority does not own, lease or manage any housing project eligible to receive ongoing capital or operating assistance under section 32 or section 34, the department shall not investigate such housing authority's budgets, finances, dealings, transactions and relationships or other affairs, nor shall the department require periodic reporting by any such housing authority. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, a housing authority that does not own, lease or manage any housing project eligible to receive ongoing capital or operating assistance under said section 32 or 34 shall not be required to: (i) participate in a training program under section 5B; (ii) submit contracts with its executive director to the department for review pursuant to section 7A; (iii) participate in the performance-based monitoring program established pursuant to section 26B; (iv) participate in the regional capital assistance team program established pursuant to section 26C; (v) prepare and submit an annual plan pursuant to section 28A and this section; or (vi) prepare and submit, or make available, a written report and agreed upon procedures for review of housing authority financial records pursuant to this section.

SECTION 122. Section 34 of said chapter 121B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the fifth paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

The proceeds of any sale or other disposition of such project in excess of the total of all obligations of the housing authority with respect to such project shall, after the payment of all bonds issued by the housing authority to finance the cost of such project and payment of the costs of the sale or disposition, be retained by the housing authority for the preservation, modernization and maintenance of its public housing assisted under this chapter as approved by the department, or where the housing authority has no public housing assisted pursuant to this

chapter, such proceeds shall be paid to the department to fund capital improvements for the preservation, modernization and maintenance of state-aided public housing.

SECTION 123. Said section 34 of said chapter 121B, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the tenth paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

Whenever a housing authority shall determine that land acquired by it pursuant to clause (d) of section 11 for the purpose of this section is in excess of or no longer required for such purpose it may, upon approval by the department, sell or otherwise dispose of such land by deed or instrument approved as to form by the attorney general. If the housing authority is disposing of such land for purposes of housing development, it may do so in accordance with section 26. So long as any bonds issued by a housing authority to finance the cost of a project under this section or section 35 and guaranteed by the commonwealth are outstanding, funds received from a disposition of land as provided in this chapter shall be applied in accordance with the fourth paragraph of this section. After the payment of all bonds issued by the housing authority to finance the cost of such project, funds received shall be applied in accordance with the fifth paragraph of this section.

SECTION 124. Said section 34 of said chapter 121B, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by adding the following paragraph:-

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, construction and development activity related to redevelopment of state-aided or federally-aided public housing projects where the land, buildings or structures associated with the housing project have been conveyed or transferred to an affiliated non-profit or private entity for purposes of completing the

redevelopment shall not be subject to any general or special law related to the procurement and award of contracts for the planning, design, construction management, construction, reconstruction, installation, demolition, maintenance or repair of buildings by a public agency; provided, however, that the department shall review and approve the procurement processes used to undertake this redevelopment in accordance with subsection (q) of section 26; and provided further, that all construction, reconstruction, alteration, installation, demolition, maintenance or repair shall be subject to sections 26 to 27F, inclusive, and section 29 of chapter 149. The department shall request rates and updates from the division of labor standards for these projects.

SECTION 124A. Chapter 138 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 15F, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

Section 15F. (a) For the purposes of this section, "agricultural event" shall only include events certified by the department of agricultural resources pursuant to this section.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, the local licensing authority of any city or town authorized to grant licenses to sell alcoholic beverages under this chapter may issue to an applicant a special license to sell: (i) wine produced by or for the applicant at an indoor or outdoor agricultural event if the wine is in sealed containers for off-premises consumption and the applicant is authorized to operate a farmer-winery under section 19B; (ii) malt beverages produced by or for the applicant at an indoor or outdoor agricultural event if the malt beverages are in sealed containers for off-premises consumption and the applicant is authorized to operate a farmer-brewery under section 19C or a pub brewery under section 19D; or (iii) distilled spirits produced by or for the applicant at an indoor or outdoor

agricultural event if the spirits are in sealed containers for off-premises consumption, the applicant is authorized to operate a farmer-distillery under section 19E and the city or town is authorized to grant licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages.

- (c) The sales of alcoholic beverages under this section shall be conducted by the licensee or by an agent, representative or solicitor of the licensee to customers who are not less than 21 years of age. A licensee under this section may provide samples of its alcoholic beverages to prospective customers at an indoor or outdoor agricultural event without charge. Any such sample shall be served by the licensee or by an agent, representative or solicitor of the licensee to individuals who are not less than 21 years of age and shall be consumed in the presence of the licensee or an agent, representative or solicitor of the licensee; provided, however, that a sample of wine shall not exceed 1 ounce, a sample of malt beverage shall not exceed 2 ounces and a sample of distilled spirits shall not exceed ½ ounce; and provided further, that not more than 5 samples shall be served to an individual prospective customer.
- (d) An applicant for a special license under this section shall first submit a plan to the department of agricultural resources that shall demonstrate that the event is an agricultural event. The plan shall include: (i) a description of the event; (ii) the date, time and location of the event; (iii) a copy of the operational guidelines or rules for the event; (iv) written proof that the applicant has been approved as a vendor at the event, including the name and contact information of the on-site manager; and (v) a plan depicting the premises and the specific location where the license shall be exercised.
- (e) Upon review of the plan, the department may certify that the event is an agricultural event; provided, however, that in making that determination, the department shall consider: (i)

operation as a farmers' market or agricultural fair approved or inspected by the department; (ii) the frequency and regularity of the event, including dates, times and locations; (iii) the number of vendors; (iv) the terms of vendor agreements; (v) the presence of an on-site manager; (vi) the training of the on-site manager; (vii) any operational guidelines or rules, which shall include vendor eligibility and produce source; (viii) the focus of the event on local agricultural products grown or produced within the market area; (ix) the types of shows or exhibits, including those described in clause (f) of section 2 of chapter 128; and (x) the event's sponsorship or operation by an agricultural or horticultural society organized under the laws of the commonwealth or by a local grange organization or association that has a primary purpose of promoting agriculture and its allied industries. The department may promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the operation, oversight, approval and inspection of agricultural events under this section.

- (f) In addition to its application, an applicant for a special license under this section shall file with the local licensing authority proof of certification from the department of agricultural resources that the event is an agricultural event. A special license shall designate the specific premises and the dates and times covered; provided, however, that a special license may be granted for an indoor or outdoor agricultural event that takes place on multiple dates or times during a single calendar year; provided further, that a special license shall not be granted for an agricultural event if it will not take place within 1 calendar year.
- (g) A special license under this section shall be conspicuously displayed at the licensed premises. The licensing authority shall submit a copy of a special license to the commission not less than 7 days before the date the agricultural event is first scheduled to begin. The local licensing authority may charge a fee for each special license granted; provided, however, that the fee shall not exceed \$50. A special license granted under this section shall not be transferable to

any other person, corporation or organization and shall be clearly marked "nontransferable" on its face.

- (h) A special license under this section may be granted by a local licensing authority for a portion of premises that are licensed under section 12; provided, however, that: (i) the holder of the special license shall document the legal basis for use of the premises; (ii) the area in which the special license is to be approved shall be physically delineated from the area remaining under the control of the holder of the license granted under said section 12; (iii) the holder of the special license shall be solely liable for all activities that arise from the special license; and (iv) the holder of the special license shall not pay any consideration, directly or indirectly, to the holder of the license granted under said section 12 for the access to or use of the premises.
- (i) The commission may promulgate rules and regulations as it deems appropriate to implement this section.

SECTION 124B. Section 21 of chapter 138 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 20 and 21, the words "six per cent of alcohol by weight" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- 8½ per cent of alcohol by volume.; and

SECTION 124C. Said section 21 of said chapter 138, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 25, the word "six" and inserting in place thereof the following figure:- 8 ½.

SECTION 124D. Chapter 138 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 33B the following 2 sections:-

Section 33C. In a city or town that accepts this section in the manner provided in section 4 of chapter 4, an establishment holding a license to sell alcohol to be drunk on the premises shall be permitted to sell alcoholic beverages or alcohol at a discounted price, in a manner as approved by the city or town.

Section 33D. In a city or town that accepts this section in the manner provided in section 4 of chapter 4, a common victualler duly licensed under chapter 140 or any person duly licensed under section 12 to sell all alcoholic beverages or only wines and malt beverages may discount any alcoholic beverages during a specified time period subject to ordinance, by-law, or other limitations as provided by the city and town and; provided, however, that: (i) the prices of alcoholic beverages are not changed during the time period during which they are discounted; (ii) alcoholic beverages are not discounted between the hours of 10 p.m. and the licensed establishment's closing hour; and (iii) notice of the discount of the alcoholic beverages during the time period specified is posted on the licensed premises and on the licensee's publicly available website not less than 3 days prior to the specified time. Authorized persons may advertise events permitted under this statute consistent with local approval.

SECTION 124E. The alcoholic beverages control commission shall convene a 9 member advisory group to assist municipalities and provide guidance on the implementation of sections 33C and 33D of chapter 138 of the General Laws. The advisory panel shall consist of diverse membership with expertise in public safety, alcohol licensing, alcohol distribution, small businesses, promotion of safe driving practices and restaurant operations.

SECTION 125. Section 206 of chapter 175 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the definition of "Control" the following 2 definitions:-

"Division", the division of insurance.

"Enterprise risk", any activity, circumstance, event or series of events involving 1 or more affiliates of an insurer that, if not remedied promptly, is likely to have a material adverse effect upon the financial condition or liquidity of the insurer or its insurance holding company system as a whole, including, but not limited to, anything that would cause the insurer's risk-based capital to fall into company action level as set forth by the commissioner by regulation or would cause the insurer to be in hazardous financial condition as set forth in section 3 of chapter 175J.

SECTION 126. Said section 206 of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the definition of "Group-wide supervisor" the following definition:-

"Group capital calculation instructions", the group capital calculation instructions as adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and as amended by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners from time to time in accordance with the procedures adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

SECTION 127. Said section 206 of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the definition of "Internationally active insurance group" the following definition:-

"National Association of Insurance Commissioners liquidity stress test framework" or "Framework", a publication from the National Association of Insurance Commissioners that includes a history of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' development of regulatory liquidity stress testing, the scope criteria applicable for a specific data year and the liquidity stress test instructions and reporting templates for a specific data year, such scope

criteria, instructions and reporting template as adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and as amended by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners from time to time in accordance with the procedures adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

SECTION 128. Said section 206 of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the definition of "Person" the following definition:-

"Scope criteria", the designated exposure bases, along with minimum magnitudes thereof for the specified data year, used to establish a preliminary list of insurers considered scoped into the National Association of Insurance Commissioners liquidity stress test framework for that data year, as detailed in the National Association of Insurance Commissioners liquidity stress test framework.

SECTION 129. Subsection (d) of section 206C of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:- The determination of materiality in this subsection shall not apply for purposes of the group capital calculation or the liquidity stress test framework.

SECTION 130. Subsection (m) of said section 206C of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out paragraphs (4) and (5) and inserting in place thereof the following 5 paragraphs:-

(4) the books, accounts and records of each party to all such transactions shall be so maintained as to clearly and accurately disclose the nature and details of the transactions including such accounting information as is necessary to support the reasonableness of the charges or fees to the respective parties;

(5) the insurer's surplus as regards policyholders following any dividends or distributions to shareholder affiliates shall be reasonable in relation to the insurer's outstanding liabilities and adequate to its financial needs;

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- (6) if an insurer subject to this section is deemed by the commissioner to be in a hazardous financial condition as described in section 3 of chapter 175J or a condition that would be grounds for supervision, conservation or a delinquency proceeding, the commissioner may require the insurer to secure and maintain either a deposit held by the commissioner or a bond, as determined by the insurer at the insurer's discretion, for the protection of the insurer for the duration of the contract or agreement, or the existence of the condition for which the commissioner required the deposit or the bond. In determining whether a deposit or a bond is required, the commissioner shall consider whether concerns exist with respect to the affiliated person's ability to fulfill the contract or agreement if the insurer were to be put into liquidation. Once the insurer is deemed to be in a hazardous financial condition or a condition that would be grounds for supervision, conservation or a delinquency proceeding and a deposit or bond is deemed necessary by the commissioner, the commissioner may determine the amount of the deposit or bond, not to exceed the value of the contract or agreement in any 1 year, and whether such deposit or bond should be required for a single contract, multiple contracts or a contract only with a specific person;
- (7) all records and data of the insurer held by an affiliate are and remain the property of the insurer, are subject to control of the insurer, are identifiable and are segregated or readily capable of segregation, at no additional cost to the insurer, from all other persons' records and data. This shall include all records and data that are otherwise the property of the insurer, in whatever form maintained, including, but not limited to, claims and claim files, policyholder

lists, application files, litigation files, premium records, rate books, underwriting manuals, personnel records, financial records or similar records within the possession, custody or control of the affiliate. At the request of the insurer, the affiliate shall provide that the receiver can: (i) obtain a complete set of all records of any type that pertain to the insurer's business; (ii) obtain access to the operating systems on which the data is maintained; (iii) obtain the software that runs those systems either through assumption of licensing agreements or otherwise; and (iv) restrict the use of the data by the affiliate if it is not operating the insurer's business. The affiliate shall provide a waiver of any landlord lien or other encumbrance to give the insurer access to all records and data in the event of the affiliate's default under a lease or other agreement; and

(8) premiums or other funds belonging to the insurer that are collected by or held by an affiliate are the exclusive property of the insurer and are subject to the control of the insurer. Any right of offset in the event an insurer is placed into receivership shall be subject to sections 180A to 180L1/2, inclusive.

SECTION 131. Said section 206C of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after subsection (q) the following subsection:-

(q½)(1) Any affiliate that is party to an agreement or contract with a domestic insurer that is subject to paragraph (4) of subsection (n) shall be subject to the jurisdiction of any supervision, seizure, conservatorship or receivership proceedings against the insurer and to the authority of any supervisor, conservator, rehabilitator or liquidator for the insurer appointed pursuant to sections 180A to 180L1/2, inclusive, for the purpose of interpreting, enforcing and overseeing the affiliate's obligations under the agreement or contract to perform services for the insurer that:

(i) are an integral part of the insurer's operations, including, but not limited to management, administrative, accounting, data processing, marketing, underwriting, claims handling, investment or any other similar functions; or

- (ii) are essential to the insurer's ability to fulfill its obligations under insurance policies.
- (2) The commissioner may require that an agreement or contract that is subject to paragraph (4) of subsection (n) for the provision of services described in clauses (i) and (ii) of paragraph (1) specify that the affiliate consents to the jurisdiction as set forth in this subsection.

SECTION 132. Subsection (v) of said section 206C of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out paragraph (1) and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

(1) Documents, materials or other information in the possession or control of the division that are obtained by or disclosed to the commissioner or any other person in the course of an examination or investigation made pursuant to subsection (u) and all information reported or provided to the division pursuant to this section shall be recognized as being proprietary and containing trade secrets, shall be confidential by law and privileged, shall not be a public record under clause Twenty-sixth of section 7 of chapter 4 or under chapter 66, shall not be subject to subpoena and shall not be subject to discovery or admissible in evidence in any private civil action; provided, however, that the commissioner may use the documents, materials or other information in the furtherance of any regulatory or legal action brought as a part of the commissioner's official duties. The commissioner shall not otherwise make the documents, materials or other information public without the prior written consent of the insurer to which it pertains unless the commissioner, after giving the insurer and its affiliates who would be affected

thereby notice and opportunity to be heard, determines that the interest of policyholders, shareholders or the public shall be served by the publication thereof, in which event the commissioner may publish all or any part in such manner as may be considered appropriate.

- (i) For purposes of the information reported and provided to the division pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (z), the commissioner shall maintain the confidentiality of the group capital calculation and group capital ratio produced within the calculation and any group capital information received from an insurance holding company supervised by the Federal Reserve Board or any United States group-wide supervisor.
- (ii) For purposes of the information reported and provided to the division pursuant to paragraph (3) of subsection (z), the commissioner shall maintain the confidentiality of the liquidity stress test results and supporting disclosures and any liquidity stress test information received from an insurance holding company supervised by the Federal Reserve Board and non-United States group-wide supervisors.

SECTION 133. Said subsection (v) of said section 206C of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out paragraph (3) and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

- (3) In order to assist in the performance of the commissioner's duties, the commissioner:
- (i) may share documents, materials or other information, including the confidential and privileged documents, materials or information subject to paragraph (1), including proprietary and trade secret documents with other state, federal and international regulatory agencies, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries, the International Association of Insurance Supervisors, the Bank for International Settlements, the

Federal Insurance Office and state, federal and international law enforcement authorities, including members of any supervisory college described in subsection (x); provided, however, that the recipient agrees in writing to maintain the confidentiality and privileged status of the document, material or other information and has verified in writing the legal authority to maintain confidentiality;

- (ii) may receive documents, materials or information, including otherwise confidential and privileged documents, materials or information, including proprietary and trade-secret information from the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and its affiliates and subsidiaries, the International Association of Insurance Supervisors, the Bank for International Settlements, the Federal Insurance Office and from regulatory and law enforcement officials of other foreign or domestic jurisdictions and shall maintain as confidential and privileged any document, material or information received with notice or the understanding that it is confidential or privileged under the laws of the jurisdiction that is the source of the document, material or information; and
- (iii) shall enter into written agreements with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and any third-party consultant designated by the commissioner governing sharing and the use of information provided pursuant to this subsection that shall:
- (A) specify procedures and protocols regarding the confidentiality and security of information shared with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and any third-party consultant designated by the commissioner pursuant to this section, including procedures and protocols for sharing by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners with other state, federal or international regulators;

(B) provide within the agreement that the recipient agrees in writing to maintain the confidentiality and privileged status of the documents, materials or other information and has verified in writing the legal authority to maintain such confidentiality;

- (C) specify that ownership of information shared with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or a third-party consultant designated by the commissioner pursuant to this section remains with the commissioner and the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or the third-party consultant, and that use of the information is subject to the direction of the commissioner;
- (D) excluding documents, materials or information reported pursuant to paragraph (3) of subsection (z), prohibit the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or a third-party consultant designated by the commissioner pursuant to this section from storing the information shared pursuant to this section in a permanent database after the underlying analysis is completed;
- (E) require prompt notice to be given to an insurer whose confidential information is in the possession of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or a third-party consultant designated by the commissioner pursuant to this section and is subject to a request or subpoena to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or a third-party consultant designated by the commissioner for disclosure or production;
- (F) require the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or a third-party consultant designated by the commissioner pursuant to this section to consent to intervention by an insurer in any judicial or administrative action in which the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or the third-party consultant may be required to disclose confidential information

about the insurer shared with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or the thirdparty consultant; and

(G) for documents, material or information reporting pursuant to paragraph (3) of subsection (z), in the case of an agreement involving a third-party consultant designated by the commissioner pursuant to this section, provide for notification of the identity of the consultant to the applicable insurers.

SECTION 134. Said subsection (v) of said section 206C of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by adding the following paragraph:-

(7) The group capital calculation and resulting group capital ratio required pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (z) and the liquidity stress test along with its results and supporting disclosures required pursuant to paragraph (3) of said subsection (z) shall be regulatory tools for assessing group risks and capital adequacy and group liquidity risks, respectively, and are not intended as a means to rank insurers or insurance holding company systems generally. Except as otherwise may be required pursuant to this section, the making, publishing, disseminating, circulating or placing before the public in a newspaper, magazine or other publication, or in the form of a notice, circular, pamphlet, letter or poster, or over any radio or television station or any electronic means of communication available to the public, or in any other way as an advertisement, announcement or statement containing a representation or statement with regard to the group capital calculation, group capital ratio, the liquidity stress test results or supporting disclosures for the liquidity stress test of any insurer or any insurer group, or of any component derived in the calculation by any insurer, broker, or other person engaged in any manner in the insurance business shall be deemed misleading and shall be prohibited; provided, however, that

if any materially false statement with respect to the group capital calculation, resulting group capital ratio, an inappropriate comparison of any amount to an insurer's or insurance group's capital calculation or resulting group capital ratio, liquidity stress test result, supporting disclosures for the liquidity stress test or an inappropriate comparison of any amount to an insurer's or insurance group's liquidity stress test result or supporting disclosures is published in any written publication and the insurer is able to demonstrate to the commissioner with substantial proof the falsity of such statement or the inappropriateness, the insurer may publish announcements in a written publication if the sole purpose of the announcement is to rebut the materially false statement.

SECTION 135. Said section 206C of said chapter 175, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by adding the following subsection:-

- (z)(1) The ultimate controlling person of every insurer subject to registration shall also file an annual enterprise risk report. The report shall, to the best of the ultimate controlling person's knowledge and belief, identify the material risks within the insurance holding company system that could pose enterprise risk to the insurer. The report shall be filed with the lead state commissioner of the insurance holding company system as determined by the procedures within the financial analysis handbook adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided by this paragraph, the ultimate controlling person of every insurer subject to registration pursuant to this section shall concurrently file with the registration statement an annual group capital calculation as directed by the lead state commissioner. The report shall be completed in accordance with the National Association of

Insurance Commissioner's group capital calculation instructions, which may permit the lead state commissioner to allow a controlling person that is not the ultimate controlling person to file the group capital calculation. The report shall be filed with the lead state commissioner of the insurance holding company system as determined by the commissioner in accordance with the procedures within the financial analysis handbook adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners. Insurance holding company systems described below are exempt from filing the group capital calculation:

- (i) An insurance holding company system that has only 1 insurer within its holding company structure, that only writes business and is only licensed in its domestic state and assumes no business from any other insurer;
- (ii) An insurance holding company system that is required to perform a group capital calculation specified by the United States Federal Reserve Board. The lead state commissioner shall request the calculation from the Federal Reserve Board under the terms of information sharing agreements in effect. If the Federal Reserve Board cannot share the calculation with the lead state commissioner, the insurance holding company system is not exempt from the group capital calculation filing;
- (iii) An insurance holding company system whose non-United States group-wide supervisor is located within a reciprocal jurisdiction as described in section 20A that recognizes the United States regulatory approach to group supervision and group capital; and
  - (iv) An insurance holding company system:
- (A) That provides information to the lead state that meets the requirements for accreditation under the National Association of Insurance Commissioners financial standards and

accreditation program, either directly or indirectly through the group-wide supervisor, who has determined such information is satisfactory to allow the lead state to comply with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners group supervision approach, as detailed in the National Association of Insurance Commissioners financial analysis handbook; and

- (B) Whose non-United States group-wide supervisor that is not in a reciprocal jurisdiction recognizes and accepts, as specified by the commissioner in regulation, the group capital calculation as the world-wide group capital assessment for United States insurance groups who operate in that jurisdiction.
- (3)(i) Notwithstanding clauses (iii) and (iv) of paragraph (2), a lead state commissioner shall require the group capital calculation for United States operations of any non-United States based insurance holding company system where, after any necessary consultation with other supervisors or officials, it is deemed appropriate by the lead state commissioner for prudential oversight and solvency monitoring purposes or for ensuring the competitiveness of the insurance marketplace.
- (ii) Notwithstanding the exemptions from filing the group capital calculation stated in clauses (i) to (iv), inclusive, of paragraph (2), the lead state commissioner shall have the discretion to exempt the ultimate controlling person from filing the annual group capital calculation or to accept a limited group capital filing or report in accordance with criteria as specified by the commissioner in regulation.
- (iii) If the lead state commissioner determines that an insurance holding company system no longer meets 1 or more of the requirements for an exemption from filing the group capital calculation under this subsection, the insurance holding company system shall file the group

capital calculation at the next annual filing date unless given an extension by the lead state commissioner based on reasonable grounds shown.

- (4) The ultimate controlling person of every insurer subject to registration pursuant to this section and scoped into the National Association of Insurance Commissioners liquidity stress test Framework shall file the results of a specific year's liquidity stress test. The filing shall be made to the lead state insurance commissioner of the insurance holding company system as determined by the procedures within the financial analysis handbook adopted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.
- (i) The National Association of Insurance Commissioners liquidity stress test Framework includes scope criteria applicable to a specific data year. The scope criteria are reviewed at least annually by the financial stability task force or its successor. Any change to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners liquidity stress test framework or to the data year for which the scope criteria are to be measured shall be effective on January 1 of the year following the calendar year when such changes are adopted. Insurers meeting at least 1 threshold of the scope criteria are considered scoped into the National Association of Insurance Commissioners liquidity stress test framework for the specified data year unless the lead state insurance commissioner, in consultation with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners financial stability task force or its successor, determines the insurer should not be scoped into the framework for that data year. Similarly, insurers that do not trigger at least 1 threshold of the scope criteria are considered scoped out of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners liquidity stress test framework for the specified data year, unless the lead state insurance commissioner, in consultation with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners

financial stability task force or its successor, determines the insurer should be scoped into the framework for that data year.

- (A) The lead state insurance commissioner, in consultation with the financial stability task force or its successor, shall take into consideration how best to avoid having insurers scoped in and out of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners liquidity stress test framework on a frequent basis as part of the determination for an insurer.
- (ii) The performance of, and filing of the results from, a specific year's liquidity stress test shall comply with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners liquidity stress test framework's instructions and reporting templates for that year and any lead state insurance commissioner determinations, in consultation with the financial stability task force or its successor, provided within the framework.

SECTION 135A. The ninth paragraph of section 10 of chapter 498 of the acts of 1993 is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:- Notwithstanding any general or special law or provision of the Reuse Plan or the Bylaws to the contrary, the maximum area of building space to be developed or used in the Devens Regional Enterprise Zone shall be 12,000,000 square feet.

SECTION 135B. Item 1231-1020 of section 72 of chapter 204 of the acts of 1996, as amended by section 54 of chapter 365 the acts of 1996, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "called" the following words:-, and to assist homeowners with treatment systems to ensure that drinking water from private wells meets primary standards for recommended concentration limits of contaminants as specified by public drinking water standards issued by the department of environmental protection; provided further, that the department of

environmental protection shall determine the requirements for loan guarantees and interest subsidies for an eligible project; provided further, that the department of environmental protection may subcontract the administration of this program to public authorities and other public instrumentalities of the commonwealth; provided further, that the board of health of a city or town in which a proposed project shall be undertaken, or the department of environmental protection shall determine if a homeowner's proposed project is an eligible private well remediation project as specified by public drinking water standards issued by the department; provided further, that for purposes of this program, an eligible project shall mean a project to construct a treatment system for a private well that a board of health of a city or town or the department of environmental protection determines is out of compliance with public drinking water standards issued by the department or a septic system that a board of health of a city or town determines is out of compliance with Title V.

SECTION 135C. Chapter 239 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

Section 15. (a) As used in this section, the following words shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

"Consumer report", written, oral or other communication of any information by a consumer reporting agency bearing on a person's credit worthiness, credit standing or credit capacity that is used or expected to be used or collected in whole or in part for the purpose of serving as a factor in establishing the person's eligibility for rental housing or other purposes authorized under section 51 of chapter 93.

"Consumer reporting agency", an individual, partnership, corporation, trust, estate, cooperative, association, government or governmental subdivision or agency or other entity that, for monetary fees, dues or on a cooperative nonprofit basis, regularly engages in whole or in part in the practice of assembling or evaluating consumer credit information or other information on consumers for the purpose of furnishing consumer reports to third parties.

"Court", the trial court of the commonwealth established pursuant to section 1 of chapter 211B and any departments or offices established within the trial court.

"Court record", paper or electronic records or data in any communicable form compiled by, on file with or in the care, custody or control of the court that concern a person and relate to the nature or disposition of an eviction action or a lessor action.

"Eviction action", (i) a summary process action under this chapter to recover possession of residential premises; (ii) a civil action under section 19 of chapter 139 to obtain an order requiring a tenant or occupant to vacate residential premises; (iii) a civil action brought pursuant to section 11, 12 or 13 of chapter 186 or subsection (a) of section 4 of chapter 186A; or (iv) any other civil action brought against a tenant or occupant of residential premises to obtain possession of or exclusive access to the residential premises.

"Lessor action", any civil action brought against the owner, manager or lessor of residential premises by the tenant or occupant of such premises relating to or arising out of such property, rental, tenancy or occupancy for breach of warranty, breach of any material provision of the rental agreement or violation of any other law.

"No-fault eviction", any eviction action in which the notice to quit, notice of termination or complaint does not include an allegation of nonpayment of rent or of violation of any material

term of the tenancy by the tenant or occupant; provided, however, that a "no-fault eviction" shall include an action brought after termination of a tenancy for economic, business or other reasons not constituting a violation of the terms of the tenancy.

- (b) Any person having a court record of a no-fault eviction on file in a court may petition the court to seal the court record at any time after the conclusion of the action, including exhaustion of all rights of appeal. The petition shall be on a form furnished by the trial court of the commonwealth, signed under the penalties of perjury and filed in the same court as the action sought to be sealed. If an action was active in more than 1 court during its pendency, then a petition may be filed in each such court. Notice need not be given to parties to the original action. The court shall comply with the petitioner's request provided that the record only pertains to a no-fault eviction and the action has concluded with all rights of appeal exhausted. Such court may, in its discretion, process such petitions administratively without a hearing.
- (c) Upon motion and for good cause shown, or as otherwise authorized by this section, court records sealed under this section may, at the discretion of the court and upon a balancing of the interests of the litigants and the public in nondisclosure of the information with the interests of the requesting party, be made available for public safety, scholarly, educational, journalistic or governmental purposes only; provided, however, that the personally identifiable information of the parties involved in the action shall remain sealed unless the court determines that release of such information is appropriate under this subsection and necessary to fulfill the purpose of the request. Nothing in this subsection shall be deemed to permit the release of personally identifiable information for commercial purposes.

(d) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the dissemination of information contained in a record sealed pursuant to this section as the court deems necessary or appropriate: (i) for the collection of a money judgment; (ii) to pursue a criminal investigation; (iii) to pursue a criminal prosecution; or (iv) where information in the sealed record was entered into evidence in a criminal prosecution that resulted in a criminal charge.

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- (e) Nothing in this section shall prohibit a person or their representative from petitioning the court to obtain access to sealed eviction records in which the person is a party.
- (f) A consumer reporting agency shall not disclose the existence of, or information regarding, an eviction record sealed under this section or use information contained in a sealed court record as a factor to determine any score or recommendation to be included in a consumer report unless the court record was available for inspection with the court not more than 30 days of the report date. A consumer reporting agency may include in a consumer report, information found in publicly available court records; provided, however, that the consumer report shall include a person's full name, whether an eviction action was a fault eviction, a no-fault eviction or a lessor action and the outcome of any eviction action if such information is contained in the publicly available court record. Information contained in a sealed court record shall be removed from the consumer report or from the calculation of any score or recommendation to be included in a consumer report not more than 30 days after the sealing of the court record from which it is derived. Any consumer reporting agency that violates this subsection shall be liable to the person who is the subject of the consumer report in an amount equal to the sum of any actual damages sustained by the consumer as a result of the failure and the costs of the action, including reasonable attorney's fees. The attorney general shall enforce the provisions of this paragraph

and remedies provided hereunder shall not be exclusive. Nothing in this subsection shall be deemed to waive the rights or remedies of any person under any other law or regulation.

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- (g) An application used to screen applicants for housing or credit that seeks information concerning prior eviction actions of the applicant shall include the following statement: "An applicant for housing or credit with a sealed record on file with the court pursuant to section 15 of chapter 239 of the General Laws may answer 'no record' to an inquiry relative to that sealed court record."
- (h) A party who obtains a judgment in an eviction action or a lessor action or enters into an agreement regarding an eviction solely for nonpayment of rent shall, not more than 14 days after satisfaction of the judgment or agreement, file with the court in which the judgment or agreement was entered a notice of satisfaction of the judgment or agreement. A party that has satisfied a judgment or agreement may, upon noncompliance with this subsection by the other party, seek equitable relief to correct the court record and shall be entitled to costs and reasonable attorney's fees. Upon the filing of a notice of satisfaction of judgment or an agreement or court judgment deeming the judgment or agreement satisfied a party may petition the court to seal the court record pertaining to that action. The petition shall be on a form furnished by the trial court of the commonwealth, signed under the penalties of perjury and filed in the same court as the action sought to be sealed. If an action was active in more than 1 court during its pendency, a petition may be filed in each such court. Notice need not be given to parties to the original action. Such court shall comply with the petitioner's request and seal the court record if the judgment or agreement has been satisfied and the action has concluded with all rights of appeal exhausted. The court may process such petitions administratively without a hearing.

3750	SECTION 136. Subsection (a) of section 60 of chapter 46 of the acts of 2013 is hereby
3751	amended by inserting after the words "in fiscal year 2018" the following words:- and each fiscal
3752	year thereafter.
3753	SECTION 137. Sections 46, 48, 61, 63 and 124A of chapter 287 of the acts of 2014 are
3754	hereby repealed.
3755	SECTION 137A. Item 1410-1616 of section 2 of chapter 24 of the acts of 2021 is hereby
3756	amended by inserting after the word "project" the following words:- and such funds shall be
3757	made available until June 30, 2023.
3758	SECTION 137B. Item 1599-0026 of section 2 of chapter 24 of the acts of 2021 is hereby
3759	amended by inserting after the word 'Middleton', the second time it appears, the following
3760	words:- and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2023.
3761	SECTION 137C. Item 7008-1116 of section 2 of chapter 24 of the acts of 2021 is hereby
3762	amended by inserting after the word "use", the first time it appears, the following words:- and
3763	such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2023.
3764	SECTION 137D. Said item 7008-1116 of said section 2 of said chapter 24 is hereby
3765	further amended by inserting after the word "Sturbridge" the following words:- "and such funds
3766	shall be made available until June 30, 2023.
3767	SECTION 137E. Said item 7008-1116 of said section 2 of said chapter 24 is hereby

further amended by inserting after the word "Rutland" the following words:-; and such funds

shall be made available until June 30, 2023.

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SECTION 137F. Item 7008-1116 of section 2 of chapter 24 of the acts of 2021 is hereby amended by inserting after the word "ladies" the following words:- and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2023.

SECTION 137G. Item 8000-0313 of section 2 of chapter 24 of the acts of 2021 is hereby amended by inserting after the word "efforts", the first time it appears, the following words:- and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2023.

SECTION 137H. Item 8324-0000 of section 2 of chapter 24 of the acts of 2021 is hereby amended by inserting after the word "Cod" the following words:- and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2023.

SECTION 137I. Chapter 24 of the acts of 2021 is hereby amended in section 2, in item 8000-0313, by inserting after the word "equipment", the fifth time it appears, the following words:- and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2023.

SECTION 138. Section 67 of Chapter 102 of the Act of 2021 is hereby amended by striking out the section and inserting in place thereof the section:-

SECTION 67. Item 8200-0200 of said section 2 of said chapter 24 is hereby amended by adding the following words:-; provided further, that not less than \$750,000 shall be expended for a need-based scholarship pilot program to provide financial assistance to student officers who actively enroll in a full-time police academy conducted by the municipal police training committee; provided further, that scholarships shall be used to: (i) promote diversity, equity and inclusion in the hiring of student officers; (ii) defray the upfront costs for qualified underrepresented and economically-disadvantaged individuals enrolled as student officers in a full-time police academy; and (iii) increase municipal police employment opportunities for

underrepresented and economically-disadvantaged individuals; provided further, that the amount of any scholarship awarded under this item shall be \$7,000 per eligible student officer; provided further, that funds in this item shall be used to directly fund or reimburse student officers enrolled in the full-time police academy and such funds shall be made available until June 30, 2023; provided further, that scholarships shall be disbursed to eligible student officers under this item in a regionally equitable manner; provided further, that not later than April 15, 2022, the executive office of public safety and security shall submit a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on public safety and homeland security detailing the criteria established for creating the scholarships and providing financial assistance; and provided further, beginning on June 30, 2023, the executive office shall provide a report to the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on public safety and homeland security not later than June 30 of each fiscal year detailing expenditures from this item and the status of the scholarship program including, but not limited to: (i) the number of scholarship applications; (ii) the number of successful scholarship applicants; and (iii) the criteria used to determine successful applications.

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SECTION 138A. Section 89 of said chapter 102 is hereby amended by striking out the words "December 31, 2022", inserted by section 11 of chapter 22 of the acts of 2022, both times they appear, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the following words:- "March 31, 2023".

SECTION 139. Section 2 of chapter 42 of the acts of 2022 is hereby amended by striking out item 4003-0100 and inserting in place thereof the following item:-

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SECTION 140. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the commissioner of conservation and recreation may amend and extend for a 30-year period the existing lease authorized under chapter 287 of the acts of 1977.

SECTION 141. The Massachusetts Convention Center Authority, established in section 33 of chapter 190 of the acts of 1982, shall update and supplement the report entitled "BCEC Expansion 2019 Project Report", dated January 2020, to account for changes in the convention, venue management and hospitality industry that have developed since January 2020, including, but not limited to, changes resulting from the outbreak of the 2019 novel coronavirus, also known as COVID-19, and subsequent variants; provided, however, that the update and supplement shall include, but not be limited to, an analysis of: (i) the competitiveness of the city of Boston and the commonwealth nationally and globally as a destination for conventions, gatherings and similar public meetings; (ii) the needs of the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center to accommodate conventions, gatherings and public meetings; (iii) how conventions, gatherings and public meetings will take place going forward, including safety and public health considerations for COVID-19 and possible future public health crises; and (iv) technology, air filtration and any other physical plant enhancements.

The Massachusetts Convention Center Authority shall convene a design advisory group that shall consist of: 5 residents of the South Boston section of the city of Boston, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the governor, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the president of the senate, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the mayor of the city of Boston and 1 of whom shall be appointed by the city councilor for district 2 of the city of Boston; the president of the St. Vincent-Lower End Neighborhood Association; and the president of the Fort Point Neighborhood Association. The

Massachusetts Convention Center Authority's community liaison and outreach team shall hold not less than 3 public meetings in collaboration with the design advisory group within 90 days of the effective date of this act.

The design advisory group shall review the updated and supplemental report required under the first paragraph of this section and, if the design advisory group approves the report by a two-thirds vote, the report shall be referred to an appropriate committee of the general court, to be determined by the clerks of the senate and the house of representatives, with the approval of the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representative. Not more than 30 days after such referral, the committee shall hold a public hearing on the report. Not more than 10 days after such hearing, the committee shall report that it approves or disapproves the report. Unless disapproved by a majority vote of the members of either of the 2 branches of the general court present and voting within 60 days of the referral to the committee, the report shall be deemed approved and shall constitute authorization by the general court and full compliance with section 38N of chapter 190 of the acts of 1982, as amended, with respect to any capital facility project undertaken by the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority in connection with the report.

In undertaking any capital facility project in connection with the report, the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority shall implement the requirements described in section 6 of chapter 195 of the acts of 2014 and shall hire a director of diversity, equity and inclusion and director of labor relations who shall jointly oversee such implementation; provided, however, that before establishing the required participation goals, the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority shall consult with the Massachusetts Port Authority on the participation goals utilized by the Massachusetts Port Authority; provided further, that,

notwithstanding subsection (c) of said section 6 of said chapter 195, the participation goals shall be greater than the combined participation goals for minority business enterprises, service-disabled veteran-owned small business enterprises and women business enterprises on public building projects as established by the division of capital asset management and maintenance pursuant to section 6 of chapter 7C of the General Laws.

SECTION 141A. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, in consultation with the executive office of housing and economic development, shall report the results of the request for proposals, dated April 6, 2022 for the redevelopment of the New Bedford State Pier, not later than 10 days of the effective date of this act. The report shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the bids submitted; provided, however, that the secretary shall not include matters deemed to be trade secrets or confidential, competitively-sensitive or other proprietary information; (ii) any scoring and scoring criteria used for each bid submitted; and (iii) the extent to which each bid satisfies mixed-use development priorities pursuant to section 58 of chapter 228 of the acts of 2018 and item 6720-1350 of chapter 286 of the acts of 2014. The report shall be published on the agency's website and submitted to the senate and house committees on ways and means, the clerks of the senate and house of representatives and the senate committee on steering and policy.

(b) The agency shall conduct a 30-day public comment period following the submission of the report and shall not select a final bid until said period is complete.

SECTION 141B. The director of campaign and political finance shall promulgate regulations pursuant to section 6 of chapter 55 of the General Laws not later than December 31, 2022.

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SECTION 142. (a) The secretary of administration and finance, the secretary of housing and economic development, 1 person appointed by the president of the senate, 1 person appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and 1 person appointed by mayor of the city of Boston shall jointly study and report on the feasibility of the sale, lease, transfer or other disposition of the land and improvements comprising the Hynes convention center, or any interest therein, to determine whether it would be in the best interest of the commonwealth to retain the Hynes convention center and shall make recommendations on attracting more business and events to the Hynes convention center. The study shall include, but not be limited to: (i) the economic effects on the property of a sale, lease, transfer or other disposition; (ii) the economic effects on the businesses of the Back Bay neighborhood of the city of Boston of a sale, lease, transfer or other disposition; (iii) the economic effects on the city of Boston of a sale, lease, transfer or other disposition; (iv) the number of jobs that might be lost as a result of a sale, lease, transfer or other disposition; (v) plans to mitigate the effects of jobs lost as a result of a sale, lease, transfer or other disposition; and (vi) the economic effects the current operation of the Hynes convention center has to the Back Bay neighborhood, the city of Boston and the commonwealth.

(b) The report shall be filed with the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate, the house and senate committees on ways and means and the joint committee on economic development and emerging technologies not later than December 31, 2023.

SECTION 143. (a) There shall be a special legislative commission on agricultural equity to develop recommendations for supporting investments, policies and practices designed to promote racial equity in agriculture in the commonwealth.

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- (b) The commission shall consist of: the commissioner of agricultural resources or a designee; the chairs of the committee on environment, natural resources and agriculture or their designees; 1 member appointed by the Massachusetts Black and Latino legislative caucus; 1 member appointed by the Massachusetts Asian legislative caucus; 2 members appointed by the Massachusetts food system legislative caucus, to be selected through an open nomination process under criteria developed by the caucus; 2 members appointed by the commissioner of agricultural resources who shall represent Buy Local organizations funded by the department; 2 members appointed by the Massachusetts Food System Collaborative; 1 member appointed by the commission on the status of African Americans; 1 member appointed by the commission on the status of Latinos and Latinas; 1 member appointed by the commission on the status of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders; 1 member appointed by the commission on Indian affairs; 1 member appointed by Massachusetts Farm Bureau Federation; 1 member appointed by the Massachusetts Federation of Farmers Markets; and 1 member appointed by the Center for Agriculture, Food and the Environment at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. The appointing authorities shall appoint members generally familiar with agriculture and who represent a diversity of knowledge of urban and rural agricultural practices and experiences. The commission shall be co-chaired by the commissioner of agricultural resources and a member of the commission chosen by the members.
- (b) The commission shall investigate and study ways to increase equity in agriculture in the commonwealth, and shall prepare a report that shall include, but not be limited to,

recommendations for: (i) data collection and dissemination; (ii) benchmark development and targeting areas of need; (iii) transparency for grantmaking to promote equitable access to grant programs and equitable distribution of funds; (iv) generating greater equity in the laws, regulations and other policies that regulate and support agriculture in the commonwealth, including, but not limited to, legislative, regulatory and sub-regulatory processes; (v) improving equity in the programs and services offered by the department of agricultural resources including, but not limited to, those programs regarding land access and protection, farmer technical assistance and education, marketing and others; (iv) the ongoing role of the commission or another representative body in supporting the implementation and monitoring of these equity goals; and (v) a plan for implementation, including a timeline.

- (c) The department of agricultural resources shall furnish reasonable staff and other support for the work of the commission. Members of the commission may receive reimbursement for the reasonable expenses incurred in carrying out their responsibilities as members of the commission under procedures established by the department.
- (d) The commission shall hold 3 or more public hearings in various regions of the commonwealth, including 1 in a rural area and 1 in an urban area with potential for increased urban agriculture. Not more than 18months after the effective date of this act, the commission shall file a report on the results of its investigation and study together with its findings and recommendations, including any drafts of legislation necessary to carry out those recommendations, with the clerks of the senate and house of representatives, the senate and house committees on ways and means and the joint committee on environment, natural resources and agriculture. The report shall be posted on the website of the department of agricultural resources.

SECTION 144. (a) For the purposes of this section, the following words shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

"Net patient service revenue", the sum of inpatient and outpatient net patient service revenue for fiscal year 2020 as published by the center for health information and analysis in April 2022 in its databook titled Massachusetts Hospital Profiles.

"Net patient service revenue adjustment", an amount equal to a hospital's net patient service revenue: (i) multiplied by 1, in the case of a tier 1 hospital; (ii) multiplied by 2 in the case of a tier 2 hospital; (iii) multiplied by 3 in the case of a tier 3 hospital; and (iv) multiplied by 4 in the case of a tier 4 hospital.

"Public payer mix", the public payer mix for fiscal year 2020 calculated using data available from the center for health information and analysis hospital cost reports.

"Statewide median relative price", the statewide median cross-payer relative price for calendar year 2019 as determined by the center for health information and analysis.

"Statewide relative price", the statewide cross-payer relative price for calendar year 2019 as published in March 2022 by the center for health information and analysis in its databook titled Relative Price and Provider Price Variation in the Massachusetts Commercial Market.

"Tier 1 hospital", an acute care hospital licensed under section 51 of chapter 111 of the General Laws that has: (i) a statewide relative price less than 145 per cent of the statewide median relative price; and (ii) a public payer mix that is greater than 50 per cent.

3967	"Tier 2 hospital", an acute care hospital licensed under said section 51 of said chapter 111
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3969	price; and (ii) a public payer mix that is greater than 60 per cent.

"Tier 3 hospital", an acute care hospital licensed under said section 51 of said chapter 111 that has: (i) a statewide relative price less than 110 per cent of the statewide median relative price; and (ii) a public payer mix that is greater than 65 per cent.

"Tier 4 hospital", an acute care hospital licensed under said section 51 of said chapter 111 that has: (i) a statewide relative price less than 90 per cent of the statewide median relative price; and (ii) a public payer mix that is greater than 70 per cent.

"Total acute hospital distribution amount", an amount equal to \$300,000,000.

"Total adjustment amount", an amount equal to the sum of all tier 1, tier 2, tier 3 and tier 4 hospitals' net patient service revenue adjustments.

- (b) The secretary of health and human services shall direct funds to acute care hospitals licensed under section 51 of chapter 111 of the General Laws according to the following formula:
- (i) A tier 1 hospital shall receive a pro rata share of the total acute hospital distribution amount, which shall be calculated by dividing the hospital's net patient service revenue adjustment by the total adjustment amount, multiplied by the total acute hospital distribution amount;
- (ii) A tier 2 hospital shall receive a pro rata share of the total acute hospital distribution amount, which shall be calculated by dividing the hospital's net patient service revenue

adjustment by the total adjustment amount, multiplied by the total acute hospital distribution amount;

- (iii) A tier 3 hospital shall receive a pro rata share of the total acute hospital distribution amount, which shall be calculated by dividing the hospital's net patient service revenue adjustment by the total adjustment amount, multiplied by the total acute hospital distribution amount; and
- (iv) A tier 4 hospital shall receive a pro rata share of the total acute hospital distribution amount, which shall be calculated by dividing the hospital's net patient service revenue adjustment by the total adjustment amount, multiplied by the total acute hospital distribution amount.
- (c) No hospital shall receive an award amount greater than \$30,000,000. A hospital that has a relative price that is equal to or greater than 145 per cent of the statewide median relative price or that has a public payer mix that is equal to or less than 50 per cent shall not be eligible to receive funds under this section.

SECTION 145. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the office of Medicaid shall review the wage payment rates established by home health agencies that provide continuous skilled nursing care, as defined in 101 CMR 350.02 and 130 CMR 403.402, for the providers of those services. The office shall provide: (i) an aggregated overview of the wage payment rates paid by home health agencies to staff or contracted nurses providing continuous skilled nursing care, including any increases in said wage rates resulting from increases in Medicaid rates paid to home health agencies for continuous skilled nursing care in state fiscal years 2020, 2021 and 2022; (ii) an aggregated breakdown of said wage rates as applied to the

acuity level of patients receiving continuous skilled nursing care; (iii) an aggregated breakdown of said wage rates as applied to the licensure level of the providers of continuous skilled nursing care; and (iv) recommendations on criteria to be included in any future reporting by home health agencies receiving an increase of continuous skilled nursing care rates provided by the office. The office shall provide this report not later than March 1, 2023 to the clerks of the senate and house of representatives, the joint committee on health care financing and the senate and house committees on ways and means. Home health agencies providing continuous skilled nursing care shall provide all information and documentation requested by the office of Medicaid to compile the required report under this section.

SECTION 146. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, in calendar year 2023, the department of housing and community development may authorize up to \$57,000,000 in credits under subsection (q) of section (6) of chapter 62 of the General Laws and section 38BB of chapter 63 of the General Laws.

SECTION 147. There shall be established a fund known as the Taxpayer Energy and Economic Relief Fund to be administered by the executive office for administration and finance. The purpose of the fund shall be to issue 1-time direct financial support to taxpayers for energy costs and increased prices due to inflation. There shall be credited to the fund all amounts that are transferred or authorized to be transferred thereto or directed to be deposited therein, and all amounts received as gifts, grants or contributions for the purposes of the fund. Amounts credited to the fund shall not be subject to appropriation and any money remaining in the fund shall not revert to the General Fund.

SECTION 148. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, in order to address rising energy costs and inflation, the executive office for administration and finance, in consultation with the department of revenue, shall administer a Taxpayer Energy and Economic Relief Rebate program to provide 1-time direct financial support to eligible taxpayers, in an amount of: (i) \$250 for a taxpayer who earns not less than \$38,000 and not more than \$100,000 and files an individual return, as: (A) single; (B) head of household; or (C) married filing separately; or (ii) \$500 for married taxpayers who file joint returns, who earn not less than \$38,000 and not more than \$150,000 combined; provided, however, that members of the general court shall not be considered eligible taxpayers. The executive office for administration and finance, in consultation with the department of revenue, shall confirm eligibility based on the adjusted gross income in each taxpayer's tax filing for taxable year 2021. For the purposes of this section, the term "eligible taxpayer" shall mean a taxpayer who filed an income tax return for the taxable year beginning on January 1, 2021 and is a resident of the commonwealth.

(b) Rebates to eligible taxpayers shall be issued not later than September 30, 2022, in the manner in which the taxpayer elected to receive their tax refund for taxable year 2021, if applicable, or by check.

SECTION 149. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2022, any amount received from the Taxpayer Energy and Economic Relief Rebate program administered by the executive office for administration and finance, in consultation with the department of revenue, to address rising energy costs and inflation shall be deducted from federal gross income for the purpose of determining Massachusetts gross income under section 2 of chapter 62 of the General Laws and

from federal gross income for purposes of determining Massachusetts gross income under section 30 of chapter 63 of the General Laws.

SECTION 149A. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Incumbent Health Care Worker CNA Certification Pilot Program shall include training provided in multiple languages, including, but not limited to, English, Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian Creole and Chinese, and shall be eligible for state appropriations and supplemental provider rates that (i) offset the cost to the employer of providing said training and (ii) are utilized for paid training opportunities. All CNA examination components shall be available to all qualified candidates in multiple languages, including, but not limited to, English, Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian Creole and Chinese.

SECTION 150. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, not more than 14 days after the effective date of this act, the secretary of administration and finance shall direct the comptroller to transfer \$510,000,000 from the General Fund or the federal COVID-19 response fund established in section 2JJJJJ of chapter 29 of the General Laws to the Taxpayer Energy and Economic Relief Fund established in section 147.

SECTION 151. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, not later than 14 days after the effective date of this act the comptroller shall transfer up to \$100,000,000 of the undesignated fund balance in the General Fund or the federal COVID-19 response fund established in section 2JJJJJ of chapter 29 of the General Laws to the Unemployment Compensation Fund established in section 48 of chapter 151A.

SECTION 152. Notwithstanding section 5G of chapter 29 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, in fiscal year 2023, the comptroller shall transfer

quarterly the amount of tax revenues the department of revenue estimates to have been collected from capital gains income that exceeds the threshold established pursuant to said section 5G of said chapter 29, as follows: (i) 80 per cent shall be transferred to the Commonwealth Stabilization Fund established in section 2H; (ii) 10 per cent shall be transferred to the State Retiree Benefits Trust Fund established in section 24 of chapter 32A; and (iii) 10 per cent shall be transferred to the Commonwealth's Pension Liability Fund established in subsection (e) of subdivision 8 of section 22 of chapter 32.

SECTION 153. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 11 of chapter 70 of the General Laws, if a district's actual expenditure for public education in fiscal years 2022, 2023 or 2024, is less than the amount required to be appropriated for public education, the difference, not more than 10 per cent shall be deposited into a reserve created by the municipality or regional school district and be available for public education, including spending deemed eligible as net school spending by the board. Funds deposited into the reserve shall be eligible for withdrawal and expenditure through fiscal year 2027. If a district underspends its budget in fiscal years 2022, 2023 or 2024 by more than 10 per cent of the amount required to be appropriated, state school aid in the following year shall be reduced by the entire difference between those amounts. The board of elementary and secondary education shall issue regulations to implement the provisions of this section.

SECTION 154. Notwithstanding section 5C of chapter 29 of the General Laws, the comptroller shall transfer an amount equal to the fiscal year 2022 consolidated net surplus to the Transitional Escrow Fund established in section 16 of chapter 76 of the acts of 2021. The transfer pursuant to this section shall be made from the positive undesignated fund balances in the budgetary funds. Before certifying the consolidated net surplus under this section, the

comptroller shall, to the extent possible, eliminate deficits in any fund contributing to the surplus by transferring positive fund balances from any other fund contributing to the surplus.

SECTION 155. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, items funded in this act, including appropriations in sections 2 and 2A and all other authorized uses, shall be supported through resources from the federal COVID-19 response fund established in section 2JJJJJ of chapter 29 of the General Laws and the General Fund; provided, however, that the secretary of administration and finance shall ensure that the coronavirus state fiscal recovery fund monies received under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, 42 U.S.C. 802, comply with applicable federal law, including statutes, regulations and sub-regulatory guidance; provided further, that the appropriations in the items funded in said sections 2 and 2A shall not be used to supplant existing appropriations. The secretary shall continue quarterly reporting consistent with the quarterly reports required in section 81 of chapter 102 of the acts of 2021 that detail the source of revenue matched to each item in this act for all expenditures made during that quarter.

SECTION 156. The salary adjustments and other economic benefits authorized by the following collective bargaining agreements shall be effective for the purposes of section 7 of chapter 150E of the General Laws:

- between the University of Massachusetts and the Massachusetts Society of Professors,
   Amherst Campus, Unit A50;
- (2) between the University of Massachusetts and the New England Police Benevolent Association (NEPBA) Local 190, Amherst Campus, Unit A07;

- 4118 (3) between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Essex North and South Registries of
  4119 Deeds and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME)
  4120 Local 653, Council 93, Administrative Unit;
- 4121 (4) between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Coalition of Public Safety,4122 Unit 5; and
- (5) between the University of Massachusetts and the MTA/NEA Classified, BostonCampus, Unit B31 & B32.

SECTION 157. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, to meet the expenditures necessary in carrying out section 3A, the state treasurer shall, upon receipt of a request by the governor, issue and sell bonds of the commonwealth in an amount to be specified by the governor from time to time but not exceeding, in the aggregate, \$1,195,980,000. All bonds issued by the commonwealth, as aforesaid, shall be designated on their face "Commonwealth Economic Development Act of 2022", and shall be issued for a maximum term of years, not exceeding 30 years, as the governor may recommend to the general court pursuant to section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution; provided, however, that all such bonds shall be payable not later than June 30, 2057. All interest and payments on account of principal on such obligations shall be payable from the General Fund. Bonds and interest thereon issued under the authority of this section shall, notwithstanding any other provision of this act, be general obligations of the commonwealth.

SECTION 158. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, to meet the expenditures necessary in carrying out section 3B, the state treasurer shall, upon receipt of a request by the governor, issue and sell bonds of the commonwealth in an amount to be specified

by the governor from time to time but not exceeding, in the aggregate, \$268,800,000. All bonds issued by the commonwealth, as aforesaid, shall be designated on their face "Commonwealth Economic Development Act of 2022", and shall be issued for a maximum term of years, not exceeding 30 years, as the governor may recommend to the general court pursuant to section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution; provided, however, that all such bonds shall be payable not later than June 30, 2057. All interest and payments on account of principal on such obligations shall be payable from the General Fund. Bonds and interest thereon issued under the authority of this section shall, notwithstanding any other provision of this act, be general obligations of the commonwealth.

SECTION 158A. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the group insurance commission shall allow for a state employer to offer to a new state employee, who is eligible for health insurance benefits and opts to receive health insurance benefits provided by the group insurance commission as of their employment start date, to receive health insurance coverage effective as of their employment start date if such start date falls on the first day of the month or as of the first day of the month following their employment start date if such start date falls on any day other than the first day of the month. The group insurance commission, in consultation with the comptroller and the executive office for administration and finance, shall promulgate regulations to enforce this section.

SECTION 159. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, to meet the expenditures necessary in carrying out section 3C, the state treasurer shall, upon receipt of a request by the governor, issue and sell bonds of the commonwealth in an amount to be specified by the governor from time to time but not exceeding, in the aggregate, \$104,000,000. All bonds issued by the commonwealth, as aforesaid, shall be designated on their face "Commonwealth"

Economic Development Act of 2022", and shall be issued for a maximum term of years, not exceeding 30 years, as the governor may recommend to the general court pursuant to section 3 of Article LXII of the Amendments to the Constitution; provided, however, that all such bonds shall be payable not later than June 30, 2057. All interest and payments on account of principal on such obligations shall be payable from the General Fund. Bonds and interest thereon issued under the authority of this section shall, notwithstanding any other provision of this act, be general obligations of the commonwealth.

SECTION 159A. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the unexpended balance of funds made available for Northstar Learning Centers, Inc. in item 7002-1120 of section 2A of chapter 228 of the acts of 2018 for the construction of an early childhood center in the city of New Bedford shall be made available until June 30, 2025.

SECTION 160. To provide for the continued availability of a bond-funded spending authorization that otherwise would expire, the balance of item 7002-0016 of section 2 of chapter 112 of the acts of 2018, as amended by section 46 of chapter 102 of the acts of 2021 and any allocations thereof shall be extended to June 30, 2025 for the purposes of and subject to the conditions stated for the item in the original authorization, and any amendments to such authorization.

SECTION 160A. (a) There shall be a special commission to examine the potential negative environmental and economic impacts caused by the discharge of spent fuel pool water, any materials created as a waste product of nuclear energy from spent fuel pools, including, but not limited to, processed water or any other liquid with elevated levels of radioactivity, including, but not limited to, tritium or boron, associated with the decommissioning of the any

nuclear power plant, into the waters of the commonwealth. Waters of the commonwealth shall include all waters under the jurisdiction of the division of marine fisheries, including bays, coastal waters, canals, rivers and streams.

- (b) The commission shall consist of: the attorney general or designee, who shall serve as co-chair; the governor or a designee; the secretary of the executive office of energy and environmental affairs or a designee, who shall serve as co-chair; the senate president or a designee; the speaker of the house or a designee; the senate minority leader or a designee; the house minority leader or a designee; the chairs of the joint committee on the environment, natural resources and agriculture or their designees; the commissioner of the department of environmental protection or a designee; the commissioner of the department of public health or a designee; the executive director of the office of travel and tourism or a designee; and the director of the division of marine fisheries or a designee.
- (c) The commission shall: (i) examine and investigate the potential environmental and economic impacts, including impacts to consumer perception of the discharge spent fuel wastewater on the fishing, aquaculture, tourism, restaurant industries and other sectors deemed appropriate by the commission; and (ii) make recommendations on measures to mitigate or avoid potential negative impacts on such industries.
- (d) The commission shall hold not less than 4 listening sessions, with not less than 1 listening session in the following counties: Dukes, Plymouth, Bristol and Barnstable; provided, however, that upon the completion of its report under this section, the commission shall provide a public presentation in said counties. Not later than November 1, 2024, the commission shall file a report on the results of its study with the clerks of the senate and the house of

representatives, the joint committee on environment, natural resources and agriculture, the joint committee on public health, the joint committee on tourism, arts and cultural development, the joint committee on economic development and emerging technologies and the senate and house committees on ways and means.

(e) There shall be no discharge of spent fuel pool water, any materials created as a waste product of nuclear energy from spent fuel pools, including, but not limited to, processed water or any other liquid with elevated levels of radioactivity, including, but not limited to, tritium or boron into the waters of the commonwealth until 90 days after the issuance of the commission's report.

SECTION 160B. The executive office of health and human services shall file a state plan amendment or waiver application, as may be required, to implement the provisions of subsections (b½) and (e) of section 31 of chapter 118E of the General Laws.

SECTION 160C. Subsections (b½) and (e) of section 31 of chapter 118E of the General Laws shall take effect upon approval of the state plan amendment or waiver application required under section 160A.

SECTION 160D. (a) Notwithstanding section 141 of chapter 47 of the acts of 2017, a member who made an election under section 90G<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of chapter 32 of the General Laws prior to the enactment of section 28 of chapter 47 of the acts of 2017, may, within 60 days of the effective date of this act, repeal such election and be credited with any years of service subsequent to such election; provided, however, that such member: (i) has maintained continuous service since making such election; and (ii) is a member continuing in service as of the effective date of this act; provided, further, that such service shall not be credited until such member has

paid into the annuity savings fund of such system, in one sum or in installments, upon such terms and conditions as the board may prescribe, makeup payments, for each year of creditable service sought, of an amount equal to the percent of the regular annual compensation of the member when said member entered the retirement system.

(b) Not later than 90 days after the effective date of this section, the state retirement board shall: (i) assess whether Internal Revenue Service letters of determination or a ruling on whether subsection (a) may be implemented without impairing the compliance of either or both the optional retirement plan and the state employees' retirement system with the Internal Revenue Code of 2022 is necessary; and (ii) request, if necessary, letters of determination or ruling from the Internal Revenue Service; provided, however, that if the state retirement board determination or ruling is necessary, subsection (a) shall not take effect unless and until the Internal Revenue Service issues a favorable ruling or determination which determines that the transfers described in this section will not result in non-compliance of either or both the optional retirement program and the state employees' retirement system with the Internal Revenue Code.

SECTION 160E. The special legislative commission established in section 112 of chapter 253 of the acts of 2020, as amended by section 21 of chapter 76 of the acts of 2021, is hereby revived and continued to September 30, 2022. The special legislative commission shall file its report pursuant to subsection (d) of said section 112 of said chapter 253 with the clerks of the senate and house of representatives not later than September 30, 2022.

SECTION 161. Sections 90, 91, 95 and 100 shall apply to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2022.

1250	SECTION 162. Sections 96 to 99, inclusive, and 104 to 106, inclusive, shall take effect as
4251	of January 1, 2023.
1252	SECTION 162A. Sections 107 and 108 shall take effect for the estates of decedents dying
4253	on or after September 1, 2022.
1254	SECTION 162B.Section 108C shall take effect on January 1, 2024.
1255	SECTION 162C. Subsection (f) of section 15 of chapter 239 of the General Laws shall
1256	take effect as of May 1, 2023.
4257	SECTION 163. Section 139 shall take effect as of April 1, 2022.
1258	SECTION 164. Section 158A shall take effect February 1, 2023.